

State of Vermont  
Agency of Natural Resources  
Department of Environmental Conservation  
Notice of Determination of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion

Town of Bethel, WSID #5315  
Water System Improvements

In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Vermont/EPA Revolving Loan Fund Program, Town of Bethel Water System WSID #5315 has requested its proposed water improvement project be evaluated for eligibility for a Categorical Exclusion exempting the project from detailed environmental procedures required for projects having a significant environmental impact.

The proposed upgrade includes the relocation of existing water main attached to the Ricer Street Bridge and construction of new water main to serve the Ultra Motive Industrial Park along Peavine Boulevard.

Our consideration of the Town of Bethel request included reviewing the Environmental Information and Documentation Report, dated April 2009, which was completed and submitted by Forcier, Aldrich & Associates. At the completion of this independent evaluation, the Department has determined the project meets the criteria for receiving a Categorical Exclusion. The project will correct water system deficiencies and does not meet any of the criteria resulting in denial of an exclusion.

Further information on the project and this determination are available for inspection at the Department of Environmental Conservation, Water Supply Division, Old Pantry Building, at 103 South Main Street, Waterbury, Vermont. In addition to the applicant, a copy of this determination will be sent to a list of stakeholders and posted on the Water Supply Division's website.

Agency of Natural Resources  
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Justin Johnson, Acting Commissioner

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Dated at Waterbury, Vermont this 22 day of July, 2009