MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee members  
From: Daniel Dickerson, Fiscal Analyst  
Date: August 10, 2016  
Subject: Grant Request #2838, #2839

Enclosed please find two (2) items that the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the administration.

**JFO #2838** – $24,000 grant from the National Park Service to the VT Dept. of Housing and Community Development. The grant funds will be used by the Department to create a geospatial map of the southern portion of Mount Independence State Historic Site. The map will contain visible historical features and be compared against other historical documents to assess the use of the southern side of the Mount in Revolutionary War engagements.  
* [JFO received 8/3/16]

**JFO #2839** - $200,000 grant from various sources (see below) to the VT Dept. of Health. The funds will be used to develop and implement a physician-based “produce prescription program” in two Vermont counties. Patients who receive supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) benefits will be given coupons by their physicians to buy fresh or frozen produce in participating local stores. The Department will evaluate the success of the program during the one-year funding period. Grantors are as follows:

1. USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture $100,000  
2. City Market Food Co-op $15,000  
3. UVM Medical Center $15,000  
4. In-Kind services (list attached to grant documents) $70,000  
   **Total** $200,000  
* [JFO received 8/3/16]

Please review the enclosed materials and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Daniel Dickerson at (802) 828-2472; ddickerson@leg.state.vt.us) if you have questions or would like an item held for legislative review. Unless we hear from you to the contrary by **August 24, 2016** we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor’s acceptance of these requests.
STATE OF VERMONT
FINANCE & MANAGEMENT GRANT REVIEW FORM

Grant Summary: To create a geospatial map of the southern part of Mt. Independence to be used to assess Revolutionary War engagements to allow long-term stewardship of the sites.

Date: 7/27/2016

Department: Housing and Community Development 7110010000

Legal Title of Grant: Geospatial Mapping of the Landward Section of Mount Independence

Federal Catalog #: CFDA #15.926

Grant/Donor Name and Address: National Park Service, American Battlefield Protection Program, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington DC 20240

Grant Period: From: 8/1/2016 To: 8/1/2018

Grant/Donation $24,000

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Additional Comments:

Department of Finance & Management (Initial)
Secretary of Administration (Initial)

Sent To Joint Fiscal Office Date: 8/1/16
STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)

BASIC GRANT INFORMATION

1. Agency: ACCD
2. Department: Housing and Community Development
3. Program: Division For Historic Preservation
4. Legal Title of Grant: Geospatial Mapping of the Landward Section of Mount Independence
5. Federal Catalog #: 15.926

6. Grant/Donor Name and Address:
   National Park Service; American Battlefield Protection Program; 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240

7. Grant Period: From: 8/1/2016 To: 8/1/2018

8. Purpose of Grant:
   The project seeks to create a comprehensive geospatial map of the southern (landward) portion of Mount Independence. It will build on work completed under previous grants from the South Lake Champlain Fund that facilitated initial identification and GPS point collection of visible features across the Mount. We propose to hire a consultant to use this initial data set to map all landward features with a total station and render these data in real space using Geographic Information Systems software. Once imputed, we propose to compare the data to historic maps and archives to assess their use in the engagements that occurred along that portion of the Mount during the Revolutionary War. This project focuses on a section of the battlefield that has not has received much scholarly attention, and will allow the State to provide long-term stewardship of these important resources.

9. Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted:
   This project is to continue the efforts of the archaeological walkovers that have been happening over the past decade. Should this grant not be accepted, this project will not go forward and the data collected from the walkovers will not be analyzed or available for research.

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### PERSONAL SERVICE INFORMATION

11. Will monies from this grant be used to fund one or more Personal Service Contracts?  
   - Yes [x]  
   - No  
   
   If “Yes”, appointing authority must initial here to indicate intent to follow current competitive bidding process/policy.

   Appointing Authority Name: Josh Hanford  
   Agreed by:  
   (initial)

12. Limited Service  
   Position Information:  
   # Positions  
   Title  
   
   Total Positions

12a. Equipment and space for these positions:  
   - [x] Is presently available.  
   - [ ] Can be obtained with available funds.

