# **VERMONT CLEAN WATER INITIATIVE 2017 INVESTMENT REPORT**

















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Summary of the Vermont Clean Water Initiative Describing State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017 State Investments, Actions, and Outcomes

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Act 64 (2015),¹ Section 36, codified at 10 V.S.A. § 1386(e) Activities and Progress of Water Quality Ecosystem Restoration Programs	Vermont Clean Water Investment Report, Appendix B
Act 64 (2015), <sup>1</sup> Section 37, codified at 10 V.S.A. § 1389a (a) The Report shall summarize all investments, including their cost- effectiveness, made by the Clean Water Fund Board and other State agencies for clean water restoration over the prior calendar year.	Vermont Clean Water Investment Report, Chapters 3-5; reported by SFY <sup>2</sup>
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The SFY reporting period aligns with agencies' budget/grant cycles and allows sufficient time to compile and present data between the end of the SFY (June 30th) and legislative reporting deadline (January 15th).

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## **Clean Water Initiative 2017 Investment Report: Executive Summary**

Clean water supports fishing, swimming, boating, and other recreational uses, bolsters tourism, helps to maintain property values and provides access to safe drinking water. Vermont's residents, visitors, and businesses care about clean water and benefit from continued investments in restoring and protecting our waters.

The Vermont Clean Water Initiative 2017 Investment Report summarizes: (a) state investments made in clean water improvement projects through grants, contracts, and loans, and (b) the results of state-funded clean water restoration activities completed within State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017, covering July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

The Vermont Clean Water Initiative Investment Report uses four categories of accountability measures:



Outreach and technical assistance **measures** to evaluate the level of clean water outreach and technical assistance provided by state agencies to support implementation of clean water funding and projects;



**Investment measures** of dollars invested in clean water projects, addressing planning, design, and implementation of clean water improvement practices;



**Project output measures** that quantify the results of state-funded clean water restoration projects completed; and



**Environmental outcome measures** that quantify water pollution reductions achieved through statefunded clean water projects.

This executive summary of the SFY 2017 Investment Report summarizes state investments in clean water projects in SFY 2017 and results achieved by clean water projects implemented or constructed in SFY 2017 by sector:

#### **Agricultural Pollution Prevention Projects**

Installation or application of conservation practices that reduce sources of nutrient and sediment pollution from agricultural lands.

#### **Natural Resources Restoration Projects**

Restoration of floodplains, rivers/streams, lakeshore, wetlands, and forest lands to natural conditions that prevent and abate nutrient and sediment pollution.

#### **Developed Lands Stormwater Treatment Projects**

Installation of stormwater practices that treat sources of nutrient and sediment pollution caused by stormwater runoff from developed lands.

#### **Transportation-Related Stormwater Treatment Projects**

Installation of stormwater and roadside erosion control practices that prevent erosion and treat road-related sources of nutrient and sediment pollution.

The Investment Report also contains results of project development work, addressing project planning, design, and engineering that leads to high priority and cost effective clean water implementation or construction projects. The report also summarizes the extent of stateprovided outreach and technical assistance. Highlights of project development work and outreach/technical assistance are summarized below.

## **Executive Summary**



#### **Outreach and Technical Assistance Highlights**

Extent of state-provided clean water outreach and technical assistance

State agencies and partners conducting Statefunded outreach held 431 outreach events in SFY 2017, including workshops, trainings, and public/stakeholder meetings. Outreach efforts reached 10,533 attendees and provided 1,067 hours of education on clean water. Agency staff reviewed 4,857 projects to maximize water quality improvements and minimize water quality impact; provided 5,300 hours of engineering and technical assistance for stormwater and wastewater projects; conducted 700 farm visits farms; provided technical assistance on 1,032 logging operations/forest properties; assisted 78 communities in urban and community forestry; and provided 1,483 hours of technical assistance to municipalities on transportation-related stormwater projects.



#### **Project Development Highlights**

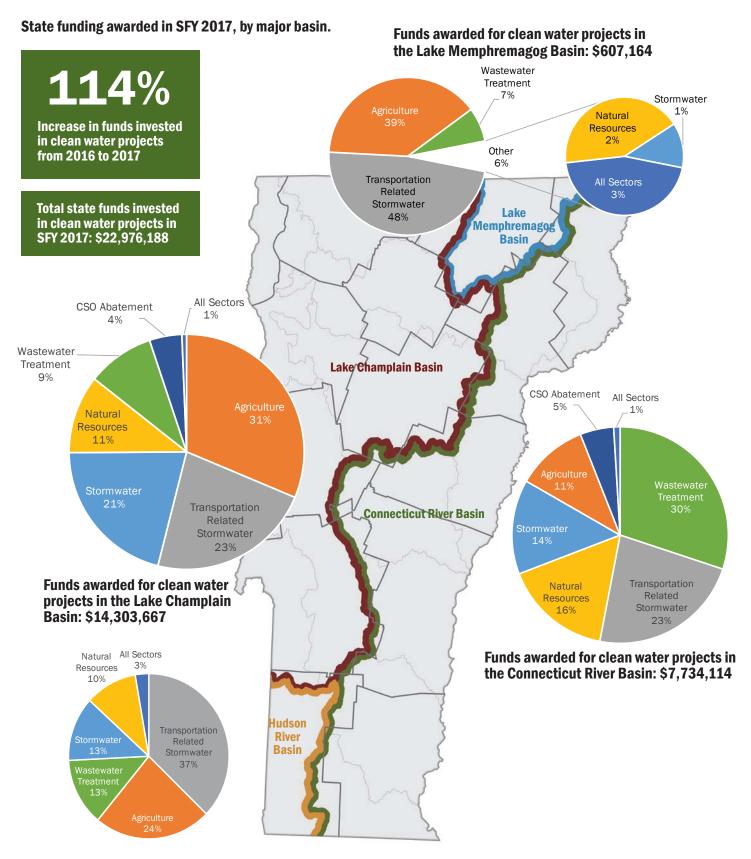
Extent of state-provided clean water outreach and technical assistance

State-funded planning and assessment work resulted in identification of 176 priority projects recommended for future design and/ or implementation in SFY 2017, covering agricultural pollution prevention, river/ floodplain restoration, and stormwater treatment projects. More than 116 road miles were assessed and identified for future improvements to comply with clean water regulations. 22 preliminary and 44 final clean water project designs were completed for future implementation work.

Investments made in clean water projects and results of clean water projects implemented in SFY 2017 are summarized by sector in the following sections.

# **State Investments in Clean Water**

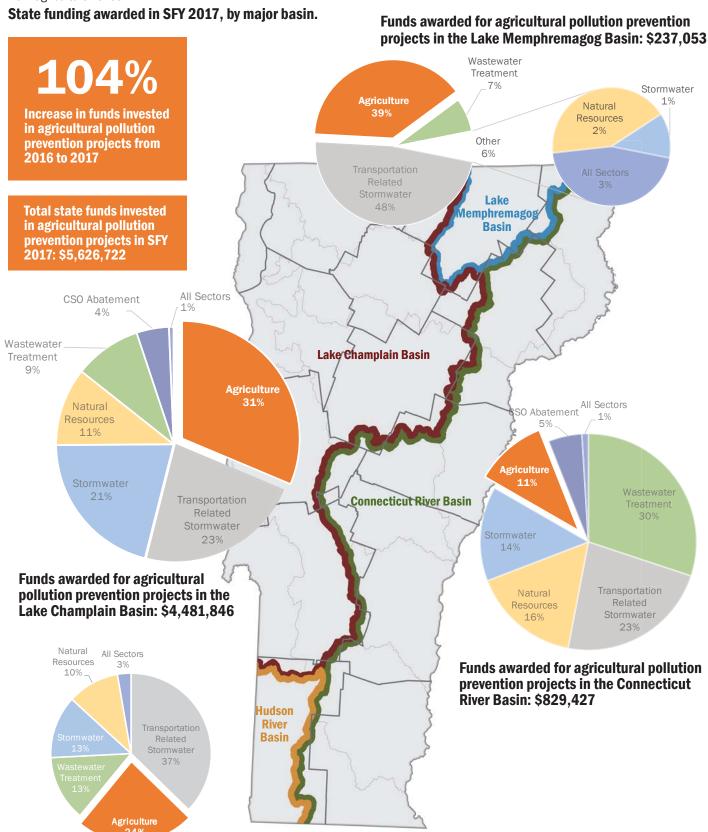




Funds awarded for clean water projects in the Hudson River Basin: \$331,243

# **Investments in Agricultural Pollution Prevention**

**Agricultural Pollution Projects:** Installation or application of conservation practices that reduce sources of nutrient and sediment pollution from agricultural lands.



Funds awarded for agricultural pollution prevention projects in the Hudson River Basin: \$78,396

# Results of Agricultural Projects



#### Results of agricultural pollution prevention projects implemented in SFY 2017, statewide.

PROJECT RESULTS	PROJECT RESULTS					BENEFITS						
Performance Measures	2016	2017	TMDL <sup>1</sup> Implementation	Act 64 (2015) Implementation	RAP <sup>1</sup> Compliance	Flood Resiliency	Working Landscape	Habitat Function				
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	3,865	2,486*	✓	✓	✓		✓					
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	572	0*	✓	✓	✓		✓					
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	366	178*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	39	87	✓	✓	✓		✓					
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	New in 2017	89	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				

<sup>\*</sup> USDA NRCS prioritized federal funding for field-based practices in SFY 2017, therefore, state-funded field practices decreased relative to SFY 2016, while state-funded barnyard/production area practices increased by more than 50 percent relative to SFY 2016. Federally funded projects are outside the scope of this report.

POLLUTANT REDUCTION								
Total Phosphorus Reduced (Kilograms per Year)	2016	2017	Cumulative	Extent of Load Reduction Quantified				
Annual agricultural conservation practices (active for at least 1 year)	443	283	283	53 percent of acres quantified in 2017 (projects in the Lake Champlain basin)				
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices (active for at least 5 years)	271	0	271	100 percent of acres quantified (cumulative) (projects in the Lake Champlain basin)				
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands (active for at least 15 years)	199	34	234	69 percent of acres quantified (cumulative) (projects in the Lake Champlain basin)				

#### **AGRICULTURAL HIGHLIGHTS**

**Updated Required Agricultural Practices (RAPs) regulations** became effective December 2016, and are expected to drive demand for additional projects in 2018

Before (left) and after (right) installation of livestock exclusion fencing and improved laneway and water crossing in Pawlet, completed by Poultney Mettowee **Conservation District with Agency of Natural Resources funding** 

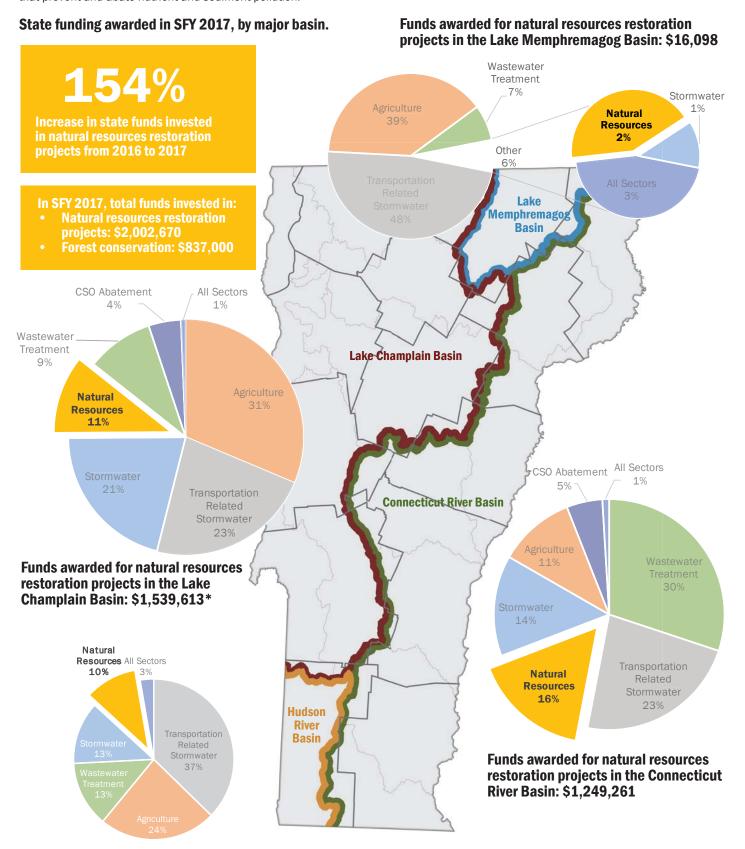




# Investments in Natural Resources Restoration



Natural Resources Restoration Projects: Restoration of floodplains, rivers/streams, lakeshore, wetlands, and forest lands to natural conditions that prevent and abate nutrient and sediment pollution.



**Funds awarded for natural resources restoration** projects in the Hudson River Basin: \$34,698

<sup>\*</sup> Forest conservation represents 2% of total funds awarded in the Lake Champlain basin

# **Results of Natural Resources Projects**



#### Results of natural resources restoration projects implemented in SFY 2017, statewide.

PROJECT RESULTS	BENEFITS						
Performance Measures	2016	2017	TMDL <sup>1</sup> Implementation	Flood Resiliency	Outdoor Recreation	Habitat Function	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	88	16	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	141	209	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Acres of floodplain restored	0	2	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	0	98	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	New in 2017	4,906		✓	✓	✓	
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	New in 2017	98	✓	✓	✓	✓	

POLLUTANT RED	UCTION	EXTENT OF LOAD REDUCTION QUANTIFIED		
Total Phosphorus Reduced (Kilograms per Year)	2016	2017	Cumulative	Pollutant reductions quantified for 25 percent of buffer
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural lands	74	12	86	acres in 2016 and 34 percent in 2017 (projects in the Lake Champlain and Memphremagog basins)

#### **NATURAL RESOURCES HIGHLIGHTS**

**Natural resources restoration projects** reduce nutrient and sediment resiliency, support outdoor recreational opportunities, and improve habitat

> Before (above, right) and after (below, right) relocation of 1,100 feet of Stowe's **Recreation Path outside of** the river hazard zone and restoration/planting of two acres of floodplain, completed by Town of Stowe with Agency of Natural Resources funding





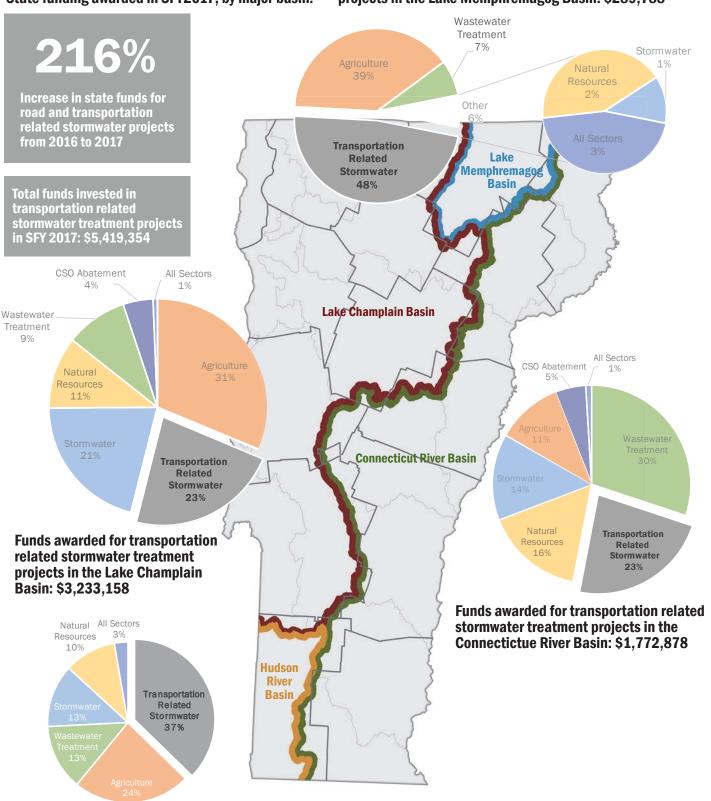
## **Investments in Transportation Related Stormwater Treatment**



Transportation Related Stormwater Treatment Projects: Installation of stormwater and roadside erosion control practices that prevent erosion and treat road-related sources of nutrient and sediment pollution.

State funding awarded in SFY2017, by major basin.

**Funds awarded for transportation related stormwater treatment** projects in the Lake Memphremagog Basin: \$289,788



**Funds awarded for transportation related** stormwater treatment projects in the **Hudson River Basin \$123,531** 





#### Results of transportation related stormwater projects implemented in SFY 2017, statewide.<sup>1</sup>

PROJECT RESULTS	BENEFITS							
Performance Measures	2016	2017	TMDL <sup>2</sup> Implementation	Act 64 (2015) Implementation	MRGP <sup>2</sup> Compliance	Municipal Stormwater Compliance	Flood Resiliency	Habitat Function
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	1*	13**	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	176*	68	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	4*	109**	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	27*	2.4*					✓	✓

<sup>\*</sup> Represents results of ANR-funded projects only, therefore, results are likely underreported. Data were not tracked/reported by VTrans for applicable reporting periods.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Data available for, and represent, two-thirds of projects completed in SFY 2017.

POLLUTANT RE	DUCTION	EXTENT OF LOAD REDUCTION QUANTIFIED					
Total Phosphorus Reduced (Kilograms per Year)	2016	2017	Cumulative	Fundant reductions quantified for 30 percent of municipal			
Road erosion control practices	4	22	26	road miles improved (projects in the Lake Champlain bas			

#### TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER HIGHLIGHTS

**Roadside erosion/nutrient** pollution controls required by the Municipal Roads General Permit are expected to drive implementation of additional projects in future years





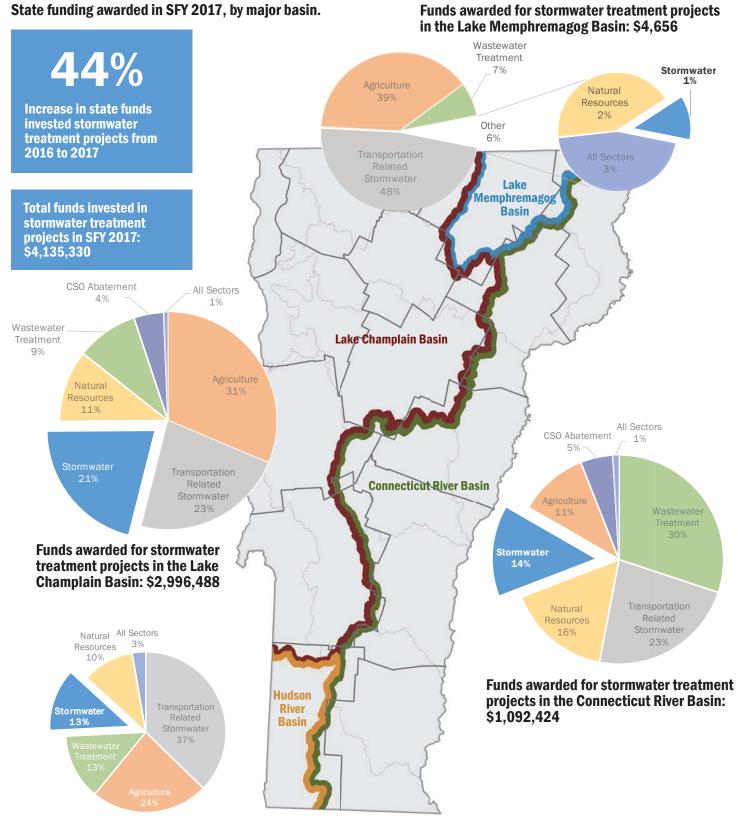
Before (left) and after (right) installation of a stone-lined ditch along Finel Hollow, Highland Gray, and Watkins Hill Roads in Poultney, completed by the Town of Poultney with VTrans funding

- 1 Results of projects completed by VTrans to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans non-road developed lands are outside the scope of this report.
- 2 Definition of acronyms: Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL); Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP)

# **Investments in Stormwater Treatment**



Stormwater Treatment Projects: Installation of stormwater practices that treat sources of nutrient and sediment pollution caused by stormwater runoff from developed lands.



**Funds awarded for stormwater** treatment projects in the Hudson **River Basin: \$41,763** 

# **Results of Stormwater Projects**



#### Results of stormwater treatment projects implemented in SFY 2017, statewide.

PROJECT RESULTS		BENEFITS			
Performance Measures	2016	2017	TMDL <sup>1</sup> Implementation	Act 64 (2015) Implementation	Municipal Stormwater Compliance
Acres of impervious surface treated	0.3	86.3	✓	✓	✓

LOAD REDUC	EXTENT OF LOAD REDUCTION QUANTIFIED			
Total Phosphorus Reduced (Kilograms per Year)	2016	2017	Cumulative	Pollutant reductions quantified for 41
Stormwater treatment practices	0.3	15.0	15.3	percent of impervious acres treated (projects in the Lake Champlain basin)

#### **STORMWATER HIGHLIGHTS**

**Nutrient pollution controls, required** by updated/new stormwater permits are expected to drive demand for additional projects in future years





Before (left) and after (right) installation of bioretention system on Morey Road in Hyde Park, completed by Lamoille **County Conservation District** 

## 1. Introduction

#### **ABOUT THIS REPORT**

Pursuant to 10 V.S.A. §1389a, herein after referred to as Act 64 of 2015,3 the Secretary of the Agency of Administration has prepared this annual investment report. The report covers State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017 (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017) and summarizes: (a) state investments made in clean water improvement projects through grants, contracts, and loan financing; and (b) the results of state-funded clean water restoration activities completed in SFY 2017.

Agencies and boards that contributed to this report include: Agency of Administration (AoA); Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets (AAFM); Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD); Agency of Natural Resources (ANR); Agency of Transportation (VTrans); and Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB).

This report presents information related to state investments through grant funding and loan financing only. Federal agencies and programs continue to serve a critical role in helping to leverage local and state clean water investments. Federal funds, such as funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), are outside the scope of this report, unless awarded by state agencies through a grant or contract, or leveraged as match against a state grant. Work completed to comply with water quality-related regulations without state-funded grants, contracts, and loans are also outside the scope of this report.4

Funding and regulatory programs are important drivers of clean water improvement projects, and the state is tracking the results of this work. As new regulations come on line, and as funding programs grow to support the costs of compliance, the work accomplished through funding and regulatory programs is also expected to grow and become increasingly overlapping.



Funding and regulatory programs aid in TMDL implementation and can overlap, as funds become available to support compliance with regulatory programs

Given the significant costs of restoring and safeguarding water quality, it is critical for the state to spend its resources in the most cost-effective manner. Vermont's Tactical Basin Planning process builds a technical framework for targeting and prioritizing clean water projects. Tactical Basin Plans integrate the results of assessments and plans at the basin-scale, resulting in a prioritized list of projects necessary to achieve clean water goals for each basin.<sup>5</sup> State agencies utilize Tactical Basin Plans as the scientific framework to target costeffective projects to achieve clean water targets. Those targets are described in clean water restoration plans, known as Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), the Vermont Clean Water Act, and the 2016 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Rule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Act 64 or the "Vermont Clean Water Act;" 2015 Vt. Acts & Resolves 975.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> VTrans' investments in clean water projects to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans nonroad developed lands are outside the scope of this report because this report focuses on state-provided grant funding and loan financing only. However, Appendix F of this report summarizes VTrans' clean water improvement activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Tactical Basin Plan priority project lists are updated continuously and available online in the Watershed Projects Database: https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IWIS/ARK/ProjectSearch.aspx.

#### TRACKING THE STATE'S INVESTMENTS

Tracking the connection between clean water dollars invested,6 actions taken, and outcomes achieved enables the state to provide meaningful information to the public about the importance of clean water restoration activities. Moreover, tracking actions and outcomes is consistent with the State of Vermont's adoption of a results-based accountability framework to measure governmental performance.7

The Vermont Clean Water Initiative Investment Report uses four categories of accountability measures:



Outreach and technical assistance measures to evaluate the level of clean water outreach and technical assistance provided by CWI partner agencies to support implementation of clean water funding and projects;



**Investment measures** of dollars invested in clean water projects, addressing planning, design, and implementation of clean water improvement practices;



**Project output** measures that quantify the results of state-funded clean water restoration projects completed; and



Environmental outcome measures that quantify water pollution reductions achieved through state-funded clean water projects.

The CWI partner agencies have been working since October 2015 to establish tracking protocols to account for these outreach and technical assistance, investment, project output, and environmental outcome measures statewide. The CWI partner agencies are coordinating the development of databases to support tracking, including the ANR-DEC Watershed Projects Database, the AAFM Agricultural Partners' Database (currently under development), and the VTrans Municipal Mitigation Assistance Program database.

#### ENHANCING THE STATE'S INVESTMENT REPORTING

This report is the second in the annual Investment Report series, and begins to measure progress made by state-funded clean water activities over time. The SFY 2016 Investment Report established a baseline for evaluating future actions and outcomes. This Investment Report evaluates actions and outcomes relative to SFY 2016, therefore, data are presented for SFY 2016 and 2017.

Vermont's clean water tracking systems are a "work-in-progress." Future Investment Reports will include interim targets to evaluate clean water progress over multiple years. Additionally, some of the projects completed during this reporting period were funded in years prior to the development of these new tracking systems. Therefore, in this second year of reporting, gaps still exist in the state's tracking, as well as limitations in accounting for nutrient pollution reductions of all project types, statewide. The state is addressing these gaps and limitations by continuously improving tracking and reporting processes and methodologies.

<sup>6</sup> State investments are defined as dollars obligated/awarded to clean water projects through grants and contracts, or financed through loans, administered by the State of Vermont.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> http://humanservices.vermont.gov/improving-outcomes-for-vermonters/results-based-accountability/

#### SUMMARY OF SFY 2017 INVESTMENT REPORT SCOPE

#### Included in this Report

Outreach and technical assistance provided by state agency staff and external partners under a state grant or contract.

State agencies' investments in clean water projects through state grants, contracts, or loans awarded in SFY 2017.

Results of clean water projects, funded by state agencies, completed in SFY 2017.

#### Outside the Scope of this Report<sup>8</sup>

Outreach and technical assistance provided by external partners without a state grant or contract.

Federal agencies' direct investments in clean water projects, and the results of those projects, unless projects are also funded by a state grant or financed by a state loan.

Municipal and private investments in clean water projects necessary to comply with water regulations, and the results of those projects, unless projects are also funded by a state grant or financed by a state loan.

VTrans' investments in clean water projects to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans non-road developed lands, and the results of those projects.

#### Planned Report Improvements

The SFY 2017 Investment Report evaluates actions and outcomes relative to actions and outcomes reported in SFY 2016; future Investment Reports will include interim targets to evaluate clean water progress over multiple years.

Continuous improvements to tracking and reporting processes and methodologies will reduce gaps in data on clean water projects results, including measures of project outputs and nutrient pollution reduced.

<sup>8</sup> The state will track results of federally-funded clean water projects and projects necessary to comply with water quality regulations. The state will report on its progress in future publications.

# 2. Outreach and Technical Assistance Measures

Reducing nutrient and sediment pollution sources fundamentally means changing or adjusting our land uses and employing sound land use management practices, which requires education. Individuals from all sectors – farmers, municipal road crews and highway departments, commercial business owners with large parking lots, developers at construction sites, loggers and foresters, and residential homeowners – need opportunities to learn about the problems caused by polluted runoff, understand their options to address the problems, and subsequently act to support clean water.

The state's outreach and technical assistance programs support all sectors in planning and securing resources to implement clean water projects. These efforts raise awareness and change attitudes and behavior, thus increasing acceptance of new and changing policies and willingness to adopt best management practices. In addition, the state's outreach and technical assistance efforts support all sectors in preparing to meet new regulatory requirements in the most cost-effective manner. Outreach and technical assistance measures, summarized in this report, show the extent of outreach and technical assistance provided by state agencies, as well as partners with state financial support.

The state's outreach, education, and technical assistance activities in SFY 2017 are summarized through the following measures:

- Extent of outreach provided to target audiences:
- Hours of education provided by state agencies;
- Extent of technical assistance provided by agency.

#### SCOPE OF THIS CHAPTER

#### Included in this Report

Outreach and technical assistance provided by state agency staff and external partners under a state grant or contract in SFY 2016 and 2017.

#### Outside the Scope of this Report

Outreach and technical assistance provided by external partners without a state grant or contract.

#### Planned Report Improvements

The State of Vermont is piloting the use of additional measures to quantify the impact of outreach efforts in driving changes in knowledge, behavior, and increased implementation of clean water projects.

In 2018, agricultural partners are evaluating how outreach and technical assistance increase ease of farmer participation in grant programs to implement agricultural projects.

#### **OUTREACH AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE** MEASURE #1: EXTENT OF OUTREACH PROVIDED TO TARGET AUDIENCES

All sectors play an important role to improve clean water statewide, and the state's goal is to educate all sectors on funding opportunities, new or changing regulations, and actions to improve water quality. Outreach efforts reported include workshops, trainings, and public or stakeholder meetings. Figure 1 demonstrates how the state's outreach efforts target different sector-based audiences by the number of attendees. Most outreach activities targeted municipalities (20 percent) and farmers (15 percent), followed by the public (13 percent) and non-governmental organizations (13 percent).

