

Project Summary 2009

SB-2009-NH-55448: Stewartstown, NH Route 145 Scenic & Cultural Byway Interpretive Center and Historic Resource Protection Project: Phase II

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Division Submission	on Date
Mar 13, 2009	
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This application must be completed online at http://www.bywaysonline.org/grants/, and submitted electronically and in printed form.

Project Category

Which category best describes the location of this project?

- Project that is associated with a highway that has been designated as a National Scenic Byway, All-American Road, or one of America's Byways.
- Project along a State or Indian tribe scenic byway that is carried out to make the byway eligible for designation as a National Scenic Byway, an All-American Road, or one of America's Byways.
- o Project that is associated with the development of a State or Indian tribe scenic byway program.

Choose from the following categories of eligible work the type that best fits your project.

- Byway Programs
- o Corridor Management
- Safety Improvements
- Byway Facilities
- Access to Recreation
- Resource Protection
- o Interpretive Information
- Marketing

Is this application a resubmission of an unfunded project from a previous year?

- Yes
- No

Project Location

State(s) involved in project:

New Hampshire

Indicate the byway's regional location within the State. Reference prominent landmarks such as parallel major highways, natural features, counties, or large cities, that makes the byway(s) easy to locate in a road atlas.

Great North region in Coos County, NH. NSB Rte 145 connects 2 Way-Point Communities, Colebrook to Pittsburg along the Connecticut River Byway US Rte 3

Briefly describe the project's location(s) on the byway using references to route numbers, byway gateway communities, project location communities and landmarks so any reviewer can identify the project sites.

Located 7 miles north of the junction: Connecticut River Byway - US 3 and NH 145 in Colebrook, or mid-point on NS Byway Rte 145, in Stewartstown. The Moose Path Trail Scenic Byway NH Rte 145 intersects the entire Poore Family Museum 100-acre property.

Associated Byways

State	Byway Name
NH	Connecticut River Byway - New Hampshire
	Moose Path Trail Scenic Byway - New Hampshire Route 145

Is this project consistent with the Corridor Management Plan(s) for the byway(s) involved?

- Yes
- No / CMP not available

Congressional Districts

State	District	Representative (at time of application)
NH	2	Hodes, Paul W.

Abstract

Project Description

Complete the sentence "This project will..." before adding remaining information.

This project will complete the construction of a 2400 square foot Interpretive Center on a 100-acre protected parcel. Phase 2 construction will be from the top of the new (phase-one) concrete foundation on-up to the top of the roof.

This project will provide handicap assess to a modern facility along a Byway that currently has none.

This is the second-phase of a two-phase construction project that was initially approved by NH Governor and Council and NSCB in 2005.

Phase-One, #SB-NH-2005-52187 AKA, NH-DOT-14767 is an eligible project being implemented and will be completed this year by 11/2009.

(See Attachment: "National Scenic Byways Grants Detailed Report for 1992-2007, page #464").

Byway Benefits

Complete the sentence "This project benefits the byway traveler by..." before adding remaining information.

This project benefits the byway traveler by providing a modern handicap accessible facility that captures the character, history and culture of the Byway Rte 145 and surrounding region.

The Center will emphasize the intrinsic historic significance of subsistence farming, life along the Byway and the evolving relationship between agriculture, natural resources and transportation.

The Center will open other recreational opportunities for the traveler with improved access to the arts, hiking and walking paths.

The Center will enhance the cultural, recreational and educational experience for the touring public, plus enhance our potential to accommodate the growing number of Byway travelers.

Narrative

Project Summary

Completely describe all the major elements of your proposed project in a concise but complete summary.

This is a resubmission of: SB-2008-NH-55150: Stewartstown, NH Route 145 Scenic & Cultural Byway Interpretive Center and Historic Resource Protection Project: Phase II

This project will complete the construction of a 2400 square foot Interpretive Center on a 100-acre protected parcel devoted to the Byway traveler.

This project will provide handicap assess to a modern facility along a Byway that currently has none.

This is the second phase of a two-phase construction project that was initially approved by NHOEP and NSCB in 2005.

Phase-One, #SB-NH-2005-52187, aka, #NH-DOT-14767, is fully funded eligible project, being implemented and be completed by 11/2009. (See Attachment: "National Scenic Byways Grants Detailed Report for 1992-2007, page #464").

