

When the Federal Stimulus Act was signed into law, it started a clock to spend money on infrastructure projects unprecedented in a generation.

The task for the VT DEC was huge. We were under a hard deadline of 1 year to sign off on grants and loans for public infrastructure equal to about four years of work.

This extraordinary level of work involved many hours working with towns, schools, and watershed groups to prepare funding applications. The stimulus funds also came with an unprecedented level of scrutiny.

Tracking and reporting requirements, audit requirements, Buy-American provisions and adherence to Davis-Bacon pay standards were all areas requiring new procedures and approaches by this dedicated group of people.

They assured the Commissioner from day one that they would meet every deadline - and they did. As a result, Vermont has had the benefit of more than \$40 million in funding to improve infrastructure, replace school buses and help clean up stormwater. In the process we helped create or retain dozens of jobs for Vermonters. For that they can be proud!

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