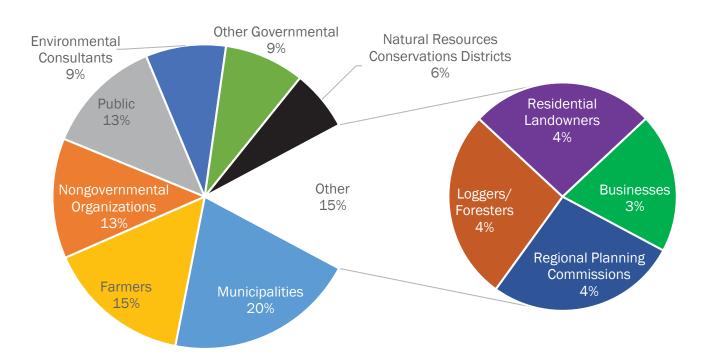


Figure 1. Target audiences reached through the state's clean water outreach efforts in SFY 2017

One of the state's water quality priorities is to support municipalities and farmers in addressing stormwater, wastewater, and agricultural sources of nutrient pollution, which is why outreach to these audiences is so important. In addition, nongovernmental organizations, such as watershed groups, regional planning commissions, and natural resources conservation districts, play a very important role working with municipalities, farmers, and other landowners securing funds to implement priority clean water projects. Outreach to these groups is important. It is also important to keep the public engaged for broader support of the state's clean water efforts.

#### **OUTREACH AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE** MEASURE #2: HOURS OF OUTREACH PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCIES

The state tracks the hours of clean water-related outreach provided to participants of workshops, trainings, and public or stakeholder meetings to better quantify the extent of its outreach. Total hours of outreach provided represent the total duration of all outreach events held. The 431 outreach events, reported in SFY 2017, reached 10,533 attendees and provided 1,067 hours of education on clean water. Figure 2 shows the total hours of outreach provided to attendees in SFY 2016 and 2017 by state agency staff or partners that conducted outreach with state funding.

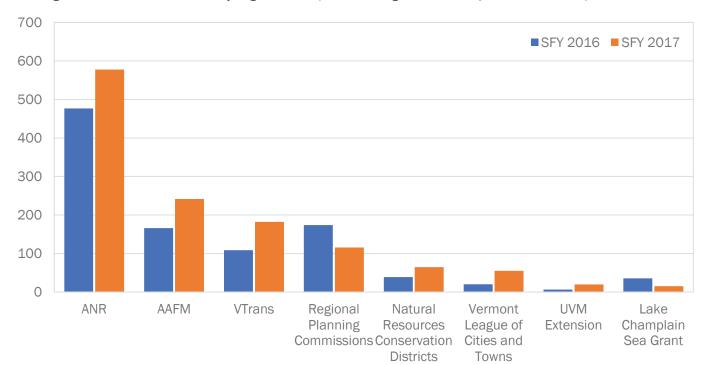


Figure 2. Total hours of outreach provided to participants of workshops, trainings, and public/stakeholder meetings in SFY 2016 and 2017, by organization (excludes organizations reported as "other")

## **OUTREACH AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE** MEASURE #3: EXTENT OF TECHNICAL AND COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE PROVIDED

In addition to outreach, state agencies and partners provide targeted technical assistance to advise and support municipalities, farmers, loggers and foresters, and other landowners or managers in implementing water quality improvement practices. Technical assistance plays a critical role in advancing the state's clean water goals in the most targeted and cost-effective manner. State agencies provide a range and variety of technical assistance which is summarized by agency, in the following sections.

## Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets **Technical and Compliance Assistance**

AAFM conducts regulatory farm visits to ensure compliance with Vermont's Required Agricultural Practices (RAPs), as well as non-regulatory farm visits to support the implementation of

conservation practices on farms. In SFY 2017, AAFM staff conducted 352 regulatory farm visits, shown in Figure 3 by farm size, representing more than 2,400 hours of staff time. AAFM staff conducted 348 technical assistance farm visits, shown in Figure 4 by farm size and AAFM grant program. Farm visits are defined as follows.

Regulatory farm visits to ensure compliance with RAPs:

- **Inspection** visits ensure compliance with RAPs and the General Permit for the Medium Farm Operations (MFO) and Large Farm Operations (LFO) Rule and individual LFO Permits. Inspections occur at least every year for LFOs and every three years for MFOs, and, beginning in July 2017, at least once every seven years for Certified small farm operations (SFOs);
- **Follow-up inspection** visits involve returning to a farm to ensure compliance issues found during prior inspections have been remediated;

- **Regulatory** visits involve assisting farmers completing MFO and LFO permit notices of intent to comply and other permit materials;
- Compliance visits are conducted to ensure farms meet conditions of enforcement actions to address water quality issues; these visits may involve delivery of enforcement actions to farms when necessary.

Non-regulatory farm visits to support implementation of conservation practices:

Technical assistance farm visits help farmers identify water quality issues and implement conservation practices to address those issues through AAFM grant programs; AAFM staff then conduct field visits to ensure practices were implemented.

Figure 3. Number and type of regulatory/compliance assistance farm visits conducted by AAFM to ensure RAP compliance in SFY 2017, by farm size

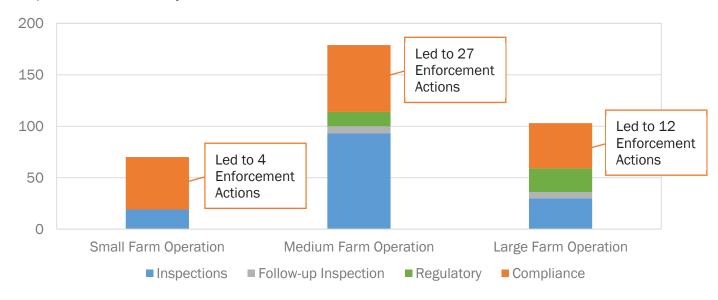
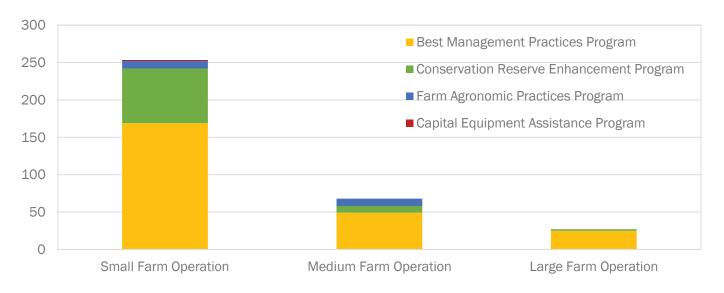


Figure 4. Number and type of non-regulatory/technical assistance visits to support implementation of conservation practices through AAFM grant programs in SFY 2017, by farm size



### Agency of Natural Resources, Department of **Environmental Conservation, Watershed** Management Division Technical Assistance

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Watershed Management Division (WSMD) provides technical assistance to municipalities, landowners, developers, and partner organizations (e.g., lake and watershed associations). Technical assistance activities are intended to ensure regulatory and non-regulatory projects support water quality improvements, and to minimize water quality impacts of land use activities. Technical assistance activities take many forms, including site visits, inspections, and project review. These activities can be advisory and collaborative to support local partners in the design and implementation of projects, or regulatory to ensure permit compliance.

The WSMD has been tracking its technical assistance efforts since 2012 as part of the state's Results Based Accountability initiative. Figure 5 shows the number of projects for which WSMD Staff provided technical assistance from SFY 2012 to 2017. In SFY 2017, the WSMD reviewed 4,857 projects. Project review involves determinations of whether permits are required, review of permit applications and renewals, municipal and partner project support, bylaw reviews, illicit discharge detection and elimination efforts, and grant application review. Technical assistance in the form of project review is critical to ensure projects are designed, implemented, and maintained in a costeffective manner.

State agencies also utilize, where possible, WSMDdeveloped Tactical Basin Plans to identify the highest-priority opportunities to reduce water pollution. The process involves coordinating watershed assessments and planning to identify and prioritize cost-effective pollution controls. The process then involves targeting support – educational, technical and financial assistance - to implement projects.

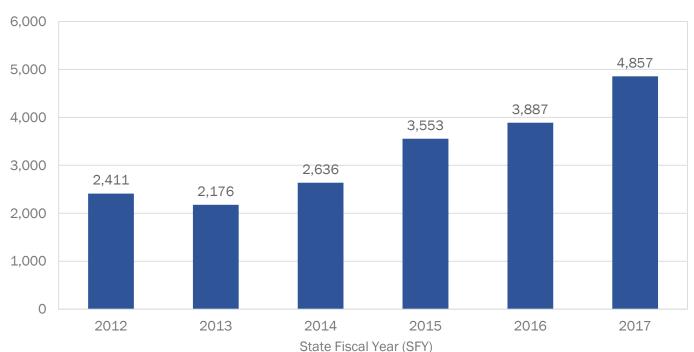


Figure 5. Number of projects reviewed by ANR-DEC WSMD staff, SFY 2012-2017

Table 1. Summary of FED Design and Construction Engineering Section staff technical assistance for stormwater and wastewater projects, SFY 2017

Measures of Technical Assistance	2016 Value	2017 Value
Hours of technical assistance provided to municipalities by FED Design and Construction Engineering Section staff for stormwater and wastewater projects	New in 2017	5,300

Table 2. Summary of FPR AMP technical assistance for water quality, calendar year 2015-2016

Measures of Technical Assistance	2015 Value	2016 Value
Number of logging operation site visits to provide Acceptable Management Practices (AMP) technical assistance	11	11
Number of site investigations conducted for Acceptable Management Practices (AMP) compliance (complaint driven)	37	31
Number of logging operation site visits with discharges remediated	16	18
Number of Use Value Appraisal (UVA) site inspections	630	990
Acres of forest lands covered by UVA site inspections	107,534	189,733

# Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation, Facilities Engineering Division Technical Assistance

ANR-DEC's Facilities Engineering Division (FED) Design and Construction Engineering Section staff assist municipalities (and owners of municipallysponsored projects) in the engineering and construction of stormwater and wastewater projects. These assistance efforts focus on projects financed by Vermont Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loans and funded by Municipal Pollution Control grants. FED staff review engineering reports, plans, and specifications to ensure projects employ appropriate technologies, are biddable and constructible, and comply with local, state, and federal funding requirements. Staff also monitor progress during construction to ensure projects are completed on time and within budget. In SFY 2017, FED Design and Construction Engineering Section staff began tracking hours of technical assistance provided for municipal

stormwater and wastewater projects. In SFY 2017, FED staff provided 5,300 hours of technical assistance on projects (see Table 1 above).

# Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation Technical Assistance for Logging Jobs and Forestry

The Acceptable Management Practices (AMPs) for Maintaining Water Quality on Logging Jobs in Vermont are intended to prevent discharges of sediment from soil erosion and other water pollutants associated with logging from entering Vermont's waterways. The state updated the AMPs in October of 2016.9 The Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation (FPR) provides training on the new AMPs to loggers, foresters and landowners to help them comply with the AMPs. Table 2, above, summarizes FPR's AMP-related technical assistance efforts.

<sup>9</sup> FPR is undergoing a second rulemaking process to make minor AMP modifications in 2018.

FPR foresters responded to 42 AMP calls around the state as part of the AMP Monitoring Program in calendar year 2016.10 Eleven of these calls were requests for technical assistance and 31 were in response to AMP complaints. Of those complaints, 18 of the logging operations inspected revealed evidence of discharges of sediment into waterbodies and 13 logging operations had no evidence of discharge. Remedial actions were prescribed by the FPR forester and immediately implemented by the logger to stop any on-going discharge.

FPR also provides AMP technical assistance to landowners enrolled in the Use Value Appraisal (UVA) Program during site inspections to ensure compliance with AMPs. In calendar year 2016, FPR inspected 990 UVA-enrolled parcels spanning 189,733 acres of private forest lands. FPR county foresters provided technical assistance on AMPs during an estimated 20 percent of UVA inspections, which includes, areas with risk of erosion.

The Lake Champlain Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) provides financial assistance to forest landowners to make water quality improvements. ANR-FPR county foresters (one of many RCPP partners) use UVA Program inspections as an opportunity to inform forest landowners on financial and technical resources available through RCPP. Landowners were provided information based on the conditions of forest roads and stream crossings and likelihood of eligibility for the RCPP program. An estimated 5-10 percent of landowners visited in the Lake

Champlain basin received information on RCPP resources. FPR continues to modify how county foresters document technical assistance, which will allow for more accurate and efficient delivery of assistance in future years.

#### Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation Urban and Community Forestry Program Technical **Assistance**

FPR also provides technical assistance through its Urban and Community Forestry Program. This program is designed to help communities build capacity to plan, plant, and care for trees in and around developed areas as a "green stormwater management strategy." The program focuses on installing trees along streets and municipallyowned forests, village greens, schools and other community green spaces. Incorporating and maintaining trees in developed areas provides multiple community benefits, including aesthetic and socioeconomic values, habitat function, and water quality improvement by reducing stormwater runoff.

In SFY 2017, the Urban and Community Forestry Program provided technical assistance to 78 communities and recorded 17,150 volunteer service hours (summarized in Table 3). Volunteers work in their communities to advance urban and community forestry programs, including tree planting and care, policy development, and public awareness campaigns.

Table 3. Summary of FPR Urban and Community Forestry Program technical assistance, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Technical Assistance	2016 Value	2017 Value
Number of communities receiving Urban and Community Forestry Program technical assistance	94	78
Hours of Urban and Community Forestry Program volunteer service	15,800	17,150

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Given the timeline of this report, calendar year 2017 data are not yet available. FPR annual statewide summary reports are available here: <a href="http://fpr.vermont.gov/forest/vermonts">http://fpr.vermont.gov/forest/vermonts</a> forests/amps.

#### **Agency of Transportation Technical** Assistance on Road Erosion Control **Practices**

VTrans staff help municipalities install stormwater best management practices on roads to reduce road runoff and erosion. VTrans' technical assistance efforts may involve meeting with municipalities in the field and identifying potential projects for grant funding, recommending cost-effective fixes to address road runoff and erosion-driven issues, providing technical expertise during project construction, and inspecting newly constructed projects. In SFY 2017, VTrans district, stormwater, environmental, and Municipal Assistance Bureau staff provided 1,483 hours of technical assistance to municipalities, shown in Table 4.

Hours of technical assistance is a new measure established by VTrans in SFY 2017. Therefore, data were unavailable for this measure in SFY 2016. However, in SFY 2016, VTrans Better Roads Program staff conducted 78 site visits with 54 municipalities to provide the services described above.



VTrans and DEC staff visiting a stone-lined ditch during a site visit

Table 4. Summary of VTrans technical assistance to municipalities on road erosion control practices, SFY 2017

Measures of Technical Assistance	2016 Value	2017 Value
Hours of water quality municipal technical assistance provided by District Technicians	New in 2017	393
Hours of water quality municipal technical assistance provided by stormwater and environmental staff	New in 2017	89
Hours of water quality municipal technical assistance provided by Municipal Assistance Bureau Staff	New in 2017	1,001

# 3. Investment Measures

Restoring Vermont's clean water requires investments at the state, federal, municipal, and private-level. State investments are channeled through grant, loan, and assistance programs to strategically and cost-effectively restore and safeguard the state's rivers, streams, lakes, ponds, and wetlands. These funds are used to conduct assessments to help identify and prioritize projects, as well as to design and implement projects. This work helps municipalities, farmers, and other landowners comply with regulations, and encourages voluntary actions necessary to address runoff from unregulated sources.

Vermont's clean water investments<sup>11</sup> made in SFY 2017<sup>12</sup> are summarized through the following measures:

- State investments by agency and funding source:
- State investments by project step;
- State investments by sector and funding recipient category;
- Geographic distribution of investments by watershed and county;
- Match or in-kind funds leveraged by statefunded projects.

Results of state-funded projects are captured by project output and environmental outcome measures, once projects are completed, in Chapters 4 and 5 of the Investment Report. These results are only reported once projects are fully implemented, and therefore, may be captured in future years' reports. It is important to note that some projects may require multiple years to fully complete.

#### SCOPE OF THIS CHAPTER

#### Included in this Report

State agencies' investments in clean water projects through state administered grants, contracts, or loans awarded in SFY 2017.

#### Outside the Scope of this Report

Federal agencies' direct investments in clean water projects, unless projects are also funded by a state grant or financed by a state loan.

Municipal and private investments in clean water projects necessary to comply with water regulations, unless projects are also funded by a state grant or financed by a state loan.

VTrans' investments in clean water projects to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans non-road developed lands.

<sup>11</sup> State investments are defined as dollars obligated/awarded to clean water projects through grants and contracts, or financed through loans, administered by the State of Vermont. Investments reported include state and federal dollars awarded to projects by state agencies, but excludes federal funds awarded to projects directly by federal agencies.

<sup>12</sup> In October 2017, the Secretary of Administration moved the overall responsibility of financial reporting on Clean Water initiatives to the Secretary's Office. All departments are now working with the Secretary's Office to develop a consistent and standardized financial reporting structure to improve accuracy, transparency and a comprehensive view of the State's investment in clean water initiatives.

#### **INVESTMENT MEASURE #1: FUNDS** AWARDED BY AGENCY AND FUNDING **SOURCE**

This Investment Report summarizes total investments made in clean water by the State of Vermont across agencies. These investment measures show state investments in clean water in SFY 2017 by agency, funding source, and the types of investments made (including grants and contracts, loans, and operational funding). These investment data are based on dollars awarded to

projects through the various state agency funding programs in SFY 2017. The scope of funding programs reported are summarized in Table 5 by agency.

The State of Vermont invested more than \$23 million to support clean water restoration activities across four agencies in SFY 2017. This represents a 114 percent increase in the level of investment from 2016. Figure 6 shows clean water investments by agency in SFY 2016 and 2017.13

Table 5. Funding programs reported by agency

Agency	Funding Programs Reported
Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets (AAFM)	Best Management Practice (BMP) Program
	Capital Equipment Assistance Program (CEAP)
	Clean Water Fund Grants and Contracts
	Clean Water Fund Operational Funds
	Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)
	Farm Agronomic Practice (FAP) Program
	Water Quality (WQ) Grants
Agency of Natural Resource (ANR)	Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Loans
	Ecosystem Restoration Grants
	Fish and Wildlife Department Watershed Grants
	Municipal Pollution Control Grants
Agency of Transportation (VTrans)	Better Roads Program
	Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB)	Conservation Grants
	Farmland Protection Grants

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> SFY 2017 is the first year that VHCB data were included in this report.

Figure 6. Dollars awarded by agency, SFY 2016-2017

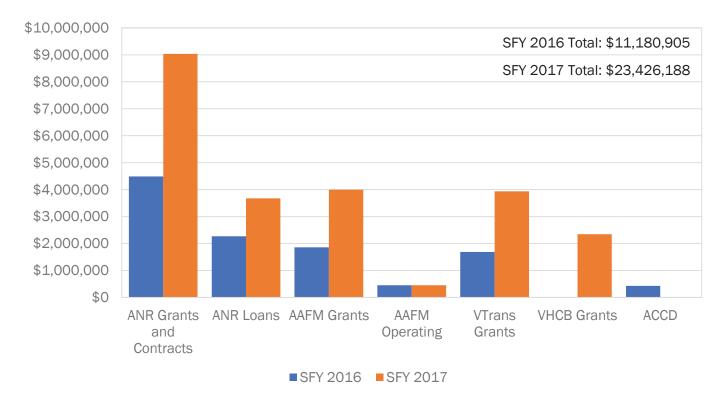
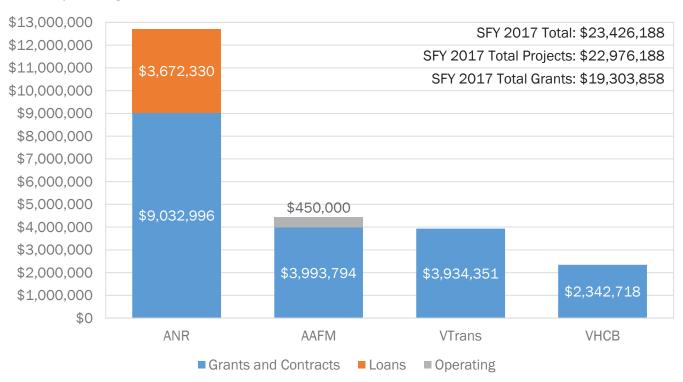


Figure 7. Dollars awarded in SFY 2017 through grants and contracts, loans, and short term operational funds for capacity building



Funds awarded through grants and contracts, loans, and operational funds are shown in Figure 7. Most of the funds (approximately \$19.3 million) were awarded through grants and contracts to address nonpoint pollution sources, stormwater management, natural resources restoration, and municipal wastewater treatment. Approximately \$3.7 million were provided as low-interest loans through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) to municipalities for wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) improvements and combined sewer overflow (CSO) abatement, of which approximately 17 percent are state funds and 83 percent are U.S. Environmental Protection Agency federal funds. In addition to grants and contracts, \$450,000 were directed from the Clean Water Fund to AAFM as operational funds for agency staff. The purpose of these funds is to build AAFM's capacity for increased on-farm oversight to enforce water quality regulatory requirements. This ensures greater compliance with the state's RAPs and other water quality regulations.

State agencies' clean water investments are supported by a variety of funding sources. Figure 8 shows the percent of total dollars awarded in SFY 2017 by funding source across agencies, and Figure 9 shows the percent of total dollars awarded by funding source for each agency. Of the total funds awarded, 81 percent are state funds and 19 percent are federal funds. Federal funding sources include federal transportation funds, USDA-NRCS Agricultural Conservation Easement Program, and approximately 83 percent of the CWSRF loan financing.

Figure 8. Total dollars awarded in SFY 2017 by funding or financing source

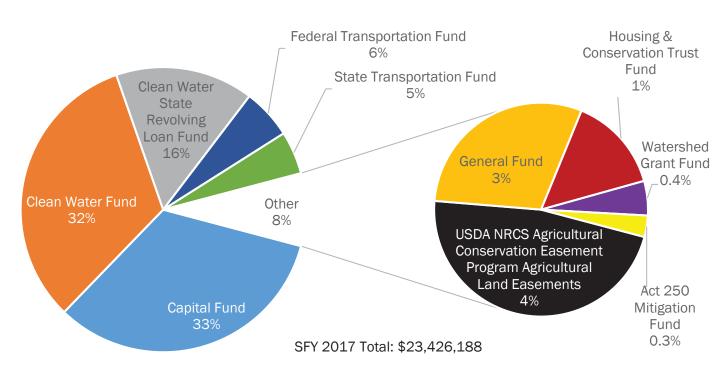
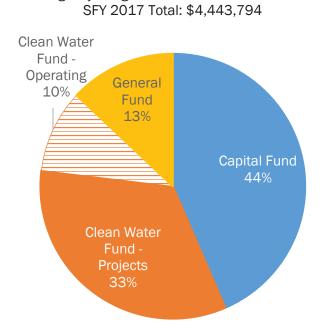
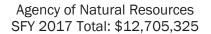
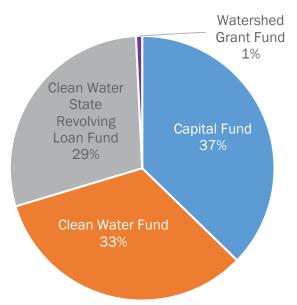


Figure 9. Dollars awarded in SFY 2017 by agency and funding or financing source

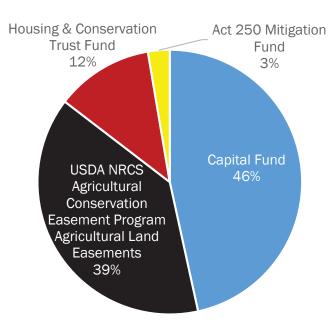


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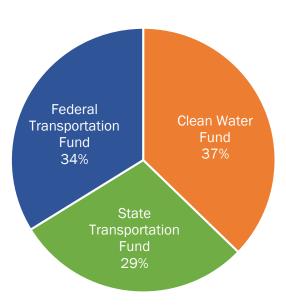




Vermont Housing and Conservation Board SFY 2017 Total: \$2,342,718



Agency of Transportation<sup>14</sup> SFY 2017 Total: \$3,934,351



<sup>14</sup> VTrans' investments in clean water projects to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans nonroad developed lands are outside the scope of this report because this report focuses on state-provided grant funding and loan financing only. However, Appendix F of this report summarizes VTrans' clean water improvement activities.

#### Vermont's Clean Water Fund

The Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015), signed into law in 2015, established Vermont's Clean Water Fund. The purpose of the Clean Water Fund is to provide additional state funds to help municipalities, farmers and others implement actions that will reduce water pollution. The Fund is supported by a property transfer tax surcharge that generates approximately \$5 million annually (which, beginning in SFY 2017, supports \$4 million for clean water and \$1 million for state housing bonds). The 2017 legislative session extended the Clean Water Fund revenue source to 2027.15

The Clean Water Fund is administered by the Clean Water Fund Board, with representation from AoA, AAFM, ACCD, ANR, and VTrans. The Clean Water Fund Board allocates Clean Water Fund dollars each year following a budget process with multiple opportunities for public participation. More information is available here:

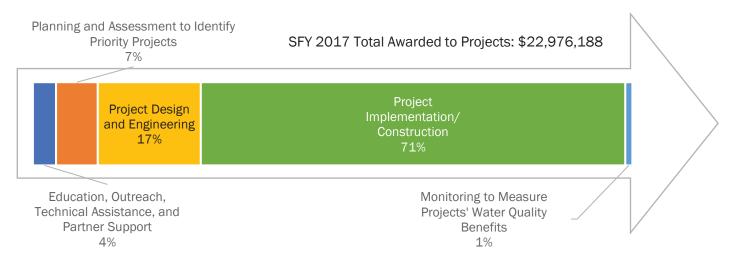
http://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/cwf/budgetprocess.

#### INVESTMENT MEASURE #2: FUNDS AWARDED BY PROJECT STEP

Making wise investments in cost-effective clean water projects requires education and outreach and thorough project planning. Investing in the project development process is key to ensure the state invests in projects that will yield the greatest water quality improvement per dollar. Figure 10 shows the project development process, and the proportion of state funds invested in each project step in SFY 2017.

The state awarded 4 percent of funds to partners to provide education, outreach, and technical assistance to support municipalities, farmers, and other landowners in planning and implementing projects. Planning and assessment efforts to identify priority, cost-effective projects were supported by 7 percent of the funds, and project design and engineering accounted for 17 percent of funds. Most (71 percent) of clean water dollars invested supported the implementation of clean water projects. The remaining one percent supported monitoring to measure the effectiveness of projects in improving water quality.

Figure 10. Clean water project development process and proportion of dollars awarded in SFY 2017 by project step

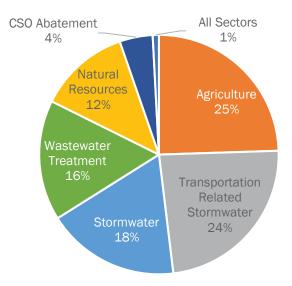


<sup>15</sup> Act 85 (2017), Section I.9 32 V.S.A. § 9602(a)

#### **INVESTMENT MEASURE #3: FUNDS** AWARDED BY SECTOR AND RECIPIENT CATEGORY

Providing clean water for Vermonters and visitors to use and enjoy is a shared responsibility. Reaching our clean water goals of reducing nutrient and sediment pollution from precipitation-driven runoff, as well as improving wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, requires an "all-in" approach. Mirroring this need, the state invests in clean water projects across sectors through grants, contracts, and loans, targeting funds to the greatest water quality needs. Figure 11 summarizes the proportion of state investments in clean water by sector in SFY 2017. Figure 12 shows the proportion of state investments by grant, contract, and loan recipient category.

Figure 11. Proportion of dollars awarded in SFY 2017 by sector<sup>16</sup> (natural resources restoration includes rivers, lakes, wetlands, and forests)<sup>17</sup>



SFY 2017 Total Awarded to Projects: \$22,976,188

In SFY 2017, 42 percent of the state's investments targeted stormwater runoff from roads (24 percent) and other paved surfaces (18 percent), followed by 25 percent of the funds invested in agriculture. Approximately 12 percent of funds were invested in natural resources restoration projects, addressing river and floodplain, lake shoreland, wetland, and forest restoration. About 20 percent of funds were invested, primarily through low-interest loans, for municipal wastewater infrastructure improvements (16 percent) and combined sewer overflows (CSOs) abatement (4 percent). The remaining 1 percent of funds were invested across sectors for water quality monitoring and analysis before and after project implementation to determine the degree of water quality improvements made, as well as to promote clean water education and outreach. Results of water quality monitoring before and after project implementation will be reported in the SFY 2018 Investment Report.

