

The Department estimated fee revenue to support a Shoreland Permit Program based on surveys of selected Vermont towns and discussions with staff of the New Hampshire shoreland regulatory program.

- Based on surveys of Vermont town permit records, it is estimated that about 80-90% of shoreland projects will be small, i.e. 500 sq ft or less in size.
- Based on surveys of Vermont towns and discussions with NH program staff, the Department estimates there will be between 450 and 600 permit applications a year.
- The Department has added a 20% compliance and enforcement inspection rate into staff time needed.
- The Department is requesting a flat fee for registrations of \$75 to cover the administrative costs.

**Fee Structure:**

De minimis projects (§ 1446) – no cost

Registrations (§ 1446) - \$100

Individual permits (§ 1444 & 1445) – \$0.50 per sq ft of impervious area plus \$125 base fee

**Fee revenue estimates:**

<b>Type of shoreland proposal</b>	<b>Est.# statewide</b>	<b>Proposed fee At \$0.50 sq ft</b>	<b>Total</b>
De minimis activities	-	-	-
Registrations	200	\$100	\$20,000
Indiv Permit, addition ~200 sq ft impervious	150	\$100 sq ft fee + \$125 base fee	\$33,750
Indiv Permit, addition ~500 sq ft impervious	150	\$250 sq ft fee + \$125 base fee	\$56,250
Indiv Permit ~2000 sq ft impervious	50	\$1000 sq ft fee + \$125 base fee	\$56,250
Indiv Permit ~4000 sq ft impervious	50	\$2000 sq ft fee + \$125 base fee	\$106,250
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$272,500</b>

**Estimated funding needed for shoreland permit program:**

3 Environmental Analysts (\$80,000) each: \$240,000

Equipment and travel: \$30,000

**TOTAL: \$270,000**

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Sec. 5. 3 V.S.A. § 2822(j)(32) is added to read:

(32)(A) For applications for a project taking place that requires a registration pursuant to 10 V.S.A.

§ 1446(a): \$100.00

(B) Applications for a project that requires an individual permit pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 1443, 1444, and 1445: \$125.00 per project and \$0.50 per square foot of impervious surface.