

10. Montpelier ~ State House Lawn: Access Improvements & Water Intrusion..... \$300,000

The Statehouse is Vermont’s most public building; as our centerpiece it is both symbolic and heavily used. The front lawn is Vermont’s front lawn, and everything from public holiday ceremonies, to welcoming heads of state, to passionate demonstrations takes place there.

While Hubbard Park and the Winooski River frame the State House, the hill and soils cause significant problems. Over the years, BGS has repaired walks and other improvements, but repairs do not last long. A tunnel was constructed below the lawn in 1978, which has also caused problems.

BGS proposes to fix these problems in a comprehensive way that will reduce maintenance costs and risk of injury. The tunnel should be completely excavated and waterproofed, with a storm water system (including a pump station) added. Surface water from the Statehouse will be captured. The Statehouse stairs will be reset. All walks will be resurfaced. The lawn itself will have its soil corrected, much like an athletic field, so that grass and trees can survive heavy foot traffic.



Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Totals			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants			300					300
Site Acquisition								0
Construction					1,000	1,000	950	2,950
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	300		1,000	1,000	950	3,250