- PHASE-ONE PROGRESS REPORT:
- THE NHDOT has issued the "NOTICE TO PROCEED" for this project on May 13, 2008 after all contracts were signed and proof was shown of the funding match.
- Much of the review and planning processes has been completed:
- The septic design has been approved by NHDES and issued the "APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION" permit, approval # CA2008094266.
- The "ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY" was successfully completed and no sensitive areas were detected.
- The "ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REVIEW" was performed by NHDES and passed back in 2006 when the project was being administered by NHOEP.
- The "ARCHITECTURAL SECTION 106 INVESTIGATION" recently imposed by NHDHR nears completion and the assessor assured me that there will be no problem completing the assessment by April.
- The driveway permit to "CUT THE CURB" has been submitted and our local division of NHDOT expects to issue this permit as soon as the snow recedes for site inspection.
- CAD "CONCEPTUAL DRAWINGS AND FOUNDATION PLANS" needed for Phase-One have been drafted by a licensed architect and are in the review and revision stage of the drafting.
- A NH licensed architect will be signed on to the project in April, 09 to finalize the engineering, drafting and
 detailed construction plans for both Phases. Then once the bids have been considered, we can finally break
 ground: pour the foundation, site work, electric, phone, heating, water, septic, etc. Phase-One will be
 completed by Nov. 2009. Funds are being solicited from the NH Electric Co-op Foundation for the additional
 engineering costs associated with Phase-One.
- There has been a "CHANGE OF SCOPE" for the Phase-One project. Extenuating circumstances: rising costs associated with 4 and 8 year old estimates and the escalating cost of materials and labor has ultimately led to the withdrawal of the significant amount of matching funds by NH-LCHIP in 2008 for the barn revitalization portion originally proposed in this project from 2001 to 2005. There will not be any barn restoration projects

included in either Phase-One or Phase-Two. This does not affect our match that was raised specifically for Phase-One of the Interpretive Center construction project. We have this match in-hand.

PHASE-TWO will complete the construction of a 2400 sq. ft. Visitors Center, landscaping and signage, devoted to the Byway traveler.

Phase II matching funds are mostly cash in hand, 50,000 of the required 64,550. The remainder is proposed cash that will be raise through our regular sources.

The project will provide the traveler access to an Interpretive Center that captures the character, history and culture of the region through architecture and the preparation of interpretive information including maps and historic artifacts. This handicap accessible facility will be located mid-point on NH Byway Rte. 145 as it meanders through the one-hundred acre Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum and Conservancy property, providing modern facilities for the touring public along a Byway that has none.

The Center will enhance the cultural, historic and recreational experience of Byway travelers by giving our visitors a safe place to pull off the highway to learn about and appreciate the historic Homestead's story and the intrinsic qualities that shaped the region and NHSB Route 145.

The new Facility/Center will be located just out of sight of the museum area, on the opposite side of a heavily vegetated and wooded area, in an adjacent field. This dense "hedge-row" of trees, berry bushes, alders, etc. will completely obscure all view of the Center from the Museum area. Additional trees and bushes will be planted as needed. The Center will be about 200 ft. from the nearest Museum structure. This is essential to maintain the feeling one gets when you enter the Homestead area, of stepping back in time.

- SB-2009-NH-5548: Stewartstown, NH Route 145 Scenic & Cultural Byway Interpretive Center and Historic Resource Protection Project: Phase-Two, involves:
- Beginning early 2010 through 2011:
- Complete the Construction of the Interpretive Center, access, signs, etc.
- These tasks include: (Some may be performed simultaneously.)
- 1. Construct building and wall framing, exterior cladding and roof construction
- 2. Install Doors, Windows, insulation and trim
- 3. Interior finishes, walls, floors, ceiling, trim, stairway
- 4. Install electrical, wiring and area lighting
- 5. Install ADA compliant toilets and plumbing
- 6. Develop ADA compliant main entrance from parking
- 7. Install life safety systems, sprinklers, detectors, alarms, emergency lighting
- 8. Purchase exterior and interior signage and interpretive materials
- 9. Purchase interior furnishings

The construction of the center will mimic that of a 1850s era barn and be made from native timbers sawn on location. The post and beam framing and workmanship will replicate that of the Homestead's main barn, and the exterior in general appearance.

The basement of the Interpretive Center will allow the safe storage of the property's large collection of historic artifacts, diaries and letters, including civil war letters, that will be rotated for display to the public.

The basement will also contain the heating system, plumbing, electrical, etc. (Phase-One project) plus a maintenance and repair shop for the grounds.

The Interpretive Center will emphasize the historic significance of family subsistence farming from the 1800s and explain the evolving relationship between agriculture, natural resources and life in rural North America as it relates to

transportation and the Route 145 Byway region, plus highlight the opportunity to visit an actual historic site(s) and other local points of interest identified at the Center.