Vermont's clean water funds are awarded to partners - municipalities, farmers, nongovernmental organizations, regional planning commissions and natural resources conservation districts - to complete clean water projects. These partners play a key role in identifying, designing, and implementing priority clean water projects. Figure 12 shows how state dollars were awarded to the different types of entities that receive grants, contracts, and loans. In SFY 2017, the majority (56 percent) of funds were awarded to municipalities with 40 percent of the funds awarded as grants and contracts and the remaining 16 percent awarded through loans.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> VTrans' investments in clean water projects to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans nonroad developed lands are outside the scope of this report because this report focuses on state-provided grant funding and loan financing only. However, Appendix F of this report summarizes VTrans' clean water improvement activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Natural resources investments include: (a) natural resources restoration (represents 8 percent of total) and (b) forest conservation with water quality protections (represents 4 percent of total).

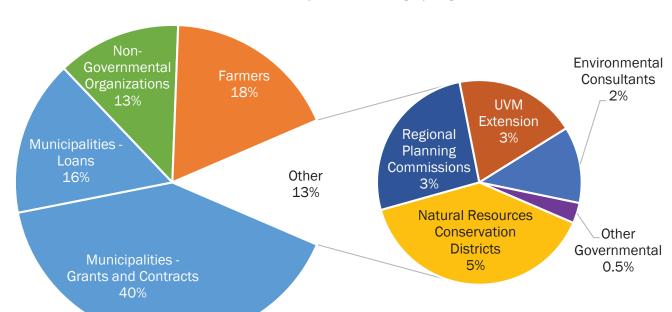


Figure 12. Proportion of dollars awarded in SFY 2017 by recipient category of grants, contracts, and loans

# **INVESTMENT MEASURE #4: GEOGRAPHIC** DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS INVESTED

Each region of the state has local clean water priorities to address. Figure 14 shows the geographic distribution of state funds invested in clean water restoration activities by watershed. Figure 15 shows the geographic distribution of state funds invested in clean water restoration activities by county. In SFY 2017, each of Vermont's 15 major river basins and 14 counties benefited from the state's investments in local, regional, and statewide clean water projects. As shown in Figure 13, approximately 62 percent (\$14.3 million) of investments occurred in the Lake Champlain basin, followed by 34 percent (\$7.7 million) in the Connecticut River basin (drains to Long Island Sound), 3 percent (\$607,164) in the Lake Memphremagog basin, 1 percent (\$331,243) in the Batten Kill-Walloomsac-Hoosic River basin (drains to the Hudson River).

Figure 13. Dollars awarded to clean water projects by basin in SFY 2017

SFY 2017 Total Awarded to Projects: \$22,976,188

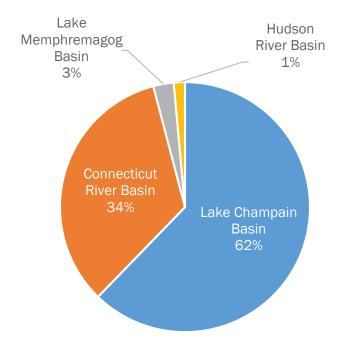
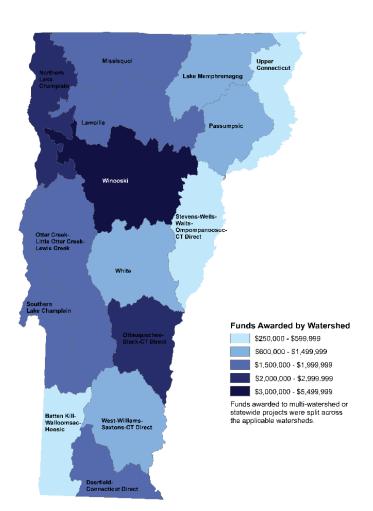
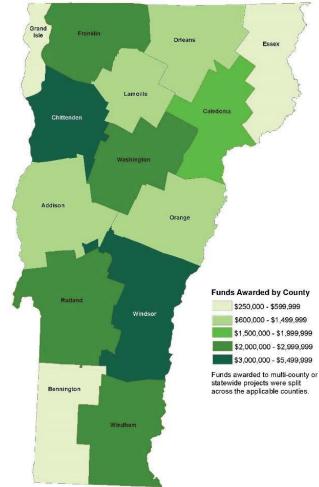


Figure 14. Map of dollars awarded to clean water projects by watershed in SFY 2017

Figure 15. Map of dollars awarded to clean water projects by county in SFY 2017



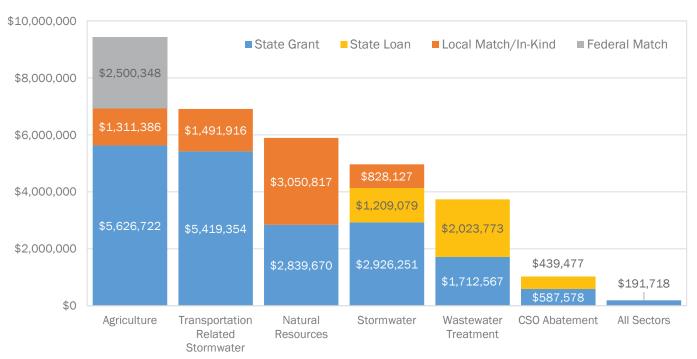


# **INVESTMENT MEASURE #5: MATCH OR IN-**KIND FUNDS LEVERAGED BY STATE-**FUNDED PROJECTS**

State-funded clean water projects leverage local and federal contributions to cover project costs and to further clean water efforts in Vermont. Figure 16 shows local match or in-kind and federal match dollars that contributed to state-funded clean water projects in SFY 2017 by sector. In SFY 2017, state agencies awarded \$19.3 million in grant funds to support clean water projects. State grants leveraged \$6.7 million in local match or in-kind and \$2.5 million in federal match. CWSRF loans, also shown in Figure 16, are repaid by municipalities, and therefore, represent municipal contributions to clean water projects. Municipal Pollution Control grants are often coupled with CWSRF loans to fund municipal wastewater and stormwater improvements, with grants covering, on average, 30 percent of project costs and loans covering the remaining 70 percent.

State grant programs leverage match or in-kind contributions to projects through a mix of match incentives and requirements. ANR's Ecosystem Restoration Grants incentivize local match and require 50 percent match on municipal stormwater permit projects. VTrans' Better Roads and Transportation Alternatives grant programs require 20 percent local match for all projects. CWSRF loan forgiveness may be offered for 10 to 40 percent of project costs to incentivize priority projects. AAFM and VHCB grant programs combined \$1.6 million in state project funds with \$3.4 million in U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) federal funds to maximize funds available to farmers. USDA NRCS programs, in total, awarded over \$22 million to agriculture pollution control projects in Vermont in federal fiscal year 2017. For more information on USDA NRCS programs, visit: https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/v t/programs/.

Figure 16. Local match/in-kind and federal match contributing to state-funded clean water projects by sector in SFY 2017

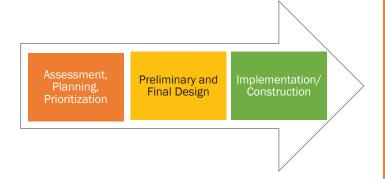


# 4. Project Output Measures

This report quantifies accomplishments of clean water projects completed in SFY 2016 and 2017 by measuring and summarizing project outputs.<sup>18</sup> The state has developed standard project "performance" measures for each type of clean water project. These measures are tracked projectby-project, but are summarized by project-type for reporting purposes. Measures of project outputs help the state evaluate the cost-effectiveness of the state's clean water investments over time, and represent a major improvement in the state's accountability for clean water investments in projects.

Project outputs completed in SFY 2017 are summarized in this chapter by project step:

- 1. Results of assessment and planning projects;
- 2. Results of design projects; and
- 3. Results of implementation projects.



### SCOPE OF THIS CHAPTER

#### Included in this Report

Results of clean water projects, funded by state agencies, completed in SFY 2017.

#### Outside the Scope of this Report 19

Results of federally, municipally, or privately-funded clean water projects, unless also funded by a state grant or financed by a state loan.

Results of municipal and private clean water projects completed to comply with water regulations, unless funded by a state grant or financed by a state loan.

Results of VTrans funded clean water projects completed to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans-owned non-road developed lands.

#### Planned Report Improvements

The SFY 2017 Investment Report evaluates actions and outcomes relative to actions and outcomes reported in the SFY 2016 Investment Report; however, future Investment Reports will include interim targets to evaluate clean water progress over multiple years.

Continuous improvements to tracking and reporting processes and methodologies will reduce gaps in data on clean water projects

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Work completed in the reporting period of state fiscal year 2017 includes funding agreements closed out (all deliverables completed/approved and final payments made) between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> The state will track results of federally-funded clean water projects and projects necessary to comply with water quality regulations. The state will report on its progress in future publications.

Assessment, Planning, Prioritization

Preliminary and Final Design

Implementation/ Construction

## PROJECT OUTPUT MEASURES #1: RESULTS OF ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING PROJECTS

# Why are these measures important?

- Project identification and prioritization to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- Supports cost-effective implementation to address nutrient and sediment pollution

Given the significant costs of restoring and safeguarding water quality, it is critical for the state to spend its resources in the most cost-effective manner. Assessment and planning work identifies and prioritizes projects to improve clean water. These activities apply across multiple sectors, including stormwater, rivers/streams, roads, and wastewater treatment. Vermont's Tactical Basin Plans integrate the results of assessments and plans at the basin-scale, resulting in a prioritized list of projects necessary to achieve clean water goals for each basin, 20

## What are we doing?

State agencies use Tactical Basin Plans to target investments in the most important and costeffective projects to achieve clean water targets. Those targets are described in clean water restoration plans, known as Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), the Vermont Clean Water Act, and the 2016 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Rule.

# What progress has been made?

Results of state-funded planning and assessment projects completed in SFY 2016 and 2017 are summarized in the following sections by sector.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Tactical Basin Plan priority projects lists are updated continuously and available online in the Watershed Projects Database: https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IWIS/ARK/ProjectSearch.aspx.

# **Agriculture Project Planning Results**

## Why are these measures important?

- Project identification and prioritization to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- Supports cost-effective implementation to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- Supports farmer compliance with required agricultural practices

### What are we doing?

Information gathered from AAFM's technical assistance efforts has led to significant project planning. In SFY 2016-2017, AAFM prioritized 28 farms to focus project planning, design, and implementation. In addition, AAFM's Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) completed planning for 21 new riparian corridor restoration projects, of which 11 have secured funding for implementation in SFY 2018. AAFM completed work assisting agricultural producers in identifying 18 new priority projects and beginning the process to enroll in cost-share programs.

#### What progress has been made?

Table 6 summarizes agriculture project planning results. In SFY 2017, AAFM staff and contractors increased efforts to assist farmers in planning and implementing conservation practices. These planning efforts will continue, and project implementation resulting from these plans will be captured in future years' reports.

Table 6. Summary of state-funded agriculture project planning results, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Project Results	2016 Value	2017 Value
Number of CREP riparian buffer projects planned	8	21
Number of priority projects assisted to enroll in cost share	10	18

## River and Stream Assessment and Planning Results

### Why are these measures important?

- ✓ Project identification and prioritization to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- ✓ Supports cost-effective implementation to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- ✓ Supports improved flood resiliency/flood hazard mitigation
- ✓ Supports improved habitat function

#### What are we doing?

River, stream, and floodplain restoration and protection projects are primarily identified and prioritized through Stream Geomorphic Assessments and River Corridor Plans. These plans and assessments identify where stream condition may be causing erosion, contributing to nutrient and sediment pollution and flood hazards. Follow-up field-based assessments are completed to identify projects to improve stream condition. Potential projects are compiled, ranked, and prioritized for water quality, flood resiliency, and habitat benefits. Projects prioritized include river and floodplain restoration projects and river corridor protection easements.

## What progress has been made?

Table 7 summarizes river assessment and planning results. In SFY 2016 and 2017, thirteen state-funded river assessments and plans were completed resulting in 142 stream miles assessed; 121 priority river restoration or protection projects identified; and 195 acres scoped to prepare river corridor easements. River assessment and planning efforts decreased from SFY 2016 to 2017 due to: (a) limited availability of flexible funds to support planning; and (b) a shift of efforts to implement plans completed in prior years. While stream/river planning efforts decreased from SFY 2016 to 2017, Stream Geomorphic Assessments have been completed for over 2,200 river miles in Vermont since 2009.

Table 7. Summary of state-funded stream/river assessment and planning results, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Project Results	2016 Value	2017 Value
Stream miles assessed through Stream Geomorphic Assessments and River Corridor Plans	113	29
Number of priority river and floodplain projects identified	104	17
Acres scoped to prepare river corridor easements	181	14

# Stormwater Assessments and Planning Results

#### Why are these measures important?

- Project identification and prioritization to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- Supports cost-effective implementation to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- Supports compliance with municipal stormwater permits

## What are we doing?

Stormwater treatment opportunities are identified and prioritized primarily through three types of assessments: stormwater infrastructure mapping, stormwater master plans, and illicit discharge detection and elimination (IDDE). Stormwater master plans identify and prioritize projects to address stormwater runoff, and municipalities typically sponsor IDDE assessments to identify unauthorized or illegal discharges of sewage and other chemicals into surface waters via storm drains and sewers. These assessments may be completed at the municipal or regional-level.

#### What progress has been made?

Table 8 summarizes stormwater assessment and planning results. In SFY 2017, state-funded stormwater master planning efforts covered 201 square miles and identified 120 priority projects – a significant increase from the previous year. IDDE assessments identified and confirmed 9 unauthorized or illegal discharges of sewage or other chemicals into surface waters that are required to be addressed by the responsible municipality or landowner.

Table 8. Summary of state-funded stormwater assessment and planning results, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Project Results	2016 Value	2017 Value
Square miles covered by stormwater master plans	13	201
Number of priority projects identified	52	120
Number of unauthorized or illegal discharges confirmed (to be eliminated)	40	9

## Road Erosion Inventory Results

#### Why are these measures important?

- $\checkmark$ Project identification and prioritization to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- Supports cost-effective implementation to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- Supports compliance with Municipal Roads General Permit
- Supports improved flood resiliency and flood hazard mitigation

#### What are we doing?

Road erosion inventories assist municipalities in identifying road segments contributing to water quality issues, and prioritizing specific projects to address those issues. Municipalities have been completing road erosion inventories for many years with VTrans grant funds. Beginning in 2020, municipalities will be required to complete road erosion inventories to comply with Vermont's new Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP). These inventories will serve as the basis for municipalities to develop implementation schedules to meet the MRGP and address sediment and nutrient pollution from roads. In preparation for the upcoming MRGP, many municipalities have secured VTrans grant funds, often working with their Regional Planning Commission, to complete inventories.

#### What progress has been made?

Table 9 summarizes the results of road erosion inventories completed in SFY 2016 and 2017. VTrans-funded inventories were completed by 12 municipalities in SFY 2016 and 48 municipalities in SFY 2017. Of the inventories completed in SFY 2017, about half were completed following draft MRGP standards based on data reported by Regional Planning Commissions to DEC. Inventories covered 290 road miles adjacent/bisecting waterways, of which 174 miles (60 percent) fully met draft permit standards, and 116 miles (40 percent) will require improvements to comply with draft permit standards.

Table 9. Summary of state-funded road erosion inventory results, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Project Results	2016 Value	2017 Value
Number of municipalities that completed road erosion inventories	12	48
Number of hydrologically connected road miles inventoried	New in 2017	290*
Number of hydrologically connected road miles meeting MRGP draft standards	New in 2017	174*
Number of hydrologically connected road miles identified for improvements	New in 2017	116*

<sup>\*</sup>Data available for, and represents about half of the inventories completed in SFY 2017

## PROJECT OUTPUT MEASURES #2: RESULTS OF DESIGN PROJECTS

Assessment, Planning, Prioritization

Preliminary and Final Design

Implementation/ Construction

## Why are these measures important?

- Project prioritization to address nutrient and sediment pollution
- Supports cost-effective implementation to address nutrient and sediment pollution

# What are we doing?

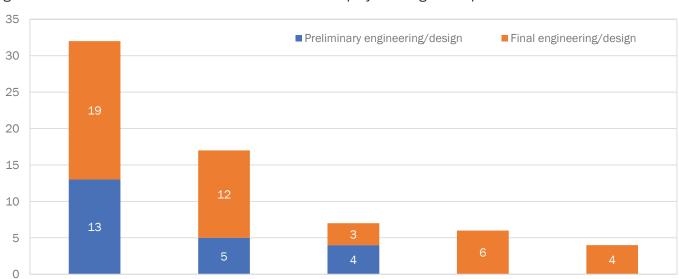
Stormwater

Once priority projects are identified through assessments and planning activities, the next step is to develop project designs (if necessary). Preliminary design involves securing landowner commitment to implement the project, identifying site/design considerations and permitting needs, and completing conceptual designs and cost estimates. Final design involves securing required permits for construction, determining parties responsible for operations and maintenance, and

completing final engineering designs and cost estimates. Some project types, such as road erosion control or agricultural conservation practices, do not require designs to construct/implement.

## What progress has been made?

Figure 17 shows the number and level of designs completed by sector in SFY 2017. In SFY 2017, 66 state-funded designs were completed, including 22 preliminary and 44 final designs.



Wastewater

Figure 17. Number and level of state-funded clean water project designs completed in SFY 2017

Agriculture

Natural Resources

Roads

## PROJECT OUTPUT MEASURES #3: RESULTS OF IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS

Assessment, Planning, Prioritization

Preliminary and Final Design

Implementation/ Construction

## Why are these measures important?

- Implementation of TMDL requirements
- Implementation of Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015) requirements
- Compliance with Required Agricultural Practices
- Compliance with municipal stormwater permits
- $\checkmark$ Compliance with Municipal Roads General Permit
- Compliance with municipal wastewater discharge permits
- ✓ Compliance with the 2016 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Rule
- Improved flood resiliency and flood hazard mitigation for public health and safety
- Support outdoor recreation, tourism, and property values
- Supports agricultural working lands
- Improved habitat function

The goal of the state's outreach, technical assistance, assessment, planning, and design efforts is to support the implementation of projects that reduce harmful nutrient and sediment pollution. Clean water project implementation contributes to and count toward progress for the requirements and cobenefits listed above.

## What are we doing?

In SFY 2017, 278 state-funded implementation projects were completed: 134 addressed agricultural pollution prevention, 101 addressed municipal road erosion controls, 28 addressed natural resources

restoration, 13 addressed stormwater treatment, and two addressed municipal wastewater improvements. The number of projects implemented increased from 245 projects in SFY 2016 to 278 projects in SFY 2017.

# What progress has been made?

Results of state-funded implementation projects completed in SFY 2016 and 2017 are summarized in the following sections by sector.

## Agricultural Pollution Prevention Projects

#### Why are these measures important?

Agricultural pollution prevention projects contribute to and count toward progress for a combination of the following requirements and co-benefits:

- Implementation of TMDL requirements
- Implementation of Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015) requirements
- Compliance with Required Agricultural Practices
- Improved flood resiliency and flood hazard mitigation for public health and safety
- $\checkmark$ Supports agricultural working lands
- Improved habitat function

#### What are we doing?

Addressing agricultural water pollution is a high priority for the state of Vermont. In SFY 2017, 118 state-funded agricultural pollution prevention projects were constructed or implemented. These practices minimize polluted runoff from barnyards, livestock heavy use areas, croplands, pasture, access roads, and livestock trails and laneways.

#### What progress has been made?

Table 10 summarizes the results of agricultural pollution prevention projects completed in SFY 2016 and 2017. Figure 18 shows the number of projects implemented in SFY 2016 and 2017, as well as the cumulative number of active projects in SFY 2017. Structural practices, such as forested agricultural buffers, livestock exclusion, and production area management practices typically remain in place for at least ten years, or longer with proper maintenance. Crop rotation practices typically remain in place for at least five years. Annual conservation practices, such as cover crop and conservation tillage, are only considered active for one year. Thus, prior year (SFY 2016) annual practices do not count toward cumulative values.

Acres of cropland and pasture treated by statefunded practices decreased in SFY 2017 relative to SFY 2016 because USDA NRCS prioritized federal funding for these types of practices (i.e., annual conservation practices, crop rotation, and buffers). Therefore, AAFM prioritized more state funds for barnyard and production area management practices, which increased by more than 50 percent in SFY 2017 relative to SFY 2016.

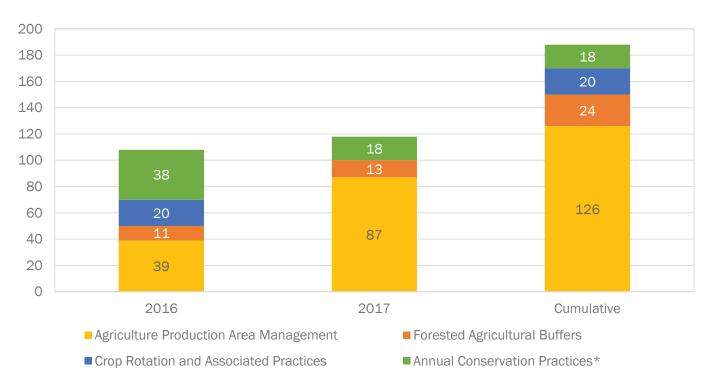
Project outputs associated with field-based practices (i.e., cropland and pasture) are measured by acres, shown in Figure 19. In SFY 2017, statefunded annual conservation practices were applied to 2,486 acres of cropland (i.e., corn and hay) and pasture to improve soil health and reduce soil erosion and nutrient pollution. An additional 36 acres of forested riparian buffer were restored and planted to filter runoff from 178 acres of adjacent cropland and pasture before entering waterways, while also improving floodplain and habitat function. Acre data are not available for barnyard and production area, access road, and livestock trail and laneway improvement projects. Examples of projects completed in SFY 2017 are shown in Figures 20-23.

Table 10. Summary of state-funded agricultural pollution prevention project results, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Project Results	2016 Value	2017 Value
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices (active for at least 1 year)	3,865	2,486*
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices (active for at least 5 years)	572	0*
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers (active for at least 15 years)	366	178*
Number of barnyard and production area practices installed (active for at least 10 years)	39	87

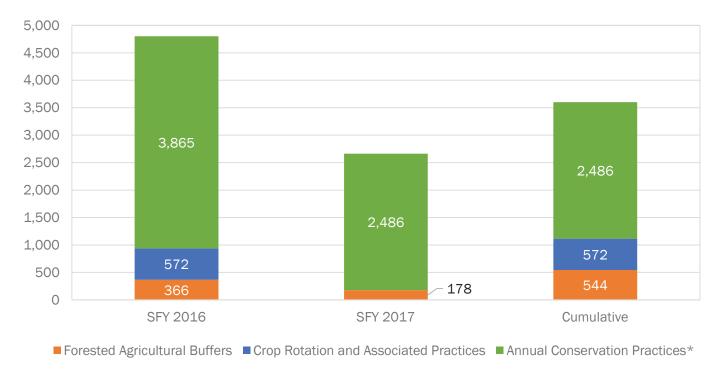
<sup>\*</sup>USDA NRCS prioritized federal funding for field-based practices in SFY 2017. Therefore, state-funded field practices decreased relative to SFY 2016, while state-funded barnyard and production area practices increased by more than 50 percent relative to SFY 2016. Federally funded projects are outside the scope of this report.

Figure 18. Number of state-funded agricultural pollution prevention projects installed and applied, SFY 2016-2017



<sup>\*</sup>Annual conservation practices are only considered active for one year. Prior year annual practices do not count toward cumulative values.

Figure 19. Acres of agricultural cropland and pasture treated by state-funded agricultural pollution prevention projects, SFY 2016-2017



<sup>\*</sup>Annual conservation practices are only considered active for one year. Prior year annual practices do not count toward cumulative values.

Figure 20. Before (left) and after (right) restoration of a forested riparian buffer on agricultural lands one year after implementation (will mature into fully forested buffer over time)



Figure 21. Before (left) and after (right) installation of livestock exclusion fencing and improved laneway and water crossing, completed by Poultney Mettowee Conservation District with ANR funding



Figure 22. Before (left) and after (middle and right) installation of barnyard roof runoff diversion practices, completed by Poultney Mettowee Conservation District with ANR funding



Figure 23. Before (top) and after (below) installation of concrete walkway to stabilize pathway from hoop barn to milking barn, completed by Poultney Mettowee Conservation District with ANR funding





It is important to note that the extent of implementation of agriculture pollution prevention projects, summarized here, is under-reported. State funding programs have funding caps per practice type, and many farmers implemented practices on more acres, but only reported the acreage implemented with state funding. In addition, these data only reflect state-funded practices. The USDA NRCS obligated over \$22 million in funding to Vermont landowners to implement agricultural pollution prevention projects in federal fiscal year 2017.

In future years, the new agricultural partners' database will improve the accuracy and comprehensiveness in reporting agricultural implementation outputs. The partners' database will be used by federal, state, and local partners to collaboratively track financial and technical assistance provided to farmers. The database will capture work implemented through state and federal funding programs, along with some voluntary projects reported by technical assistance providers. It is expected to be online in calendar year 2018.

# **Agricultural Easements for Water Quality**

#### Why are these measures important?

Agricultural easements for water quality contribute to and count toward progress for a combination of the following requirements and co-benefits:

- Implementation of TMDL requirements
- Implementation of Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015) requirements
- Compliance with Required Agricultural Practices
- Improved flood resiliency and flood hazard mitigation for public health and safety
- Supports agricultural working lands
- Improved habitat function

### What are we doing?

Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB) funds agricultural easements, which prohibit commercial uses unrelated to agriculture and forestry. In some cases, these easements take a portion of the farmland out of production, or limit agricultural uses to enhance water quality in challenging locations. VHCB-funded easements generally require a 50-foot forested riparian buffer, and do not allow agricultural uses within the buffer area. Agricultural land easements specify required water quality protections, and are reviewed and approved by USDA NRCS. AAFM inspects farms prior to closing of agricultural land easements to ensure compliance with RAPs. After closing of easement, the easement is monitored by

the Vermont Land Trust to ensure water quality protections required by the easement are in place. Farms with agricultural land easements are also subject to AAFM inspections to ensure RAP compliance.

#### What progress has been made?

Table 11 summarizes the results of agricultural easements for water quality completed in SFY 2017. In SFY 2017, VHCB completed 13 agricultural easements for water quality covering 1,628 acres of agricultural lands. These easements included 89 acres of water quality protections, such as riparian buffer areas and wetland protection zones.

Table 11. Summary of state-funded agricultural easements for water quality results, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Project Results	2016 Value	2017 Value
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands (riparian buffer and wetland protection zones)	New in 2017	89

### Natural Resources Restoration

### Why are these measures important?

Natural resources restoration projects contribute to and count toward progress for a combination of the following requirements and co-benefits:

- Implementation of TMDL requirements
- Improved flood resiliency and flood hazard mitigation for public health and safety
- Support outdoor recreation, tourism, and property values
- Improved habitat function

#### What are we doing?

Natural resources restoration is critical in achieving Vermont's water quality goals. These projects help to prevent and reduce nutrient and sediment pollution, improve flood resiliency by mitigating flood hazards, enhance habitat function, and support Vermont's outdoor recreational opportunities.

#### What progress has been made?

Natural resources restoration projects completed in SFY 2017 include 3 floodplain restoration projects, 7 conservation projects for water quality, 9 riparian buffer restoration and plantings, 9 river corridor easements. Accomplishments of natural resources restoration projects completed in SFY 2016 and 2017 are summarized in Table 12.

Natural resources restoration work completed in SFY 2017 resulted in the restoration of 16 acres of riparian buffer by planting native trees and shrubs. Buffer plantings improve soil stability, reduce erosion, filter runoff from adjacent lands, and restore and enhance habitat function. A floodplain restoration project resulted in the relocation of the Stowe Recreational Path outside the flood hazard zone and restored and planted 2 acres of floodplain, shown in Figure 24. The Randolph Dam removal, funded in part by an ANR Fish and Wildlife Department Watershed Grant, pictured in Figure 25, enhanced and reconnected 98 stream miles,

which improves floodplain and river function, reduces streambank erosion, and restores aquatic organism (e.g., fish) passage.

Natural resources restoration may also be accomplished cost-effectively through conservation. In SFY 2017, 209 acres of river corridor were conserved through river corridor easements. Easements protect river corridors and allow rivers and streams to restore to naturally stable and least erosive condition over time (referred to as equilibrium conditions). In SFY 2017, VHCB conservation projects protected 4,906 acres of forest and riparian corridors, including areas surrounding headwater streams and drinking water sources. VHCB conservation easements prohibit agricultural uses, commercial uses, and development. Of the acres conserved, 98 require additional water quality protections, including 50-foot no-touch riparian buffer and wetland protection zones. Many of these projects also enhance public access for recreation in the areas protected.

