APPENDIX C – Sample Project Agreement (PA)

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION BUREAU OF PARKS AND LANDS LAND & WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROJECT AGREEMENT

Political Subdivision: Town of				
Project Title:				
Project Period:		Project N	umber: 23-00	
Project Scope:				
Project Costs: Total \$ 0.00	Federal: \$	0.00	Local: \$	0.00

THIS AGREEMENT is hereby made between the STATE OF MAINE, by and through the BUREAU OF PARKS & LANDS, hereinafter called the State, and the **Town of**, hereinafter called the Recipient.

WITNESS:

WHEREAS, the United States of America, represented by the Director, National Park Service, United States Department of the Interior, and the State of Maine have entered into an agreement (which, with its attachments and all regulations and provisions incorporated therein, is hereinafter referred to as the Project Agreement) pursuant to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, 78 Stat. 897 (1964) providing for the acquisition and/or construction of the above described project (hereinafter referred to as the Project), for the benefit of the Recipient, and,

WHEREAS, the Project Agreement between the United States of America and the State imposes responsibilities upon the State which the State has assured the United States of America will apply to the Recipient and which the Recipient agrees to perform;

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable considerations, the State and the Recipient agree as follows:

- 1. The Project Agreement is hereby attached and made a part of the Agreement, and the Recipient hereby agrees to discharge, perform, and fully satisfy all provisions of the Project Agreement directly or indirectly applicable to the Recipient, and the Recipient further agrees that it shall not, through any act or omission, violate any provision of the Project Agreement.
- 2. In connection with all phases of the Project, including all work to be performed in the development thereof, the Recipient agrees as follows:
 - A. The Recipient shall comply with the provisions of the Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies act of 1970 (P.L. 910646 84 Stat. 1894) including amendments thereto and regulations thereunder, as provided in 1 M.R.S.A 901 et seq.
 - B. The Recipient agrees to execute and complete the Project in strict accordance with the above referenced Project Scope and the other terms and conditions hereof. Subsequent to this Agreement, any change in the use or any substantial change in the design or arrangement of the Project must have the prior written approval of the State and the National Park Service of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

- C. The Recipient shall not advertise any work on the Project for bidding, enter into any contract for work to be performed, or undertake any work on the Project unless and until the Recipient shall have submitted reasonably detailed plans and specifications for the Project to the State for approval and shall have received written approval of the State.
- D. All contracts for work on the Project shall be awarded through competitive bidding and shall be subject to prior approval of the state.
- E. The Recipient shall establish a separate account for all funds received and expended in connection with the Project and shall preserve (and permit inspection of) such financial records until an audit is made by the United States Government, but in no case for less than three (3) years following the completion of the Project.
- F. The eligibility for reimbursement by the State of any cost incurred or proposed to be incurred in connection with the Project shall be determined by the State Liaison Officer in accordance with the criteria set forth in the National Park Service Manual and any replacements or amendments thereto.
- G. The Recipient agrees to repay any funds received for costs determined to be non-allowable by a post audit of the Project account.
- 3. The Recipient agrees that it shall, at its sole cost and expense, retain title to and management over all land acquired and improvements thereon developed in connection with the Project (such land and improvements hereinafter referred to as the Facilities) and operate the Facilities in a first-class manner for the use of the general public for the lifetime of the Facilities. Without limitation of the foregoing, the Recipient shall, at its sole cost and expense, comply with the following particular requirements:
 - A. The Recipient shall own and operate the Facilities and shall not sell, assign, transfer, lease, encumber or create or suffer any lien upon, the Facilities or any part thereof. The Facilities shall at all times be used exclusively for public outdoor recreation in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, unless prior written approval of any change of use is obtained from the State and the National Park Service. The Facilities shall be kept open to the public at reasonable hours and times of the year consistent with the types of recreational opportunities offered therein, and shall be open to use and entry by all members of the public, regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, sex or place of residence, who are eligible according to reasonable rules and regulations for the use of the facilities adopted by the Recipient in accordance with the Project Agreement.
 - B. The Facilities shall be operated and maintained to present an attractive and inviting appearance to the public to the satisfaction of the State Liaison Officer. The Recipient shall provide and maintain adequate sanitation and sanitary facilities and all the Facilities shall be maintained and operated in accordance with the applicable Federal, State and Local laws, ordinances, codes, rules, regulations, and standards. The Recipient shall keep the facilities safe for public use in good, operable condition and repair.
- 4. Upon request of the State, the Recipient shall, at its own cost and expense, keep any building, improvements or equipment, as designated by the State, forming part of the Facilities, insured against loss or damage by fire, lightning, vandalism, malicious mischief, theft, and such other risks as may be included in the broadest form of extended coverage available in an amount determined from time to time by the State to the full insurable value thereof.
- 5. Upon request of the State, the Recipient shall, at its own cost and expense, provide and keep in force comprehensive general public liability insurance against claims for personal injury, death or property damage occurring on, in or about the Facilities, or respecting the use of any vehicle or equipment used by

