



# Coronavirus Relief Funding

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DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS, PARKS, AND RECREATION ALLOCATIONS

# Corona Relief Funding Allocations

- **Act 136: State Lands Projects** - \$1,450,000
- **Act 109: Sanitization for State Parks** - \$1,000,000
- **Act 137: Outdoor Recreation Grants** - \$1,500,000
- **Act 138: Forest Economy Stabilization Grants** - \$5,000,000
- **Joint Fiscal Office Request: Use Value Appraisal (UVA) File Digitization** - \$250,000

# Projects on FPR Lands

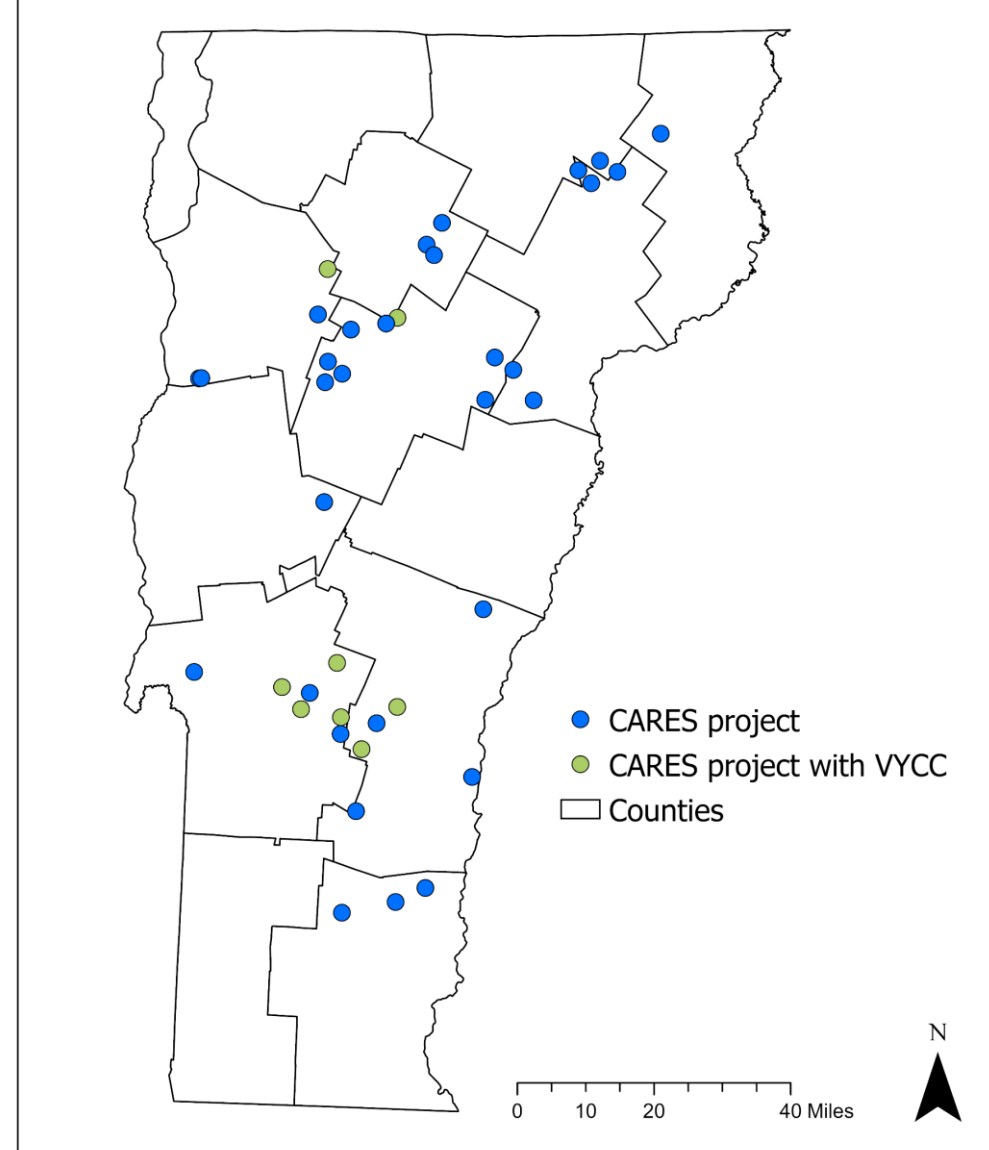
\$1,450,000

- \$120,000 to VYCC
- Remainder to one-time contractors

36 projects

- 24 to address *heavy use impacts*
- 8 to promote *low visitor density*
- 3 to promote *safe work conditions*

## 2020-2021 CARES Funding Project Locations





# Maintenance to Address Increased Use

Remediate heavy-use impacts; accommodate increased use at popular recreation destinations

## 24 Projects

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- **7** existing **parking areas** expanded to accommodate parking pressure
- **7** state **forest roads** improved, providing improved access to state lands
- **4** **recreational trails** improved, including two multi-use rail trails (Cross Vermont Trail through Groton State Forest; West River Trail, Jamaica State Park)
- **Staffing support** at popular recreation destinations (Lake Willoughby, Mt. Philo)



Willoughby State Forest



**Project Spotlight:  
Parking Expansion**



**Camel's Hump State Park**



**Project Spotlight:  
Trail Improvements**



**Mt. Philo State Park Summit Trail**



# Reduce Visitor Congestion

Enhance existing or establish new recreational opportunities to **promote low user density**.

