



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU**  
Governor

May 28, 2020

Sarah Stewart  
Commissioner  
101 Pleasant Street  
Concord, N.H. 03302

Dear Commissioner Stewart,

Pursuant to my authority under Executive Order 2020-04, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08 and 2020-09, and Emergency Order #37 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to out of state travel :

1. Authorized travel of Forest Rangers and any certified wildland firefighters to respond Nationwide Fire incidences or hazard incidences, with the current cost allocation being 100% Federal Funds.

The Department of Administrative Services is authorized to take the actions necessary to effectuate this authorization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher T. Sununu".

Christopher T. Sununu  
Governor

CC Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services





STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
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**OUT OF STATE TRAVEL WAIVER**

Date: May 21, 2020  
 His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
 State House  
 Concord, NH 03301

Dear Governor Christopher T. Sununu:

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Approval is requested for a waiver of Emergency Order 2020-37 in order for the following Employee('s) to travel out of state on

<b>Agency:</b>	Natural & Cultural Resrcs Dept		
<b>Date of Travel (MM/DD/YY):</b>	May 21, 2020 - December 31, 2020		
<b>Destination:</b>	Nationwide Fire incidences or hazard incidences		
<b>Employee(s) Name and Title</b>	Forest rangers and any certified wildland firefighters		
<b>Appropriation:</b>	Agency	035	Natural & Cultural Resrcs Dept
	Department	035	Natural & Cultural Resrcs Dept
	Bureau	3510	Forests And Lands
	Accounting Unit (XXXX)	3514	Forest Protection Pers Trainin
	Class ('XXX)	068	
	Expense Account (500XXX):	500561	
<b>Total Cost of Travel:</b>	\$	200,000	
<b>Pre-Paid Expenses (Portion Paid to Date):</b>	\$	-	Refundable
<b>Remaining Portion to be Paid</b>	\$	200,000	

	% of Funding (ex:	Cost
000 FEDERAL FUNDS	100%	-
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<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	-

EXPLANATION

**1.) Is the travel required by law, court order or some other mandate? If yes, explain.**

The Forest Protection Bureau sends resources on assignments out of state for wildfire and all-hazard emergencies. Every year the Forest Protection Bureau supports the national need for wildland firefighters through the Master Agreement (Stafford This Act) with the USFS. This agreement supports resource movement from NH to other areas of the country as well as into NH during emergencies here.

**2. If more than one person is included in this request, explain the need or requirement for the additional person(s) traveling in addition to the one.**

Throughout the year there are multiple assignments in which we send resources. Some assignments are for single resources (1 person with a special function) while other assignments are for multiple people or equipment (such as a 20 person hand crew).

**3. Are there any other individuals included in this travel who are not general funded? If yes, list the names, titles and**

All funds are reimbursed per the Master Agreement with the USFS.

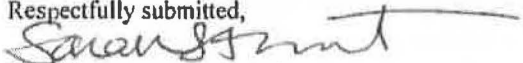
**4. How does the acceptance or denial of this request affect services provided?**

Acceptance of the request will allow us to continue our support of the national emergency system put in place for handling large scale disasters. A denial of this request will mean that NH does not assist other areas of the country during emergencies.

**5. If the travel is to attend an annual meeting, training or conference, for how many years has someone attended this annual**

This is not for any of the items listed above, but NH has been sharing emergency resources since the late 1970's

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah L. Stewart, Commissioner