the Recipient in connection with the Project or the Facilities, such insurance to be in form and amount determined from time to time by the State.

- 6. All insurance provided by the Recipient pursuant to this Agreement shall be carried by responsible companies satisfactory to the State. Certificates evidencing such policies shall be furnished to the State and shall require thirty (30) days prior written notice to the State of any cancellation or modification thereof.
- 7. The Recipient understands and agrees that be executing this Agreement and receiving the benefits hereof, it is irrevocably binding itself to operate, maintain, and care for the Facilities, all at its sole cost and expense, and in accordance with the Provisions of this Agreement. If the Recipient fails to fulfill any of its obligation hereunder, including without limitation of those relating to the operation, insurance, maintenance, and repair of the Facilities, the State may, at its election, in addition to other rights it may have hereunder or at law or in equity, operate and insure the Facilities, provide such maintenance and repairs and/or otherwise perform the obligations of the Recipient for and on account of the Recipient, in which event any amounts so expended by the State shall become an amount due and payable by the Recipient to the State and the Recipient shall promptly reimburse the State for all such amounts. If the Recipient fails to make such payment promptly upon request, the State may withhold all or any part of any other monies which may be payable to the Recipient under other State programs, by invoking the provisions of 5 M.R.S.A. #113 or otherwise.
- 8. The Recipient shall post in a prominent place on the Facilities, and shall maintain in good condition, a sign, approved by the State, giving public acknowledgment of assistance from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.
- 9. The Project and the Facilities, and all records pertaining thereto, shall at all reasonable times be open and available for inspection by the State, its agents and designees.
- 10. The Recipient shall indemnify, defend, and save the State harmless from and against any and all claims, expenses, damages, injuries, liabilities and costs (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs) arising out of or in any way in connection with the construction, operation, use, or maintenance of the Project and the Facilities or any accident or occurrences therein or thereon.
- 11. The provisions of 5 M.R.S.A #784(2), regarding nondiscrimination in employment, are hereby incorporated into this Agreement by reference as if the same were set out in full herein.

12. The following terms and conditions are made a part of this Agreement:

- a. The conversion restrictions of Sec. 6.f. of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act apply to that area shown on the attached Project Area Map. Specifically, the LWCF Act states in Section 6(f)(3), as amended, "no property acquired or developed with assistance under this section, shall, without the approval of the Secretary (of the Interior), be converted to other than public outdoor recreation uses."
- b. The project site shall be adequately signed to indicate that it is a public recreation facility.
- c. The State will turn over to the **Town of** all funds granted hereunder upon submission of approved reimbursement request(s).
- d. The **Town of** will post and maintain on site all signs required under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act, including but not limited to, acknowledgement of LWCF assistance and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.
- e. The **Town of** will submit Project Inspection Reports every five (5) years commencing five (5) years from the date of project close-out (final project reimbursement).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have, by their duly authorized agents, executed this Agreement as of the date entered below.

Date:		STATE OF MAINE		
	Ву:			
	Title: _	State Liaison Officer		
		RECIPIENT		
	Sponsor: _	Town of		
	Ву:			
	Title:	Typed/Printed Name		

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROJECT AGREEMENT

State: Maine			ject Number: 3-
Project Title:			
Period:		Pro	oject Stage Covered by this Agreement:
Scope (Description of)	Project):		
Project Cost:			The following are hereby incorporated into this
Total Cost	\$	0.00	agreement: 1. General Provisions 2. LWCF Grants Manual (NPS-34)
(Fund amt. not to exceed attachments	1 50% of tot	al)	3. Project Application and
Fund (LWCF) Amount	\$	0.00	4. OMB Circular A-102 5. Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations
Cost of this Stage	\$	0.00	6

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The United States of America, represented by the Director, National Park Service, United States Department of the Interior, and the State named above (hereinafter referred to as the State), mutually agree to perform this agreement in accordance with the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, 78 Stat. 897 (1964), the provisions and conditions of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grants Manual, and with the terms, promises, conditions, plans, specifications, estimates, procedures, project proposals, maps, assurances, and certifications attached hereto or retained by the State and hereby made a part hereof.

