

## Joint Senate Hearing

### Clean Water Projects: Planning and Implementation

Friday, January 19, 2018 from 9 AM to 11:30 AM in Room 10 at the State House.

Senate Committee on Agriculture

Senate Committee on Natural Resources

#### Invitation

“The Committees request reports at that time from the Agencies of Agriculture, Transportation, and Natural Resources concerning water quality in Vermont. Included in information in the reports for the Committees should be:

- a brief summary of accomplishments of the past year and,
- in greater detail, long-term plans for the next 5 years.

The Committees are most interested in specific action plans, the process used to develop and update the plans, and projections of funds needed to accomplish water quality goals.”

#### Five Questions

1. “What is your agency’s five-year plan for clean water? (If not a five-year plan, please substitute whatever interval you employ.)
2. “How do you build your plan and replenish it to ensure you have ample planned, budgeted, and scheduled projects in your five-year plan?
3. “What is the basis for developing your plan? Do you begin, for example, with the state’s Tactical Basin Plans (e.g. watershed by watershed)?
4. “What is the budget associated with that five-year plan? And within that budget, please specify capital versus non-capital dollars.
5. “What agency has overarching clean water planning and implementation responsibility— that is, the responsibility to ensure that regardless of operating area (e.g. VTRANS, ANR, AAFM, BGS, ACCD, etc.), the state’s clean water laws are being following and appropriate planning and programs are in place?

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#### Agency Handouts (hard copy)

- ANR Packet
- VTrans Packet
- AAFM Packet

#### Additional Handouts (hard copy)

- Clean Water Investment Report – Exec Summary & Sample Watershed Summary
- Clean Water Projects Database Dashboard

#### Links to Reports

- [Annual Clean Water Investment Report](#) (1/15/2018)
- [Annual Tactical Basin Planning Report](#) (1/15/2018)
- [Act 73 Working Group on Clean Water Quality Funding](#) (11/15/2017)
- [List of \\$17 million clean water capital projects awarded](#), obligated, encumbered in first four months of FY18 (11/1/2017)

## AGENDA

### 9:00 Vermont's Plan for Clean Water – Secretary Moore (30 minutes)

- 2015 Act 64, Vermont Clean Water Act
- EPA TMDL (Act 73 Report, page 4-6)
- Phase I (Act 64, rules, etc) and Phase II (tactical basin plans).
- Tactical Basin Plans.
- Regulatory /Non-regulatory projects in the Tactical Basin Plans

### 9:30 Annual Reporting – Emily Bird, DEC (15 minutes)

- Clean Water Investment Report (Julie or Kari Dolan or Emily Bird)
- Clean Water Dashboard (Emily Bird)

### 9:45 Responses to the Joint Hearing Questions (ANR 9:45-10:15, VTrans 10:15-10:45, AAFM 10:45-11:15) (Secretary Moore, Secretary Flynn, Secretary Tebbetts, Deputy Secretary Ferland)

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### 11:15 Wrap Up

### 11:30 Adjourn