Town of Vernon

Stormwater Infrastructure Mapping Project

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Overview

This stormwater infrastructure mapping project was completed for the municipality by the Agency of Natural Resources Ecosystems Restoration program to supplement the existing drainage data collected by the town and with the intention of providing a tool for planning, maintenance, and inspection of the stormwater infrastructure.

The GIS maps and geodatabase are meant to provide an overall picture and understanding of the connectivity or connectedness of the storm system on both public and private properties. They can be used to: (1) raise the awareness of the need for regular maintenance, the generation and transport of nonpoint source pollution increases with increasing connectivity of a drainage system, (2) as a valuable tool for hazardous material spill planning and prevention, (3) for the detection and elimination of illicit discharges; outfall locations and system connectedness data are used as a base for locating illicit or illegal discharges of non-stormwater to the municipal storm system and tracing them up to the source, (4) better assist the municipality in planning and implementing combined stormwater-sewer separation projects, (5) inform options for cleaning up existing polluted stormwater discharges; this report provides information and guidance for potential retrofit treatment locations and opportunities, (6) assist municipalities and residents with emergency preparedness for large rainfall events (i.e. Tropical Storm or Hurricanes) or spring snowmelt runoff events, by keeping storm drains clean, clear and open a good deal of localized flooding could be prevented, and (7) the basis for a local stormwater ordinance or be used to help enhance an existing stormwater management program.

Project Summary

These drainage maps were created showing the paths that stormwater runoff travels from where it falls on impervious surfaces such as parking lots, roads, and rooftops, to the outfall points in various receiving waters. These maps show the stormwater infrastructure including features like pipes, manholes, catchbasins, and swales within a municipality. Data sources included data collected from field work, a mapping grade Trimble GPS unit, available state permit plans, record drawings, town plans, WWMD plans, existing GIS data from contractors, and the input and guidance of knowledgeable members from the municipalities.

A second goal of this project was to establish potential locations for Best Management Practice (BMP) stormwater retrofit sites. These are sites where stormwater treatment structures could be added and where they would be most cost effective and efficient for sediment and phosphorus or nitrogen removal. In order to develop a retrofit site list, drainage area subwatersheds were delineated around the drainage networks. Determining how the stormwater infrastructure was connected was necessary in determining the subwatershed drainage areas within the town.

Delineating the drainage areas was done using the stormwater infrastructure maps, along with satellite imagery, a Digital Elevation Model (DEM), and USGS topographic maps. These data sources were used to approximate where the land area within each municipality was draining to; as well as where the high points were that divided the sub-drainage areas. The completed maps show the drainage coverage for essentially the entire municipality, but with a focus on areas with greater concentrations of impervious cover.

Impervious cover layers were created by either hand digitization or by using a method of raster pixel calculation (with ArcGIS spatial analyst extension) to create a vegetation index from the National Agricultural Imagery Program (NAIP) 08 orthophotos. The area which contrasted with the vegetation represents impervious surfaces and was then modified with buffered water and roads layers to make it more accurate. A more detailed explanation of this process is available in a separate document. The impervious layer was used to calculate the

percent of each delineated drainage area that would generate stormwater runoff. The percentage of impervious surface number for each subwatershed was then adjusted with a connectivity rating. A rating was assigned to each drainage area polygon describing how directly connected the impervious surfaces within that subwatershed are to the receiving water. By adjusting the percent impervious area numbers with this connectivity rating the effective impervious area (EIA) was established for each subwatershed (*Sutherland*, 1995). This effective impervious number is a more accurate description of the amount of runoff produced by each of the subwatersheds because it helps to take factors such as infiltration into account.

After the effective impervious numbers were calculated for the subwatersheds the Simple Method was used to estimate the annual sediment (TSS) and phosphorus (TP) or Nitrogen (TN) loads generated by each subwatershed. The Simple method uses information which includes the adjusted impervious value, average annual rainfall for the location, total subwatershed area, and a given pollutant concentration value to calculate an annual load for various pollutants (*Schueler*, 1987). Pollutant loads estimated by the Simple Method in this project are planning level estimates and are meant to give a general idea of the amounts of sediment or nutrient wash-off produced by each subwatershed for prioritization purposes. Subwatersheds were then prioritized, using the loading calculations as well as other criteria, and given Action List numbers ranging from 1 to 3 (one being the highest priority). The Action List number depends both upon loading values and feasibility of potential retrofit treatment options. Potential retrofit options listed in the TARGET maps are based on field observations and not on actual availability of land or willingness of landowner.

Water Quality Volume (WQv – the amount of storage needed to treat stormwater from a 0.9-1.0-inch storm) and Channel Protection Volume (CPv – the volume of storage that is needed to hold and slowly release stormwater for a 2.1inch rain event) were also calculated for delineated subwatershed areas. CPv calculations are only applicable if the receiving water is not a large body of water and is therefore susceptible to channel erosion. These numbers were used in the retrofit recommendation process because the volume of water to be treated was a key factor in determining the type of retrofit.

