

STATE OF VERMONT JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

To: James Reardon, Commissioner of Finance & Management

From: Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst

Date: December 28, 2010

Subject: JFO #2473, #2474, #2475, #2476

No Joint Fiscal Committee member has requested that the following items be held for review:

JFO #2473 — \$10,000 grant from the State of Connecticut Department of Agriculture to the Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets. This grant will support a New England regional study to determine if there is a viable option for connecting local growers and producers to institutional markets. [*JFO received 11/17/10*]

JFO #2474 — \$500,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to the Vermont Department of Education. This grant will support extended education programs for at-risk school aged children outside of routine school hours. [JFO received 11/17/10]

JFO #2475 — \$150,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to the Vermont Department of Public Safety. This grant will be used to upgrade Vermont's statewide sex offender registry. [JFO received 11/17/10]

JFO #2476 — \$400,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce to the Vermont Department of Economic, Housing and Community Development. This funding will assist Vermont businesses in accessing and developing export sales by supporting international trade shows, international export training, international market development, and client resources. [JFO received 11/17/10]

The Governor's approval may now be considered final. We ask that you inform the Secretary of Administration and your staff of this action.

cc: Roger Allbee, Secretary Armando Vilaseca, Commissioner Thomas Tremblay, Commissioner Tayt Brooks, Commissioner



STATE OF VERMONT JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee Members

From: Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst

Date: November 19, 2010

Subject: Grant Request

Enclosed please find six (6) request that the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the administration.

JFO #2471 — \$65,474 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the Department of Public Safety. This grant will support hazard mitigation projects in Marlboro. Expedited review of this item has been requested. Joint Fiscal Committee members will be contacted by December 3 with a request to waive the statutory review period and accept this item. [JFO received 11/9/10]

JFO #2472 — \$65,474 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the Department of Public Safety. This grant will support hazard mitigation projects in Fairfield, Windsor, S. Windsor and Ottauquechee region. Expedited review of this item has been requested. Joint Fiscal Committee members will be contacted by December 3 with a request to waive the statutory review period and accept this item.

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cc: James Reardon, Commissioner Thomas Tremblay, Commissioner Roger Allbee, Secretary Armando Vilaseca, Commissioner Tayt Brooks, Commissioner



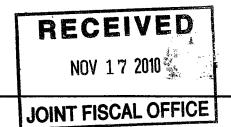
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State of Vermont Department of Finance & Management 109 State Street, Pavilion Building Montpelier, VT 05620-0401

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STATE OF VERMONT FINANCE & MANAGEMENT GRANT REVIEW FORM

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Office of the Commissioner



June 16, 2010

- TO: Roger Allbee, Secretary of Agriculture Vermont Agency of Agriculture 116 State Street Montpelier, VT 05489
- FR: F. Philip Prelli, Commissioner Connecticut Department of Agriculture 165 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106

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RE: New England Dairy Beef/ Farm to Institution Market Research Project

This memo is to confirm that the Connecticut Department of Agriculture has committed \$10,000.00 to the New England Dairy Beef/ Farm to Institution Market Research Project. The funds will be used for a regional study that will provide the research to determine if there is available option connecting local growers and producers to institutional markets. Using our combined resources and our capable Farm to Institution network in New England, we look forward to the results of this study to see if we can create institutional demand for local beef, despite of the challenges of price, volume and critical mass of product in one location.

Our agency understands that the monies committed will be used for the objective and scope of work set forth by the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, which includes the process and hiring of a qualified individual or organization to work with the Agency, New England State Departments of Agriculture, Northeast Farm to School Network and New England Dairy Promotion Council to determine the demand and infrastructure needed to support an institutional market for New England ground dairy beef. Their tasks will include the:

- 1. Review of completed research, secondary literature and data: Review existing research, identify related literature and data.
- Conduct statistically valid research: Contractor will survey institutional buyers around the region to determine the market segmentation, volume, actual product i.e. frozen bulk, patties, precooked and/or hormone free, price point and preferred distribution of a dairy beef product.
- 3. Conduct focus groups: Focus groups will be held in each New England state to determine the end users/eater's preference for a New England ground beef and on site marketing needs for such a product.
- 4. Determine the value chain: Research capacity, logistics and infrastructure needs to process, produce and distribute a New England ground beef product.
- 5. Develop final report: Submit and present final report to include overall market research, business model, infrastructure needs, and financial projections.

