

Special Purpose Districts							
District Type	Purpose	May Use Property Tax	May Use Eminent Domain	Governance	May Cross Municipal Lines	Lender/Partner Attractiveness	Public Grant Eligible
<b>Municipalities (Cities Towns Villages)</b>	General Purpose governments	Yes	Yes	Local Legislative Body	No	Depends Upon Project	Yes
<b>Union Municipal Districts (24 VSA Ch. 121)</b>	Schools, waste management, recreation, etc.	Exercise any powers capable of exercise by any participating municipalities and necessary for dealing with problems of mutual concern.		Board of Directors, Prudential Committee etc depending upon Charter	Yes	Depends Upon Project	Yes
<b>Telecommunications Union Municipal District</b>	Telecommunications	No	No	Established in Title 30	Yes	Depends Upon Project	
<b>Special Assessment Districts</b>	Public Improvement benefiting a limited area of a municipality	Assessment apportioned among properties to be benefited	No	Local Legislative Body	No	Depends Upon Project	Assume that local legislative body applies
<b>Inter-municipal Service Agreements (RPC)</b>	Multi-town municipal services	No	No	Specified in bylaws	Yes	Depends Upon Project	Yes
<b>Inter-local Contracts</b>	Various municipal services	May exercise any powers consistent with law to carry out purpose of contract		Depends upon Contract	Yes	Depends Upon Project	Yes
<b>Consolidated Water District</b>	Potable Water Supply	Uses water rates and property taxes		Depends upon Charter or Bylaw	Yes	Depends upon project	Yes
<b>Consolidated Sewer District</b>	Wastewater Treatment	Uses sewer rates and property tax		Depends upon Charter or Bylaw	Yes	Depends Upon Project	Yes
<b>Mass Transit Authority</b>	Public Transit	Apportion to each member municipality	Yes	Board of Commissioners: 2 from each town	Yes		
<b>Property Assessed Clean Energy</b>	Energy Efficiency or Renewable Retrofits	No- financed by participating owners	No	Local Legislative Body or bodies	Yes	Efficiency Vermont is partner	Property Owners' incentives
<b>District fire mutual aid</b>	Fire protection	W/in limits of available funds/municipal	No	Depends upon Bylaws	Yes	Depends upon Project	Yes

		appropriations						
<b>Fire District</b>	Water supply, fire protection, sewage, parks, sidewalks, various other purposes	Yes	Yes	Prudential Committee	Yes	Depends upon Project	Yes	
<b>Central VT Public Safety Authority</b>	Public Safety	Assessment to member towns	Yes	Two members/town + 3 at large members	Yes	Depends upon Project	Yes	
<b>REDI</b>	Economic Development	No	No	Governing Board of 4-8 appointed by local legislative bodies.	Yes	Yes	Yes	

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