



**STATE OF MAINE
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AWARD NOTIFICATION LETTER

April 23, 2021

Sara Mills-Knapp
Greater Portland Council of Governments
970 Baxter Blvd.
Portland, Maine 04103

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
RFP #202102011, Community Resilience Pilot Project

Dear Sara:

This letter is in regard to the subject Request for Proposals (RFP), issued by the State of Maine Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future for Community Resilience Pilot Project. The Department has evaluated the proposals received using the evaluation criteria identified in the RFP, and the Department is hereby announcing its conditional contract awards to the following bidders:

- University of Southern Maine
- Greater Portland Council of Governments
- Northern Maine Development Commission

The bidders listed above received the evaluation team's highest rankings. The Department will be contacting the aforementioned bidders soon to negotiate a contract. As provided in the RFP, the Notice of Conditional Contract Award is subject to execution of a written contract and, as a result, this Notice does NOT constitute the formation of a contract between the Department and the apparent successful vendor. The vendor shall not acquire any legal or equitable rights relative to the contract services until a contract containing terms and conditions acceptable to the Department is executed. The Department further reserves the right to cancel this Notice of Conditional Contract Award at any time prior to the execution of a written contract.

As stated in the RFP, following announcement of this award decision, all submissions in response to the RFP are considered public records available for public inspection pursuant to the State of Maine Freedom of Access Act (FOAA). 1 M.R.S. §§ 401 et seq.; 5 M.R.S. § 1825-B (6).

This award decision is conditioned upon final approval by the State Procurement Review Committee and the successful negotiation of a contract. A Statement of Appeal Rights has been provided with this letter; see below.

Thank you for your interest in doing business with the State of Maine.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H P.' followed by a horizontal line.

Hannah Pingree
Director, Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future

STATEMENT OF APPEAL RIGHTS

Any person aggrieved by an award decision may request an appeal hearing. The request must be made to the Director of the Bureau of General Services, in writing, within 15 days of notification of the contract award as provided in 5 M.R.S. § 1825-E (2) and the Rules of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services, Division of Purchases, Chapter 120, § (2) (2).