



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Victoria F. Sheehan  
Commissioner

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Assistant Commissioner

March 16, 2021  
Bureau of Aeronautics

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

1. Authorize the Department of Transportation to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$28,900.00 awarded under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and administered via the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), to cover 10% of the FAA, Airport Improvement Program (AIP) project at the Mt. Washington Regional Airport, operated by the Town of Whitefield, NH, effective upon Governor approval through June 30, 2021. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted in account 04-096-096-964010-2021, Department of Transportation, Federal Local Projects as follows:

	<b>Current Budget FY2021</b>	<b>Requested Change</b>	<b>Revised Budget FY2021</b>
<b>04-096-096-964010-2021</b>			
<b>Federal Local Projects</b>			
<b>Expenses:</b>			
018 500106 Overtime	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
060 500601 Benefits	\$1,958	\$0	\$1,958
072 509073 Grants Federal	\$16,261,921	\$28,900	\$16,290,821
Total	\$16,273,879	\$28,900	\$16,302,779
<b>Source of Funds</b>			
<b>Revenue:</b>			
000 404218 Federal Funds	\$16,273,879	\$28,900	\$16,302,779
Total	\$16,273,879	\$28,900	\$16,302,779

2. Authorize the Department of Transportation to award a grant to the Town of Whitefield (Vendor Code 177499), SBG-17-10-2020 to remove (4) and replace (1) obstruction lights, install supplemental lighted windcone and make improvements to the airport electrical vault at the Mt. Washington Regional Airport, Whitefield NH. Federal participation in the amount of \$289,000.00 is effective upon Governor approval through July 16, 2024. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available as follows:	<u>FY 2021</u>
04-96-96-960030-7537 FAA Projects 034-500160 Major Equipment	\$260,100.00
04-96-96-964010-2021 FAA CARES Act Funding 072-509073 Grants Federal	<u>\$ 28,900.00</u>
Total	\$289,000.00

A portion of the funds, 90% of the cost for this airport development project was budgeted in the Capital Budget, HB 25 2015, 220:1 XVI-A1. The remaining 10% share needed to cover the State and Local match for this project is being covered by the funds from the CARES Act, therefore, this request is being processed as one item for approval.

#### EXPLANATION

Two FAA State Block Grants were awarded, from which \$260,100.00 (or 90% of the project cost) and \$28,900.00 (or 10% of the project cost from the Federal CARES Act) are proposed for this airport development project (SBG-17-10-2020 copy attached) to remove (4) and replace (1) obstruction lights, install supplemental lighted windcone and make improvements to the airport electrical vault at the Mt. Washington Regional Airport, Whitefield, NH. Funds are allocated for this project from the following FAA State Block grants:

<u>FAA Grant Number</u>	<u>FAA Grant Amount</u>
3-33-SBGP-30-2019	\$2,105,194.00
3-33-SBGP-31-2020	\$2,333,292.00

This project is funded by 100% Federal Funds.

This project will provide appropriate obstruction lighting to mark various obstructions to the airport Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 77 Imaginary Surfaces on and off airport property. The lighting of these obstructions in the vicinity of the airport will provide an added level of safety for airport users. The project will include the following:

- Removal of three L-810 Obstruction Lights
- Removal and replacement of one tower-mounted L-864 obstruction light
- Removal of one L-864 Obstruction Light and associated tower
- Installation of new cables and electrical infrastructure
- Modification to the airport electrical vault
- Installation of a lighted supplemental windcone.

The project was placed out to bid and one bid was received. KOBO Utility Construction Corp. submitted the sole and lowest qualified bid (bid tabulation attached).

The project breakdown is as follows:


Sponsor Administration	\$ 3,136.00
Engineering Fees (GALE)	\$ 64,400.00
Project Inspection fees (GALE)	\$ 35,500.00
Construction (KOBO Utility Construction Corp.)	\$ 185,964.00
Total Project Cost	\$ 289,000.00

The Department of Transportation accepts the Federal Funds for this project as a pass through to the Town of Whitefield in accordance with RSA 422:15.

In accordance with the FAA Grant Assurances C - Sponsor Certifications, Responsibility and Authority of the Sponsor, the grant funds must be immediately available for the project to execute the grant offer; therefore, all funding for this project is encumbered in the first fiscal year.

Source of Funds: 100% Federal Funds from the Federal Aviation Administration.

Sincerely,



Victoria F. Sheehan  
Commissioner

I hereby approve this request pursuant to RSA 4:45, RSA 21-P:43, and Section 4 of Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, 2021-02, 2021-04, 2021-05, 2021-06 and 2021-08 suspend the Manual of Procedures 150, V., 5., requirement.

5.10.21

Date



Name: Governor Christopher T. Sununu

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Attachments