Table 12. Summary of state-funded natural resources restoration project results, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Project Results	2016 Value	2017 Value
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	88	16
Acres of river corridor conserved and restored through easements	141	209
Acres of floodplain restored	0	2
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal	0	98
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality (limits agricultural uses, commercial uses, and development)	New in 2017	4,906
Acres of water quality protections within conserved lands (includes forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	New in 2017	98

Figure 24. Before (left) and after (right) relocation of 1,100 feet of Stowe's Recreation Path outside of fluvial erosion hazard zone and restoration and planting of 2 acres of floodplain, completed by Town of Stowe



Figure 25. Before (left) and after (right) removal of the Randolph Dam, enhancing and reconnecting 98 stream miles, completed by the White River Partnership with ANR Watershed Grant funds



### **Stormwater Treatment Practices**

#### Why are these measures important?

Stormwater treatment practices contribute to and count toward progress for a combination of the following requirements and co-benefits:

- Implementation of TMDL requirements
- Implementation of Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015) requirements
- Compliance with municipal stormwater permits
- ✓ Compliance with Municipal Roads General Permit (road related stormwater)
- **√** Improved flood resiliency and flood hazard mitigation for public health and safety

## What are we doing?

Rain and snowmelt from hard (i.e., impervious) surfaces and developed lands, also known as "stormwater," transport nutrient and sediment pollution to waterways. Addressing stormwater sources of pollution is among the highest priorities for improving water quality in Vermont. For example, developed lands, including roads, contribute approximately 20 percent of phosphorus pollution in the Lake Champlain and Lake Memphremagog basins.

## What progress has been made?

Table 13 summarizes results of stormwater treatment projects, including municipal transportation related stormwater projects, completed in SFY 2016 and 2017.

Table 13. Summary of state-funded stormwater treatment project results, including municipal transportation related projects, SFY 2016-2017

Measures of Project Results	2016 Value	2017 Value
Acres of impervious surface treated	0.3	86
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	1*	13**
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	176*	68
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	4*	109**
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts	27*	2.4*

<sup>\*</sup> Represents results of ANR-funded projects only, therefore, results are likely under-reported. Data were not tracked and reported by VTrans for applicable reporting periods.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Data available for, and represent, two-thirds of projects completed in SFY 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Results of projects completed by VTrans to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans non-road developed lands are outside the scope of this report. However, Appendix F of this report summarizes VTrans' clean water improvement activities.

#### **Stormwater Treatment Practices**

Thirteen state-funded stormwater treatment practices were installed in SFY 2017 to absorb and treat stormwater runoff from developed lands. These projects resulted in the treatment of 86 impervious acres through the installation of green stormwater infrastructure and stormwater treatment practices. Green stormwater infrastructure employs natural hydrologic processes to absorb and treat stormwater runoff. These practices reduce the impact of the built environment, while providing additional societal benefits, such as green space in urban areas. Examples of stormwater treatment practices installed are shown in Figure 26 and Figure 27.

Figure 26. Before (top) and after (bottom) installation of bioretention system on Center Street in Northfield, completed by Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission





Figure 27. Before (top) and after (bottom) installation of bioretention system on Morey Road in Hyde Park, completed by Lamoille County Conservation District





#### Transportation Related Stormwater

Transportation related stormwater treatment is a major component of addressing stormwater pollution in Vermont. Roads represent an estimated 42 percent of all impervious surfaces (e.g., roads, parking lots, driveways, and rooftops) contributing to stormwater runoff in Vermont.<sup>22</sup> Reducing runoff and erosion associated with roads is critical to meeting the state's clean water goals. In SFY 2017, 101 municipal transportation or road-related stormwater projects were completed and resulted in 13 miles of road drainage improvements, 68 road drainage structures installed, and replacement of 109 road drainage and stream culverts.<sup>23</sup>

Miles of road drainage improved represent the total length of stoned-lined ditches, grass-lined ditches, road shoulder berm removal, and slope and shoreline stabilization. The number of road drainage structures improved represents the number of culvert headers and outlets, water bars, and check-dams installed or repaired. Figure 28 shows before (left) and after (right) installation of a stone-lined ditch in Poultney.

Figure 28. Before (left) and after (right) installation of a stone-lined ditch along Finel Hollow, Highland Gray, and Watkins Hill Roads in Poultney, completed by the Town of Poultney.





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Estimate based on the Lake Champlain Basin Program impervious surfaces data layer (2011).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Results of projects completed by VTrans to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans non-road developed lands are outside the scope of this report. However, Appendix F of this report summarizes VTrans' clean water improvement activities.

Stream and road drainage culverts, when properly sized with stabilized headers and outlets, reduce erosion and nutrient pollution and improve flood resiliency. Stream culvert replacements have the added benefit of improving floodplain and river function to better accommodate flood waters, reducing streambank erosion, and reconnecting upstream and downstream waters to restore aquatic organism (e.g., fish) passage. In SFY 2017, VTrans' municipal project tracking did not distinguish between stream culverts and road drainage culverts. Figure 29 shows a VTrans funded municipal project, which resulted in the replacement of a perched and undersized stream culvert (left) with an arched culvert (right), spanning the stream-width and maintaining the natural stream bed. In SFY 2016 and 2017, four ANR-funded stream culvert replacement projects enhanced and reconnected 30 stream miles, which improves floodplain function, reduces streambank erosion, and restores aquatic organism (e.g., fish) passage.

Since 2016, VTrans has implemented a new project tracking database, which began capturing data that is needed to quantify water quality benefits for projects funded in SFY 2017. In SFY 2016 no data were available related to water quality benefits of VTrans-funded projects. In SFY 2017, water quality data were available for approximately two-thirds of the applicable projects, since some of the projects completed were funded prior to SFY 2017.

Figure 29. Before (left) and after (right) replacement of stream culvert at Junction Hill Road in Cambridge, completed by the Town of Cambridge





## Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements and Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement

#### Why are these measures important?

Municipal wastewater improvement projects contribute to and count toward progress for a combination of the following requirements and co-benefits:

- Implementation of TMDL requirements
- Implementation of Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015) requirements
- Compliance with municipal wastewater discharge permits
- Compliance with the 2016 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Rule

## What are we doing?

State grants using capital funds and low interest loans capitalized through the Vermont and EPA Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) finance municipal wastewater improvements. Projects include wastewater treatment facility and collection system upgrades and refurbishments, and CSO abatement.

Figure 30. Construction of the Waterbury WWTF phosphorus removal upgrade, completed in 2016





## What progress has been made?

In SFY 2016 and 2017, eight municipal wastewater improvements and CSO abatement projects were completed. This work included:

- Upgrade of the Waterbury municipal WWTF for phosphorus, which reduced the total phosphorus discharge from the plant by 58 percent (see Figure 30).
- Installation of three decentralized wastewater treatment systems in Waitsfield to fix water quality issues caused by failed septic systems.
- Disconnection of 50 acres of developed land from Rutland's combined sewer system to abate CSOs.
- Separation of 400 feet of storm and wastewater sewer pipes in Springfield's combined sewer system to abate CSOs.
- Construction of a new sewage collection system to treat wastewater from the Village of Brownsville at the Town of Windsor WWTF, servicing 34 users, with 44 additional residential connections expected in the future.
- Replacement of a sewer under Vermont Route 2A in Williston to increase capacity in the sewer and reduce or eliminate the potential for overflows.

# 5. Project Environmental Outcomes

Project outputs, previously outlined in this report, quantify the extent of work completed with state funding. Environmental outcomes represent the water quality benefit achieved through statefunded work. The state's new tracking system measures water quality benefits by estimating nutrient pollution reductions at the project-level.

The state's tracking goal is to quantify pollution reductions for all types of state-funded clean water projects implemented/constructed, including agriculture, stormwater, road erosion control, natural resources restoration, and forestry and logging erosion control projects. For the Lake

Champlain and Lake Memphremagog basins, phosphorus load reductions will be estimated, as phosphorus is the nutrient pollutant of concern for fresh water. In the Connecticut River basin, nitrogen load reductions will be estimated, as the Connecticut River drains to Long Island Sound and nitrogen is the pollutant of concern for salt water. Each of these basins have nutrient

pollution reduction targets in their respective TMDL restoration plan. Vermont uses these TMDLs as the basis for tracking progress in meeting nutrient pollution reduction targets.

To provide additional assurances that TMDL targets will be achieved, the Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015)<sup>24</sup> established additional statutory and financial support for restoring Vermont's clean water. The Act enhanced Vermont's clean water funding by establishing the first Vermont Clean Water Fund. It also established new or enhanced regulatory programs that will support clean water, addressing: (a) stormwater controls from municipal and private developed lands and roads; (b) required agricultural practices to minimize runoff and erosion on farms; and (c) adjusted wastewater treatment facility permit limits for phosphorus.

Funding and regulatory programs are important mechanisms for implementing TMDLs. The state is developing methodologies to capture the results of both mechanisms to measure TMDL progress. As new regulations come on line, and as funding programs grow to support the costs of compliance, the work accomplished through

> funding and regulatory programs is expected to grow and become increasingly overlapping.

The scope of this Investment Report focuses on the environmental outcomes of state-funded projects only. The state anticipates a separate report on the state's progress in meeting TMDL targets.



Funding and regulatory programs aid in TMDL implementation and can overlap, as funds become available to support compliance with regulatory programs

Vermont's new tracking and reporting systems represent a significant improvement in accountability for state investments in clean water. In the past, the state's reporting addressed dollars invested by individual agencies and, separately, water quality monitoring data. These new tracking systems allow the state to measure and report on environmental outcomes at the project-level and evaluate the cost effectiveness of investments in clean water.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Act 64 or the "Vermont Clean Water Act;" 2015 Vt. Acts & Resolves 975, amended in 2017.

### SCOPE OF THIS CHAPTER

#### Included in this Report

Nutrient pollution reduced by clean water projects, funded by state agencies, completed in SFY 2017.25

#### Outside the Scope of this Report<sup>26</sup>

Nutrient pollution reduced by clean water projects that were not awarded funding by state agencies, including federally, municipally, or privately-funded

Nutrient pollution reduced by clean water projects completed to comply with water quality regulations, including VTrans funded projects to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans non-road developed lands.

#### Report Improvements made in SFY 2017

In the first year of reporting (SFY 2016), data on environmental outcomes were only available for wastewater, stormwater, agricultural, and woody buffer restoration and planting projects located in the Lake Champlain basin.

This year (SFY 2017), data on environmental outcomes are now also available for road erosion control projects and projects located in the Lake Memphremagog basin.

#### Planned Report Improvements

The SFY 2017 Investment Report evaluates actions and outcomes relative to actions and outcomes reported in the SFY 2016 Investment Report; however, future Investment Reports will include interim targets to evaluate clean water progress over multiple years.

Continuous improvements to tracking and reporting processes and methodologies will reduce gaps in data on clean water projects results, including measures of nutrient pollution reduced.

## METHODS TO MEASURE ENVIRONMENTAL **OUTCOMES**

Estimating nutrient pollution reduced by clean water projects requires two key pieces of data and information:

1. Data are needed on the rate of nutrient pollution from different land uses. With these data, the state can estimate the total nutrient load treated by a project based on the area of land treated. These data are currently available for the Lake Champlain

and Lake Memphremagog basins.

2. Information is needed on the average annual performance of specific project types in reducing nutrient pollution.

This information is based on research of project performance relevant to conditions in Vermont. Project performance is expressed as an average annual percentage of nutrient pollution reduced.

The average annual performance of the project is applied to the nutrient pollution delivered from the land treated to estimate the annual average pollutant reduction. The ability to estimate the pollutant reduction of a project can be limited by lack of data on nutrient pollution loading rates for the land treated and/or lack of information on the performance of a project in treating nutrient pollution. Table 14 summarizes the State of Vermont's current ability to quantify nutrient load reductions by basin and project type.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Work completed in the reporting period of SFY 2017 includes funding agreements closed out (all deliverables completed/approved and final payments made) between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> The state will track results of federally-funded clean water projects and projects necessary to comply with water quality regulations. The state will report on its progress in future publications.

Table 14. Summary of Vermont's ability in SFY 2017 to account for nutrient pollution reductions by project type, basin, and nutrient of concern

### Key

Currently have ability to account for nutrient pollution reduction (new this year indicated by asterisk\*) Do not currently have ability to account for nutrient pollution reduction

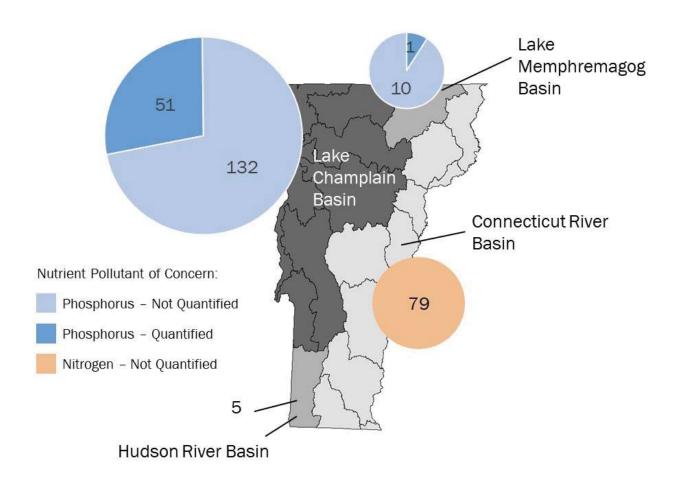
Project Type	Lake Champlain	Lake Memphremagog	Connecticut River
Agricultural cropland and pasture conservation practices	Phosphorus	Phosphorus*	Nitrogen
Agricultural forested riparian buffers	Phosphorus	Phosphorus*	Nitrogen
Barnyard and production area management practices	Phosphorus	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
Agricultural easements for water quality	Phosphorus	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
River and floodplain restoration	Phosphorus	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
Riparian buffer restoration	Phosphorus	Phosphorus*	Nitrogen
Wetland restoration	Phosphorus	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
Forest erosion control	Phosphorus	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
Stormwater treatment practices	Phosphorus	Phosphorus*	Nitrogen
Road erosion control linear practices	Phosphorus*	Phosphorus*	Nitrogen
Road erosion control culvert replacements	Phosphorus	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
Wastewater treatment upgrades	Phosphorus	Phosphorus*	Nitrogen
Combined sewer overflow abatement	Phosphorus	Phosphorus	Nitrogen
Summary of status to expand tracking and accounting ability	Developing methodologies to account for phosphorus reductions from all project types (where feasible) in 2017-2018. Expanded ability to quantify road erosion controls in SFY 2017.	Lake Memphremagog TMDL finalized in 2017, providing phosphorus pollution rates for this region. Use Lake Champlain methods to estimate phosphorus reduction efficiencies by project type.	Need Vermont nitrogen land loading rates to quantify the nitrogen load for land treated by practices (depends on timing and results of EPA's regional Nitrogen Reduction Strategy).

Nutrient pollution loading rates were only available for the Lake Champlain basin in the first year of reporting (SFY 2016). In this second year of reporting (SFY 2017) nutrient pollution loading rates are now available for the Lake Memphremagog basin. Therefore, phosphorus pollution reductions can now be estimated for projects implemented in the Lake Champlain and Lake Memphremagog basins for select project types.

Information on project performance reducing phosphorus pollution is currently available for most agricultural conservation practices, riparian buffer restoration, stormwater treatment practices, and linear road erosion control practices. Work is in progress to quantify nutrient pollution reduced by other clean water project categories.

Gaps, summarized in Table 14, limit the state's ability to quantify nutrient pollution reductions for all projects statewide. Figure 31 shows the number of projects implemented by basin in SFY 2017, and the number of projects with quantified nutrient pollution reductions. A total of 278 projects were implemented in SFY 2017, of which 52 (19 percent) had sufficient data to estimate nutrient pollution reductions. In SFY 2017, 33 more projects were implemented than in SFY 2016. However, most of these projects (226 total) are in regions of the state, or in project categories for which nutrient pollution reduction estimates cannot yet be quantified.

Figure 31. Number of projects implemented by major basin, and number of projects with nutrient pollution reductions quantified



## QUANTIFYING NUTRIENT POLLUTION REDUCTIONS FROM CLEAN WATER PROJECTS

# Why are these measures important?

Quantifying nutrient pollution reductions provides greater accountability for environmental outcomes at the project-level, and measures progress that counts toward the following priorities:

- **√** Implementation of nutrient and sediment TMDL requirements
- Implementation of Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015) requirements
- Compliance with Required Agricultural Practices
- Compliance with municipal stormwater permits
- Compliance with Municipal Roads General Permit
- $\checkmark$ Compliance with municipal wastewater discharge permits
- Compliance with the 2016 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Rule

## What are we doing?

In SFY 2016, 78 projects (46 agricultural practices, 28 restored riparian buffers, 2 stormwater treatment practices, and 2 road erosion control projects) reduced an estimated 992 kilograms of total phosphorus annually, of which 548 kilograms will carry into future years' cumulative reductions. In SFY 2017, 52 projects (18 agricultural practices, 7 restored riparian buffers, 9 stormwater treatment practices, and 18 road erosion control practices) reduced an estimated 366 kilograms of total phosphorus annually, of which 83 kilograms will carry into future years' cumulative reductions. The total estimated cumulative phosphorus reduction achieved in SFY 2016 and 2017 is 915 kilograms per year.

Phosphorus load reductions achieved by structural projects are expected to continue in future years, and count toward cumulative phosphorus load reductions, if the projects are properly maintained. The exception is annual

agricultural conservation practices, such as cover crop and conservation tillage. These annual practices improve soil health and reduce soil erosion and nutrient pollution, but only last for one year, unless continuously applied each year.

# What progress has been made?

Table 15 summarizes total quantifiable phosphorus pollution reductions of state-funded projects in SFY 2016, 2017, and cumulative. The accomplishments are further described, by sector, in the following sections.

Table 15. Total phosphorus reduction achieved by state-funded projects in kilograms per year (kg/yr) by project type in SFY 2016, 2017, and cumulative

Project Type	2016 Estimated Phosphorus Reduction (kg/yr)	2017 Estimated Phosphorus Reduction (kg/yr)	Cumulative Estimated Phosphorus Reduction (kg/yr)
Annual agricultural conservation practices	443*	283*	283*
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	271	0	271
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	199	34	234
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural lands	74	12	86
Stormwater treatment practices	0.3	15	15.3
Road erosion control practices	4	22	26
Total	992	366	915

<sup>\*</sup> Annual agricultural conservation practices are only considered active for one year. Prior year annual practices do not count toward cumulative values.

# **Agricultural Pollution Prevention Projects**

Why are these measures important?

- Implementation of nutrient and sediment TMDL requirements
- Implementation of Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015) requirements
- Compliance with Required Agricultural Practices

#### What are we doing?

The installation or application of 18 state-funded agricultural practices in SFY 2017 resulted in an estimated annual average phosphorus load reduction of 317 kilograms per year. The total cumulative load reduction is 788 kilograms per year. Phosphorus reductions reported in SFY 2017 represent 56 percent of total acres treated by buffers and 53 percent of total acres treated by annual conservation practices. These load reductions do not include the nutrient pollution

reduced by 126 barnyard and production area management practices constructed in SFY 2016 and 2017, as insufficient data are available to quantify reductions for these practices this year.

#### What progress has been made?

Figure 32 shows kilograms of phosphorus reduced by state-funded agricultural practices in SFY 2016, 2017, and cumulative.

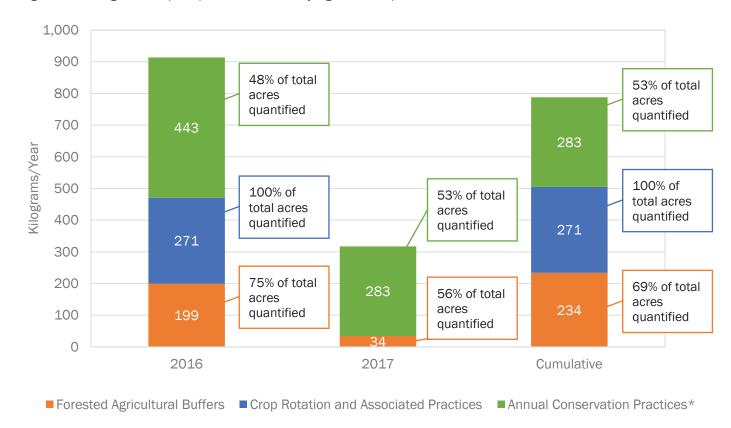


Figure 32. Kilograms of phosphorus reduced by agricultural practices in SFY 2016, 2017, and cumulative

Most the agricultural practices reported with phosphorus reductions quantified are annual conservation practices, including cover crop and conservation tillage. These are important practices for water quality. However, this level of annual effort needs to continue in future years to maintain these phosphorus reductions. Riparian buffers, on the other hand, are considered structural practices that, if maintained, will continue to reduce phosphorus loading over time.

These data only represent a portion of agricultural work implemented in Vermont, and exclude USDA NRCS funded practices. NRCS is the primary funder of agricultural best management practices in Vermont, however, results of federally funded projects are beyond the scope of this report. Results of NRCS-funded projects will be included in Vermont's overall TMDL tracking and accounting.

<sup>\*</sup> Annual agricultural conservation practices are only considered active for one year. Prior year annual practices do not count toward cumulative values.

## **Stormwater Treatment and Road Erosion Practices**

### Why are these measures important?

- Implementation of nutrient and sediment TMDL requirements
- Implementation of Vermont Clean Water Act (Act 64 of 2015) requirements
- Compliance with municipal stormwater permits
- Compliance with Municipal Roads General Permit

#### What are we doing?

The installation of 9 stormwater treatment practices in SFY 2017 resulted in an estimated annual average phosphorus load reduction of 15 kilograms per year, and completion of 18 road erosion control projects resulted in an estimated annual average phosphorus reduction of 22 kilograms per year. Phosphorus reductions reported in SFY 2017 represent 41 percent of total impervious acres treated by stormwater practices and 38 percent of road miles treated by road erosion control practices. This represents a major increase in both the amount of work implemented and the amount of work with quantified load reductions since SFY 2016.

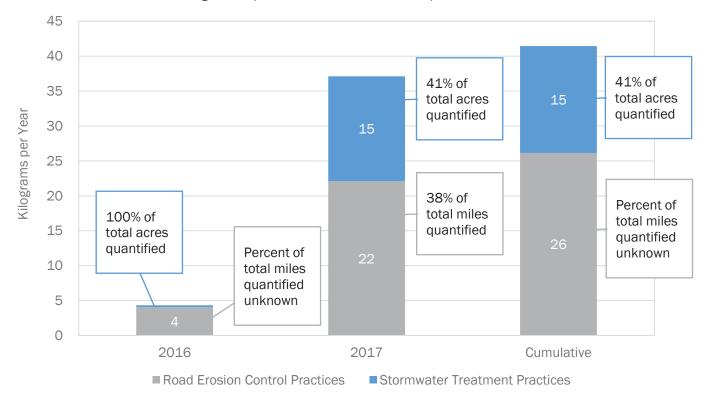
#### What progress has been made?

Figure 33 shows kilograms of phosphorus reduced by state-funded stormwater treatment and road erosion control practices in SFY 2016, 2017, and cumulative.<sup>27</sup>

It is important to note that this state-funded work only reflects a portion of the work being implemented to improve water quality for developed lands. In addition to funding programs, stormwater regulatory programs are also driving water quality improvements. The state anticipates issuing new permits in the near future to better manage stormwater runoff from developed lands. The state is currently developing procedures for measuring the results of work implemented under these regulatory programs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Results of projects completed by VTrans to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans non-road developed lands are outside the scope of this report. However, Appendix F of this report summarizes VTrans' clean water improvement activities.

Figure 33. Kilograms of phosphorus reduced by state-funded stormwater treatment practices in SFY 2016, 2017, and cumulative, including municipal road-related stormwater practices



# Riparian Buffer Restoration and Planting

Why are these measures important?

Implementation of nutrient and sediment TMDL requirements

## What are we doing?

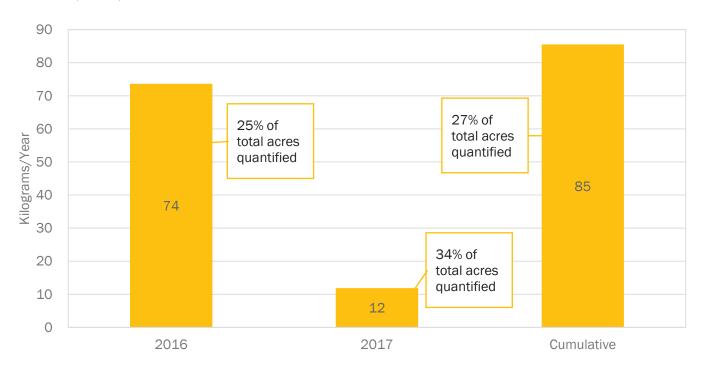
The restoration of 7 forested riparian buffers in SFY 2017 on non-agricultural lands will result in an estimated annual average reduction of 12 kilograms per year, once woody vegetation is fully established (approximately five years). Phosphorus reductions, reported in SFY 2017, represent 34 percent of total non-agricultural buffers acres restored.

#### What progress has been made?

Figure 34 shows kilograms of phosphorus reduced by state-funded forested riparian buffers restored in SFY 2016, 2017, and cumulative.

The restoration of riparian buffers is important for treating nonpoint source runoff from the land draining into them. Buffers also provide a range of flood resiliency and habitat benefits. In SFY 2016 and 2017, 58 riparian non-agricultural buffer areas were restored statewide. These buffers begin providing benefits when they are planted. However, once these buffers are fully established (approximately five years) they will begin to fully perform in reducing nutrient pollution. The success in riparian buffers treating nutrient pollution depends on the ability of the buffers to become established and maintained over time.

Figure 34. Kilograms of phosphorus reduced by state-funded non-agricultural forested riparian buffers restored in SFY 2016, 2017, and cumulative



# 6. Moving Forward

Vermonters care deeply about the health of the state's rivers, streams, wetlands, ponds and lakes. Clean water is good for business and supports commercial uses ranging from local farms to international companies. Maintaining clean water creates business opportunities, provides jobs, and supports economic development by investing in clean water infrastructure and natural resources restoration. Clean water supports fishing, swimming, boating, and other recreational uses,

bolsters tourism, helps to maintain property values and provides access to safe drinking water. In many cases, business smart solutions are also clean water solutions. For example, collaboration between farmers and electric companies to generate energy from cow manure. The benefits and innovations surrounding clean water highlight the importance of state investments in clean water projects.

Current water quality conditions statewide reflect the investments made over the past few decades to reduce phosphorus and sediment

pollution from discharges, runoff and erosion. Despite the years of effort and investment, Vermont still faces significant water quality challenges that are threatening the health and well-being of our communities and economy. These challenges indicate that we still have much more important work to do.

Given the prevalence of the state's water quality challenges and the price of restoring and safeguarding water quality, it is imperative that the state spends its resources in a manner that targets the most strategic and cost-effective projects. Research in the Missisquoi Bay watershed shows that targeting of phosphorus reduction practices, based on site-specific characteristics, can result in two to three times more phosphorus pollution reduction than an

untargeted approach. Vermont's Tactical Basin Planning process, and its scientific framework to target the most important pollution sources, will help the state achieve state and federal clean water targets in the most costeffective way possible.

The Clean Water Initiative **Investment Report series** summarizes the results of public investments in clean water improvement projects over time and across all sectors. State agencies will continue to work together over the long-term to track this progress in a way that is transparent and accountable to the public.

The first report established a baseline for evaluating future actions and outcomes, and this second report begins to present the cumulative results of these efforts. Overall the intent of this report is to help Vermonters make connections between clean water investments made, projects implemented, and outcomes achieved.





# 7. Appendices

### A. VERMONT WATER QUALITY PRIORITIES AND PROJECTS BY WATERSHED

Appendix A fulfills the reporting requirement of Act 64 (2015)<sup>28</sup>, Section 36, 10 V.S.A. § 1386 including: (a) a summary of how projects are prioritized for implementation; (b) a summary of water quality problems or concerns in each basin of the state; and (c); (d) a summary of projects funded and completed in each watershed.

## B. ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION GRANT PROGRAM PROJECTS

Appendix B fulfills the reporting requirement of Act 64 (2015)<sup>25</sup>, Section 36, codified at 10 V.S.A. § 1386(e) including: activities and progress of water quality Ecosystem Restoration Programs. Appendix B summarizes projects funded in SFY 2017 through the ANR-DEC Ecosystem Restoration Grant Program.

# C. SUMMARY OF CLEAN WATER INITIATIVE MAJOR STATUTORY AND LAKE CHAMPLAIN PHOSPHORUS TMDL PHASE 1 PLAN DELIVERABLES

Appendix C fulfills the reporting requirement of Act 64 (2015)<sup>25</sup>, Section 36, 10 V.S.A. § 1386, addressing the execution of the updated Vermont Lake Champlain Phosphorus TMDL Phase 1 Implementation Plan. Appendix C, provides a summary of the efforts undertaken to implement the Phase 1 Implementation Plan, including the status of major statutory and Phase 1 Implementation Plan deliverables.

## D. REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP ON WATER QUALITY FUNDING UNDER 2017 ACT 73

Appendix D fulfills the reporting requirement of Act 64 (2015)<sup>25</sup>, Section 36, 10 V.S.A. § 1386, amended in 2017 to include a summary of additional funding sources pursued by the Board. This reporting requirement is fulfilled by the Report of the Working Group on Water Quality funding under 2017 Act 73, Section 26, available here: http://anr.vermont.gov/about/special-topics/act-73-clean-water-funding.