- ** Operation and Maintenance of the Facility:
 - The Poore Family Foundation for North Country Conservancy are stewards to the Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum in Stewartstown, NH.
 - The board of directors, consisting of community members with a passionate interest in the preservation and
 public interpretation of this unique Northern New Hampshire historic resource, have regular meetings,
 planning sessions and work with other groups of volunteers to improve the site on a regular basis. The vitality
 and direction this board has, is known throughout the community and state.
 - The Foundation works closely with the State of New Hampshire Attorney General's Office Division of Charitable Trusts (specifically with Terry Knowles, Registrar of Charitable Trusts) and makes a concerted effort to attend informational seminars promoted by this agency to better understand our roles as trustees both legally and ethically.
 - The yearly support from the Tillotson North Country Foundation, the NH State Council on the Arts, as well as past grants from the NH Charitable Foundation and from many other philanthropic organizations and volunteers, is a significant acknowledgment of The Poore Foundation's successful track record of providing intelligent programing while improving the region's vitality and infrastructure. This year will be our 15th year of operation as an historical and cultural destination.
 - The maintenance and operations of the Center will be the sole responsibility of the Poore Family Foundation.
 - Much of the grounds work and maintenance of the building can be accomplished with our area high school students, volunteers and our talented Board of Directors, some: builders, farmers, mechanics, painters, doctors, historians, teachers, accountants and accomplished retirees. We do not need to pay any taxes on the Facility and fuel (depending on the type, oil, wood or combination) electric, phone, insurance and staffing (partially by volunteers) will not be cost prohibitive. Funding will be raised yearly through our regular funding sources, through proceeds raised at our regular yearly events, entrance fees and sale of items.
 - Philanthropically speaking, we are working with several local, State wide, regional, and national foundations and Government agencies that have an interest in the vitality of the NH's North Country and to raise funds in a diverse and complimentary manner. Below is a list of recent major contributors. Some are annual supporters.

The New Hampshire Preservation Alliance,

The Tillotson North Country Foundation,

The North Country Division of the NH Charitable Foundation,

New Hampshire State Council on the Arts,

Neil & Louise Tillotson Grant Fund of the NH Charitable Foundation,

The New Hampshire Historical Society,

New Hampshire Electricity Co-op Foundation,

Federal Highway Administration, (Scenic and Cultural Byway Program),

Institute of Museum and Library Services (MAP and CAP assessment programs),

The First Colebrook Bank,

The Doris L. Benz Trust,

The Mobile Foundation,

The Traveler's Foundation,

Saul O. Sidore Memorial Foundation,

Enterasys Corporation,

"Anonymous" Charitable Foundation,

The Jack and Dorothy Byrne Foundation,

Emma M. Kelly Charitable Trust,

Lawrence Kadish (individual).

- The Poore Family Foundation has enjoyed significant growth in recent years and can take pride in its many accomplishments and 14 years of service to the community. We have launched a multiple phase Arts Initiative that has increased our capacity to host outdoor traditional performing Arts events to meet the growing demand of the community and region. Also, as part of our management plan, the Foundation has embarked on an ambitious effort to establish a 70-acre environmental studies site, that includes a Nature Center and hiking trails to enhance science curriculum in local schools and provide educational and recreational opportunities for the touring public.
- Our Board of Directors and our volunteer base has increased in numbers and are effectively working together to manage these additional services to keep pace with the organization's growing responsibilities.
- We take the responsibility of stewardship of this inherited homestead most seriously. It is more than the treasure of physical artifacts, buildings and land of this Great North Country but our mission statement, articles of incorporation and by-laws state: the "spirit and way of life of the early settlers of the Upper Connecticut River Valley" which reflect those of the founders and builders of our country, the United States of America.

Benefit to Byway Traveler

Describe how the proposed project will benefit a byway traveler, add to their travel experience or fulfill an important objective of your CMP.

This project benefits the byway traveler by providing a modern handicap accessible facility that captures the character, history and culture of the Byway Rte 145 and the region.

This project is an important element to both the CT River Byway and the North Country Moose Path Trail Byways because it highlights a special element of our states' (VT and NH) histories and demonstrates how life has changed from the early years of settlement.

The Center will emphasize the intrinsic historic significance of subsistence farming, life along the Byway and the evolving relationship between agriculture, natural resources and transportation.

The Center will open additional recreational opportunities for the traveler with improved access to the arts, hiking and walking paths.

While the Conservancy property is closed to hunting and motorized vehicles, walking, hiking, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing are encouraged on the diverse 100-acres (approximately 30 acres of pasture land and 70 acres of forest including old growth forest).