The United States hereby promises, in consideration of the promises made by the State herein, to obligate to the State the amount of money referred to above, and to tender to the State that portion of the obligation which is required to pay the United States' share of the costs of the above project stage, based upon the above percentage of assistance. The State hereby promises, in consideration of the promises made by the United States herein, to execute the project described above in accordance with the terms of this agreement.

The following special project terms and conditions were added to this agreement before it was signed by the parties hereto:

1. All federal, state and/or local permits will be required prior to renovation/construction.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the date entered below.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		STATE
Ву	<u>-</u>	Maine
(Signature)		
	By	
National Park Service United States Department of the Interior		(Signature)
		(Name)
Date		Alt. State Liaison Officer
		(Title)
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LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROJECT AGREEMENT GENERAL PROVISIONS

Part I - Definitions

- **A.** The term "NPS" or "Service" as used herein means the National Park Service, United States Department of the Interior.
- **B.** The term "Director" as used herein means the Director of the National Park Service, or any representative lawfully delegated the authority to act for such Director.
- C. The term "Manual" as used herein means the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grants Manual (NPS-34).
- **D.** The term "project" as used herein means a single project, a consolidated grant, a project element of a consolidated grant, or project stage which is subject to the project agreement.
- E. The term "State" as used herein means the State or Territory which is a party to the project agreement, and, where applicable, the political subdivision or public agency to which funds are to be transferred pursuant to this agreement. Wherever a term, condition, obligation, or requirement refers to the State, such term, condition, obligation, or requirement shall also apply to the recipient political subdivision or public agency, except where it is clear from the nature of the term, condition, obligation, or requirement that it is to apply solely to the State. For purposes of these provisions, the terms "State," "grantee," and "recipient" are deemed synonymous.
- **F.** The term "Secretary" as used herein means the Secretary of the Interior, or any representative lawfully delegated the authority to act for such Secretary.

Part II - Continuing Assurances

The parties to the project agreement specifically recognize that the Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance project creates an obligation to maintain the property described in the project agreement consistent with the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act and the following requirements.

Further, it is the acknowledged intent of the parties hereto that recipients of assistance will use moneys granted hereunder for the purposes of this program, and that assistance granted from the Fund will result in a net increase, commensurate at least with the Federal cost-share, in a participant's outdoor recreation. It is intended by both parties hereto that assistance from the Fund will be added to, rather than replace or be substituted for, State and local outdoor recreation funds.

- A. The State agrees, as recipient of this assistance, that it will meet the following specific requirements and that it will further impose these requirements, and the terms of the project agreement, upon any political subdivision or public agency to which funds are transferred pursuant to the project agreement. The State also agrees that it shall be responsible for compliance with the terms of the project agreement by such a political subdivision or public agency and that failure by such political subdivision or public agency to so comply shall be deemed a failure by the State to comply with the terms of this agreement.
- **B.** The State agrees that the property described in the project agreement and the signed and dated project boundary map made part of that agreement is being acquired or developed with Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance, or is integral to such acquisition or development, and that, without the approval of the Secretary, it shall not be converted to other than public outdoor recreation use but shall be maintained in public outdoor recreation in perpetuity or for the term of the lease in the case of leased property. The Secretary shall approve such conversion only if it is found to be in accord with the then existing comprehensive statewide outdoor recreation plan and

only upon such conditions deemed necessary to assure the substitution of other recreation properties of at least equal fair market value and of reasonably equivalent usefulness and location. This replacement land becomes subject to Section 6(f)(3) protection. The approval of a conversion shall be at the sole discretion of the Secretary, or his designee. Prior to the completion of this project, the State and the Director may mutually alter the area described in the project agreement and the signed and dated project boundary map to provide the most satisfactory public outdoor recreation unit, except that acquired parcels are afforded Section 6(f)(3) protection as Fund reimbursement is provided.