## E. SUMMARY OF FEDERAL LAW, POLICY, AND FUNDING RELATED TO CLEAN WATER IN VERMONT

Appendix E fulfills the reporting requirement of Act 64 (2015)<sup>23</sup>, Section 36, 10 V.S.A. § 1386, amended in 2017 to include a summary of any changes to applicable federal law or policy related to the state's water quality improvement efforts, including any changes to requirements to implement TMDL plans in the state, as well as a summary of available federal funding related to or for water quality improvement efforts in the state. This reporting requirement is fulfilled by the Federal Funding Related to Water Quality Improvement Efforts in Vermont, Interim Report, available here: <a href="http://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/cwf#report">http://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/cwf#report</a>. There have been no changes to federal law or policy related to TMDL requirements, and federal funding for water quality has not changed since the interim report was produced in September 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Act 64 or the "Vermont Clean Water Act;" 2015 Vt. Acts & Resolves 975, amended in 2017.

#### F. VTRANS CLEAN WATER INITIATIVES AND STORMWATER INVESTMENTS

Results of projects completed by VTrans to comply with water quality regulations on state highways and VTrans non-road developed lands are outside the scope of this report. Appendix F is an informational factsheet, summarizing VTrans' investments and actions to comply with water quality regulations that address stormwater pollution from state highways and non-road developed lands.

### **Appendix A: Vermont Water Quality Priorities and Projects by Watershed**

Appendix A fulfills the reporting requirement of Act 64 (2015)<sup>1</sup>, Section 36, 10 V.S.A. § 1386, and includes:

- A. A summary of the Tactical Basin Planning process that prioritizes projects for implementation;
- B. A summary of water quality problems or concerns in each major basin of the state; and
- C. A summary of projects funded and completed in each Tactical Basin Planning watershed.

Summaries for each of the fifteen Tactical Basin Planning watersheds, organized alphabetically by watershed name, present:

- Total dollars awarded to projects by sector in SFY 2017;
- 2. Summary of project results completed by sector in SFY 2017; and
- 3. Table of projects that were awarded funds in SFY 2017.

Agency, sector, and funding source are abbreviated in the project tables as follows:

#### Agencies

AAFM Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets

ANR Agency of Natural Resources Agency of Transportation VTrans

VHCB Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

#### Sector

Ag Agricultural pollution prevention

ΑII All sectors

CSO Combined sewer overflow

NR Natural resources

Roads Transportation/road-related stormwater

SW Stormwater

WW Wastewater treatment

#### **Funding Source**

Capital Vermont Capital Fund CWF Vermont Clean Water Fund CWSRF Clean Water State Revolving Fund FTF Federal Transportation Fund VTTF **Vermont Transportation Fund** 

May include: Act 250 Mitigation Fund, General Fund, Housing and Conservation Trust Fund, U.S. Other

Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Agricultural Conservation Easement

Program Agricultural Land Easements, Watershed Grant Fund

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Act 64 or the "Vermont Clean Water Act;" 2015 Vt. Acts & Resolves 975, amended in 2017.

### **Vermont Tactical Basin Planning:**

### The science-based framework to assess, plan and implement priority clean water projects

Given the significant costs of restoring and safeguarding water quality, the state must spend its resources efficiently and effectively. State agencies utilize Tactical Basin Plans, where possible, to identify projects that will provide the greatest return on investment for clean water.

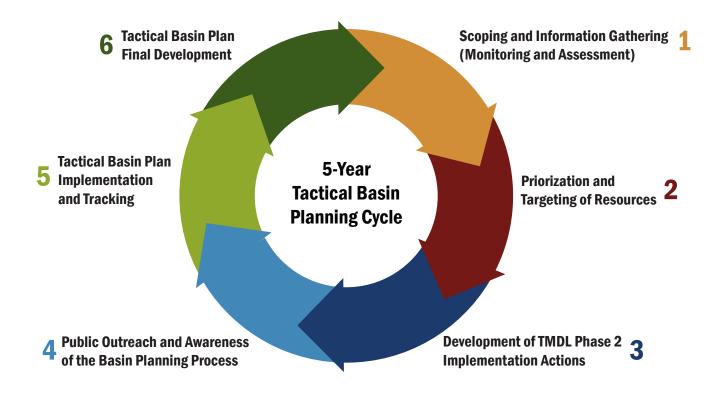
Tactical Basin Plans identify and prioritize clean water projects across multiple sectors, including stormwater, rivers, roads, and wastewater treatment, based on scientific monitoring data and assessment results. The prioritized lists of projects necessary to achieve clean water goals, found in each Tactical Basin Plan, are complemented by an online Watershed Projects Database, which is continuously updated (visit: anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/ IWIS/ARK/ProjectSearch.aspx).

Tactical Basin Planning is integral to identifying priority projects to achieve clean water targets described in clean water restoration plans, known as Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), the Vermont Clean Water Act, and the 2016 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Rule.

Community and stakeholder engagement is a key component of Tactical Basin Plan development and implementation. Local partners, including municipalities, natural resources conservation districts, regional planning commissions, and watershed organizations, also utilize Tactical Basin Plans to target their clean water activities/projects.

Clean water projects are prioritized in Tactical Basin Plans using the following criteria:

- 1. Expected environmental benefit and cost effectiveness based on:
  - a. Nutrient and sediment pollution reduction;
  - b. Improved flood resiliency; and
  - c. Improved habitat function.
- 2. Expected feasibility based on:
  - a. Partner capacity and local support; and
  - b. Funding availability.



#### **LAKE CHAMPLAIN BASIN**

#### Watersheds:

Northern Lake Champlain

Missisquoi Bay

Winooski River

South Lake Champlain, Poultney, Mettowee Rivers

South Lake Champlain

Poultney, Mettowee Rivers

Battenkill,

Hoosic.

Walloomsac

Rivers

Otter Creek

Lamoille River

#### **LAKE MEMPHREMAGOG BASIN**

#### Watersheds:

Lake Memphremagog, Coaticook, Tomifobia Rivers

#### **Priority Water Quality Concerns:**

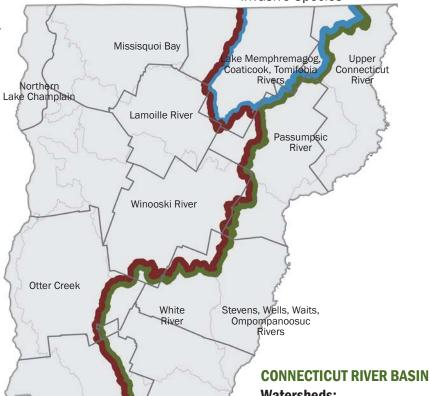
Nutrients/Sediment

Flow Alteration

**Invasive Species** 

### **Priority Water Quality Concerns:**

Nutrients/Sediment Bacteria (E. coli) **Invasive Species** 



#### **HUDSON RIVER BASIN**

#### Watersheds:

Battenkill, Hoosic, Walloomsac Rivers

#### **Priority Water Quality** Concerns:

Nutrients/Sediment Habitat **Temperature** 

#### Watersheds:

White River

Ottauquechee, Black Rivers

West, Williams, Saxtons, Connecticut Rivers

Deerfield River

Stevens, Wells, Waits, Ompompanoosuc Rivers

Passumpsic River

**Upper Connecticut River** 

#### **Priority Water Quality Concerns:**

Nutrients/Sediment Flow Alteration

**Temperature** 

For more information on Tactical Basin Planning, visit: <a href="dec.vermont.gov/watersheds/map/basin-planning">dec.vermont.gov/watersheds/map/basin-planning</a>. For more information on priority water quality concerns, visit: <a href="dec.vermont.gov/watersheds/map/strategy">dec.vermont.gov/watersheds/map/strategy</a>.

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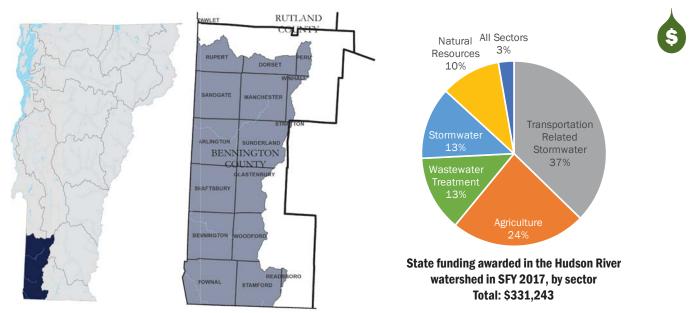
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### Battenkill, Walloomsac, Hoosic (Hudson) Rivers Watershed Summary



#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**



Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Hudson River watershed.

AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS				
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	NA			
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA			
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA			
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	NA			
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	3			
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)				
Annual agricultural conservation practices	NA			
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices				
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands				
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS				
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA			
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	NA			
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements  Acres of floodplain restored	NA NA			
Acres of floodplain restored  Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam	NA			
Acres of floodplain restored  Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)  Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest	NA NA			
Acres of floodplain restored  Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)  Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality  Acres of water quality protections within conserved land	NA NA NA			

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TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RES	ULT	S
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements		0.2
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed		NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced		5
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)		NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)		
Road erosion control practices	No	o data

PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Stormwater treatment practices	NA

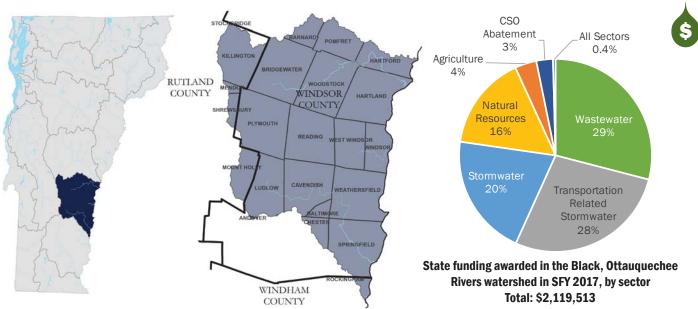
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# Battenkill, Walloomsac, Hoosic (Hudson) Rivers Watershed Projects S

Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Hudson River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING Source	AMOUNT
Arlington	VTrans	Arlington	TH 49 Berwal Road – Correction of Stream Bank Erosion and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$11,240
Bennington	ANR	Bennington	Bennington Wastewater Treatment Facility Refurbishment – Preliminary Design	WW	CWSRF	\$32,400
Bennington	ANR	Bennington County Conservation District	Bennington Bedding Mulcher Equipment	SW	CWF	\$5,107
Bennington	VTrans	North Bennington	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$4,000
Bennington County	AAFM	Bennington County Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
Manchester	ANR	Manchester	Manchester Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$11,448
Manchester	VTrans	Manchester	TH 11 Three Maple Drive - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$5,536
Manchester	VTrans	Manchester	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$8,000
Pownal	ANR	Bennington County Regional Commission	Tubbs Brook Culvert Replacement	NR	Other	\$10,000
Pownal	VTrans	Pownal	Municipal Culvert Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Rupert	ANR	Bennington County Conservation District	Mill Brook Gully Stabilization – Implementation	NR	CWF	\$18,600
Rupert	VTrans	Rupert	TH 23 Youlin Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$18,960
Rupert	VTrans	Rupert	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$7,680
Sandgate	ANR	Bennington County Regional Commission	Sandgate Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	CWF	\$24,000
Sandgate	VTrans	Sandgate	TH 18 Southeast Corner – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$8,800
Sandgate	VTrans	Sandgate	TH 4 Rupert Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$30,688
Sunderland	VTrans	Sunderland	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000

### Black, Ottauquechee Rivers Watershed Summary



#### STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**

Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Black, Ottauquechee Rivers watershed.

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AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	NA
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA

Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands

NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	1
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	NA
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	1,560
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	58

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TOTAL PHOSPHORU	IS REDUCED (kild	ograms per year	·)
Forested riparian buffer real	storation on non-	agricultural	No data

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RES	JLTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	2
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	4
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA

Road erosion control practices			
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER			
Acres of impervious surface treated	NA		
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)			
Stormwater treatment practices	NA		

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)

NA

# Black, Ottauquechee Rivers Watershed Projects ©



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Black, Ottauquechee Rivers watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Baltimore	VTrans	Baltimore	TH 1 Baltimore Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$13,243
Baltimore	VTrans	Baltimore	TH 1 Baltimore & Harris Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$17,894
Bridgewater	VTrans	Bridgewater	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$5,078
Cavendish	ANR	Cavendish	Cavendish Wastewater Treatment Facility Refurbishment - Preliminary Design	WW	CWSRF	\$9,750
Cavendish	VTrans	Cavendish	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$6,910
Chester	VTrans	Chester	TH 11/13 Miner/Pleines Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$15,970
Chester	VTrans	Chester	TH 9/14 Smokeshire/Murdoch Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Correction of Streambank and Slope Erosion	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Hartford	ANR	Hartford	Hartford Wastewater Collection System Refurbishment and Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	WW, SW	CWSRF	\$242,000
Hartford	ANR	Hartford	Hartford Wastewater Collection System Refurbishment and Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	WW, SW	CWSRF	\$300,000
Ludlow	ANR	Ludlow	Ludlow Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$55,700
Ludlow	VTrans	Ludlow	TH 55 Trailside Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$40,000
Pomfret	VTrans	Pomfret	TH 51 River Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$5,488
Reading	VTrans	Reading	TH 8 Town Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Springfield	ANR	Ottauquechee Natural Resources Conservation District	Black River/Springfield Transfer Station Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	Capital	\$30,230
Springfield	ANR	Springfield	Springfield Vactor Truck Equipment	Roads	CWF	\$375,000
Springfield	ANR	Springfield	Springfield Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$34,600
Springfield	ANR	Springfield	Springfield Wastewater Collection System, Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement, and Stormwater Treatment – Construction	WW, SW, CSO	CWSRF	\$177,100
Watershed- wide	ANR	Stone Environmental	Ottauquechee-Black Rivers Illicit/Unauthorized Discharge Detection and Elimination	SW	CWF	\$69,940
West Windsor	ANR	Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission	Mill Brook Dam Removal at West Windsor Firehouse - Implementation	NR	CWF	\$19,040
West Windsor	ANR	Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission	West Windsor Dam Removal	NR	Other	\$10,000

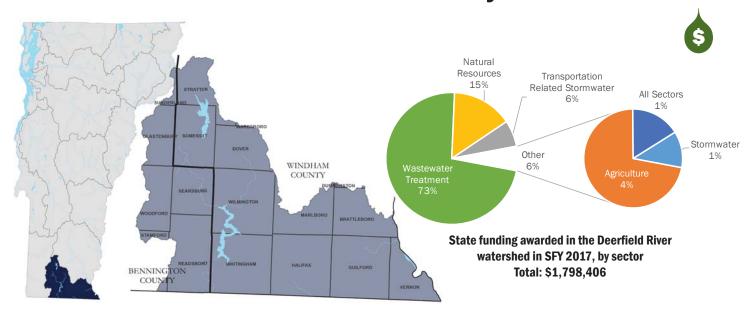
# Black, Ottauquechee Rivers Watershed Projects ©



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Black, Ottauquechee Rivers watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING Source	AMOUNT
West Windsor	ANR	West Windsor	West Windsor Wastewater Collection System Expansion – Construction	WW	Capital	\$185,414
West Windsor	VTrans	West Windsor	TH 40 Coaching Lane – Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$19,349
Windsor	VHCB	Trust for Public Land	Ascutney Mountain - West Windsor Town Forest with Riparian Buffers	NR	Capital	\$300,000
Windsor	VTrans	Windsor	TH 6 Brook Road - Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$24,010
Woodstock	ANR	Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation	Curtis Hollow Brook/Coolidge State Forest Road Stream Culvert Removal – Implementation	Roads	CWF	\$4,060
Woodstock	VTrans	Woodstock	TH 75 Happy Valley Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$8,000

### **Deerfield River Watershed Summary**



NA

#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

conservation practices

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**

Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual



Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Deerfield River watershed.

**AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS** 

Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA		
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA		
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	NA		
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands			
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)			
Annual agricultural conservation practices	NA		
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA		
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	NA		
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS			
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA		
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	NA		
Acres of floodplain restored	NA		
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA		
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	NA		
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA		
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)			
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural	NA		

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RES	ULTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	0.1
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	2
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	No data
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Stormwater treatment practices	NA

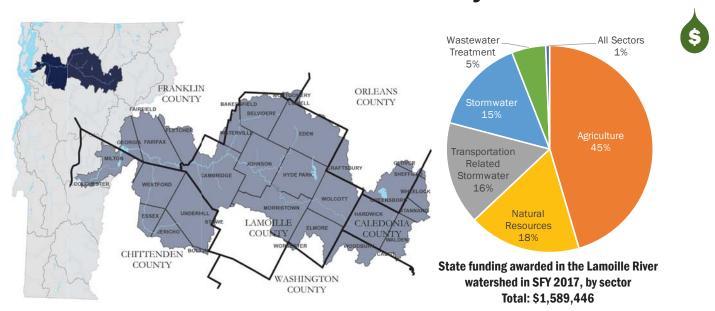
### **Deerfield River Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Deerfield River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Brattleboro	ANR	Brattleboro	Brattleboro Wastewater Sludge and Septage Improvements – Construction	WW	Capital	\$1,114,153
Brattleboro	ANR	Connecticut River Conservancy	Partner Water Quality Monitoring Pre-and-Post Project Implementation – Whetstone Brook	All	CWF	\$8,290
Brattleboro	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	Whetstone Brook Floodplain Restoration and River Corridor Easement – Implementation	NR	CWF	\$84,400
Brattleboro	VHCB	Vermont River Conservancy	Whetstone Brook River Corridor Easement	NR	Capital, Other	\$135,000
Guilford	ANR	Connecticut River Conservancy	Green River Corridor Easement/Floodplain Restoration - Final Design	NR	Capital	\$8,140
Guilford	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	Green River Corridor Easement Design	NR	CWF	\$2,000
Guilford	ANR	Windham Regional Commission	Green River Corridor Easement, Floodplain Berm Removal, and Buffer Restoration – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$32,000
Guilford	VTrans	Guilford	TH 6 Sweet Pond Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Guilford	VTrans	Guilford	TH 1 Stage Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$40,000
Halifax	VTrans	Halifax	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$7,600
Putney	ANR	Putney	Putney Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$13,628
Somerset	VTrans	Somerset	TH 1 Somerset Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$13,801
Whitingham	ANR	Whitingham	Whitingham Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$20,000
Wilmington	ANR	Wilmington	Wilmington Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$19,925
Wilmington	VTrans	Wilmington	TH 78 Sturgis Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$14,536
Windsor	VTrans	Windsor	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$7,815

### **Lamoille River Watershed Summary**



#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**





Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Lamoille River watershed.

**AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS** 

Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	87
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	14
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	29
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	21
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	9
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	35
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	179
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land	15

(forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)

Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural

lands

**TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)** 

NA

Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	0.4
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	2
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	2
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
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TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESULTS

### **Lamoille River Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Lamoille River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Belvidere	AAFM	The Green Mountain Maple Sugar	Waste Treatment	Ag	Capital	\$20,000
Cambridge	AAFM	Gillilan, Kenneth	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$25,000
Cambridge	AAFM	Gillilan, Kenneth	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$50,000
Cambridge	ANR	Jeffersonville	Jeffersonville Wastewater Treatment Facility Refurbishment – Preliminary Design	WW	CWSRF	\$24,800
Cambridge	ANR	Lamoille County Conservation District	Town of Cambridge/Brewster River Floodplain Restoration – Preliminary Design	NR	CWF	\$21,250
Cambridge	ANR	Vermont Land Trust	North Branch Lamoille River Corridor Easement (Barup Farm) – Implementation	NR	CWF	\$46,494
Cambridge	VHCB	Vermont Land Trust	H & C Barup Farm Agricultural Easement with Riparian Buffers	Ag	Capital, Other	\$282,000
Cambridge	VTrans	Cambridge	TH 25 Junction Hill Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$40,000
Cambridge, Underhill	ANR	Lamoille County Planning Commission	Seymour River Stream Geomorphic Assessment/River Corridor Plan – Project Identification	NR	CWF	\$34,713
Craftsbury	VTrans	Craftsbury	TH 6 Collinsville Road - Correction of Stream Bank Erosion	Roads	VTTF	\$9,600
Elmore	VTrans	Elmore	TH 7 Beach Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$10,684
Fletcher	VTrans	Fletcher	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$8,000
Fletcher	VTrans	Fletcher	TH 33 River Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Georgia	ANR	Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	Deer Brook/Route 7 and Route 104A, Georgia Gully Remediation – Preliminary Design	SW	CWF	\$86,700
Georgia	VHCB	Vermont Land Trust	Georgia Town Forest with Wetland/Riparian Protection	NR	Capital	\$132,500
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Underground Outlet	Ag	Capital	\$76
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Mulching	Ag	Capital	\$151
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Critical Area Planting	Ag	Capital	\$166
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Roof Runoff Management	Ag	Capital	\$231
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Underground Outlet	Ag	Capital	\$253
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Access Road	Ag	Capital	\$282
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Underground Outlet	Ag	Capital	\$342
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Fencing	Ag	Capital	\$371
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Roof Runoff Management	Ag	Capital	\$416

# **Lamoille River Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Lamoille River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$712
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$714
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Underground Outlet	Ag	Capital	\$812
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$1,031
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Pumping Plant	Ag	Capital	\$1,148
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Subsurface Drain	Ag	Capital	\$1,346
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Fencing	Ag	Capital	\$1,630
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Access Road	Ag	Capital	\$2,068
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Access Road	Ag	Capital	\$2,583
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$3,890
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$5,301
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$9,583
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$9,963
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$12,259
Hardwick	AAFM	Lady Bug Farm Partnership	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$19,674
Hardwick	VTrans	Hardwick	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$7,861
Hyde Park	ANR	Hyde Park	Hyde Park Wastewater Treatment Facility and Collection System Refurbishment/Expansion – Preliminary Design	WW	CWSRF	\$42,700
Hyde Park	VTrans	Hyde Park	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$7,680
Hyde Park	VTrans	Hyde Park	TH 17 Bornemann Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Hyde Park, Morristown	ANR	Lamoille County Conservation District	Hyde Park and Morristown Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	CWF	\$30,000
Jericho	VTrans	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$4,000
Johnson	AAFM	Rankin, Warren	Forested Riparian Buffer Restoration	Ag	Capital	\$539
Johnson	AAFM	Rankin, Warren	Forested Riparian Buffer Restoration	Ag	Capital	\$2,153

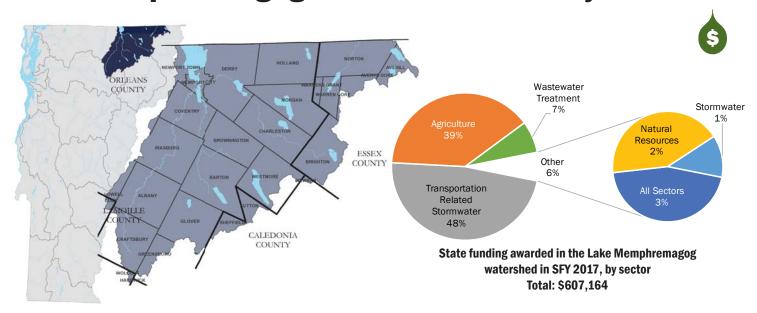
# **Lamoille River Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Lamoille River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Johnson	ANR	Lamoille County Planning Commission	Gihon River Tributary/Johnson State College Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	Capital	\$84,500
Johnson	VTrans	Johnson	TH 25/26 Tree Farm/Ober Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$4,380
Johnson	VTrans	Johnson	Th 10 Foote Brook Road – Correction of Stream Bank Erosion and Road Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$15,937
Johnson	VTrans	Johnson	TH 1 Plot Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$17,874
Morristown	AAFM	Greaves Farms Corp.	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$2,580
Underhill	ANR	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Underhill Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	CWF	\$16,105
Underhill	VTrans	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$8,000
Walden	AAFM	Lynd, Geordie	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$6,400
Walden	AAFM	Lynd, Geordie	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$6,700
Walden	AAFM	Lynd, Geordie	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$12,900
Walden	AAFM	Lynd, Geordie	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$49,000
Walden	VTrans	Walden	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$6,400
Wolcott	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	Wild Branch Lamoille River Corridor Easement (McCrumb Property) – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$37,961
Wolcott	ANR	Wolcott	Lamoille River/Wolcott Town Garage and Fire Station Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	Capital	\$15,888
Wolcott	VTrans	Wolcott	TH 19 Sand Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Woodbury	VTrans	Woodbury	TH 36 East Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000

### **Lake Memphremagog Watershed Summary**



#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**



Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Lake Memphremagog watershed.

AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	27
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	2
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved	Ī

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)		
Annual agricultural conservation practices	NA	
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	5	

NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	NA
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	29
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural lands	NA

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESU	JLTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	3
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	5
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	

Road erosion control practices	
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	NA

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TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	)
Stormwater treatment practices	NA

### **Lake Memphremagog Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Lake Memphremagog watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARYTITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING Source	AMOUNT
Albany	VTrans	Albany	TH 8 Shuttsville Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$11,589
Albany	VTrans	Albany	TH 2 County Road - Correction of Slope Erosion and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$18,052
Averill	VTrans	Averill	TH 3 Cottage Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Brighton	ANR	Brighton	Brighton Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$30,000
Brownington	VTrans	Brownington	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$8,000
Charleston	AAFM	Tip Top Tanner Farm	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$25,000
Charleston	AAFM	Tip Top Tanner Farm	Waste Facility Cover	Ag	Capital	\$50,000
Charleston	VTrans	Charleston	TH 16 Gratton Hill Road - Site 2 – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$18,518
Charleston	VTrans	Charleston	TH 16 Gratton Hill Road - Site 1 – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$19,871
Charleston	VTrans	Charleston	TH 27 East Echo Lake Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Charleston	VTrans	Charleston	TH 1 Hudson Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$34,597
Charleston, Morgan	ANR	Northwoods Stewardship Center	Echo and Seymour Lake Shoreland Erosion Assessment - Project Identification	Roads	CWF	\$14,960
Coventry	AAFM	Andrew, John	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$10,000
Coventry	AAFM	Andrew, John	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$65,000
Coventry	VTrans	Coventry	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$8,000
Derby	AAFM	Fortin, Edward	Aeration Tillage	Ag	General	\$3,657
Derby	ANR	Derby	Hall's Creek Culvert Replacement	NR	Other	\$10,000
Derby	ANR	Derby Line	Derby Line Wastewater Treatment Facility Refurbishment – Preliminary Design	WW	CWSRF	\$12,500
Derby	VTrans	Derby	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Holland, Irasburg, Newport Town	ANR	Orleans County Natural Resources Conservation District	Partner Water Quality Monitoring Pre-and-Post Project Implementation – Tributary Monitoring	All	CWF	\$8,062
Irasburg	AAFM	Robillard Flats Farm, Inc	Aeration Tillage	Ag	General	\$5,000

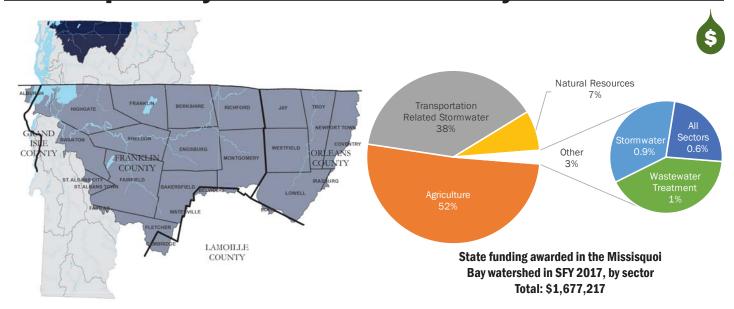
# **Lake Memphremagog Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Lake Memphremagog watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING Source	AMOUNT
Morgan	VTrans	Morgan	TH 27 Oxbow Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$20,354
Orleans County	AAFM	Orleans County Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
Troy	VTrans	Troy	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$7,680
Westfield	VTrans	Westfield	TH 1 North Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$33,237
Westmore	VTrans	Westmore	TH 10 Job's Pond Camp Road – Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$11,283

### Missisquoi Bay Watershed Summary



#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**

Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual





Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Missisquoi Bay watershed.

**AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS** 

conservation practices	481
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	14
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	36
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	15
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	NA
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	38
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural lands	NA

Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	10
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	4.1
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	20
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Stormwater treatment practices	3

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESULTS

Miles of municipal road drainage improvements

### **Missisquoi Bay Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Missisquoi Bay watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Bakersfield	VTrans	Bakersfield	TH 3/25 East Bakersfield/King Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$3,219
Bakersfield	VTrans	Bakersfield	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$3,462
Bakersfield	VTrans	Bakersfield	TH 37 Waterville Mtn. Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$3,930
Bakersfield	VTrans	Bakersfield	TH 38 Lost Nation Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$5,213
Berkshire	VTrans	Berkshire	TH 15 Ayers Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$9,281
Cambridge	AAFM	Beaudoin, Gregory	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$10,000
Cambridge	AAFM	Beaudoin, Gregory	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$10,000
Cambridge	AAFM	Beaudoin, Gregory	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$10,000
Cambridge	AAFM	Beaudoin, Gregory	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$20,000
Enosburgh	AAFM	B & T Black Creek Farm Ltd	Alternative Manure Incorporation	Ag	General	\$5,000
Enosburgh	AAFM	Lussier, Daniel	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$1,620
Enosburgh	AAFM	Wright Farm	Access Road	Ag	CWF	\$20,253
Enosburgh	AAFM	Wright Farm	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	CWF	\$21,596
Enosburgh	AAFM	Wright Farm	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	CWF	\$111,117
Enosburgh	VTrans	Enosburgh	Municipal Salt and Sand Shed Design and Construction	Roads	FTF	\$300,000
Enosburgh	VTrans	Enosburgh	TH 11 Woodward Neighborhood Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$10,656
Enosburgh	VTrans	Enosburgh Falls	TH 5 Duffy Hill Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$40,000
Enosburgh	VTrans	Northwest Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$5,238
Fairfield	AAFM	Cream & Sugar Spread	Alternative Manure Incorporation	Ag	General	\$1,458
Fairfield	AAFM	Magnan Bros Dairy, Inc.	Alternative Manure Incorporation	Ag	General	\$5,000
Franklin	AAFM	Borderview Farm LLC	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$15,425
Franklin	AAFM	Borderview Farm LLC	Heavy Use Area Protection - Part #2	Ag	Capital	\$17,238
Franklin	AAFM	Borderview Farm LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$70,943
Franklin	AAFM	Bridgeman View Farm	Manure Application Record Keeping Equipment	Ag	Capital	\$10,000
Franklin	AAFM	Riverview Farm	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$50,000
Franklin	ANR	Franklin Watershed Committee	Lake Carmi Private Camp Roads and Culverts Erosion Assessment – Project Identification	Roads	CWF	\$4,000
Franklin	ANR	Franklin Watershed Committee	Lake Carmi/Franklin Roadside Erosion Control - Implementation	Roads	CWF	\$8,500
Franklin	ANR	Franklin Watershed Committee	Pike River/Franklin Town Highway Garage Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	SW	Capital	\$9,800
Franklin	VTrans	Franklin	TH 5 Swamp Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$11,000
Highgate	AAFM	Rainville Dairy LLC	Closure of Waste Impoundments	Ag	Capital	\$22

# **Missisquoi Bay Watershed Projects**



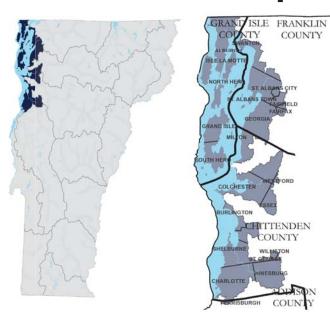
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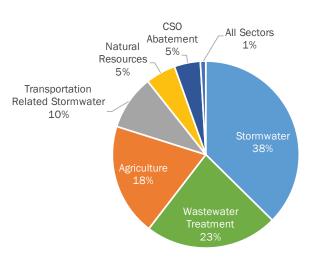
TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Highgate	AAFM	Rainville Dairy LLC	Additional Conservation Practices	Ag	Capital	\$8,753
Highgate	AAFM	Rainville Dairy LLC	Waste Treatment - Silage	Ag	Capital	\$8,764
Highgate	AAFM	Rainville Dairy LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$17,958
Highgate	AAFM	Rainville Dairy LLC	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$19,200
Highgate	AAFM	Rainville Dairy LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$20,303
Highgate	ANR	Vermont Land Trust	Rock River Corridor Easement (Choiniere Property) – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$46,325
Highgate	VTrans	Highgate	TH 15 Shipyard Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$15,788
Highgate	VTrans	Highgate	TH 22 Tarte Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$23,176
Irasburg	VTrans	Irasburg	TH 4 - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$12,967
Lowell	AAFM	LeBlanc, Alain	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$6,500
Lowell	AAFM	LeBlanc, Alain	Waste Treatment - Milk House Waste	Ag	Capital	\$13,500
Newport City	ANR	Missisquoi River Basin Association	Sleeper Pond/Mud Creek Dam Removal Alternatives Analysis in Newport Center – Preliminary Design	NR	CWF	\$32,450
Newport Town	AAFM	Leather, Jeremy	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$40,000
Norton	VTrans	Norton	TH 3 Churchill Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$19,808
Richford	AAFM	Pleasant Valley Farm	Waste Treatment - Silage	Ag	Capital	\$15,617
Richford	AAFM	Pleasant Valley Farm	Waste Treatment - Silage (Part #2)	Ag	Capital	\$34,383
Richford	VTrans	Richford	TH 8 Berry Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$19,046
Richford	VTrans	Richford	TH 3 North Branch Road – Correction of Stream Bank Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$40,000
Richford	VTrans	Richford	TH 11 Corliss Road – Correction of Slope Erosion and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$40,000
Swanton	AAFM	Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	Education and Outreach	Ag	General	\$1,000
Swanton	AAFM	Manning Dairy LLC	Waste Treatment - Silage	Ag	Capital	\$18,600
Swanton	AAFM	Manning Dairy LLC	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$56,400
Swanton	VTrans	Swanton	TH 17 Waugh Farm Road – Correction of Stream Bank Erosion and Road Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$8,524
Troy	AAFM	J & R Family Farm	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$9,000
Troy	AAFM	Knox Ridge Holsteins	Aeration Tillage	Ag	General	\$1,752
Troy	VTrans	Troy	TH 31 Collins Mill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Westfield	AAFM	Missisquoi Valley Farm LLC	Aeration Tillage	Ag	General	\$2,760
Westfield	ANR	Missisquoi River Basin Association	Jay State Forest Restoration and Erosion Control – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$37,360
Westmore	VTrans	Westmore	TH 30 Old Cottage Lane – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$20,000

### **Northern Lake Champlain Watershed Summary**

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State funding awarded in the Northern Lake Champlain watershed in SFY 2017, by sector Total: \$2,177,984

#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**



Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Northern Lake Champlain watershed.

AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	466
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	13
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	4
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	20
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	13
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	3
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer	7

Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	3
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	7
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	NA
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural	2

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TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESU	JLTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	NA
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	2
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	NA
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	

### **Northern Lake Champlain Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Northern Lake Champlain watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARYTITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Alburgh	AAFM	Reynolds, Newton	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$7,357
Alburgh	AAFM	Reynolds, Newton	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$67,643
Alburgh	ANR	Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	Northern Lake Champlain/Alburgh School Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	SW	Capital	\$6,500
Alburgh	VTrans	Northwest Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$5,131
Burlington	ANR	Burlington	Burlington Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$50,800
Charlotte	AAFM	M & C Family Farm	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$5,000
Charlotte	ANR	Charlotte	LaPlatte River Riparian Restoration	NR	Other	\$2,750
Charlotte	ANR	Lewis Creek Association	Partner Water Quality Monitoring Pre-and-Post Project Implementation – Thorp Brook – South Chittenden River Watch	All	CWF	\$6,879
Charlotte	ANR	Lewis Creek Association	Beecher Hill Brook/Hinesburg Town Garage Beecher Hill Rd. Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	Capital	\$33,189
Charlotte	VTrans	Charlotte	TH 46 East Thompson's Point Road - Bioretention	Roads	CWF	\$12,077
Charlotte	VTrans	Charlotte	TH 46 East Thompson's Point Road - Swale – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$16,000
Fairfield	AAFM	Magnan Bros Maquam Shore Dairy LLC	Alternative Manure Incorporation	Ag	General	\$5,000
Greensboro	VTrans	Greensboro	TH 54 Young Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Hinesburg	ANR	Lake Iroquois Association	Lake Iroquois/Pine Shore Road, Hinesburg Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	Capital	\$34,000
Hinesburg	ANR	Vermont Land Trust	LaPlatte River Corridor Easement (O'Neil Farm) – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$86,633
Hinesburg	ANR	Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District	Lake Iroquois Shoreland Erosion Control – Final Design	NR	CWF	\$20,299
Isle La Motte	VTrans	Isle La Motte	TH 2 West Shore Road – Correction of Slope Erosion and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$15,922
Shelburne	ANR	Shelburne	Munroe Brook/Brook Lane, Shelburne Stormwater Treatment - Implementation	SW	CWF	\$12,395
Shelburne	ANR	Shelburne	Shelburne Wastewater Collection System Refurbishment – Final Design	WW	CWSRF	\$94,000
Shelburne, South Burlington	ANR	Shelburne	Shelburne Bay/Nesti Lane, Shelburne and South Burlington Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	CWF	\$219,200
South Burlington	ANR	South Burlington	Potash Brook/Commerce Square, Williston Road, South Burlington Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	Capital	\$150,000

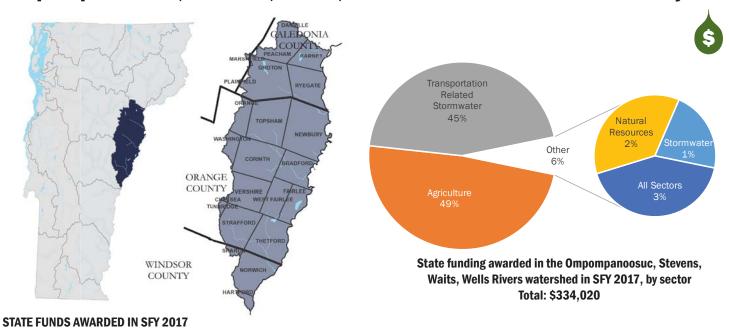
### **Northern Lake Champlain Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Northern Lake Champlain watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
South Burlington	ANR	South Burlington	Potash Brook/Kennedy Drive, South Burlington Stormwater Pond Expansion/Retrofit – Preliminary Design	SW	CWF	\$20,000
South Hero	AAFM	Health Hero Island Farm	Roof Runoff Management	Ag	Capital	\$5,000
St. Albans City	AAFM	Boissoneault, Jeffrey	Alternative Manure Incorporation	Ag	General	\$5,000
St. Albans City	AAFM	Scott Magnan's Custom Service	Manure Application Record Keeping Equipment	Ag	Capital	\$7,500
St. Albans City	AAFM	Scott Magnan's Custom Service	Education and Outreach	Ag	General	\$1,000
St. Albans City	AAFM	Scott Magnan's Custom Service	Alternative Manure Incorporation	Ag	General	\$1,665
St. Albans City	ANR	St. Albans City	St. Albans City Street Sweeper Equipment	Roads	CWF	\$128,074
Swanton	AAFM	Longway Farms	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$18,000
Swanton	AAFM	Longway Farms	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$18,000
Swanton	AAFM	Longway Farms	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$27,000

### Ompompanoosuc, Stevens, Waits, Wells Rivers Watershed Summary



#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**

Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Ompompanoosuc, Stevens, Waits, Wells Rivers watershed.



AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	177
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	67
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	2
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (Kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	No data
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	No data

NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	32
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural	NΔ

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESU	JLTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	0.4
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	4
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	No data
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	ΝΔ

Acres of impervious surface treated	NA
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Stormwater treatment practices	NA

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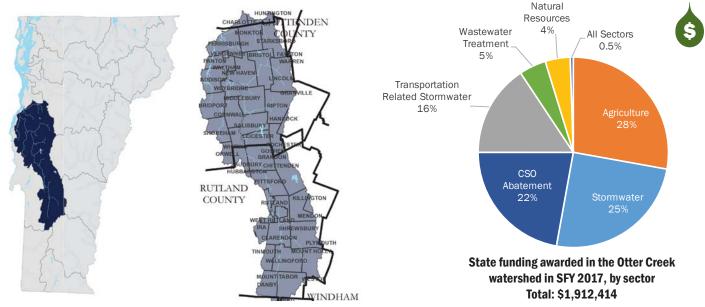
# Ompompanoosuc, Stevens, Waits, Wells Rivers Watershed Projects



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Ompompanoosuc, Stevens, Waits, Wells Rivers watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Corinth	VTrans	Corinth	TH 32 Coppermine Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$13,212
Fairlee	VTrans	Fairlee	TH 18 Quinibeck Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Groton	VTrans	Groton	TH 2/4/27 Minard Hill/Great/Buzzy Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Correction of Streambank and Slope Erosion	Roads	VTTF	\$16,104
Peacham	VTrans	Peacham	TH 6 Greenbay Loop - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Peacham	VTrans	Peacham	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Ryegate	AAFM	Clough, Rick	Forested Riparian Buffer Restoration	Ag	Capital	\$1,386
Ryegate	AAFM	Clough, Rick	Forested Riparian Buffer Restoration	Ag	Capital	\$17,202
Ryegate	AAFM	Home Acres Farm	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$4,227
Ryegate	AAFM	Home Acres Farm	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$45,773
Ryegate	AAFM	Scotch Burn Farm LLC	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$2,709
Ryegate	AAFM	Wayside Meadow Farm	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$4,050
Ryegate	VTrans	Ryegate	TH 7 North Bailey Hazen Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$9,600
Thetford	VTrans	Thetford	TH 20 Sawnee Bean Road – Correction of Stream Bank Erosion and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Thetford	VTrans	Thetford	Municipal Culvert Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$8,000
Watershed- wide	ANR	White River Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Pollution Prevention Project Planning and Design in the Stevens-Wells-Waits- Ompompanoosuc Basin	Ag	CWF	\$10,000

### **Otter Creek Watershed Summary**



#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**





Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Otter Creek watershed.

**AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS** 

Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	585
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	5
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	109
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	NA
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	NA
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural	NA

Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	0.3
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	18
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
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Road erosion control practices	0.7
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	10
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Stormwater treatment practices	NA
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TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESULTS

### **Otter Creek Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Otter Creek watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Addison	ANR	Addison	Addison New Wastewater Treatment Facility and Collection System – Final Design	WW	CWSRF	\$50,000
Brandon	ANR	Brandon	Brandon Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	CWF	\$30,000
Brandon	VTrans	Brandon	TH 37 Birch Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Brandon	VTrans	Brandon	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$6,888
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Access Road	Ag	Capital	\$11,000
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Additional Conservation Practices	Ag	Capital	\$5,000
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$2,600
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$8,000
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Pumping Plant	Ag	Capital	\$37,800
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Pumping Plant	Ag	Capital	\$15,120
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$26,000
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$9,000
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$11,000
Bridport	AAFM	Blissful Dairy LLC	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$20,480
Bridport	VTrans	Bridport	TH 24 Market Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Clarendon	AAFM	Grembowicz Farm	Conservation Tillage	Ag	General	\$5,000
Clarendon	ANR	Rutland County Natural Resources Conservation District	Cold River Floodplain Restoration and Corridor Easement (Ruane Property) – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$75,100
Danby	VTrans	Danby	TH 1 Danby-Pawlet Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$29,600
Danby	VTrans	Danby	TH 20 Raymond Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	VTTF	\$8,905
Ferrisburg, Starksboro	ANR	Lewis Creek Association	Partner Water Quality Monitoring Pre-and-Post Project Implementation – Livestock Exclusion Practices – Addison County River Watch Collaborative	Ag	CWF	\$7,730
Ferrisburgh	AAFM	Allendale Farm	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$6,400
Ferrisburgh	AAFM	Allendale Farm	Pumping Plant	Ag	Capital	\$12,100
Ferrisburgh	AAFM	Husk, Alice	Use Exclusion	Ag	Capital	\$6,300
Hubbardton	VTrans	Hubbardton	TH 4 High Pond Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Hubbardton	VTrans	Hubbardton	TH 4 High Pond Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$12,590
Ira	VTrans	Ira	Th 2 West Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$3,518
Ira	VTrans	Ira	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$2,721
Ira	VTrans	Ira	TH 3 Pyka Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$11,333
Ira	VTrans	Ira	TH 7 Cross Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$3,912
Lincoln	VTrans	Lincoln	TH 6/9 York Hill/West Hill/Gove Hill – Municipal Roads Erosion Control, Culvert Upgrade, and Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Lincoln	VTrans	Lincoln	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$1,760

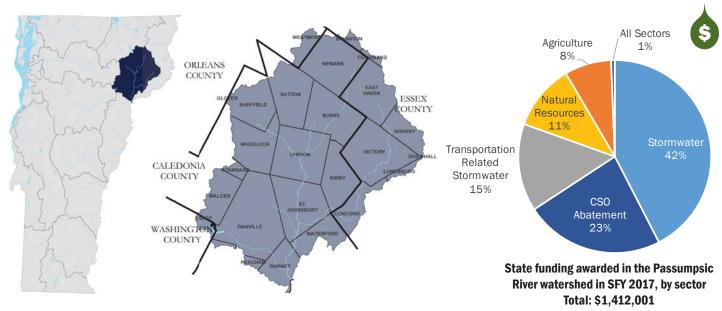
# **Otter Creek Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Otter Creek watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Mendon	VTrans	Mendon	TH 14/23 Old Turnpike/Ridge Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$10,810
Mendon	VTrans	Mendon	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$7,168
Mendon	VTrans	Mendon	TH 7 Wheelerville Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$23,457
Monkton	VTrans	Monkton	TH 1 Monkton Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$30,000
Mount Holly	VTrans	Mount Holly	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$5,738
Orwell	AAFM	LaDuc Acres	Access Road	Ag	Capital	\$9,000
Panton	AAFM	Vorsteveld Farm	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$50,000
Pittsford	VTrans	Pittsford	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$6,734
Proctor	ANR	Proctor	Proctor Wastewater Collection System Refurbishment – Preliminary Design	WW	CWSRF	\$20,300
Proctor	VTrans	Proctor	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$5,126
Ripton	VTrans	Ripton	TH 21 Brooks Road - Correction of Stream Bank Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$6,968
Ripton	VTrans	Ripton	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$4,147
Rutland City	ANR	Rutland City	Rutland City Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement – Construction	SW, CSO	Capital	\$596,376
Rutland City	ANR	Rutland City	Rutland City Wastewater Collection System and Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement – Preliminary Design	SW, CSO	CWSRF	\$251,022
Rutland City	ANR	Rutland County Natural Resources Conservation District	Moon Brook/Easterly Avenue, Rutland City Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	Capital	\$20,000
Starksboro	AAFM	Clifford Farms LLC	Additional Conservation Practices	Ag	Capital	\$11,060
Starksboro	AAFM	Clifford Farms LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$81,743
Starksboro	AAFM	Clifford Farms LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$2,288
Starksboro	AAFM	Clifford Farms LLC	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$4,908
Wallingford	VTrans	Wallingford	TH 72 Earl Wade Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$13,504
Waltham	VTrans	Waltham	TH 2 Maple St - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$4,920
West Rutland	VTrans	West Rutland	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$7,159

### Passumpsic River Watershed Summary



NA

#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

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#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**

Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual





Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Passumpsic River watershed.

conservation practices	14/1
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	NA
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	NA
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	NA
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural	NΔ

**AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS** 

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TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RES	ULTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	1
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	19
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	No data
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	41.3

PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER			
Acres of impervious surface treated			
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)			
Stormwater treatment practices	No data		
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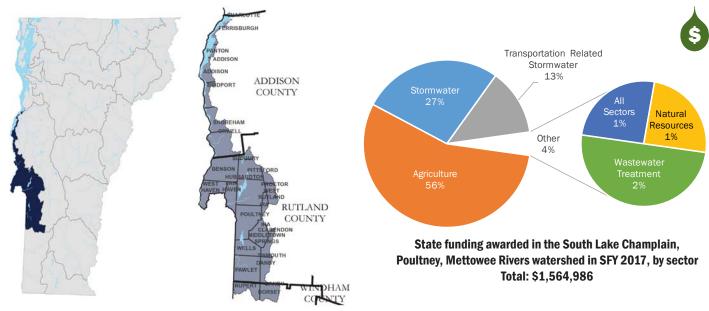
### Passumpsic River Watershed Projects



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Passumpsic River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Barnet	VTrans	Barnet	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Burke	ANR	Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District	Dishmill Brook/Burke Mountain Academy Stormwater Treatment - Implementation	SW	Capital	\$7,276
Burke	ANR	Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District	Dishmill Brook/Burke Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	CWF	\$40,970
Burke	ANR	Connecticut River Conservancy	Passumpsic River Dam Removal at Burke Hollow Road in East Burke – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$150,000
Burke	VTrans	Burke	TH 14 Carter Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$15,048
Burke	VTrans	Burke	TH 41 Pinkham Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Cabot	VTrans	Cabot	TH 59 West Shore Rd, TH 1 VT 215 S - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$19,280
Charleston	ANR	Northwoods Stewardship Center	Clean Water Projects Planning and Implementation Work Crew (Northwoods Stewardship Center)	SW	CWF	\$125,240
Concord	VTrans	Concord	TH 29 Bullard Woods Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$5,888
Concord	VTrans	Concord	TH 5/28 Shadow Lake/Kirby Mountain Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$15,680
Danville	VTrans	Danville	TH 54 Thaddeus Stevens Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Danville	VTrans	Danville	TH 78 - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$40,000
Kirby	VTrans	Kirby	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
St. Johnsbury	ANR	Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District	Passumpsic River/Oak Street, St. Johnsbury Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	Capital	\$91,500
St. Johnsbury	ANR	St. Johnsbury	St. Johnsbury Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement – Construction	SW, CSO	Capital	\$578,779
St. Johnsbury	ANR	St. Johnsbury	St. Johnsbury Wastewater Treatment Facility and Collection System Refurbishment and Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement – Final Design	SW, CSO	CWSRF	\$80,250
St. Johnsbury	VTrans	St. Johnsbury	TH 69 Lawrence Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Sutton	AAFM	Don-Sim Farm LLP	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$34,000

### South Lake Champlain, Poultney, Mettowee Rivers Watershed Summary



#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**



Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the South Lake Champlain, Poultney, Mettowee Rivers watershed.

NA

AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	238
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	15
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	28

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)				
Annual agricultural conservation practices	9			
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA			
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	NA			

NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	NA
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	2,870
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	

Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural

lands

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESU	JLTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	2
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	3
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	11

PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER			
Acres of impervious surface treated			
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)			
Stormwater treatment practices	NA		

### **South Lake Champlain, Poultney, Mettowee Rivers Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the South Lake Champlain, Poultney, Mettowee Rivers watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Addison	AAFM	Chimney Point Farm LP	Critical Area Planting	Ag	Capital	\$233
Addison	AAFM	Chimney Point Farm LP	Mulching	Ag	Capital	\$240
Addison	AAFM	Chimney Point Farm LP	Subsurface Drain	Ag	Capital	\$910
Addison	AAFM	Chimney Point Farm LP	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$1,109
Addison	AAFM	Chimney Point Farm LP	Underground Outlet	Ag	Capital	\$1,615
Addison	AAFM	Chimney Point Farm LP	Access Road	Ag	Capital	\$4,698
Addison	AAFM	Chimney Point Farm LP	Obstruction Removal	Ag	Capital	\$4,807
Addison	AAFM	Chimney Point Farm LP	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$9,138
Addison	AAFM	Correia Family Limited Partnership	Alternative Manure Incorporation	Ag	General	\$5,000
Addison	AAFM	Kayhart Brothers LLC	Water and Sediment Control Basin	Ag	Capital	\$35,000
Benson	VHCB	Vermont Land Trust	Lussier Farm Agricultural Easement with Riparian Buffers	Ag	Capital, Other	\$156,000
Bridport	AAFM	Black & White Face Ranch	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$50,000
Castleton	ANR	Castleton	Castleton Wastewater Collection System Refurbishment – Final Design	WW	CWSRF	\$17,800
Castleton	VTrans	Castleton	TH 1 Main St - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$26,952
Dorset, Rupert	ANR	Bennington County Conservation District	Mettowee Watershed Forest Roads Erosion Assessment - Project Identification	NR	CWF	\$11,000
Fair Haven	VTrans	Fair Haven	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$4,932
Hubbardton	VTrans	Hubbardton	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$6,465
Middletown Springs	VTrans	Middletown Springs	TH 12 Dayton Hill - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$9,905
Orwell	VTrans	Orwell	TH 39 Singing Cedars Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$13,878
Pawlet	AAFM	Deer Flats Farm LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$200,000
Pawlet	AAFM	MiLaura Farm	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$1,870
Pawlet	AAFM	Woodlawn Holstein LLC	Stream Crossing	Ag	Capital	\$22,500
Pawlet	AAFM	Woodlawn Holstein LLC	Access Road	Ag	Capital	\$37,500
Pawlet	VHCB	Vermont Land Trust	Cleveland Farm III Agricultural Easement with Riparian Buffers	Ag	Capital, Other	\$144,109
Pawlet	VTrans	Pawlet	TH 24 Rupert Hill Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$1,624
Pawlet	VTrans	Pawlet	TH 1 VT 153 – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$13,116
Pawlet	VTrans	Pawlet	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$4,937
Poultney	ANR	Poultney Village	Poultney River/York Street, Poultney Stormwater Treatment - Implementation	SW	CWF	\$420,000
Poultney	VTrans	Poultney	TH 34 River St – Correction of Stream Bank Erosion and Road Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$14,329
Rupert	VTrans	Rupert	TH 17 Rogers Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$23,360
Shoreham	AAFM	Woodnotch Farms Inc.	Crop Rotation, Cover Crop, Alternative Manure Incorporation	Ag	General	\$4,628

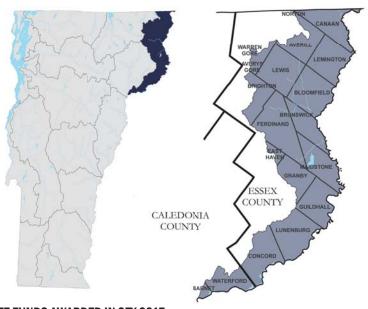


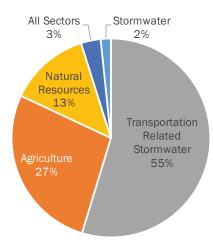
### **South Lake Champlain, Poultney, Mettowee Rivers Watershed Projects**

Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the South Lake Champlain, Poultney, Mettowee Rivers watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Shoreham	VTrans	Shoreham	TH 40 Harrington Hill Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$9,885
Tinmouth	VTrans	Tinmouth	TH 28 McCoy Road - Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$24,000
Watershed- wide	ANR	Poultney Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District	Partner Water Quality Monitoring Pre-and-Post Project Implementation – Mettawee, Castleton, and Hubbardton Rivers, Flower Brook, and Lake Bomoseen	All	CWF	\$8,000
Wells	VTrans	Wells	TH 31 Tadmer Road - Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$21,842
Wells	VTrans	Wells	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$6,196
West Haven	VTrans	West Haven	TH 1 Stage Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$7,281

### **Upper Connecticut River Watershed Summary**





State funding awarded in the Upper Connecticut River watershed in SFY 2017, by sector Total: \$281,391

#### STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**

Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Upper Connecticut River watershed.

AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	NA
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	NA

NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS				
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA			
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	7			
Acres of floodplain restored	NA			
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA			
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	NA			
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	NA			

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural ands	N

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESI	JLTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	1.5
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	12
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year	)		
Road erosion control practices	No data		
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER			
Acres of impervious surface treated	NA		

Acres of impervious surface treated	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Stormwater treatment practices	NA

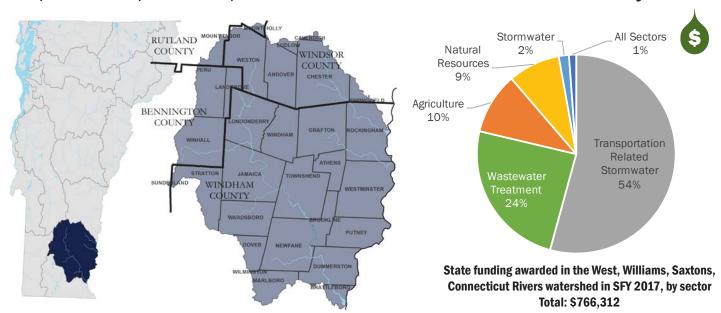
# **Upper Connecticut River Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Upper Connecticut River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Bloomfield	VTrans	Bloomfield	TH 2 Mill Brook Road - Correction of Stream Bank Erosion	Roads	VTTF	\$30,792
Brighton	VTrans	Brighton	TH 5 Head of the Pond Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Brighton	VTrans	Brighton	TH 5 Arthur John & Head of Pond Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$4,600
Brunswick, Canaan	ANR	Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District	Johnson Farm Wetland Restoration	NR	Other	\$10,000
Canaan	VTrans	Canaan	TH 15 Canaan Hill Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Corinth	VTrans	Corinth	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$5,392
Granby	VTrans	Granby	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$5,760
Lemington	VTrans	Lemington	TH 4 Sims Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Maidstone	ANR	Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District	Maidstone Lake Shoreland Erosion Assessment - Project Identification	NR	CWF	\$21,000
Newbury	VTrans	Newbury	Municipal Culvert Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$7,011
Strafford	VTrans	Strafford	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$4,746

### West, Williams, Saxtons, Connecticut Rivers Watershed Summary



#### STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**





Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the West, Williams, Saxtons, Connecticut Rivers watershed.

