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Jeff serves as the market leader for the Energy and Environmental Services practice at VHB's 60-person Vermont office in South Burlington. VHB is a leading east coast engineering, planning and environmental services firm. Prior to joining VHB he founded Pioneer Environmental, a Vermont-based environmental consulting firm that he operated for many years. Jeff is a UVM graduate, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology (1983) and a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering (1992). He is an expert on environmental regulations in Vermont including stormwater management, wetlands, stream/river assessment, water quality and groundwater. Jeff has over 35 years of experience and has participated actively with the Vermont regulatory community in the development and implementation of the current stormwater and wetland standards. He has been a key team member working many large and complex projects which he has helped navigate through Act 250 and Section 248 reviews. His recent Vermont energy project experience includes utility scale wind farms, solar facilities, and electric and natural gas transmission lines. He is recognized by federal and state agencies as a leading expert in the fields of natural resources assessment, permitting, protection, and mitigation. His team includes a diverse and highly experienced group of scientists and engineers. Jeff works regularly with key stakeholders involved in energy and environmental issues throughout Vermont, including regulators, utilities, private developers, law firms and non-governmental organizations.