The Center will enhance the cultural, recreational and educational experience for the touring public, plus enhance our potential to accommodate the growing number of Byway travelers that pass each year.

There will not be any fee imposed on the traveler for use the new Center or land.

The handicap accessible Interpretive Center will be constructed to mostly replicate that of our main barn, for the exception of the 12' x 20' foyer entrance area that requires an ADA compliant entrance opening. It will have two fully equipped, handicap accessible rest rooms, accessible from both the out-side and from in-side the Center, exhibits, area information, maps, interpretive materials and Kiosks with directions to local places of interest and an observation deck, with a southern view that over looks the Bishop Brook Gorge hiking area and the NH Rte. 145 Scenic & Cultural Byway and the mountains beyond.

The 2400 sq ft ground level of the Center and open deck area will be handicap assessable and devoted to the Byway traveler's educational experience and comfort. Deck area, foyer and bathrooms are designed so that they may remain open, providing the essentials when the Center is closed. The foyer will have vending machines for hot and cold drinks and snacks, bench seating, a pay phone, a Kiosk containing area information including brochures, directing the traveler to area destinations and local points of interest. The deck area will have two picnic tables and a free standing placard visually identifying the southern view of the Byway, natural formations and mountains beyond.

The Centers proposed use: (subject to rearrangement or modification)

- · Foyer contains: vending machines, bench seating, a pay phone, information Kiosk, trash cans
- Transportation Displays:
 - 1. Vintage automobile w/vintage road signs, enlarged vintage photos of the Byway depicting area evolution,
 - 2. Horse drawn carriage with horse mannequin, with enlarged vintage photos depicting that era and Byway.
 - 3. Horse drawn sleigh, with enlarged vintage photos depicting that era during winter and Byway,
- Kiosks and other interior items;
 - 1. A permanent Kiosk, additional area information, brochures, papers, guides, points of interest, etc.
 - 2. Kiosks: three double-sided free-standing units: a. One for NH Fish and Game, local wildlife, etc. b. One for North Country Chamber of Commerce, promoting area attractions, merchants, services, accommodations, lodging, dining, etc. c. One for local artisans, displaying their works, contact info, etc.
 - 3. A seating and research library area, with tables, chairs, lockable glass book shelves for research materials, etc.
 - 4. A temporary / moveable stage area: low rise, for special demonstrations, talks and displaying.
 - 5. A large front-reception-desk area, with display case and additional counter space, computer table-desk section, etc.
 - 6. Two handicap bathrooms, connected by a hall way, assessable from within the center and from the outside.
 - 7. Wood Stove area, large regular wood burning unit w/glass/ceramic window (supplement to the regular heating system)
 - 8. Numerous historic artifacts, displayed through out the Center including vintage maps of the region and road maps, etc.
 - 9. A utility room and closet w/wash basin, counter and cabinet space, utility needs, etc. (not assessable to the public)
 - 10. Enclosed staircase, to basement (not assessable to the public)
 - 11. Observation deck area, w/picnic tables, visual placard.

This Interpretive Center that will captures the character, history and culture of the area through architecture and the preparation of interpretive information including maps will be of major interest to, and benefit of the Byway Traveler plus the Center will enhance our capacity to serve the public.

This handicap accessible Facility will be located mid-point on NH Byway Rte. 145 as it meanders through the one hundred acre Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum and Conservancy property, providing modern facilities for the touring public along a byway that has no facilities, handicap or otherwise.

The Poore Family Homestead Museum is the only original surviving 100-acre historic settlement in the northern most region of NH and serves as an important historical and cultural North Country institution. It has proven to be of great

interest to the Byway traveler and is considered by many, and experts in this field historic preservation, to be one of the, if not the most important historic NH landmark.

The vast amount of historical and genealogical information that was preserved by and about the Poore family and its relationship to other North Country families and descendants is of great interest to those in search of their heritage or roots.

Transcripts of the: letters (including Civil War mail), journals, diaries, ledgers plus historic periodicals and news papers and more, will be shared with the Byway traveler tracing their lineage in the Interpretive Center's seating area.

The Homestead is currently open to the public for interpretation and provides educational and non-motorized recreational opportunities to the traveler but has no modern facilities and limited access.

Tourism, particularly cultural tourism, is a growing industry in the Great North Woods region, an industry that will fuel a portion of our future economy. The activities in this proposal will elevate the capacity of the Poore Foundation to meet our objective, to serve this growing need. The completed Center will add greatly to the infrastructure of the region by adding a cultural Byway destination plus assist with the Foundation's economic growth.

