

Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2024 - 342 ~

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF
NEW JERSEY ENDORSING THE APPLICATION BY HIGH CREST LODGE, INC.
FOR A GRANT AS PART OF THE HIGH HAZARD POTENTIAL DAMS GRANT PROGRAM
BY WHICH TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD WILL ACT AS SUB-RECEPIENT OF THE GRANT FOR
THE PURPOSE OF REHABILITATION OF HIGH CREST LAKE DAM TO BRING IT INTO COMPLIANCE
WITH STATE REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc. ("Association") is a private lake association in West Milford; and

WHEREAS, the Association is a 501 (c) (7) entity, and

WHEREAS, the Association is the operator of a dam located on High Crest Lake which dam has been determined, based upon engineering investigations to be in need of repair, improvement and rehabilitation to help ensure the safety of people downstream, and

WHEREAS, the High Hazard Potential Dams (HHPD) grant program was authorized by Congress in the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act and signed into law by the President on December 16, 2016 thereby adding a grant program under FEMA's National Dam Safety Program (33USC 467f-2) which provides technical, planning, design, and construction assistance in the form of grants to eligible subrecipients for rehabilitation of eligible high hazard potential dams, and

WHEREAS, under the "Fiscal Year 2024 Fall Rehabilitation of HHPD" the State of New Jersey has been awarded \$6,510,995 through the HHPD grant program, and

WHEREAS, High Crest Lake Dam has been identified as being eligible as a possible benefactor of the HHPD grant by the Division of State Police, Jersey Office of Emergency Management, and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Funding Opportunity for this grant found at <https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/350857> section C.3 "Subrecipient Eligibility Criteria" limits subrecipients to any non-federal government entity, a nonprofit organization, or a 501(c)(4) Homeowner Association, and

WHEREAS, the repair, improvement and rehabilitation of the High Crest Lake Dam is a project separate and distinct from the repair and replacement of the bridge located by the spillway of the High Crest Lake Dam, and

WHEREAS, West Milford Township is part owner of the High Crest Lake Dam by virtue of its ownership of the road, High Crest Drive, that traverses the dam.

WHEREAS, the Township determines that the repair, improvement and rehabilitation of the High Crest Lake dam are in the best interests of the residents of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township has conditioned the Township's agreement to act as subrecipient of the grant upon the Association's successful application of said grant, the application of which is in progress; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council desires to grant the Mayor and Township Clerk the authority to act as subrecipient of the HHPD grant.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford that the Township does hereby endorse the application of a HHPD grant by the Association with the Township of West Milford identified as subrecipient, to effectuate dam repairs at the High Crest Lake Dam in the Township of West Milford.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford as follows:

1. The Association will provide a completed grant application including scope of work, cost estimate and to the Division of State Police, Jersey Office of Emergency Management by October 21, 2024.
2. It is understood the grant requires a minimum of 35% non-federal cost share.
3. It is understood the grant has a 36-month performance period to finish the proposed project.
4. The Township of West Milford agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and municipal laws, rules and regulations in its performance pursuant to the grant.

Adopted: October 2, 2024

Adopted this 2nd day of October, 2024
and certified as a true copy of an original.

William Senande, Township Clerk