### AUTHORIZATION AGENCY/DEPARTMENT

I/we certify that no funds beyond basic application preparation and filing costs have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant, unless previous notification was made on Form AA-1PN (if applicable):

   Signature:  
   Date:  7/3/16  
   Title:  

### SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION

   (Secretary or designee signature)  
   Date:  07/28/16

### ACTION BY GOVERNOR

   Check One Box:  
   - [x] Accepted  
   - [ ] Rejected  
   (Governor’s signature)  
   Date:  7/3/16

### DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

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(*) The term “grant” refers to any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money or thing of value to be accepted by any agency, department, commission, board, or other part of state government (see 32 V.S.A. §5).
MEMORANDUM

TO: 	SECRETARY JUSTIN JOHNSON, AGENCY OF ADMINISTRATION
FROM: 	LAURA V. TRIESCHMANN, STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER
SUBJECT: 	REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ACCEPT NATIONAL PARK SERVICE GRANT
DATE: 	JULY 7, 2016
CC: 	JESS ROBINSON, STATE ARCHAEOLOGIST, ACCD
     TRACY MARTIN, HISTORIC SITES CHIEF, ACCD
     JESSE BLONDIN, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR, ACCD
     JOSH HANFORD, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
     DEVELOPMENT, ACCD

The Vermont Division for Historic Preservation (VDHP) respectfully requests approval to accept a grant from the National Park Service’s American Battlefield Protection Program. The funds will be used for the “Geospatial Mapping of the Landward Section of Mount Independence,” one of VDHP’s State-owned Historic Sites.

This project seeks to create a comprehensive geospatial map of the southern (landward) portion of Mount Independence. It will build on work completed under previous grants from the South Lake Champlain Fund that facilitated initial identification and GPS point collection of visible features across the Mount. We propose to hire a consultant to use this initial data set to map all landward features with a total station and render these data in real space using Geographic Information Systems software. Once imputed, we propose to compare the data to historic maps and archives to assess their use in the engagements that occurred along that portion of the Mount during the Revolutionary War. This project focuses on a section of the battlefield that has not has received much scholarly attention, and will allow the State to provide long-term stewardship of these important resources.

Mount Independence represents one of the largest defenses built by the Americans during the Revolutionary War, and was a critical site in the naval defense of Lake Champlain and points south. In the fall of 1776, the military complex represented one of the largest communities in North America, rivaling the population of Boston. Today, it contains remnants of the occupations and defensive fortifications of American, British, and German soldiers. Its current status as a State-owned Historic Site assures careful stewardship of the property, yet identification and accurate mapping of the resources are essential to the site’s long-term preservation and interpretation. Mount Independence is a recognized National Historic Landmark.

Mount Independence is protected from development because it is a State-owned Historic Site, and the setting, feeling and association of the battlefield remain largely intact. Yet, a comprehensive inventory of visible features related to the Revolutionary War has never been completed for the southern portion of the Mount. Moreover, within the past decade, a rapid increase in energy generation and telecommunication projects on both sides of Lake Champlain suggests that similar projects may in the future adversely affect the integrity of the battlefield. Additionally, storms and icing combined with winter frost heaving and the sloping topography and shallow soils across much of the Mount have resulted in significant tree falls and related ground disturbance in recent years. This has caused the displacement of some archaeological features. Finally, despite a dedicated staff, looters often take advantage of the large site area and wooded topography to metal detect and dig, particularly in areas that are not clearly marked and delineated.

VDHP is grateful to the National Park Service and the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) for this assistance, guidance, and support.

Thank you very much for considering this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 802-828-3222 or laura.trieschmann@vermont.gov should you need additional information.
IN REPLY REFER TO:

JUN 21 2016

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Dr. Francis Robinson
State Archaeologist
Vermont Department of Housing & Community Affairs
One National Life Drive
Davis Building, Floor 6
Montpelier, VT 05620

Dear Dr. Robinson,

We are pleased to inform you that your American Battlefield Protection Program grant proposal entitled Geospatial Mapping of the Landward Section of Mount Independence (GA-2287-16-020) has been selected for $24,000 in funding in fiscal year 2016. Your grant was selected this year from a very competitive field of applications. We encourage you to use the enclosed press release to announce this selection, and your grant project, to the local media.

You will be receiving your draft Grant Agreement under separate cover soon. It will contain the terms and conditions of the grant, as well as a proposed scope of work for your consideration. When all items are satisfactory, you will be asked to sign and return both copies of the agreement, along with the accompanying forms. National Park Service officials will then counter sign the agreements and return one to you for your files; only then will our project formally begin. This notification letter was sent to you because your signature appears on the Standard Form 424, Application for Federal Assistance, as the organization’s authorized representative. Please forward this letter and future grant materials to the Point of Contact (POC) for the grant. The POC is also required to attend a full day training session in our Washington, DC office. Information regarding travel arrangements has also been enclosed with this letter.

I congratulate you on your selection. If you have any questions about your 2016 grant award, please contact Kristen McMasters, the American Battlefield Protection Program grants manager, at (202) 354-2037. We look forward to working with you on this important project.

Sincerely,

Paul Hawke
Chief, American Battlefield Protection Program

Enclosures: Press Release, Training Information and Guidelines