In the event the NPS provides Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance for the acquisition and/or development of property subject to reversionary interests with full knowledge of those reversionary interests, conversion of said property to other than public outdoor recreation uses as a result of such reversionary interest being exercised is approved. In receipt of this approval, the State agrees to notify the Service of the conversion as soon as possible and to seek approval of replacement property in accord with the conditions set forth in these provisions. The State further agrees to effectuate such replacement within a reasonable period of time, acceptable to the Service, after the conversion of property takes place. The provisions of this paragraph are also applicable to: leased properties acquired and/or developed with Fund assistance where such lease is terminated prior to its full term due to the existence of provisions in such lease known and agreed to by the Service; and properties subject to other outstanding rights and interests that may result in a conversion when known and agreed to by the Service.

- C. The State agrees that the benefit to be derived by the United States from the full compliance by the State with the terms of this agreement is the preservation, protection, and the net increase in the quality of public outdoor recreation facilities and resources which are available to the people of the State and of the United States, and such benefit exceeds to an immeasurable and unascertainable extent the amount of money furnished by the United States by way of assistance under the terms of this agreement. The State agrees that payment by the State to the United States of an amount equal to the amount of assistance extended under this agreement by the United States would be inadequate compensation to the United States for any breach by the State of this agreement. The State further agrees, therefore, that the appropriate remedy in the event of a breach by the State of this agreement shall be the specific performance of this agreement.
- **D.** The State agrees to comply with the policies and procedures set forth in the Land and Water Conservation Fund Manual. Provisions of said Manual are incorporated into and made a part of the project agreement.
- **E.** The State agrees that the property and facilities described in the project agreement shall be operated and maintained as prescribed by Manual requirements.
- **F.** The State agrees that a permanent record shall be kept in the participant's public property records and available for public inspection to the effect that the property described in the scope of the project agreement, and the signed and dated project boundary map made part of that agreement, has been acquired or developed with Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance and that it cannot be converted to other than public outdoor recreation use without the written approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

G. Nondiscrimination

- 1. By signing the LWCF agreement, the State certifies that it will comply with all Federal laws relating to nondiscrimination as outlined in the Civil Rights Assurance appearing at Part III-I herein.
- 2. The State shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of residence, except to the extent that reasonable differences in admission or other fees may be maintained on the basis of residence as set forth in the Manual.

Part III - Project Assurances

A. Applicable Federal Circulars

The State shall comply with applicable regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements including OMB Circular A-102 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments), 43 CFR Part 12 (Administrative and Audit Requirements and Cost Principles for Assistance Programs, Department of the Interior), A-87 (Cost Principles for State and Local Governments), and A-133 (Audits of State and Local Government) as they relate to the application, acceptance and use of Federal funds for this federally assisted project.

B. Project Application

- 1. The Application for Federal Assistance bearing the same project number as the agreement and associated documents is by this reference made a part of the agreement.
- 2. The State possesses legal authority to apply for the grant, and to finance and construct the proposed facilities. A resolution, motion or similar action has been duly adopted or passed authorizing the filing of the application, including all understandings and assurances contained herein, and directing and authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the State to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.
- 3. The State has the ability and intention to finance the non-Federal share of the costs for the project. Sufficient funds will be available to assure effective operation and maintenance of the facilities acquired or developed by the project.

C. Project Execution

- 1. The project period shall begin with the date of approval of the project agreement or the effective date of a waiver of retroactivity and shall terminate at the end of the stated or amended project period unless the project is completed or terminated sooner in which event the project shall end on the date of completion or termination. For project elements added to a consolidated grant, the project period will begin on the date the project element is approved.
- 2. The State shall transfer to the project sponsor identified in the Application for Federal Assistance or the Description and Notification Form all funds granted hereunder except those reimbursed to the State to cover administrative expenses.
- **3.** The State will cause work on the project to be commenced within a reasonable time after receipt of notification that funds have been approved and assure that the project will be prosecuted to completion with reasonable diligence.
- **4.** The State will require the facility to be designed to comply with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (Public Law 90-480) and DOI Section 504 Regulations (43 CFR Part 17). The State will be responsible for conducting inspections to insure compliance with these specifications by the contractor.
- **5.** The State shall secure completion of the work in accordance with approved construction plans and specifications, and shall secure compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations.
- **6.** In the event the project covered by the project agreement, including future stages of the project, cannot be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications for the project; the State shall bring the project to a point of recreational usefulness agreed upon by the State and the Director or his designee.

