

Proposed amendment to the Vermont Water Quality Standards:

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(d) Section 401 of the CWA requires that for any federally- licensed or permitted project that may result in a discharge into waters of the United States, the State issue, waive, or deny water quality certification ensuring the discharge will comply with all applicable water quality requirements (33 U.S.C. § 1341). A water quality certification shall not be issued unless there is reasonable assurance that the discharge will not result in a violation of these rules. Any certification issued by the State shall establish conditions necessary to ensure that the federally licensed or permitted project will comply with these rules, as well as with any other appropriate requirement of state law, including:

- (1) The Vermont Wetland Rules
- (2) The Vermont Stormwater Permitting Rule
- (3) The Vermont Stream Alteration Rule
- (4) Vermont Lake Encroachment Requirements (Vermont Statutes Annotated Title 29, Chapter 11)
- (5) Vermont Lakeshore Protection Requirements (Vermont Statutes Annotated Title 10, Chapter 49A)
- (6) The Vermont Water Withdrawals for Snowmaking Rules