Project References

Schueler, T. 1987. Technical Documentation of a Simple Method for Estimating Urban Storm Pollutant Export. Controlling Urban Runoff: A Practical Manual for Planning and Designing Urban BMPs. Appendix A.

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*All data was created in an ArcGIS 10 Geodatabase format and is available from VTDEC.

Act 64 Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP)

The 2015 Vermont Legislature adopted Act 64 which will require all municipalities to address stormwater runoff from all existing municipal roads. The time line for adopting this general permit is as follows: December 2016 – Draft general permit available for informal public review, Summer-Fall of 2017 public hearings and comments and review, January 2018 final general permit issued; municipalities must file notice of intents to comply with the permit, currently proposed for summer 2018. The permit will likely require:

- Municipalities will develop road Stormwater management plans (RSWMPs). RSWMPs will include a comprehensive road erosion inventory of hydrologically-connected road segments and Implementation Plan and Schedule.
- The inventory will include an evaluation municipal hydrologically-connected road segments to see if they meet new MRGP standards. Road erosion inventories will be conducted every 5 years.
- Road segments that do not currently meet MRGP standards and that can impact
 waterways will be prioritized for remediation within the Implementation Plan and
 Schedule DEC has developed an Implementation Table and Schedule Excel spread sheet
 template for this purpose.

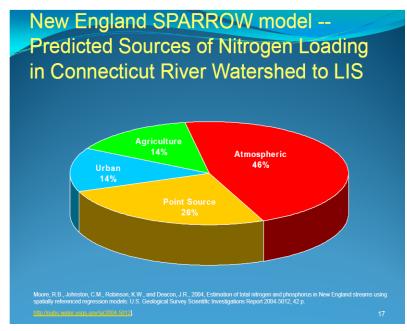
Towns will submit semi-annual reports to DEC documenting progress in road BMP implementation and MRGP compliance. Municipalities will be able to use the Implementation Table and Schedule spread sheet, mentioned above, for semi-annual compliance reporting requirements. The Road Erosion Inventory and Implementation Plan and the mapping information contained in it can be used by municipalities to develop the plan for the directly connected paved with catchbasin segment outfalls of municipal roadways. A map(s) is provided on the following page(s) indicating where these outfalls are located, based on the best available information DEC has to date. While the general permit requirements for directly connected paved roads with catchbasins is currently under discussion and not final it is very likely that if these outfalls are eroded they will need to have a scheduled outfall erosion repair. As with other classes of roads covered by this permit the municipality should first check the maps provided. It is suggested (although not currently required) that the following steps be taken to check the maps to determine what outfalls will require municipal attention for erosion repair:

- 1. Using the provided maps and/or data as a guide confirm that the road draining to this outfall is paved, has at least a single side of curb, has catch basins or drop inlets, and the discharge pipe from those catchbasins is directly discharging to waters of the state. Include any outfall within 500 linear feet of surface waters.
- 2. Using the maps locate the outfall and note any level of erosion present in the outfall and/or the 500 foot or less long swale between the pipe outlet and waters of the state.
- 3. Prepare a list of all outfalls with notes pertaining to the erosion based on the Town's ability to repair the erosion (minor, moderate or severe), the extent of erosion (an estimate in linear feet of repair needed including private property if the erosion exists on that property, and a cost estimate if possible.

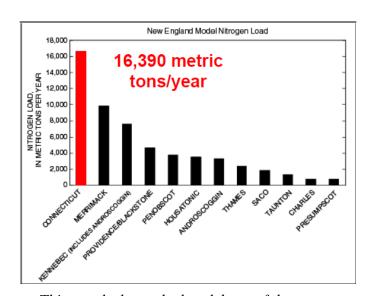
Long Island Sound - Connecticut River Watershed Nitrogen Overview



- This map shows an overview of the extent of the Connecticut River watershed including areas of Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut.