NA

AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	NA
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	NA
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	NA
NATURAL RESCUENCE PROJECT RESULTS	
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	1
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	14
Acres of floodplain restored	NA
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality	268
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	15
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESU	IITS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	0.2
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts	14/-
replaced	3
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced	NA
stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	NA
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Stormwater treatment practices	NA

Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural

lands

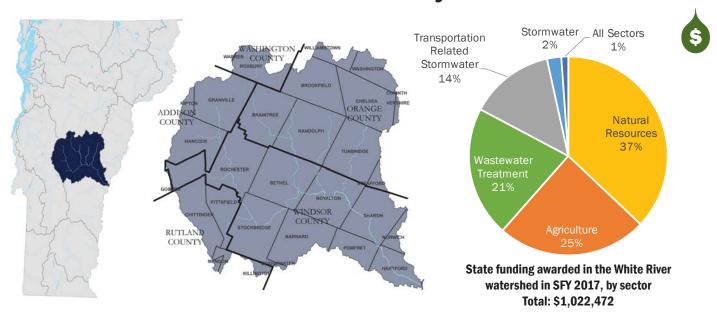
### West, Williams, Saxtons, Connecticut Rivers Watershed Projects

Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the West, Williams, Saxtons, Connecticut Rivers watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Andover	ANR	Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission	Trout Brook/Andover Branch River Corridor and Floodplain Restoration – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$26,520
Brookline	VTrans	Brookline	TH 10 Grassy Brook Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Chester	ANR	Chester	Chester Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$20,000
Chester	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	Williams River Corridor Easement Design	NR	CWF	\$6,300
Chester	VTrans	Chester	Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	FTF	\$300,000
Grafton	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	Saxtons River Corridor Easement (Kissel Property) – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$21,000
Grafton	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	Saxtons River Tributary Corridor Easement Design (Howe, Willie, and Stiles Brooks)	NR	CWF	\$2,000
Grafton	VTrans	Grafton	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Jamaica	ANR	Connecticut River Conservancy	Winhall River Riparian Buffer Restoration/Planting – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$3,000
Londonderry	VTrans	Londonderry	TH 51 Goodaleville Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$7,141
Ludlow	VTrans	Ludlow	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$7,332
Putney	ANR	Putney	Putney Wastewater Treatment Facility and Collection System Refurbishment – Preliminary Design	WW	CWSRF	\$27,250
Stratton	VTrans	Stratton	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Townshend	VTrans	Townshend	TH 32 Plumb Hill Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$11,410
Townshend	VTrans	Townshend	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Westminster	VTrans	Westminster	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Weston	VTrans	Weston	TH 2 Lawrence Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$6,766
Windham	VTrans	Windham	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$7,680
Winhall	VTrans	Winhall	TH 2 Winhall Hollow Road – Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$10,794

Note: Multi-watershed and statewide projects are listed in separate tables at the end of this appendix.

### **White River Watershed Summary**



#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**





NA

Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the White River watershed.

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AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	11
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	11
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	2
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	NA
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	No data
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	NA
Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	32
Acres of floodplain restored	NA

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESU	JLTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	0.1
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	0
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	14
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	No data
PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	

Stormwater treatment practices

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conservation, and water quality	NA
Acres of water quality protections within conserved land (forested buffer area and wetland protection zones)	10
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Forested riparian buffer restoration on non-agricultural lands	No data

Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam

removal (also supports aquatic organism passage) Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest

### **White River Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the White River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARYTITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Barnard	VTrans	Barnard	TH 28 Fort Defiance Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$8,690
Bethel	ANR	Bethel	Bethel Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$23,900
Bethel	VTrans	Bethel	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$4,692
Braintree	VTrans	Braintree	TH 4 Thayer Brook Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$37,103
Braintree, Brookfield, Randolph	ANR	Two Rivers- Ottauquechee Regional Commission	Ayers Brook River Corridor Design and Landowner Outreach	NR	CWF	\$11,259
Chelsea	AAFM	Sweet Doe Dairy LLC	Waste Storage Structure	Ag	Capital	\$8,000
Hancock	ANR	White River Partnership	Upper White River Corridor Easement and Buffer Restoration/Planting (Millard Property) – Implementation	NR	CWF	\$56,704
Hartford	ANR	Hartford	Hartford Wastewater Treatment Asset Management Program Implementation	WW	CWF	\$30,000
Randolph	AAFM	Beidler Family Farm	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$10,000
Randolph	ANR	Two Rivers- Ottauquechee Regional Commission	Randolph Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	CWF	\$19,130
Randolph	ANR	Vermont Land Trust	Second Branch White River Corridor Easement (Wortman Farm) – Implementation	NR	CWF	\$38,463
Randolph	ANR	White River Partnership	Partner Water Quality Monitoring Pre-and-Post Project Implementation – White River Second Branch	All	CWF	\$2,514
Rochester	ANR	Rochester	Rochester Wastewater Treatment Facility Refurbishment - Final Design	WW	CWSRF	\$11,068
Rochester	VTrans	Rochester	Municipal Culvert Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$8,000
Roxbury	VTrans	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$4,594
Royalton	ANR	Royalton	Royalton Wastewater Treatment Facility Refurbishment – Final Design	WW	CWSRF	\$152,200
Sharon	VHCB	The Nature Conservancy	White River Ledges - Schindler Tract Addition with Riparian Protection and Public Access	NR	Capital	\$119,500
Sharon	VTrans	Sharon	TH 12 Cross Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$6,190
Stockbridge	ANR	White River Partnership	Middle White River Corridor Easement (Hull Property) – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$35,671
Stockbridge	ANR	White River Partnership	Middle White River Corridor Easement (Freund/Finn Property) – Implementation	NR	CWF	\$70,391
Stockbridge	VTrans	Stockbridge	TH 54 Stockle Drive – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$7,822
Stockbridge	VTrans	Stockbridge	TH 51 & TH 35 Driscolls Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$27,097
Stockbridge	VTrans	Stockbridge	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	FTF	\$4,998

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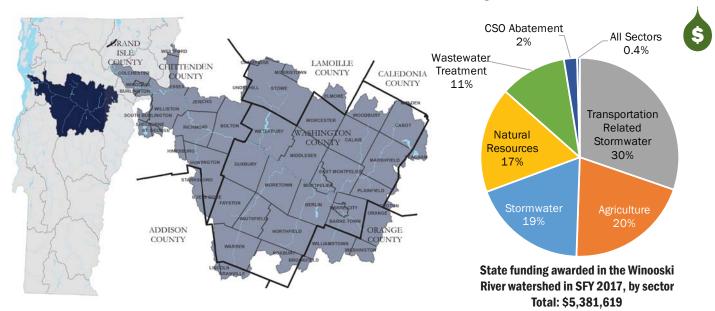
# **White River Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the White River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING Source	AMOUNT
Tunbridge	AAFM	Chapman, Randall	Forested Riparian Buffer Restoration	Ag	Capital	\$372
Tunbridge	AAFM	Chapman, Randall	Forested Riparian Buffer Restoration	Ag	Capital	\$936
Tunbridge	ANR	Vermont Land Trust	Chapman Farm River Corridor Easement – Implementation	NR	CWF	\$39,186
Tunbridge	VHCB	Vermont Land Trust	Chapman-Howe Farm Agricultural Easement with Riparian Buffers	Ag	Capital, Other	\$154,000
Tunbridge	VTrans	Tunbridge	TH 4 Monarch Hill Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$19,256

### Winooski River Watershed Summary



#### **STATE FUNDS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

#### **RESULTS OF PROJECTS COMPLETED IN SFY 2017**





Results of projects completed in SFY 2017, by sector, in the Winooski River watershed.

AGRICULTURE PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by annual conservation practices	453
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Acres of cropland and pasture treated by forested buffers	46
Number of barnyard/production area practices installed	5
Acres of water quality protections within conserved agricultural lands	NA
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Annual agricultural conservation practices	117
Agricultural crop rotation and associated practices	NA
Forested riparian buffer restoration on agricultural lands	18
NATURAL RECOURAGE PROJECT RECUITS	
NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT RESULTS	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	8
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer	8 51
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting	
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting  Acres of river corridor conserved through easements	51
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting  Acres of river corridor conserved through easements  Acres of floodplain restored  Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam	51 2
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting  Acres of river corridor conserved through easements  Acres of floodplain restored  Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)  Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest	51 2 NA
Acres of forested riparian buffer restored through buffer planting  Acres of river corridor conserved through easements  Acres of floodplain restored  Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to dam removal (also supports aquatic organism passage)  Acres protected for public access, recreation, forest conservation, and water quality  Acres of water quality protections within conserved land	51 2 NA NA

TRANSPORTATION RELATED STORMWATER PROJECT RESU	JLTS
Miles of municipal road drainage improvements	1
Number of municipal road drainage structures installed	NA
Number of municipal road drainage and stream culverts replaced	6
Stream miles enhanced and reconnected due to replaced stream culverts (also supports aquatic organism passage)	2
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Road erosion control practices	5

PROJECT RESULTS: STORMWATER	
Acres of impervious surface treated	11
TOTAL PHOSPHORUS REDUCED (kilograms per year)	
Stormwater treatment practices	8



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Winooski River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Barre City	ANR	Barre City	Gunners Brook Floodplain Restoration – Implementation	NR	CWF	\$100,000
Barre City	ANR	Barre City	City of Barre Vacuum Sweeper Equipment	Roads	CWF	\$260,750
Barre City	ANR	Barre City	City of Barre Vactor Equipment	Roads	CWF	\$340,620
Barre City	ANR	Barre City	Edgewood Brook/Park-Winter Meadow Neighborhood, Barre City Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	CWF	\$36,978
Barre Town	VTrans	Barre Town	TH 36 Nuissl Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$19,172
Berlin	AAFM	Rogers Farmstead LLC	Use Exclusion	Ag	Capital	\$3,000
Berlin	AAFM	Rogers Farmstead LLC	Additional Conservation Practices	Ag	Capital	\$8,387
Berlin	AAFM	Rogers Farmstead LLC	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$11,250
Bolton	VTrans	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$3,000
Calais	ANR	Vermont Land Trust	Pekin Brook River Corridor Easement (Armstrong Farm) – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$23,800
Calais	VHCB	Vermont Land Trust	Armstrong (Betit) Farm Agricultural and River Corridor Easement	Ag	Capital, Other	\$130,609
Calais	VTrans	Calais	TH 28 Apple Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$7,228
Calais	VTrans	Calais	TH 33 Jack Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$7,252
Calais	VTrans	Calais	TH 27 Apple Hill Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$39,695
Colchester	AAFM	Cottonwood Stables, LLC	Forested Riparian Buffer Restoration	Ag	Capital	\$2,496
Colchester	AAFM	Cottonwood Stables, LLC	Forested Riparian Buffer Restoration	Ag	Capital	\$7,887
Colchester	AAFM	Fitzgerald Farm 1	Use Exclusion	Ag	Capital	\$1,800
Colchester	AAFM	Fitzgerald Farm 1	Heavy Use Area Protection	Ag	Capital	\$3,600
Duxbury	ANR	Friends of The Mad River	Lozelle Brook/Harwood Union Middle and High School, Duxbury Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	Capital	\$29,040
Elmore, Worcester	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	North Branch Cascades Stormwater Mitigation and Pedestrian Trail	NR	Other	\$9,625
Elmore, Worcester	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	North Branch Winooski River/Route 12, Elmore and Worcester Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	CWF	\$3,000
Essex	ANR	Essex Junction	Indian Brook/Fairview Drive and Main Street, Village of Essex Junction Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	Capital	\$147,854
Essex	VHCB	Vermont Land Trust	Whitcomb II Farmland Agricultural Easement with Riparian Buffers	Ag	Capital, Other	\$639,000
Essex	VTrans	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$8,000

Note: Multi-watershed and statewide projects are listed in separate tables at the end of this appendix.



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Winooski River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Fayston, Waitsfield, Warren	ANR	Friends of The Mad River	Mad River/Fayston and Warren Elementary Schools Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design		CWF	\$18,685
Huntington	AAFM	Taft's Milk and Maple Farm	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$5,000
Huntington	VTrans	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$8,000
Huntington	VTrans	Huntington	TH 21 Salvas Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	VTTF	\$20,000
Huntington	VTrans	Huntington	TH 11 Texas Hill Circle – Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	VTTF	\$40,000
Montpelier	ANR	Friends of The Winooski River	Winooski River Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Water Quality Monitoring	SW	CWF	\$2,610
Montpelier	ANR	Montpelier	Montpelier Riparian Buffer Restoration	NR	Other	\$8,700
Montpelier	ANR	Montpelier	Stevens Branch Winooski River/Route 302 and Berlin Street, Montpelier Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	Capital	\$42,000
Montpelier	ANR	Montpelier	Montpelier Wastewater Collection System and Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement – Preliminary Design	SW, CSO	CWSRF	\$29,616
Montpelier	ANR	Montpelier	Montpelier Wastewater Collection System Refurbishment – Construction	WW	CWSRF	\$36,680
Montpelier	ANR	Montpelier	Montpelier Wastewater Treatment Facility Refurbishment – Preliminary Design	WW	CWSRF	\$51,300
Montpelier	VTrans	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$8,000
Moretown	ANR	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Mad River Corridor Plan - Project Identification	NR	CWF	\$27,878
Moretown	VTrans	Moretown	TH 55 Williams Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$16,466
Northfield	ANR	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Dog River/Union and Water Street, Northfield Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	Capital	\$173,785
Northfield	ANR	Friends of The Winooski River	Dog River Floodplain Restoration - Implementation	NR	Capital	\$242,039
Northfield	ANR	Northfield	Northfield Hydroseeder Equipment	Roads	CWF	\$6,628
Orange	VTrans	Orange	TH 39 Manning Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Richmond	ANR	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Richmond Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	CWF	\$39,086
Richmond	VTrans	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$8,000



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Winooski River watershed.

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TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	SOURCE	AMOUNT
Roxbury	VTrans	Roxbury	TH 14 Cruickshank Road - Correction of Stream Bank Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$14,066
South Burlington	AAFM	Ethan Allen Farm	Clean Water Diversion	Ag	Capital	\$22,500
South Burlington	AAFM	Ethan Allen Farm	Waste Transfer	Ag	Capital	\$22,500
South Burlington	VTrans	South Burlington	Picard Circle Stormwater Treatment Design and Construction	Roads	FTF	\$229,600
St. George	VTrans	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$2,000
Stowe	AAFM	Percy, Paul	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$1,356
Stowe	ANR	Stowe	West Branch Little River/Stowe Bike Path Floodplain Restoration – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$276,547
Stowe	VTrans	Stowe	TH 95 River Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$17,440
Stowe	VTrans	Stowe	TH 95 River Road - Correction of Stream Bank Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$19,640
Waitsfield	AAFM	Neill Farm LLC	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$2,985
Waitsfield	VTrans	Waitsfield	TH 28 Palmer Hill Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$12,500
Warren	AAFM	DeFreest Farms Partnership	Cover Crop	Ag	General	\$5,000
Warren	ANR	Warren	Mad River/Fuller Hill Road, Warren Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	SW	Capital	\$9,600
Warren	VTrans	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$6,660
Warren	VTrans	Warren	TH 9 Airport Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Warren	VTrans	Warren	TH 1 Brook Road - Correction of Slope Erosion	Roads	CWF	\$30,000
Warren	VTrans	Warren	TH 1 Brook Road - Municipal Roads Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$40,000
Warren	VTrans	Warren	Municipal Culvert and Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	VTTF	\$6,661
Waterbury	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	Thatcher Brook River Corridor Easement (Roscioli Property) – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$45,800
Waterbury	ANR	Vermont River Conservancy	Thatcher Brook River Corridor Easement Design	NR	CWF	\$5,750
Waterbury	VTrans	Waterbury	TH 31 Hubbard Farm Road – Municipal Roads Erosion Control and Culvert Upgrade	Roads	CWF	\$40,000
Watershed- wide	ANR	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Mad River and Kingsbury Branch Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	CWF	\$140,530
Watershed- wide	ANR	Friends of The Mad River	Riparian Education for Landowners along the Mad River	All	Other	\$4,945
Watershed- wide	ANR	Friends of The Winooski River	Riparian Restoration along the Winooski River	NR	Other	\$10,000



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in the Winooski River watershed.

TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Watershed- wide	ANR	Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District	Winooski River Riparian Buffer Restoration/Planting - Implementation	NR	Capital	\$18,050
Westford	VHCB	Vermont Land Trust	Westford Town Forest with Wetland/Riparian Protection	NR	Capital, Other	\$150,000
Williston	ANR	Williston	Allen Brook Wayside Interpretive Exhibit	All	Other	\$4,800
Williston	ANR	Williston	Winooski River/Fontaine Lane and North Williston Road, Williston Roadside Erosion Control – Implementation	Roads	Capital	\$18,130
Williston	ANR	Williston	Muddy Brook/Blackberry Ridge and Walker Hill Road, Williston Streambank Erosion Control – Implementation	Roads	Capital	\$19,782
Williston	ANR	Williston	Williston Wastewater Collection System Refurbishment – Construction	WW	CWSRF	\$132,292
Williston	VTrans	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Municipal Road Erosion Inventory	Roads	CWF	\$8,000
Williston	VTrans	Williston	TH 23 East Hill Road - Municipal Roads Erosion Control	Roads	CWF	\$20,000
Williston	VTrans	Williston	Lamplite Acres Stormwater Treatment Design and Construction	Roads	FTF	\$300,000

### **Multi-Watershed Projects**



#### Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 the Connecticut River basin.

AGENCY	PARTNER	PARTNER SUMMARY TITLE		FUNDING Source	AMOUNT
AAFM	Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Ottauquechee Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	White River Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Windham County Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000

#### Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 the Lake Champlain basin.

AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARYTITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
AAFM	Franklin County Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Grand Isle Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
ANR	Vermont Public Broadcasting Service	Keeping Lake Champlain Great documentary	All	Other	\$5,000
ANR	Vermont Rural Water Association	Municipal Wastewater Treatment Facility Technical Assistance to Optimize for Nutrient Treatment	WW	CWF	\$103,000
AAFM	Farmers Watershed Alliance	Farm Mentorship Program	Ag	CWF	\$19,968
AAFM	Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	Organizational Capacity Building Grant	Ag	CWF	\$20,000
AAFM	Missisquoi River Basin Association	Organizational Capacity Building Grant	Ag	CWF	\$10,360
AAFM	Missisquoi River Basin Association	Soil Health Seminars	Ag	CWF, General	\$4,700
AAFM	Multiple Partners	Environmental Quality Incentives Program State Cost Share	Ag	CWF	\$447,034
AAFM	Newtrient, LLC	Strategic Pathway for Inducing Phosphorus Control Technologies	Ag	CWF	\$160,000
AAFM	Lamoille County Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Otter Creek Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Poultney Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000

# **Multi-Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 in multiple watersheds.

WATERSHEDS	TOWN	AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Batten Kill- Walloomsac-Hoosic Deerfield-Connecticut Direct West-Williams- Saxtons	Sunderland	ANR	Bennington County Regional Commission	Sunderland Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	CWF	\$24,000
Deerfield-Connecticut Direct West-Williams- Saxtons	Dover	ANR	North Branch Fire District #1	North Branch Fire District #1 Wastewater Treatment Facility Refurbishment – Final Design	WW	CWSRF	\$280,098
Lake Memphremagog Lamoille Passumpsic Stevens-Wells-Waits- Ompompanoosuc Upper Connecticut River	Caledonia, Essex, and Lamoille Counties	ANR	Lamoille County Conservation District	Regional Hydroseeder Equipment-Share Program	Roads	CWF	\$115,100
Northern Lake Champlain Winooski	Burlington	ANR	Burlington	Burlington Wastewater Collection System Refurbishment and Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	WW, SW	CWSRF	\$997,204
Northern Lake Champlain Winooski	Burlington	ANR	Burlington	Burlington Wastewater Treatment Facility, Collection System, and Stormwater Integrated Planning – Preliminary Design	WW, SW, CSO	CWSRF	\$600,000
Northern Lake Champlain Winooski	Colchester, Essex	ANR	Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District	Partner Water Quality Monitoring Pre-and-Post Project Implementation – Alder, Indian, Sunderland Brooks	All	CWF	\$8,111
Missisquoi Northern Lake Champlain Winooski	Franklin, Highgate, St. Albans Town	ANR	University of Vermont Extension	Equipment to Enhance the Water Quality Benefit of Cover Crops	Ag	Capital	\$99,554
Ottauquechee-Black Stevens-Wells-Waits- Ompompanoosuc White	Fairlee, Randolph	ANR	Two Rivers- Ottauquechee Regional Commission	Municipal Outreach on Roadside Ditch Management	NR	Other	\$5,000

# **Multi-Watershed Projects**



Clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017 the Connecticut River basin.

AGENCY	PARTNER	PARTNER SUMMARY TITLE		FUNDING Source	AMOUNT
AAFM	Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Ottauquechee Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	White River Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000
AAFM	Windham County Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$6,000

# **Statewide Watershed Projects**



Statewide clean water projects funded by state agencies in SFY 2017.

AGENCY	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
AAFM	Champlain Valley Farmer Coalition	On-Farm Workshops and Farmer Follow-up		CWF	\$18,606
AAFM	Farmer's Watershed Alliance	Comprehensive Precision Agriculture Forum	Ag	CWF, General	\$19,878
AAFM	Natural Resources Conservation Council	Block Grant (Organizational Development, Education and Outreach, Nutrient Pollution Controls)	Ag	CWF, General	\$260,778
AAFM	Natural Resources Conservation Council	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance (Capacity and Oversight)	Ag	General	\$103,000
AAFM	Scott Magnan's Custom Service	Precision Agricultural Management	Ag	CWF, General	\$18,750
AAFM	University of Vermont Extension	Block Grant (Organizational Development, Education and Outreach, Nutrient Pollution Controls)	Ag	CWF, General	\$462,770
AAFM	University of Vermont Extension	Education and Outreach	Ag	General	\$9,500
AAFM	University of Vermont Extension	Agricultural Conservation Practices Technical Assistance	Ag	General	\$26,125
AAFM	Vermont Association of Conservation Districts  Education and Outreach		Ag	General	\$1,000
AAFM	Vermont Association of Conservation Districts Land Treatment Planning to Support NMP Development		Ag	General	\$119,680
AAFM	Vermont Grass Farmers Association  Strengthening Vermont's Network of Grass-Based Farmers to Protect Soil and Water		Ag	CWF	\$18,634
AAFM	Vermont Grass Farmers Association	Grass-Based Farming Education and Outreach	Ag	CWF, General	\$17,294
ANR	Beck Pond LLC	LaRosa Laboratory Partner Water Quality Monitoring Analytical Support	All	CWF	\$11,195
ANR	Multiple Partners	Citizen Science Volunteer Monitoring Water Quality Sampling LaRosa Laboratory Analysis	All	CWF	\$100,000
ANR	South Mountain Research and Consulting	LaRosa Laboratory Partner Water Quality Monitoring Analytical Support	All	CWF	\$18,922
ANR	Stone Environmental	Development of Methodologies for Identifying Subsurface Tile Drains on Agricultural Lands	Ag	CWF	\$9,926
ANR	Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation	Vermont State Parks Lake Shoreland Erosion Control – Implementation	NR	Capital	\$71,472
ANR	Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation  Acceptable Management Practices for Water Quality on Logging Jobs Manual Design and Editing		NR	CWF	\$20,000
ANR	Vermont Youth Conservation Corps	Clean Water Projects Planning and Implementation		CWF	\$189,399
ANR	Vital Communities	Watershed Education in the White River Watershed	All	Other	\$5,000
ANR	Watershed Consulting Associates, LLC	Statewide Illicit/Unauthorized Discharge Detection and Elimination	SW	CWF	\$69,835

### Appendix B. Ecosystem Restoration Grant Program Projects

Appendix B fulfills the reporting requirement of Act 64 (2015)<sup>1</sup>, Section 36, codified at 10 V.S.A. § 1386(e) including: activities and progress of water quality Ecosystem Restoration Programs. Appendix B summarizes projects funded in state fiscal year (SFY) 2017 through the Agency of Natural Resources Department of Environmental Conservation Ecosystem Restoration Grant Program.

Sector is abbreviated in the table as follows:

Ag Agricultural pollution prevention

NR Natural resources

Roads Transportation/road-related stormwater

SW Stormwater

WW Wastewater treatment

#### **ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION GRANTS AWARDED IN SFY 2017**

COUNTY	TOWN	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	AMOUNT	WATERSHED
Addison	Hancock	White River Partnership	Upper White River Corridor Easement and Buffer Restoration/Planting (Millard Property) – Implementation	NR	\$56,704	White
Bennington	Bennington	Bennington County Conservation District	Bennington Bedding Mulcher Equipment	SW	\$5,107	Batten Kill-Walloomsac-Hoosic
Bennington	Dorset, Rupert	Bennington County Conservation District	Mettowee Watershed Forest Roads Erosion Assessment – Project Identification	NR	\$11,000	Southern Lake Champlain
Bennington	Rupert	Bennington County Conservation District	Mill Brook Gully Stabilization – Implementation	NR	\$18,600	Batten Kill-Walloomsac-Hoosic
Bennington	Sandgate	Bennington County Regional Commission	Sandgate Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	\$24,000	Batten Kill-Walloomsac-Hoosic
Bennington	Sunderland	Bennington County Regional Commission	Sunderland Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	\$24,000	Batten Kill-Walloomsac-Hoosic, Deerfield-CT Direct, West-Williams- Saxtons

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Act 64 or the "Vermont Clean Water Act;" 2015 Vt. Acts & Resolves 975, amended in 2017.

