

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

Village of Northfield, WSID #5275  
Water System Improvements  
DWSRF Loan AR3-041

In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Vermont/EPA Revolving Loan Fund Program, Village of Northfield Water System WSID #5275 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.

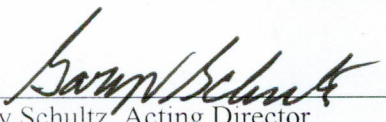
South Phase: Construction of approximately 8,800 linear feet of 12" water mains, 2,150 linear feet of 8" water mains, and 500 linear feet of 6" water mains. Project includes 96 services, interconnections and appurtenances along VT Route 12 A, VT Route 12, Central Street and Wall Street.

West Phase: Construction of approximately 4,150 linear feet of 12" to 6" water mains, river crossing by open cut method, river crossing by jack and bore method, water services, interconnections, and appurtenances along Wall Street, Pleasant Street, Union Street and Cross Street.

Our consideration of the Village of Northfield request included reviewing the Environmental Information Document and supporting documentation, dated February 2009, which was completed and submitted by the Villages engineering consultant, Stantec. 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

By   
Gary Schultz, Acting Director  
Water Supply Division

Dated at Waterbury, Vermont this 18 day of May, 2009