## 8 projects

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- 3 new **parking areas** established
- 2 **remote camping** opportunities reestablished
- Statewide improvements to **trailhead kiosks**



Owl's Head Trail New Parking Area – Groton State Forest



# Project Spotlight:

## Remote Camping



**Coolidge State Forest, West - Russell Hill shelter roof repair and privy replacement**



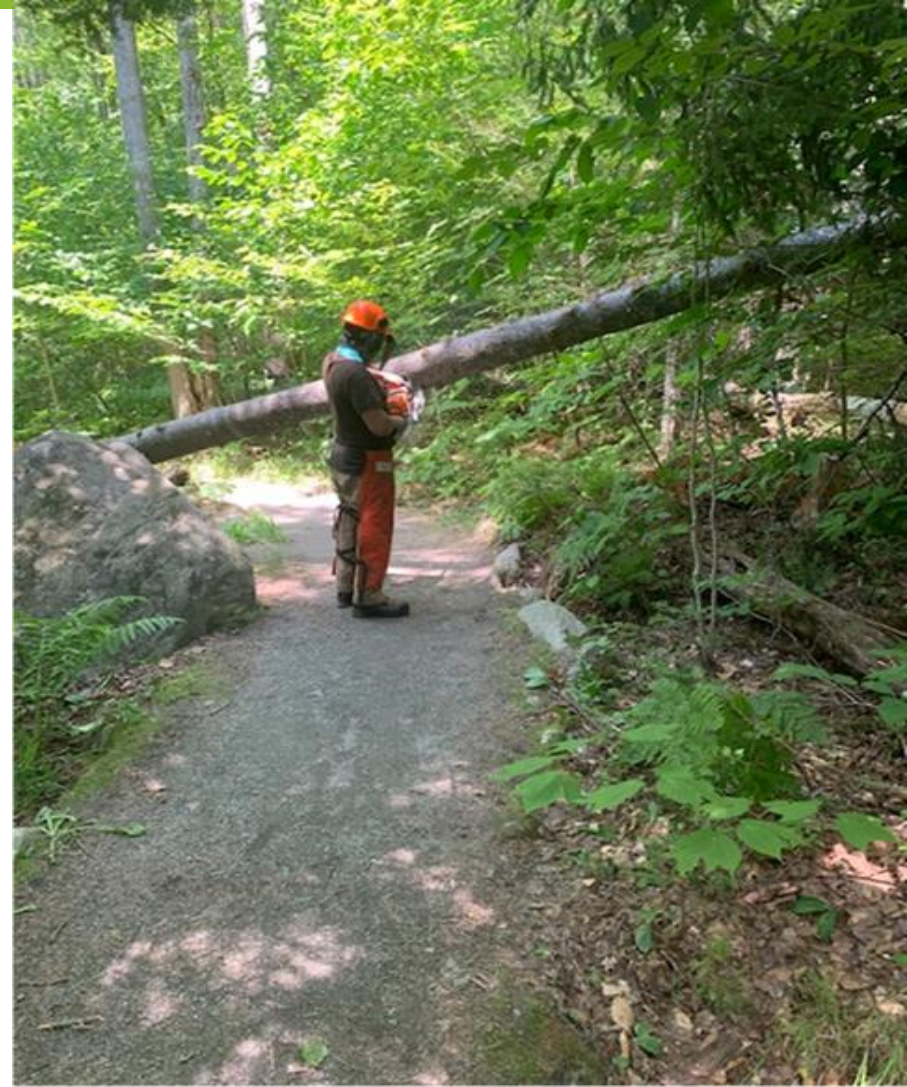
# Establish Safe Work Conditions

**Reduce sharing of equipment or enable safe sharing of equipment.**

## 3 projects

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- Trail work tool caches
- Personal safety devices
- Personal protective equipment





# Sanitization Efforts at State Parks



- **PPE:** gloves, gowns, masks, tools, and cleaning materials
- **Restrooms:** Soap dispensers, disinfectant, and paper towels for all restrooms.
- **Toilets:** High number of additional porta-let rentals and daily cleaning
- **Air Filters:** HEPA filters for contact stations
- **Trash:** Additional trash receptacles
- **Tools:** Additional cleaning tools to reduce the need to share amongst staff



# Forest Economy Stabilization Grants

*Supporting Vermont's forest economy*



County	Amount	Awards
Addison	\$383,575	5
Bennington	\$161,688	5
Caledonia	\$705,887	15
Chittenden	\$181,253	5
Essex	\$149,145	2
Franklin	\$176,888	4
Lamoille	\$167,636	3
Orange	\$292,268	6
Orleans	\$297,441	5
Rutland	\$151,810	2
Washington	\$384,605	7
Windham	\$115,620	3
Windsor	\$489,349	8
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$3,657,165</b>	<b>70</b>



# Economic Recovery Grants

*Supporting Vermont's Outdoor Recreation Economy*



County	Amount	Awards
Addison	106,995	3
Bennington	7,372	1
Caledonia	22,113	1
Chittenden	574,715	12
Lamoille	157,895	5
Orange	42,486	1
Orleans	50,000	1
Rutland	125,121	3
Washington	161,928	5
Windham	95,503	4
Windsor	136,041	5
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,480,171</b>	<b>41</b>



# Use Value Appraisal File Digitization

The public and staff can access records safely.



## County Files Scanned:

- Washington
- Windham
- Lamoille
- Orleans
- Franklin
- Grand Isle Counties

