2017 Clean Water Legislative Workgroup (House)

Legislative charge: Determine how \$25 million per year for two years should be spent.

Workgroup members: House Corrections & Institutions (2), House Natural Resources, Fish & Wildlife (2), House Agriculture (2), House Appropriations (2)

Summary of two-year revenues (detail below):

- \$10M Clean Water Fund- Property Transfer Tax
- \$26.5M Capital Bill- ERP above base, Clean Water non-dedicated, bond premium
- \$13.5M Appropriation- Vtrans budget

Governor's Budget - Detail Revenue Source	<u>Total</u>	FY2018	FY2019
Property Transfer Tax - Clean Water Surcharge	\$10,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
FHWA - Annual Formula STPG diverted to Municipal Mitigation Asst. Program	\$10,484,684	\$5,242,342	\$5,242,342
FHWA - Transportation Alternatives (TA)	\$2,200,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
Transportation Fund Increase for Municipal Mitigation Asst. Program	\$800,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Current Year Capital Approp-Eco-Restoration Increase Above Base Amount	\$2,540,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,040,000
Current Year Capital Approp - Clean Water Non-Dedicated	\$21,715,328	\$11,757,658	\$9,957,670
Bond Premium from Sale of Bonds	\$2,259,988	\$0	\$2,259,988
	\$50,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000

Policy Questions:

- Should Vermont Legislature weigh in at the project or program level?
- Should Vermont Legislature develop criteria for capital allocations, rely on criteria set forth in Act 64 of 2015 (also considered by the Clean Water Fund) or look to State Agency program administrators to set criteria for distribution of monies?
- Should Vermont Legislature advise on the breakdown of how funds should be spent by allocation (X% agriculture, Y% developed lands, Z% municipal, etc.)?
- Should the Clean Water Fund Board be engaged in the capital and/or appropriations monies connected to the \$25M/year for two years? If so, how?
- What reporting is needed? By whom? How frequently?