

Clean Water Fund – State Revenue Needs Estimate

This is not a budget proposal but instead an estimate of demands on the Clean Water Fund not covered by federal or other funds. The Clean Water Fund will be targeted at non-point source pollution.

Category	Strategy	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Agricultural Lands	1, 2	\$390,000	\$600,000	\$850,000 ^F	\$850,000	\$850,000
	3 ^A	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Municipal Stormwater	1, 2	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000
	3 ^B	\$1,240,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Town Highways - 80% of all road miles in Vermont are managed by towns.	1, 2 ^C	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
	3 ^{C,D}	\$850,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
Natural Resources - Privately and publicly held wetlands, forests, and river corridors.	1, 2 ^E	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
	4 ^E	\$400,000	\$850,000	\$850,000	\$850,000	\$850,000
Minimum known costs ^{G, H}		\$4,680,000	\$10,250,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000

Key of Strategies

1 - Mapping, inventory, prioritization and planning

2 - Education, outreach, and technical assistance.

3 - Pollution control and abatement - projects and practices to control pollution. Examples include installing rock-lined ditches along gravel roads, installing buffers along farm fields, and re-building paved surfaces to mitigate stormwater run-off.

4 - Restoration and conservation

Notes

^A The first 4 years of funding for agricultural pollution control projects funded by NRCS and LCBP funds. Beyond that a state share may be needed.

^B Need in this category is substantial. This estimate covers only currently designated MS4 communities and assumes a state grant with a 50% local match.

^C VTrans will administer through an expanded municipal water quality program.

^D Rough estimate that would be revised based on the first round of planning and inventory development.

^E Wetland, river, and forest conservation and restoration partially funded through state ERP and federal NRCS programs.

^F Increase over Year 2 to cover loss of 3 agronomist positions at Lake Champlain Basin Program (LCBP).

^G Costs are estimates; actual costs will be based on inventories, prioritization, planning and policy decisions (level of match, loan v. grant, etc).

^H Proposal does not include the use of state funds to pay for private landowner expenses associated with stormwater management.