- 7. The State will provide for and maintain competent and adequate architectural/engineering supervision and inspection at the construction site to insure that the completed work conforms with the approved plans and specifications; that it will furnish progress reports and such other information as the NPS may require.
- **8.** The State will comply with the terms of Title II and Title III, the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646), 94 Stat. 1894 (1970), and the applicable regulations and procedures implementing such Act for all real property acquisitions and where applicable shall assure that the Act has been complied with for property to be developed with assistance under the project agreement.
- **9.** The State will comply with the provisions of: Executive Order 11988, relating to evaluation of flood hazards; Executive Order 11288, relating to the prevention, control, and abatement or water pollution, and Executive Order 11990 relating to the protection of wetlands.
- 10. The State will comply with the flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, Public Law 93-234, 87 Stat. 975, approved December 31, 1976. Section 102(a) requires the purchase of flood insurance in communities where such insurance is available, as a condition for the receipt of any Federal financial assistance for construction or acquisition purposes, for use in any area that has been identified as an area having special flood hazards by the Flood Insurance Administration of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The phrase "Federal financial assistance" includes any form of loan, grant, guaranty, insurance payment, rebate, subsidy, disaster assistance loan or grant, or any other form of direct or indirect Federal assistance.
- 11. The State will insure that the facilities under its ownership, lease or supervision which shall be utilized in the accomplishment of the project are not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) list of Violating Facilities, pursuant to 40 CFR, Part 15.20 and that it will notify the NPS of the receipt of any communication from the Director of the EPA Office of Federal Activities indicating that a facility to be utilized in the project is under consideration for listing by the EPA. The State agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act of 1970. The State further agrees to insert this clause into any contract or subcontract in excess of \$100,000.
- 12. The State will assist the NPS in its compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), Executive Order 11593, and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 469a-1 et seq.) by (a) consulting with the State Historic Preservation Officer on the conduct of investigations, as necessary, to identify properties listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places that are subject to effects (see CFR Part 800.8) by the activity, and notifying the Federal grantor agency of the existence of any such properties, and by (b) complying with all requirements established by the Federal grantor agency to avoid or mitigate adverse effects upon such properties.
- **13.** The State will comply with Executive Order 12432, "Minority Business Enterprise Development as follows:
 - (1) Place minority business firms on bidder's mailing lists.
- (2) Solicit these firms whenever they are potential sources of supplies, equipment, construction, or services.
- (3) Where feasible, divide total requirements into smaller needs, and set delivery schedules that will encourage participation by these firms.

- (4) For any project involving \$500,000 or more in grant assistance (except for projects involving acquisition only) the State or recipient shall submit, prior to the commencement of construction and every fiscal year quarter thereafter until project completion, reports documenting the efforts to hire minority business firms. These reports, SF 334, will be submitted one month following the end of each fiscal quarter (i.e., January 31, April 30, July 31, and October 31) to the appropriate National Park Service Regional Office.
- (5) The Department of the Interior is committed to the objectives of this policy and encourages all recipients of its grants and cooperative agreements to take affirmative steps to ensure such fairness.

The National Park Service Regional Offices will work closely with the States to ensure full compliance and that grant recipients take affirmative action in placing a fair share of purchases with minority business firms.

14. The State will comply with the intergovernmental review requirements of Executive Order 12372.

D. Construction Contracted for by the State Shall Meet the Following Requirements:

- 1. Contracts for construction shall comply with the provisions of 43 CFR Part 12 (Administrative and Audit Requirements and Cost Principles for Assistance Programs, Department of the Interior).
- 2. No grant or contract may be awarded by any grantee, subgrantee or contractor of any grantee or subgrantee to any party, which has been debarred or suspended under Executive Order 12549. By signing the LWCF agreement, the State certifies that it will comply with debarment and suspension provisions appearing at Part III-J herein.
- 2. In accordance with the "Stevens Amendment" (to Section 623 of the Treasury, Postal Service and General Government Appropriations Act), for procurement of goods and services (including construction services) having an aggregate value of \$500,000 or more, the amount and percentage (of total costs) of federal funds involved must be specified in any announcement of the awarding of a contract.

