Coronavirus Relief Funding

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
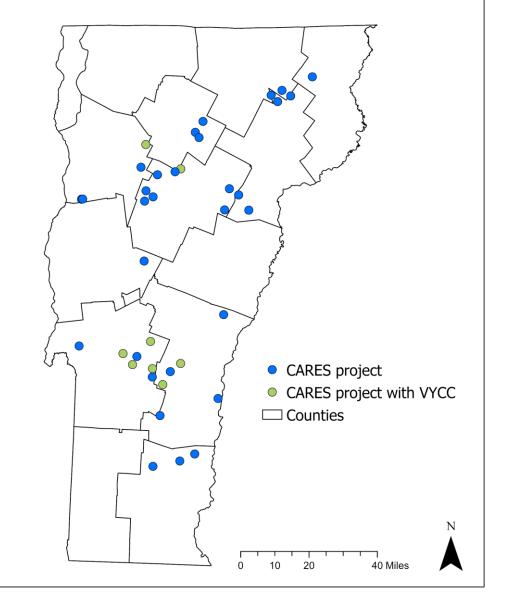
Projects on FPR Lands

$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

- CARES project
- CARES project with VYCC
- Counties

Maintenance to Address Increased Use

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

24 Projects

- **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)
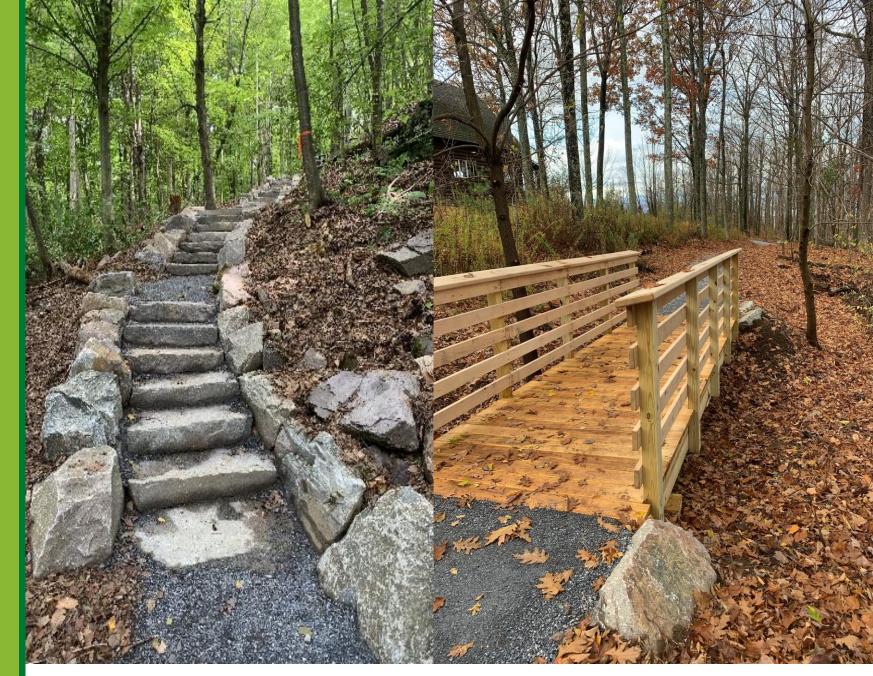- **Staffing support** at popular recreation destinations (Lake Willoughby, Mt. Philo)

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS, PARKS, AND RECREATION

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

- **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

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

Sanitization Efforts at State Parks

Camp Plymouth State Park

- **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
Grand Total	**$3,657,165**	**70**

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
Grand Total	**1,480,171**	**41**

Use Value Appraisal File Digitization

The public and staff can access records safely.

County Files Scanned:

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