COUNTY	TOWN	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	AMOUNT	WATERSHED
Caledonia	Burke	Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District	Dishmill Brook/Burke Mountain Academy Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$7,276	Passumpsic
Caledonia	Burke	Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District	Dishmill Brook/Burke Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$40,970	Passumpsic
Caledonia	Burke	Connecticut River Conservancy	Passumpsic River Dam Removal at Burke Hollow Road in East Burke – Implementation	NR	\$150,000	Passumpsic
Caledonia	St. Johnsbury	Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District	Passumpsic River/Oak Street, St. Johnsbury Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$91,500	Passumpsic
Caledonia, Essex, Lamoille	Caledonia, Essex, and Lamoille Counties	Lamoille County Conservation District	Regional Hydroseeder Equipment-Share Program	Roads	\$115,100	Lake Memphremagog, Lamoille, Passumpsic, Stevens-Wells-Waits- Ompompanoosuc, Upper Connecticut River
Chittenden	Charlotte	Lewis Creek Association	Beecher Hill Brook/Hinesburg Town Garage Beecher Hill Rd. Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	\$33,189	Northern Lake Champlain
Chittenden	Essex	Essex Junction	Indian Brook/Fairview Drive and Main Street, Village of Essex Junction Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$147,854	Winooski
Chittenden	Hinesburg	Lake Iroquois Association	Lake Iroquois/Pine Shore Road, Hinesburg Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$34,000	Northern Lake Champlain
Chittenden	Hinesburg	Vermont Land Trust	LaPlatte River Corridor Easement (O'Neil Farm) – Implementation	NR	\$86,633	Northern Lake Champlain
Chittenden	Hinesburg	Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District	Lake Iroquois Shoreland Erosion Control - Final Design	NR	\$20,299	Northern Lake Champlain
Chittenden	Richmond	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Richmond Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	\$39,086	Winooski
Chittenden	Shelburne	Shelburne	Munroe Brook/Brook Lane, Shelburne Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$12,395	Northern Lake Champlain
Chittenden	Shelburne, South Burlington	Shelburne	Shelburne Bay/Nesti Lane, Shelburne and South Burlington Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$219,200	Northern Lake Champlain

COUNTY	TOWN	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	AMOUNT	WATERSHED
Chittenden	South Burlington	South Burlington	Potash Brook/Kennedy Drive, South Burlington Stormwater Pond Expansion/Retrofit – Preliminary Design	SW	\$20,000	Northern Lake Champlain
Chittenden	South Burlington	South Burlington	Potash Brook/Commerce Square, Williston Road, South Burlington Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$150,000	Northern Lake Champlain
Chittenden	Underhill	Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission	Underhill Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	\$16,105	Lamoille
Chittenden	Williston	Williston	Winooski River/Fontaine Lane and North Williston Road, Williston Roadside Erosion Control – Implementation	Roads	\$18,130	Winooski
Chittenden	Williston	Williston	Muddy Brook/Blackberry Ridge and Walker Hill Road, Williston Streambank Erosion Control – Implementation	Roads	\$19,782	Winooski
Chittenden, Lamoille	Cambridge, Underhill	Lamoille County Planning Commission	Seymour River Stream Geomorphic Assessment/River Corridor Plan – Project Identification	NR	\$34,713	Lamoille
Chittenden, Washington	Watershed- wide	Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District	Winooski River Riparian Buffer Restoration/Planting – Implementation	NR	\$18,050	Winooski
Essex	Maidstone	Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District	Maidstone Lake Shoreland Erosion Assessment – Project Identification	NR	\$21,000	Upper Connecticut
Franklin	Franklin	Franklin Watershed Committee	Lake Carmi Private Camp Roads and Culverts Erosion Assessment – Project Identification	Roads	\$4,000	Missisquoi
Franklin	Franklin	Franklin Watershed Committee	Lake Carmi/Franklin Roadside Erosion Control – Implementation	Roads	\$8,500	Missisquoi
Franklin	Franklin	Franklin Watershed Committee	Pike River/Franklin Town Highway Garage Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	SW	\$9,800	Missisquoi
Franklin	Franklin, Highgate, St. Albans Town	University of Vermont Extension	Equipment to Enhance the Water Quality Benefit of Cover Crops	Ag	\$99,554	Northern Lake Champlain, Missisquoi, Winooski
Franklin	Georgia	Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	Deer Brook/Route 7 and Route 104A, Georgia Gully Remediation – Preliminary Design	SW	\$86,700	Lamoille

COUNTY	TOWN	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	AMOUNT	WATERSHED
Franklin	Highgate	Vermont Land Trust	Rock River Corridor Easement (Choiniere Property) – Implementation	NR	\$46,325	Missisquoi
Franklin	St. Albans City	St. Albans City	St. Albans City Street Sweeper Equipment	Roads	\$128,074	Northern Lake Champlain
Grand Isle	Alburgh	Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	Northern Lake Champlain/Alburgh School Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	SW	\$6,500	Northern Lake Champlain
Lamoille	Cambridge	Lamoille County Conservation District	Town of Cambridge/Brewster River Floodplain Restoration – Preliminary Design	NR	\$21,250	Lamoille
Lamoille	Cambridge	Vermont Land Trust	North Branch Lamoille River Corridor Easement (Barup Farm) – Implementation	NR	\$46,494	Lamoille
Lamoille	Hyde Park, Morristown	Lamoille County Conservation District	Hyde Park and Morristown Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	\$30,000	Lamoille
Lamoille	Johnson	Lamoille County Planning Commission	Gihon River Tributary/Johnson State College Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$84,500	Lamoille
Lamoille	Stowe	Stowe	West Branch Little River/Stowe Bike Path Floodplain Restoration – Implementation	NR	\$276,547	Winooski
Lamoille	Wolcott	Vermont River Conservancy	Wild Branch Lamoille River Corridor Easement (McCrumb Property) – Implementation	NR	\$37,961	Lamoille
Lamoille	Wolcott	Wolcott	Lamoille River/Wolcott Town Garage and Fire Station Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$15,888	Lamoille
Lamoille, Washington	Elmore, Worcester	Vermont River Conservancy	North Branch Winooski River/Route 12, Elmore and Worcester Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	\$3,000	Winooski
Orange	Braintree, Brookfield, Randolph	Two Rivers- Ottauquechee Regional Commission	Ayers Brook River Corridor Design and Landowner Outreach	NR	\$11,259	White
Orange	Randolph	Two Rivers- Ottauquechee Regional Commission	Randolph Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	\$19,130	White
Orange	Randolph	Vermont Land Trust	Second Branch White River Corridor Easement (Wortman Farm) – Implementation	NR	\$38,463	White

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Orange	Tunbridge	Vermont Land Trust	Chapman Farm River Corridor Easement - Implementation	NR	\$39,186	White
Orange	Watershed- wide	White River Natural Resources Conservation District	Agricultural Pollution Prevention Project Planning and Design in the Stevens- Wells-Waits-Ompompanoosuc Basin	Ag	\$10,000	Stevens-Wells-Waits- Ompompanoosuc
Orleans	Charleston	Northwoods Stewardship Center	Clean Water Projects Planning and Implementation Work Crew (Northwoods Stewardship Center)	SW	\$125,240	Passumpsic
Orleans	Charleston, Morgan	Northwoods Stewardship Center	Echo and Seymour Lake Shoreland Erosion Assessment – Project Identification	Roads	\$14,960	Lake Memphremagog
Orleans	Newport City	Missisquoi River Basin Association	Sleeper Pond/Mud Creek Dam Removal Alternatives Analysis in Newport Center – Preliminary Design	NR	\$32,450	Missisquoi
Orleans	Westfield	Missisquoi River Basin Association	Jay State Forest Restoration and Erosion Control – Implementation	NR	\$37,360	Missisquoi
Rutland	Brandon	Brandon	Brandon Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	\$30,000	Otter Creek-Litter Otter Creek- Lewis Creek
Rutland	Clarendon	Rutland County Natural Resources Conservation District	Cold River Floodplain Restoration and Corridor Easement (Ruane Property) – Implementation	NR	\$75,100	Otter Creek-Litter Otter Creek- Lewis Creek
Rutland	Poultney	Poultney Village	Poultney River/York Street, Poultney Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$420,000	Southern Lake Champlain
Rutland	Rutland City	Rutland County Natural Resources Conservation District	Moon Brook/Easterly Avenue, Rutland City Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	\$20,000	Otter Creek-Litter Otter Creek- Lewis Creek
Rutland, Windsor	Watershed- wide	Stone Environmental	Ottauquechee-Black Rivers Illicit/Unauthorized Discharge Detection and Elimination	SW	\$69,940	Ottauquechee-Black
Washington	Barre City	Barre City	Gunners Brook Floodplain Restoration – Implementation	NR	\$100,000	Winooski
Washington	Barre City	Barre City	City of Barre Vacuum Sweeper Equipment	Roads	\$260,750	Winooski
Washington	Barre City	Barre City	City of Barre Vactor Equipment	Roads	\$340,620	Winooski
Washington	Barre City	Barre City	Edgewood Brook/Park-Winter Meadow Neighborhood, Barre City Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$36,978	Winooski

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Washington	Calais	Vermont Land Trust	Pekin Brook River Corridor Easement (Armstrong Farm) – Implementation	NR	\$23,800	Winooski
Washington	Duxbury	Friends of The Mad River	Lozelle Brook/Harwood Union Middle and High School, Duxbury Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$29,040	Winooski
Washington	Fayston, Waitsfield, Warren	Friends of The Mad River	Mad River/Fayston and Warren Elementary Schools Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	SW	\$18,685	Winooski
Washington	Montpelier	Montpelier	Stevens Branch Winooski River/Route 302 and Berlin Street, Montpelier Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	\$42,000	Winooski
Washington	Moretown	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Mad River Corridor Plan – Project Identification	NR	\$27,878	Winooski
Washington	Northfield	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Dog River/Union and Water Street, Northfield Stormwater Treatment – Implementation	SW	\$173,785	Winooski
Washington	Northfield	Friends of The Winooski River	Dog River Floodplain Restoration – Implementation	NR	\$242,039	Winooski
Washington	Northfield	Northfield	Northfield Hydroseeder Equipment	Roads	\$6,628	Winooski
Washington	Warren	Warren	Mad River/Fuller Hill Road, Warren Stormwater Treatment – Preliminary Design	SW	\$9,600	Winooski
Washington	Waterbury	Vermont River Conservancy	Thatcher Brook River Corridor Easement Design	NR	\$5,750	Winooski
Washington	Waterbury	Vermont River Conservancy	Thatcher Brook River Corridor Easement (Roscioli Property) – Implementation	NR	\$45,800	Winooski
Washington	Watershed- wide	Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission	Mad River and Kingsbury Branch Stormwater Master Plan – Project Identification	SW	\$140,530	Winooski
Windham	Brattleboro	Vermont River Conservancy	Whetstone Brook Floodplain Restoration and River Corridor Easement – Implementation	NR	\$84,400	Deerfield-Connecticut Direct
Windham	Grafton	Vermont River Conservancy	Saxtons River Tributary Corridor Easement Design (Howe, Willie, and Stiles Brooks)	NR	\$2,000	West-Williams-Saxtons

COUNTY	TOWN	PARTNER	SUMMARY TITLE	SECTOR	AMOUNT	WATERSHED
Windham	Grafton	Vermont River Conservancy	Saxtons River Corridor Easement (Kissel Property) – Implementation	NR	\$21,000	West-Williams-Saxtons
Windham	Guilford	Connecticut River Conservancy	Green River Corridor Easement/Floodplain Restoration – Final Design	NR	\$8,140	Deerfield-Connecticut Direct
Windham	Guilford	Vermont River Conservancy	Green River Corridor Easement Design	NR	\$2,000	Deerfield-Connecticut Direct
Windham	Guilford	Windham Regional Commission	Green River Corridor Easement, Floodplain Berm Removal, and Buffer Restoration – Implementation	NR	\$32,000	Deerfield-Connecticut Direct
Windham	Jamaica	Connecticut River Conservancy	Winhall River Riparian Buffer Restoration/Planting – Implementation	NR	\$3,000	West-Williams-Saxtons
Windsor	Andover	Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission	Trout Brook/Andover Branch River Corridor and Floodplain Restoration – Implementation	NR	\$26,520	West-Williams-Saxtons
Windsor	Chester	Vermont River Conservancy	Williams River Corridor Easement Design	NR	\$6,300	West-Williams-Saxtons
Windsor	Springfield	Ottauquechee Natural Resources Conservation District	Black River/Springfield Transfer Station Stormwater Treatment – Final Design	SW	\$30,230	Ottauquechee-Black
Windsor	Springfield	Springfield	Springfield Vactor Truck Equipment	Roads	\$375,000	Ottauquechee-Black
Windsor	Stockbridge	White River Partnership	Middle White River Corridor Easement (Hull Property) – Implementation	NR	\$35,671	White
Windsor	Stockbridge	White River Partnership	Middle White River Corridor Easement (Freund/Finn Property) – Implementation	NR	\$70,391	White
Windsor	West Windsor	Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission	Mill Brook Dam Removal at West Windsor Firehouse – Implementation	NR	\$19,040	Ottauquechee-Black
Windsor	Woodstock	Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation	Curtis Hollow Brook/Coolidge State Forest Road Stream Culvert Removal – Implementation	Roads	\$4,060	Ottauquechee-Black
Lake Champlain Basin	Lake Champlain Basin	Vermont Rural Water Association	Municipal Wastewater Treatment Facility Technical Assistance to Optimize for Nutrient Treatment	WW	\$103,000	Lake Champlain Basin Regional
Statewide	Statewide	Stone Environmental	Development of Methodologies for Identifying Subsurface Tile Drains on Agricultural Lands	Ag	\$9,926	Statewide

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Statewide	Statewide	Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation	Acceptable Management Practices for Water Quality on Logging Jobs Manual Design and Editing	NR	\$20,000	Statewide
Statewide	Statewide	Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation	Vermont State Parks Lake Shoreland Erosion Control – Implementation	NR	\$71,472	Statewide
Statewide	Statewide	Vermont Youth Conservation Corps	Clean Water Projects Planning and Implementation Work Crew (Vermont Youth Conservation Corps)	Roads	\$189,399	Statewide
Statewide	Statewide	Watershed Consulting Associates, LLC	Statewide Illicit/Unauthorized Discharge Detection and Elimination	SW	\$69,835	Statewide

### Appendix C. Clean Water Initiative: Major Statutory and **Lake Champlain Phosphorus TMDL Phase I Plan Deliverables**

\*\* The light blue-shaded tasks are milestones specified in the Lake Champlain TMDLs Accountability Framework – the guide containing required tasks for monitoring progress in the restoration of Lake Champlain

### **On-Going Clean Water Initiative Deliverables**

AGENCY	KEY TASK	DEADLINE	UPDATE	RECURRING?
ANR/DEC, AAFM	Report to Legislature on the execution of the Phase I Implementation Plan for the Lake Champlain TMDL	Act 64: 1/15/2017	-Completed & integrated into the Clean Water Initiative Annual Investment Report (12/30/2016); -Integrating update in FY2017 Report (Deadline: 1/15/2018)	1/15/2017, and every four years thereafter
ANR/DEC, AAFM	ANR and AAFM shall each develop three performance measures relating to new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)	Act 64: 7/1/2016	-Legislative Report with performance measures under development; -New Target Date: 1/15/2018	No
AAFM, ANR/DEC	Report to Legislature on meeting agricultural nonpoint source pollution MOU performance measures	Act 64: 1/15/2017	-Legislative Report with performance measures under development; -New Target Date: 1/15/2018	1/15/2017 and annually thereafter
ANR/DEC	Issue Municipal Roads General Permit	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2017	-Under development; -New Target Completion Date: 1/31/2018	No
ANR/DEC	Update existing regulated municipal MS4 permits to include Phosphorus Control Plan requirements that are consistent with the TMDLs' targets	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2017	-Under development; -Stakeholder process held in 2017; -New Target Completion Date: 3/31/2018	No
ANR/DEC	Develop Clean Water Fund budget	June, 2018	-FY18 appropriated; -FY19 budget proposed as part of state budget process; -Next step: Legislative budget approval and appropriations process -Target Date: 7/1/2018	Annually
ANR/DEC	Develop Stormwater Management Practices Handbook for sub-jurisdictional activities	Act 64: 1/1/2016	-Completed web-based materials and hard copy; -Target Date to publish handbook with updated photos: 7/1/2018	No

AGENCY	KEY TASK	DEADLINE	UPDATE	RECURRING?
ANR/DEC, AAFM	Document methodologies used to estimate pollutant load reductions	No deadline	-Under development; -New Target Date: 7/1/2018	No
ANR/FPR	Revise by rule the Acceptable Management Practices for Maintaining Water Quality on Logging Jobs (Act 64, Sec. 49)	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-Initial update completed and in effect on 10/22/2016; -Undergoing second rule-making for small modifications; -New Target Completion Date: 7/1/2018; -Following rule-making, Target Completion Date for publishing AMP guide: 8/31/2017	No
ANR/DEC	Adopt rules to manage stormwater runoff, including technical standards and BMPs	12/31/2017	-Draft under development; -Stakeholder process begun in 2017; -New Target Date: 2018	No
ANR/DEC	Issue Stormwater general permit for impervious surfaces equal to or greater than three acres	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2017	-Under development; -Draft legislation to extend deadline to 12/30/2018	No
AAFM	Target funding for agricultural BMP and Nutrient Management Plan implementation for Missisquoi Bay, St. Albans Bay & South Lake	Champlain TMDL deadline to begin work: 12/30/2017	- Inspections, Revised Secretary's Decision (RSD) and federal priorities have led to increase in conservation practice enrollment through cost- share programs	On-going
AAFM	Complete education, outreach & compliance activities with farms in the Missisquoi Bay watershed per Section II,6 of Secretary of AAFM 2/3/2016 decision	Champlain TMDL Deadline: 12/30/2017	-AAFM is working with CLF to ensure the effort is aligned with the RSD	On-going per RSD
AAFM	Commence notification of affected farms about the Assessment and Plan process, per Section II,6 of Secretary of AAFM 2/3/2016 decision	Champlain TMDL Deadline: 12/30/2017	-AAFM sent letters out to all farms in Franklin County to let them know about the RSD; -Included RSD in nearly all presentations in the County (RAP, custom manure applicator, tile drainage, etc.)	No

AGENCY	KEY TASK	DEADLINE	UPDATE	RECURRING?
ANR/DEC, AAFM, VTrans, ACCD, Administration	Establish long-term revenue source to support water quality improvement via the Clean Water Fund	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2017	-H518 (2017) extended the CWF funding source (surcharge on property transfer) to 7/1/2027; -Act 84 (2017) included increase in capital funds for clean water through FY2019; -Legislative Report by State Treasurer on clean water funding options completed (1/15/2017); -Legislative Report of the Working Group on WQ Funding completed (11/15/2017); -Legislation required to establish additional revenue sources	On-going On-going
AAFM	Revise RAPs to include requirements to reduce nutrient pollution from tile drains and other priority actions (Act 64, Sec. 4)	Act 64: 1/15/2018	- AAFM to pre-file the rule to meet the 1/15/2018 deadline	No
ANR/DEC	Prepare and maintain management plan to assure that the State is meeting water quality standards and include a schedule for updating basin plans	Schedule: 2015: 2 Plans 2016: 2 Plans 2017: 2 Plans 2018: 3 Plans 2019: 3 Plans 2020: 2 Plans	-Completed tactical basin plans scheduled for 2015, 2016 (Lamoille & Missisquoi) & 2017 (North and South Lake Champlain (LC) Plans); -South LC Plan includes Poultney-Mettowee and Lower Champlain basins	Schedule for issuance of tactical basin plans in Lake TMDL Phase 1 Plan

### **COMPLETED** Clean Water Initiative Deliverables

AGENCY	KEY TASK	DEADLINE	UPDATE	RECURRING?
ANR/DEC, AAFM, VTrans, ACCD, Administration	Establish a Clean Water Fund (CWF)	Act 64: 06/16/2015 established Clean Water Fund	-Established Fund in 2015	On-going
AAFM, ANR/DEC	Submit interim progress report to legislature on impacts from tile drainage	Act 64: 1/15/2016	-Report completed	No
ANR/DEC	Report on lowering the impervious surface regulatory permitting threshold from one acre to 1/2 acre	Act 64: 1/15/2016	-Report completed	No
ANR/DEC	Report to Legislature on Basin Planning Progress	Act 64: 1/15/2016	-Report completed	1/15/2016 and annually thereafter
ANR/DEC	Report to Legislature on land application of septage and sludge	Act 64: 1/15/2016	-Report completed	No
ANR/FPR	Report to legislature on recommendation on how to implement forestry AMPs as mandatory practices, how to enforce AMPs, whether maple syrup production should be enrolled in UVA as managed forestland	Act 64: 1/15/2016	-Report completed	No
ANR/DEC	Report on activities and progress of water quality ecosystem restoration programs	Act 64: 2/1/2016	-Report completed	2/1/2016 and annually thereafter
ANR/DEC	Develop TMDL implementation tracking system at ANR/DEC with ability to estimate phosphorus load reductions achieved by TMDL implementation activities	Act 64: 6/1/2016	-Tracking System completed	No
AAFM	As part of the Small Farm Certification Program (CSFO), farms are to certify for compliance with RAPs	Act 64: 7/1/2017	CSFO program has been created; -More than 150 farms have certified; -Deadline for farm to certify is 1/31/2018	7/1/2017 and annually thereafter

AGENCY	KEY TASK	DEADLINE	UPDATE	RECURRING?
ANR/DEC, AAFM	Update Water Quality Standards Anti- Degradation Implementation Rule	Act 64: 7/1/2016	-VT Water Quality Standards rule completed and approved on 11/17/2016; -VT operating under 2010 VT ANR Interim Anti- Degradation Implementation Procedure	No
ANR/DEC, AAFM, VTrans	Develop databases to consistently track TMDL implementation activities achieved through regulatory and funding programs across agencies, and link databases with ANR/DEC TMDL implementation tracking system	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-Databases completed	No
ANR/DEC	Update Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Rule	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-Rule completed, 2016	No
ANR/DEC, AAFM, VTrans, ANR/FPR	Update Phase 1 Plan to reflect final Lake Champlain Phosphorus TMDL and how basin plans will be used for TMDL implementation and hold 30-day public comment period	Act 64: Three months following release of final TMDL; Deadline: 9/15/2016	-Completed, 9/15/2016	No
AAFM	As part of revisions to Required Agricultural Practices (RAP; formerly "Accepted agricultural practices or AAP), adopt by rule requirements for training classes or programs for farmers	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-RAPs completed; -Effective date: 12/05/2016	No
AAFM	As part of RAP revisions, adopt by rule a custom applicator certification program for operating in VT (Act 64, Sec. 16)	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-RAPs completed; effective date: 12/05/2016; -Certification trainings held; -Certification due annually	No
AAFM	Adopt small farm certification program (CSFO)	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-RAPs completed; effective date: 12/05/2016; -CSFO self-certification due on 1/31/2018	No
AAFM	Revise AAPs to improve water quality in the state and implement the small farm certification program	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-RAPs completed; -Effective date: 12/05/2016	No
AAFM	Develop a matrix and small farm template for nutrient management planning	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-RAPs completed; -Effective date: 12/05/2016	No
AAFM	Establish livestock exclusion standards to prevent erosion and water quality impacts (Act 64, Sec. 4)	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-RAPs completed; -Effective date: 12/05/2016	No

AGENCY	KEY TASK	DEADLINE	UPDATE	RECURRING?
AAFM	Establish a training program and schedule for all farmers to complete training	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-RAPs completed; -Effective date: 12/05/2016	No
ANR/DEC	Issue TS4 Permit for VTrans State roads and VTrans non-road developed lands	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-Completed; -Effective date: 12/28/2016	No
ANR/DEC, Office of the State Treasurer	Report to the Legislature on Financing of Statewide Clean Water Improvement (in partnership with Office of State Treasurer, Dept. of Taxes, AAFM, VTrans, ACCD)	Act 64: 1/15/2017	-Held 23 stakeholder and public meetings; -Completed and released on 1/15/2017	No
ANR/DEC, AAFM	Develop ANR/AAFM Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) program and relationship with state large, medium and small farm operations (LFO, MFO and SFO, respectively), enforcement and implementation	Act 64: 7/1/2016	-Integrated three MOUs (CAFO, enforcement, nonpoint source pollution) into one MOU; -MOU completed on 3/17/2017	No
ANR/DEC, AAFM	Develop ANR/DEC and AAFM MOU relating to AAFMS's request to ANR to take enforcement action to enforce 6 V.S.A. Ch. 215.	Act 64: 7/1/2016	-Integrated three MOUs (CAFO, enforcement, nonpoint source pollution) into one MOU; -MOU completed on 3/17/2017	No
ANR/DEC, AAFM	Revise ANR/DEC/AAFM MOU for the agricultural nonpoint source program	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-Integrated three MOUs (CAFO, enforcement, nonpoint source pollution) into one MOU; -MOU completed on 3/17/2017	No
ANR/DEC	Update Vermont Stormwater Management Manual	Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2016	-Completed; -Manual became effective on 7/1/2017	No
AAFM, ANR/DEC	Submit report to legislature on current scientific research and recommendations to amend RAPs to reduce nutrient contributions from tile drainage	Act 64: 1/15/2017 (Champlain TMDL deadline: 12/30/2017)	-Report completed on 1/31/2017	No

#### Key

AAFM: Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets

ACCD: Agency of Commerce and Community Development

ANR: Agency of Natural Resources

BMP: Best Management Practices used to reduce pollution loading into surface waters

CAFO: Concentrated animal feeding operation

CLF: Conservation Law Foundation

DEC: Department of Environmental Conservation at ANR FPR: Forests, Parks and Recreation Department at ANR

LFO: Large Farm Operations Program at AAFM MFO: Medium Farm Operations Program at AAFM

MOU: Memorandum of Understanding

RAPs: Formerly Accepted Agricultural Practices; now referred to as Required Agricultural Practices

RSD: Revised Secretary's Decision, the AAFM Secretary's decision re: CLF Settlement for Best Management Practice (BMP) implementation in the Missisquoi Bay watershed

SMO: Small Farm Operations Program at AAFM

TMDL: Total Maximum Daily Loads

TS4: Transportation Separate Storm Sewer System General Permit, Issued by ANR/DEC

VTrans: Vermont Agency of Transportation

#### APPENDIX F. VTRANS CLEAN WATER INITIATIVES & STORMWATER INVESTMENTS

Provided by VTrans for January 2018 Legislative Session

Specific to Water Quality Initiatives and Investments Targeting Regulatory Compliance for VTrans' Highways and Developed Lands

#### Why does stormwater matter?

- Stormwater runoff is generated when precipitation from rain and snowmelt flows over land or impervious surfaces and does not infiltrate into the ground.
- Impervious surfaces and concentrated drainage conveyances increase the frequency, volume, and flow rate of stormwater runoff and pollutants, causing cumulative impacts throughout a watershed.
- Stormwater can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants and flow into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, or wetland. Unmitigated, this may result in environmental and economic impacts to downstream waters.

Photo: Stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces



#### How do roads impact stormwater?

- Impervious roadway surfaces can quickly convey polluted stormwater runoff to nearby waterways.
- VTrans is responsible for stormwater collection, conveyance, and treatment along its highways and at other transportation facilities (airports, maintenance yards, park & rides, welcome centers, gravel pits).
- Linear Transportation stormwater management differs from city, town, retail, and commercial entities:
  - Highways stretch for many miles, crossing multiple waterways, watersheds, and jurisdictions.
  - Transportation storm conveyance systems are linear and often discharge stormwater and associated pollutants that originate outside of the transportation right-of-way.

Photo: Road stormwater collection



#### What is Vermont's Clean Water Act?

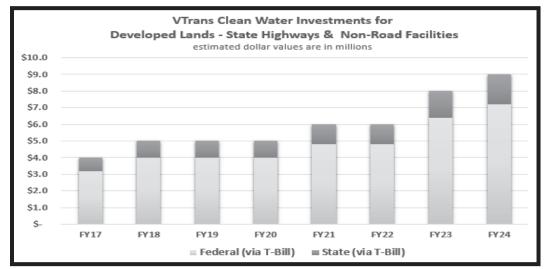
- Act 64 of 2015 referred to as Vermont's Clean Water Act laid the foundation for the protection and restoration of Vermont's waters by adopting a cross-sector "all in" approach, with a broad suite of programs and regulations addressing: agricultural practices, stormwater runoff from roads and non-road developed lands, and natural infrastructure (river corridors, wetlands and forest management).
- In addition, The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, in June 2016, established Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) and reduction targets for phosphorus in the 12 lake segments of Lake Champlain Basin. Photo: Algal Bloom



#### How is VTrans investing in clean water?

- VTrans has a role to play under Vermont's Clean Water Act and under pre-Act 64 regulations addressing stormwater from its highways and non-road developed lands. Refer to back page for Clean Water Programs and Regulations VTrans must comply with.
- VTrans' Clean Water Initiatives and Stormwater Regulatory Compliance Investments for the State Highway System and VTrans non-road developed lands are anticipated to be covered by the Transportation Bill and Federal Funds where eligible. See estimated costs below through SFY24 which include Project Development, Construction, O&M and FTE.





### **VTRANS' STORMWATER REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS**

PERMIT PROGRAMS	COVERAGE AND APPLICABILITY	COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES
TS4 GP Transportation Separate Storm Sewer System General Permit  TS4 GP ENCOMPASSES:	<ul> <li>Permit effective on 11/29/2017</li> <li>Regulates stormwater discharges from the Statewide VTrans TS4 (including road and non-road developed lands)</li> <li>Specific to the unique linear nature of VTrans' infrastructure</li> <li>Allows several stormwater programs to be rolled into one comprehensive regulatory program (4 programs listed below)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>VTrans applied for TS4 coverage in early December 2017</li> <li>ANR authorization anticipated in early 2018</li> <li>Requires development of a Stormwater Management Plan addressing all of the requirements set forth in the TS4 GP</li> <li>Requires, at a minimum, compliance with all of the regulatory standards of those programs rolled into the TS4 GP</li> </ul>
MS4 -> Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System	<ul> <li>Spread across 10 stormwater impaired watersheds</li> <li>Includes VTrans highways and non-road developed lands in 12 MS4 communities including: Burlington, Colchester, Essex, Essex Junction, Milton, Rutland Town, Shelburne, South Burlington, St. Albans City and Town, Williston, Winooski</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Public Education &amp; Participation, Training &amp; Education</li> <li>Compliance with State Stormwater Regulations and TMDLs</li> <li>Installation of Stormwater Treatment Practices</li> <li>Asset Management &amp; Illegal Connection &amp; Run-on Control</li> <li>Spill Prevention and Stormwater Pollution Source Control</li> </ul>
TMDL -> Total Maximum Daily Load	<ul> <li>Establishes reduction targets for specific pollutants (e.g. stormwater flow, phosphorus, E. coli, etc.) in order to attain water quality standards</li> <li>Applies to watersheds with identified impairments for which a TMDL has been issued by ANR and approved by EPA</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Flow Restoration Plans (FRP) in 10 stormwater impaired watersheds</li> <li>Phosphorus Control Plans (PCP) in the Lake Champlain Basin</li> <li>Construct stormwater treatment practices targeting pollutants of concern in VTrans ROW and on non-road developed lands. Currently VTrans has identified through FRPs 58 stormwater retrofit practices and has installed 4 practices. Development of PCPs has been initiated</li> </ul>
MSGP -> Multi-Sector Industrial Stormwater	<ul> <li>Covers discharges of stormwater from industrial facilities which conduct activities and use materials that have the potential to impact the quality of Vermont's waters</li> <li>Regulated VTrans facilities including 9 State Airports and 3 State Gravel Pits</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Facilities are required to examine potential sources of pollution, implement measures to reduce the risk of stormwater contamination, and test stormwater discharges for sources of pollution</li> <li>VTrans develops and maintains Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPPs) at each facility that include training and education, stormwater management, asset management, erosion control, spill prevention, and stormwater pollution source control</li> </ul>
State OSW -> Operational Stormwater Discharges	<ul> <li>Coverage under the general permit is required for discharges of regulated stormwater runoff from the construction, expansion, and redevelopment of impervious surfaces pursuant to the permit threshold triggers established in Vermont Statutes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Construct and maintain permanent stormwater management and treatment practices for projects that trigger jurisdiction</li> <li>In 2017 VTrans had 24 projects in design/permitting and 13 projects installing stormwater treatment practices</li> <li>As of 2017 VTrans in managing compliance on 72 projects constructed over many years with stormwater permits and treatment practices requiring ongoing operation, maintenance, inspection and reporting</li> </ul>
State CSW Construction Stormwater Discharges (not included under TS4)	<ul> <li>Regulates discharge of stormwater runoff from construction activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Construct temporary stormwater management and treatment practices designed to control erosion and prevent sediment transport</li> <li>In the 2017 construction season, 37 of the 80 projects under construction had CSW coverage, requiring 100 compliance visits</li> </ul>