This project will increase the use of Poore Conservancy property by making it more accessible to bus tours and the motoring public affording access to additional activities for the traveler.

We are making traditional Arts programming and cultural activities more accessible with our annual concert series and the construction of an outdoor stage and amphitheater venue that will accommodate much larger audiences. We recently introduced our first theatrical production. (The autumn performance of Shakespeare's Hamlet presented by Momentum Theatre Troupe was a huge success that gained the attention of local schools, who offered literature students school credit for attending.)

We have also improved access to hiking and environmental study through a blend of education and sound stewardship of our seventy-acre Bishop Brook Gorge Environmental Study Area with the addition of hiking trails and a Nature Center accessible within the forest.

Summer employment for youth in our rural area is very limited. The activities at the Museum provides opportunities for youth that need it the most and provides a vehicle for the Poore Family Foundation to reach some of its short and long term goals. It is believed that the work experience will foster the next generation of stewards for the Poore Family Farm, New Hampshire history while providing youth with practical work experience that is transferable to other chosen career paths. One of our former youth volunteers, now in her third year at UVM, has joined the Foundation's Board of Directors.

Two of the Foundation's core tenets are "giving back to the community" and "youth participation".

These tenets are upheld through associations with two local high schools: the Canaan, Vermont, Memorial High School, Building Construction and Restoration Carpentry trades program and the Colebrook, NH, Academy High School National Honor Society Students and Student Council members. Working with these youth and other local youth groups is a time proven success story that builds a strong community bond. 2009 is Colebrook's 10th annual day of service / spring clean up at the Museum.

The Poore Farm Museum is a historic homestead - settlement portrays one family's life from the 1830's to the 1980s. The house, barns and outbuildings are all in original condition and reflect their use and era. The feeling one gets when you enter the homestead is to walk back in time, to a time that existed prior to rural electrification of the northern-most regions of NH. It is the last remaining 100-acre historic farm homestead of it's kind in the North Country and the only Museum in this region that has added greatly to area tourism.

There are no modern accommodations anywhere on Museum property. The historic 'one-hollers' have been substituted with the only affordable replacement, green portable-toilets, which are definitely not in keeping with the historic atmosphere of the farm.

Prior Projects

Describe any relationship between this project and previously funded National Scenic Byways Program grant projects. In addition, discuss how the proposed work relates to any multi-year work plan byway leaders have developed.

Project 2005-New Hampshire North Country Byways: Stewartstown Scenic & Cultural Byways Center and Historic Resource Protection Project: Phase-I, is the precursor for this Phase-II construction proposal being submitted. Phase-Two is to complete the construction of a NSCB Interpretive Center, from on top of the new foundation on up to the finished roof.

The before mentioned eligible project: NSCB# SB-NH-2005-52187, Phase-I, AKA, Stewartstown-NH-14767, is the initial construction phase of a two-phase process that was fully funded and approved by the NH Governor and Council and the NSCB. Phase-One construction includes: the development of drawings and plans for the completion of the Center; all excavation, grading, and site preparations; State approved septic system; construction and capping of the concrete foundation with insulation, heated concrete floor and storage vault in place; two garage-size doors; 200 amp electric service and phone; buried water line to the Center; and a forced hot water heating system. Phase-One is near "shovel ready" and designated for completion by November, 2009.

Phase II, this proposal, is for: the completion phase of the construction project for a 2400 square foot handicap accessible Interpretive Center that is entirely devoted to the Byway traveler's experience and comfort. Phase-Two is designated to begin April 2010.

Project Coordinator

Please provide contact information for a person responsible for this project.

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Work Plan

Milestone/Task	Start Date	Duration	Responsible Party	Justification	
Establish funding agreement with State	AAD*				
Wall framing, exterior cladding and roof construction.	Apr 01, 2010	6 months	Richard Johnsen for the Poore Family Foundation	This task involves the construction of a Post and Beam building frame. Installing rough-sawn boards for siding and the roof decking and capping it with standing-seam metal roofing. Subsequent to the bidding process the Foundation Directors will select the lowest, responsive, responsible bider, experienced with mortis and tenon timber framing construction. The NH Timber Framers Guild may assist with this task. The lumber will be sawn on location, produced from native timbers, some donated, reducing the cost on building materials. Match will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.	
Install Doors, Windows, insulation and trim	Apr 01, 2010	12 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore Family Foundation	This task involves the purchase and installation of all doors, windows, thermal insulation and associated trim and finish work. Including: is 18 double-hung windows and three 4' x 8' glass thermo-pane front windows; five wooden interior and two metal exterior doors, one double hung glass doors; and two 10' x 10' wooden barn doors constructed on location. Placement of all required fiberglass and foam insulation. Match will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.	

