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To: Board of Visitors

Subject: Report of open contracts entered into subject to the Code of Virginia “State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act” (“the Act”) § 2.2-3106 C. 8.

There was one contract entered into at the time of this report from 7/1/2024 to 9/30/2024 subject to the Act’s exception for prohibited contracts involving research and development or commercialization of intellectual property. Details as per the Act § 2.2-3106 E. are included below.

Contract	1 of 1
Open contract number	PGX6ZQFC
Names of parties	Virginia Tech and Daguna Consulting, LLC
Date contract executed	8/26/2024
Contract term	4/1/2024 – 3/31/2025
Subject of contract	“Semi-quantitative & Quantitative Mussel Surveys of the Middle Fork Holston River, Virginia (Year 2)”
Nature of COI	Caitlin Carey, Project Associate with the Conservation Management Institute, has disclosed an equity interest in Daguna Consulting, LLC exceeding 3% and the receipt of payments exceeding \$5,000 in the past 12 months from the company. Virginia Tech has received an award from the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources that includes a subcontract to Daguna Consulting, LLC. Scott Klopfer, Director of the Conservation Management Institute, is the Principal Investigator for Virginia Tech and has no relationship with Daguna Consulting, LLC. Caitlin Carey will serve as a co-Investigator for Virginia Tech. In the context of sponsored research, the disclosed financial interests represent a financial conflict of interest with state law implications. The Research Conflict of Interest Program has implemented a management plan to promote objectivity.

Institution employee responsible for administering contract	Linda Duffy, contract administration signatory Director, Virginia Tech Office of Sponsored Programs
The institution's commitment of resources or finances for the contract	N/A
Details of how revenues are to be dispersed	N/A (no revenues will be generated)