

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY

## GRANTS & COMMUNITY RECREATION

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AMANDA E, BEAL COMMISSIONER

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Barry Tibbetts Town Manager Town of Windham 8 School Road Windham, ME 04062

**RE: LWCF Grant Application** 

Dear Barry,

Congratulations, I am happy to inform you that your application for LWCF assistance for the East Windham Conservation Acquisition and Development project has been approved at the state level for funding at the requested \$500,000.00 level. Your grant award won't be official however until I have submitted your application to the National Parks Service (NPS) for their review, approval, and ultimate project award.

Normally the next opportunity to submit state approved projects to NPS would be this December. The NPS however is reviewing their application cycles in an effort to improve on their process. It is my hope that they will open a grant cycle sometime this winter for a project start date in early summer, but so far, they are not hinting at what to expect. I will keep you posted on this critical next step as I learn more.

While this notification is cause for celebration, you are advised not to begin any project related work until you have received a fully executed project agreement. Any expenses incurred or match value accumulated before the project agreement is in place will not be eligible for either.

Prior to the project start, I will schedule a meeting with your project managers to discuss the LWCF fiscal procedures and program guidance. I look forward to working with your team on the successful management and completion of this LWCF grant assisted project.

Again, congratulations on your successful grant application and please reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mathew B. Henion

**Outdoor Recreation Grants Specialist** 

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