Milestone/Task	Start Date	Duration	Responsible Party	Justification
Install electrical, wiring and area lighting	Apr 01, 2010	12 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore Family Foundation	This task involves the installation of the electrical system, all wiring leading from the service panel and throughout the facility including area lighting, switches, outlets, etc, lighting and fixtures inside and outside. A NH licensed electrician will be required for this task. This will require the bidding process before a contractor can be selected. Match will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.
Install ADA compliant toilets and plumbing	Apr 01, 2010	12 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore Family Foundation	This task involves the installation ADA compliant toilets, stalls, handrails, all related plumbing including utility room and any rest room fixtures. Match will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.
Develop ADA compliant main entrance from parking	Apr 01, 2010	12 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore Family Foundation	This task involves the construction of an ADA compliant main entrance into the Center and the placement of double-hung glass doors that have no center post. The entrance will be accessible from handicap parking area by way of the observation deck. The parking and deck access will be on the same grade level. Handicap parking access area will be topped with 1/4" compressed ledge-pack, for ease of mobility. Match will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.
Install life safety systems, sprinklers, detectors, alarms, emergency lighting	Apr 01, 2010	12 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore	This task involves the installation of life safety systems including: the sprinkler system and related plumbing, smoke detectors, motion activated alarm/security system, three emergency lighting units with, one in the foyer, one by the rest rooms and one in the main area and closed circuit surveillance of the foyer.

Milestone/Task	Start Date	Duration	Responsible Party	Justification
			Family Foundation	Match will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.
Interior finishes, walls, floors, ceiling, trim, stairway	Apr 01, 2010	12 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore Family Foundation	This task involves the construction of the interior finishings, walls and framing, ceilings, trim/mill work, stairway construction and any interior painting or finish. Much of the interior finish, walls, floors, ceilings, trim and stairway building materials will be of rough-sawn lumber produced in site. Match will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.
Fiscal and construction oversight and project coordination	Apr 01, 2010	12 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore Family Foundation	This task involves the fiscal and construction oversight and project coordination for the Phase-Two construction project. Richard Johnsen, working under contract, will manage all phases and processes. The amount will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to perform this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to support this contractual agreement.
Purchase furnishings	Apr 01, 2010	12 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore Family Foundation	This task involves the purchase and placement of interior furnishings. Including counters, display case, tables and chairs, wood stove, cabinets and cases, free standing kiosks and information stands, benches, picnic tables and waste containers. Match will be provided from Project Support contribution.

Milestone/Task	Start Date	Duration	Responsible Party	Justification
				If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.
Purchase exterior and interior signage and interpretive materials	Apr 01, 2010	18 months	Richard Johnsen for The Poore Family Foundation	This task involved the purchase and placement of exterior and interior signage and interpretive materials, including a permanent kiosk, enlarged photos of the Byway and maps; and a free-standing placard placed on the observation deck, visually identifying the terrain and the mountains beyond, entrance and exit, bathroom and directional signs. Match will be provided from Project Support contribution. If additional funds are needed to complete this tack, The Foundation will raise the cash or in-kind services through its regular sources to complete this phase of the construction.

^{*} AAD = Actual Award Date (estimated to be August 01, 2009)

Budget

Cost Breakdown

#	Description	Total Cost	Requested	Match
1.	Wall framing, exterior cladding and roof construction	79,000	68,500	10,500
2.	Doors, windows, insulation and trim	23,900	19,900	4,000
3.	Interior finishes, walls, floors, ceiling and stairs	37,000	31,250	5,750
4.	Wiring and area lighting	15,000	11,250	3,750
5.	ADA compliant toilets and plubing	33,000	26,250	6,750
6.	Life safety systems: sprinklers, detectors, alarms and emergency lighting	71,300	63,300	8,000
7.	ADA compliant entrance and parking	7,000	5,250	1,750
8.	Exterior and interior signage and interpretive materials	13,800	11,250	2,550
9.	Furnishings	23,250	21,250	2,000
10.	Fiscal and construction oversight and project coordination	19,500	0	19,500
Tota	al	\$322,750	\$258,200	\$64,550

Matching Funds

Source	Туре	Description	Amount		
The Tillotson North Country Foundation	Cash		10,000		
The Neil and Louise Tillotson Advisory Fund	Cash		50,000		
The New Hampshire Electric Co-op Foundation	Cash		4,550		
Total					