E. Retention and Custodial Requirements for Records

- 1. Financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other records pertinent to this grant shall be retained in accordance with 43 CFR Part 12 for a period of three years; except the records shall be retained beyond the three-year period if audit findings have not been resolved.
- 2. The retention period starts from the date of the final expenditure report for the project or the consolidated project element.
- **3.** State and local governments are authorized to substitute microfilm copies in lieu of original records.
- **4.** The Secretary of the Interior and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the State and local governments and their subgrantees which are pertinent to a specific project for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts and transcripts.

F. Project Termination

1. The Director may temporarily suspend Federal assistance under the project pending corrective action by the State or pending a decision to terminate the grant by the Service.

- 2. The State may unilaterally terminate the project or consolidated project element at any time prior to the first payment on the project or consolidated project element. After the initial payment, the project may be terminated, modified, or amended by the State only by mutual agreement.
- 3. The Director may terminate the project in whole, or in part, at any time before the date of completion, whenever it is determined that the grantee has failed to comply with the conditions of the grant. The Director will promptly notify the State in writing of the determination and the reasons for the termination, together with the effective date. Payments made to States or recoveries by the Service under projects terminated for cause shall be in accord with the legal rights and liabilities of the parties.
- 4. The Director or State may terminate grants in whole, or in part at any time before the date of completion, when both parties agree that the continuation of the project would not produce beneficial results commensurate with the further expenditure of funds. The two parties shall agree upon the termination conditions, including the effective date and, in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated. The grantee shall not incur new obligations for the terminated portion after the effective date, and shall cancel as many outstanding obligations as possible. The NPS may allow full credit to the State for the Federal share of the noncancelable obligations, properly incurred by the grantee prior to termination.
- **5.** Termination either for cause or for convenience requires that the project in question be brought to a state of recreational usefulness agreed upon by the State and the Director or that all funds provided by the National Park Service be returned.

G. Lobbying with Appropriated Funds

The State must certify, for the award of grants exceeding \$100,000 in Federal assistance, that no Federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the State, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding, extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of this grant. In compliance with Section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code, the State certifies, as follows:

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required

certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

H. Provision of a Drug-Free Workplace

In compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (43 CFR Part 12, Subpart D), the State certifies, as follows:

The grantee certifies that it will or continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- (b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
 - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
- (c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of a grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
- (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:
 - (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
- (e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
- (f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted;
 - (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
- (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).

The State must include with its application for assistance a specification of the site(s) for the performance of work to be done in connection with the grant.

I. <u>Civil Rights Assurance</u>

The State certifies that, as a condition to receiving any Federal assistance from the Department of the Interior, it will comply with all Federal laws relating to nondiscrimination. These laws include, but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin; (b) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; (c) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101 et. seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; and applicable regulatory requirements to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, handicap or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity conducted by the applicant. THE APPLICANT HEREBY GIVES ASSURANCE THAT it will immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this agreement.

THIS ASSURANCE shall apply to all aspects of the applicant's operations including those parts that have not received or benefited from Federal financial assistance.

If any real property or structure thereon is provided or improved with the aid of Federal financial assistance extended to the Applicant by the Department, this assurance shall obligate the Applicant, or in the case of any transfer of such property, any transferee, for the period during which it retains ownership or possession of the property. In all other cases, this assurance shall obligate the Applicant for the period during which the Federal financial assistance is extended to it by the Department.

THIS ASSURANCE is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all Federal grants, loans, contracts, property, discounts or other Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the Applicant by the Department, including installment payments after such date on account of applications for Federal financial assistance which were approved before such date.

The Applicant recognizes and agrees that such Federal financial assistance will be extended in reliance on the representations and agreements made in this assurance, and that the United State shall have the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance. This assurance is binding on the Applicant, its successors, transferees, assignees, and subrecipients and the person whose signature appears on the grant agreement and who is authorized to sign on behalf of the Applicant.

J. <u>Debarment and Suspension</u>

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters - Primary Covered Transactions

- (1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission or embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statement, or receiving stolen property;
- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and

- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

The State further agrees that it will include the clause "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions" appearing below in any agreement entered into with lower tier participants in the implementation of this grant. Department of Interior Form 1954 (DI-1954) may be used for this purpose.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this application that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this application.