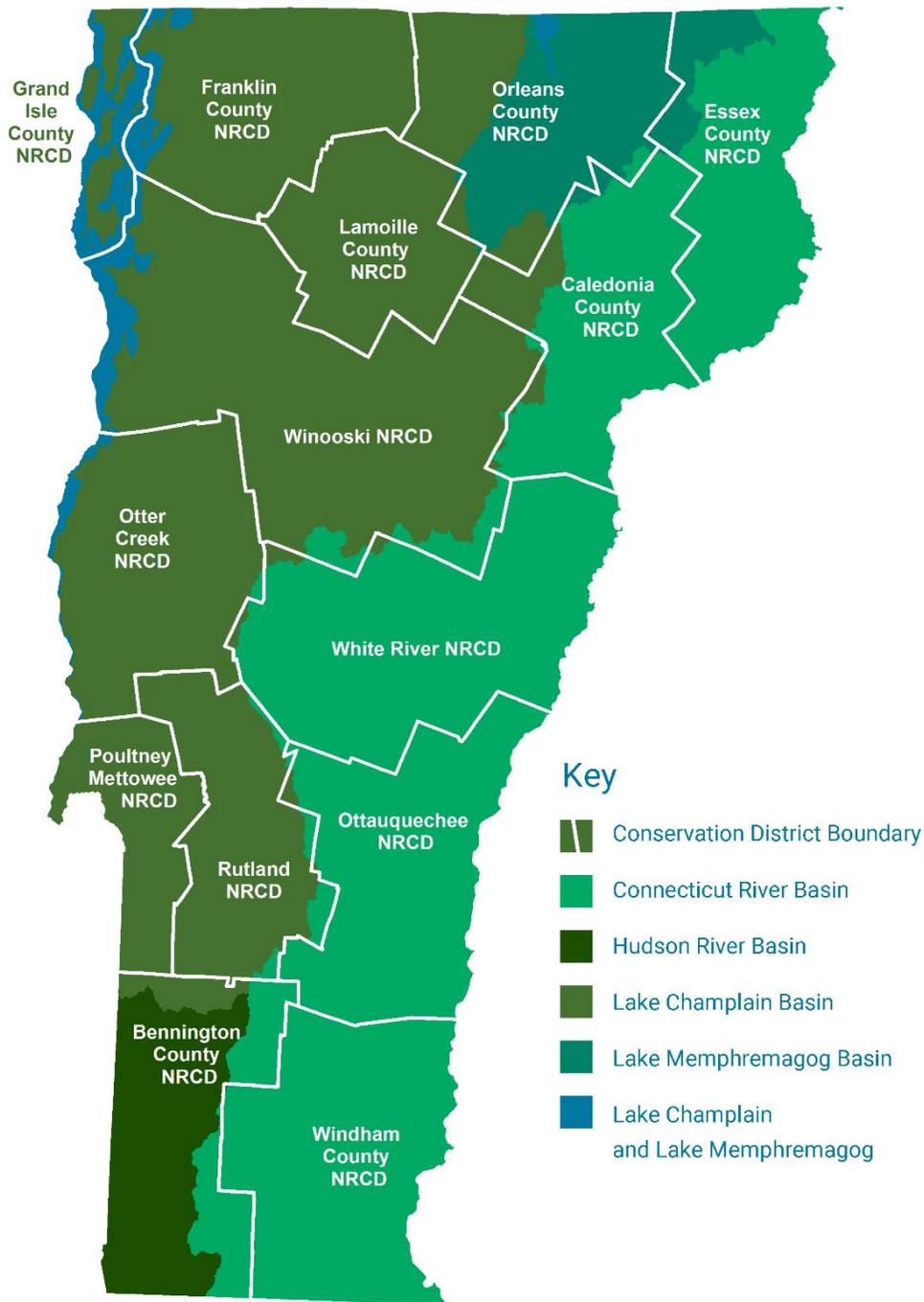


# VERMONT NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION DISTRICTS



February 2026



# Vermont's 14 Natural Resources Conservation Districts (NRCs)

- County-scale units of government
- Established by the Soil Conservation Act in 1939
- Supported by the State Natural Resources Conservation Council ([NRCC](#))

We are rooted in communities, and those roots help to strengthen and support the environment.

# NRCDS & VACD Results in FY2025

- ✓ **452** farms assisted
- ✓ **101** culverts assessed
- ✓ **3,239** participants in public workshops
- ✓ **2,177** youth participated in outreach events
- ✓ **29,422** stems planted throughout Vermont
- ✓ **1,046** soil, manure, & water quality samples collected at farms
- ✓ **15,037** acres assessed for Land Treatment Plans or Water Quality Concerns



# Conservation Districts Address



Flood Mitigation



Drought Mitigation



Farm Viability & Food Security



Clean Water



For every \$1 Conservation Districts receive in direct operational funding, they bring in \$9 for implementing conservation work!

Conservation Districts have made an impact in our favorite places in Vermont, please support our request for **\$948,200** in the FY27 budget.



# Conservation Districts' Capital Needs

- ❖ Districts have limited options to raise funds
- ❖ BGS has increasingly limited options due to the return-to-office order





# Orleans County NRC

# Bennington Veterans Incubator Farm



# THANK YOU! QUESTIONS?



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