Funding Allocation

Do the byways involved in the project cross any Federal Lands? (Check all that apply)

- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- o Bureau of Land Management
- o Fish and Wildlife Service
- National Park Service
- USDA Forest Service

If this project is selected for funding, please indicate your preference for carrying out the project (check one):

- FHWA allocates the funds for the project to the State DOT
- FHWA allocates the funds for the project to one of the Federal Land Management agencies marked above (provide contact information below)

 FHWA allocates the funds for the project to an Indian tribe or tribal government (provide contact information below)

If funding should be allocated to a Federal land management agency or Indian tribal organization, please provide contact information for that organization:

Name:
Title:
Organization:
Address:
Phone:
Fax:
E-mail:

Application Checklist

The following statements are for informative purposes. Please read and check each statement.

- I understand that this is a reimbursement program funds are not available up-front.
- I have reviewed and responded to the Complete Application statements as outlined in the Grants Guidance.
- I have been in touch with the State scenic byway coordinator and have responded to recommendations or requirements of the State.
- I have verified with the State byway coordinator that this proposed project can receive authorization to proceed from the State and FHWA division before the end of the fiscal year for which the application is made.

Attachments

Use this as a checklist to verify that all attachments are provided with your printed application.



Byways Map of Northern NH, Moose Trail

This map demonstrates the Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum's location and proximity on NH Cultural and Scenic Byway, Route 145.

Please note the encircled 145, one half way between Colebrook and Pittsburg in Stewartstown, this is the reference point on the map marking the Museum and project's location.

The handicap accessible Interpretive Center will be located mid-point on NH Byway Rte. 145 as it meanders through the 100-acre Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum and Conservancy property, providing a safe highway turn-off and modern facilities for the touring public.

Currently the Moose Trail Path has no turn-off or facilities, handicap or otherwise, it's entire length

Digital version: BywaysMooseTrail.jpg (89.6 KB)

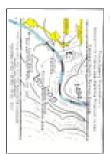


□ Poore Family Homestead / Project Location Map

This map shows the 100-acre Museum is located and proposed Interpretive Center location in Stewartstown NH, along NH Route 145.

Prepared by the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning.

Digital version: Poore Homestead-Location-map2.jpg (3.7 MB)



Site Plan / Poore Farm Museum 100-Acre USGS Map

This map represents the 100 acre Poore Homestead / Settlement and the proximity of the "Interpretive Center" on the property in relation to the NH Rte 145.

The Interpretive Center will be south to the "Poore Family Homestead" area, in an open field

Note on the map, the location of: the "Interpretive Center", "Handicap Parking", "Visitor Parking", and the "Entrance Parking Lot / Bus and Trailer Turn Around" areas, high lighted in yellow. These are the proposed improvements, access to the Center and Museum for the touring public.

"The Bishop Brook Environmental Studies Area" is a seventy-acre site, that includes a "Nature Center", connected to the lower parking area via a foot trail.

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□ Site Plan / Septic Design / Interpretive Center area

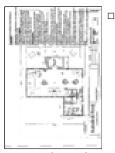
This is the site plan for the Interpretive Center's Septic System and water supply.

Please note the difference in location of the handicap parking and drive on this map, opposed to handicap access demonstrated on the "100-Acre-USGS-Site-map.jpg" attachment-map also submitted in this application.

It was necessary for the handicap parking and drive to be rerouted to the left side or West of the Center to accommodate for the best location of the Septic System and Leach Field.

This Septic System design has been approved by the NH Department of Environmental Services on 8/13/2008. The "Approval For Construction" permit number is CA2008094266.

Digital version: Poore Septic Design.JPG (3.0 MB)



□ Center Floor Plan with proposed use

The 2400 sq ft ground level of the Interpretive Center and open deck area will be handicap assessable and devoted to the Byway traveler's educational experience and comfort. Deck area, foyer and bathrooms are designed so that they may remain open, providing the essentials when the Center is closed. The foyer will have vending machines for hot and cold drinks and snacks, bench seating, a pay phone, a Kiosk containing area information including brochures, directing the traveler to area destinations and local points of interest. The deck area will have two picnic tables and a free standing placard visually identifying the

southern view of the Byway, natural formations and mountains beyond.

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Poore Farm Museum Complex Site Map

This map demonstrates the Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum's configuration and proximity to NH Cultural and Scenic Byway, Route 145. The map represents only a portion of the 100-acre Settlement.

The Interpretive Center will be adjacent to this map, off to the left, south towards the direction of the "Hops Barn Site".