Our agency understands the Vermont Agency of Agriculture will supervise the efforts of the selected person(s) and keep our agency abreast of the progress of the project. It is our understanding that the Connecticut Department of Agriculture will have a minimal amount of work to perform, mostly in the form of supplying connections to the Connecticut producers and other similar contact information.

165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106 Phone: 860-713-2503 Fax: 860-713-2516 An Equal Opportunity Employer To: Governor Douglas

From: Chelsea Bardot Lewis

Re: Connecticut contribution to regional Beef-to-Institution initiative

As a key partner in the regional farm-to-institution partnership, the Connecticut Department of Agriculture has contributed \$10,000 towards research on the institutional market demand for regionally produced beef.

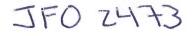
The departments of agriculture in the six New England states have a strong history of collaboration in many areas, including farm-to-institution, meat processing, and dairy. The six commissioners have been meeting periodically (and will meet in Boston on Thursday, Nov. 18) to discuss progress in these key areas, and the beef-to-institution research is a key component of this collaboration.

Along with the financial contribution, staff at the CT DOA will provide information on institutional leaders in the local foods movement in Connecticut and elsewhere in Southern New England.

Projected outcomes within the first year include a 1% increase in institutional sales of regionallyproduced beef, 1 additional distributor carrying regionally-produced beef, and 2 additional institutions stocking regionally-produced beef regularly. .

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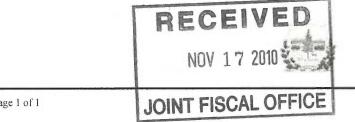
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Notice of Award Request for Extension (if applicable)
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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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- TO: Roger Allbee, Secretary of Agriculture Vermont Agency of Agriculture 116 State Street Montpelier, VT 05489
- FR: F. Philip Prelli, Commissioner Connecticut Department of Agriculture 165 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106

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RE: New England Dairy Beef/ Farm to Institution Market Research Project

This memo is to confirm that the Connecticut Department of Agriculture has committed \$10,000.00 to the New England Dairy Beef/ Farm to Institution Market Research Project. The funds will be used for a regional study that will provide the research to determine if there is avaible option connecting local growers and producers to institutional markets. Using our combined resources and our capable Farm to Institution network in New England, we look forward to the results of this study to see if we can create institutional demand for local beef, despite of the challenges of price, volume and critical mass of product in one location.

Our agency understands that the monies committed will be used for the objective and scope of work set forth by the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, which includes the process and hiring of a qualified individual or organization to work with the Agency, New England State Departments of Agriculture, Northeast Farm to School Network and New England Dairy Promotion Council to determine the demand and infrastructure needed to support an institutional market for New England ground dairy beef. Their tasks will include the:

- 1. Review of completed research, secondary literature and data: Review existing research, identify related literature and data.
- Conduct statistically valid research: Contractor will survey institutional buyers around the region to determine the market segmentation, volume, actual product i.e. frozen bulk, patties, precooked and/or hormone free, price point and preferred distribution of a dairy beef product.
- **3.** Conduct focus groups: Focus groups will be held in each New England state to determine the end users/eater's preference for a New England ground beef and on site marketing needs for such a product.
- 4. Determine the value chain: Research capacity, logistics and infrastructure needs to process, produce and distribute a New England ground beef product.
- 5. Develop final report: Submit and present final report to include overall market research, business model, infrastructure needs, and financial projections.

Our agency understands the Vermont Agency of Agriculture will supervise the efforts of the selected person(s) and keep our agency abreast of the progress of the project. It is our understanding that the Connecticut Department of Agriculture will have a minimal amount of work to perform, mostly in the form of supplying connections to the Connecticut producers and other similar contact information.

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From: Chelsea Bardot Lewis

Re: Connecticut contribution to regional Beef-to-Institution initiative

As a key partner in the regional farm-to-institution partnership, the Connecticut Department of Agriculture has contributed \$10,000 towards research on the institutional market demand for regionally produced beef.

The departments of agriculture in the six New England states have a strong history of collaboration in many areas, including farm-to-institution, meat processing, and dairy. The six commissioners have been meeting periodically (and will meet in Boston on Thursday, Nov. 18) to discuss progress in these key areas, and the beef-to-institution research is a key component of this collaboration.

Along with the financial contribution, staff at the CT DOA will provide information on institutional leaders in the local foods movement in Connecticut and elsewhere in Southern New England.

Projected outcomes within the first year include a 1% increase in institutional sales of regionallyproduced beef, 1 additional distributor carrying regionally-produced beef, and 2 additional institutions stocking regionally-produced beef regularly.