There is a densely vegetated tree / hedge row area between the Center and the Museum complex that will completely obscure the new Interpretive Center from the Homestead area so not to disturb the feeling one gets when the enter the Museum area, of "stepping back in time", to one that existed prior to rural electrification of the northern-most regions of NH.

Digital version: Poore Farm Site Map.jpg (442.5 KB)



□ Byways Project Budget

This is the financial plan / budget identifying proposed sources of funding for the required match to complete Phase II construction for the Interpretive Center project.

Please see the foot-notes: indicating that we do have the major portion of the cash match required in hand, 50,000, to fund this project. The remainder of the match, 14,550, will be raised through grant requests to our regular sources.

These philanthropic organization have supported us in the past on a yearly basis and also have a strong interest in the well-being and economic growth of this northern most region of NH.

We do not anticipate any problem raising these funds once the NSCB reviewers approve this proposal.

Digital version: BywaysBudget2010.pdf (20.0 KB)



□ National Scenic Byways Grants Detailed Report for 1992-2007, page #464

The NH Governor and Council and the NSBP has essentially approved the 2 phase process for this project with the passage of Phase-1.

This project has endured many delays since its original Byway submission in 2001. It was initially submitted as One project but the NH Office of Energy and Planning broke it into Two phases so it would receive funding for 2003. Our 2003 award was reallocated, to everyone's dismay by then NH Gov. Benson, to another Byways project in Intervale.

Subsequent submissions were eventually funded again in 2005. Contracts and agreements were signed, funding in place, shovel ready, then administration of the Byways program was moved from NH-OEP into the hands NH-DOT.

Digital version: National Scenic Byways Grants Detailed Report Pg464.pdf (42.3 KB)



□ Poore Farm House

The Poore Family Farm House, circa 1830s.

All Museum structures are in original condition and reflect their use and era.

The felling one gets when entering the Homestead, is to walk back in time, to one that existed prior to the rural electrification of the northern most region of NH.

The image is an example of what the traveler can expect to experience when visiting The Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum.

The Museum is the only original homestead settlement of its kind in the region and along the Byway and it has added greatly to area tourism.

This (2009) will be our 15th year of operation as a cultural and historic destination.

http://www.poorefamily.homestead.com

Digital version: FarmHouse.jpg (215.6 KB)

□ Inside Main Barn 1

View one from inside the main barn.

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□ Poore Homestead Main Barn

The Poore Family Homestead's Main Barn.

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View two from inside the main barn.

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□ Poore Farm Museum Concert photo 1

Annual Open Barn and Celebration and Folk Concert at The Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum. Stewartstown, NH, July 1, 2007.

Over 120 folks stopped in for birthday cake in memory of our founder, Kenneth Poore's 122nd birthday and to help celebrate our 13th season as a cultural and historic North Country destination.

The image is an example of what the traveler can expect to experience when visiting The Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum.

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Oxen Barn

Poore Homestead Oxen Barn, circa 1840s.

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Digital version: OxenBarn.jpg (40.9 KB)



□ Poore Farm Museum Concert photo 2

Annual Open Barn and Celebration and Folk Concert at The Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum. Stewartstown, NH, July 1, 2007.

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□ Pressing Apple Cider at Annual Concert

The Poore Farm hosts an annual concert series with 3 to 5 performances held each year. This is Bluegrass and Cider.

Presented by the Poore Family Foundation. Funding is provied, in part, by: the Tillotson North Country Foundation & the NH State Council on the Arts

Over 100 people enjoyed the music of "Gopher Broke Bluegrass" and fresh pressed apple cider at the Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum, Stewartstown, NH.

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Digital version: PressingCider.jpg (96.7 KB)



□ New Stage and Performance area.

This is a picture of the new performance venue. We constructed permanent post and bean covered stage and developed a natural amphitheater environment.

The photo shows our annual Bluegrass concert filling up with patrons.

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Digital version: New Stage-Bluegrass.jpg (1.0 MB)



□ New Amphitheater Area with Audience

We have developed a natural amphitheater environment for concerts and seating.

This photo shows some of the audience attending our annual Bluegrass concert last year, 2008.

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Signatures

Application Completeness

I certify that this application is complete and correct, and is eligible for National Scenic Byways funding. (This should be completed by the State's scenic byways coordinator.)

Please print name: Dean M. Eastman	Title: N.H. S/B State Coordinator		
Signature:	Date:		

Matching Funds Certification

I certify that the matching funds for this project are available for use at the time of application.

Please print name: Mr. Richard J. Johnsen	Title: Poore Family Foundation Executive Director		
Signature:	Date:		