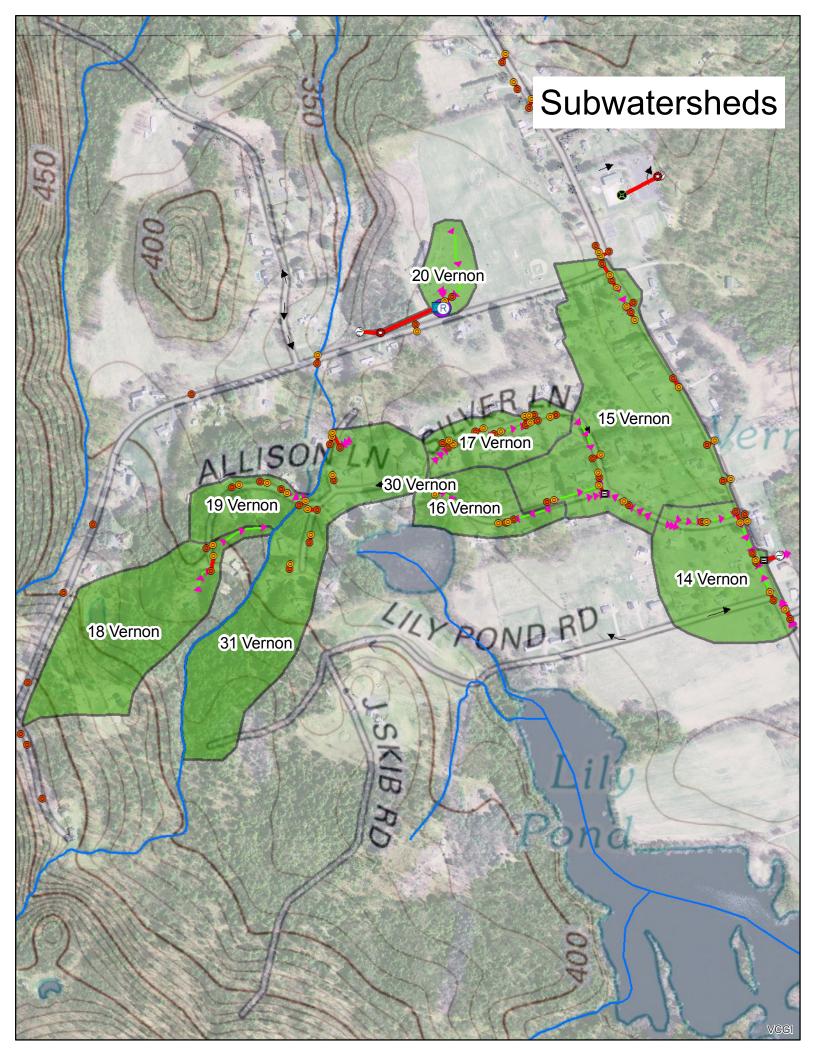


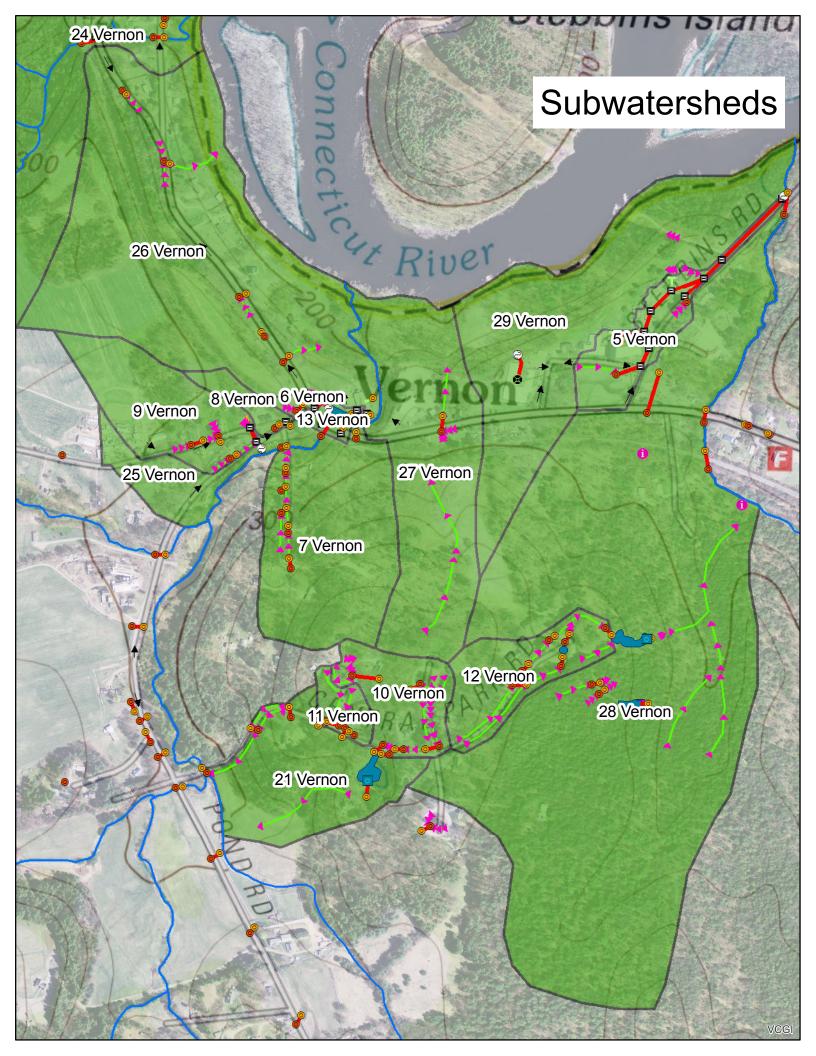
- This figure shows the modeled nitrogen loading contribution per year from the Connecticut River basin to the Long Island Sound.

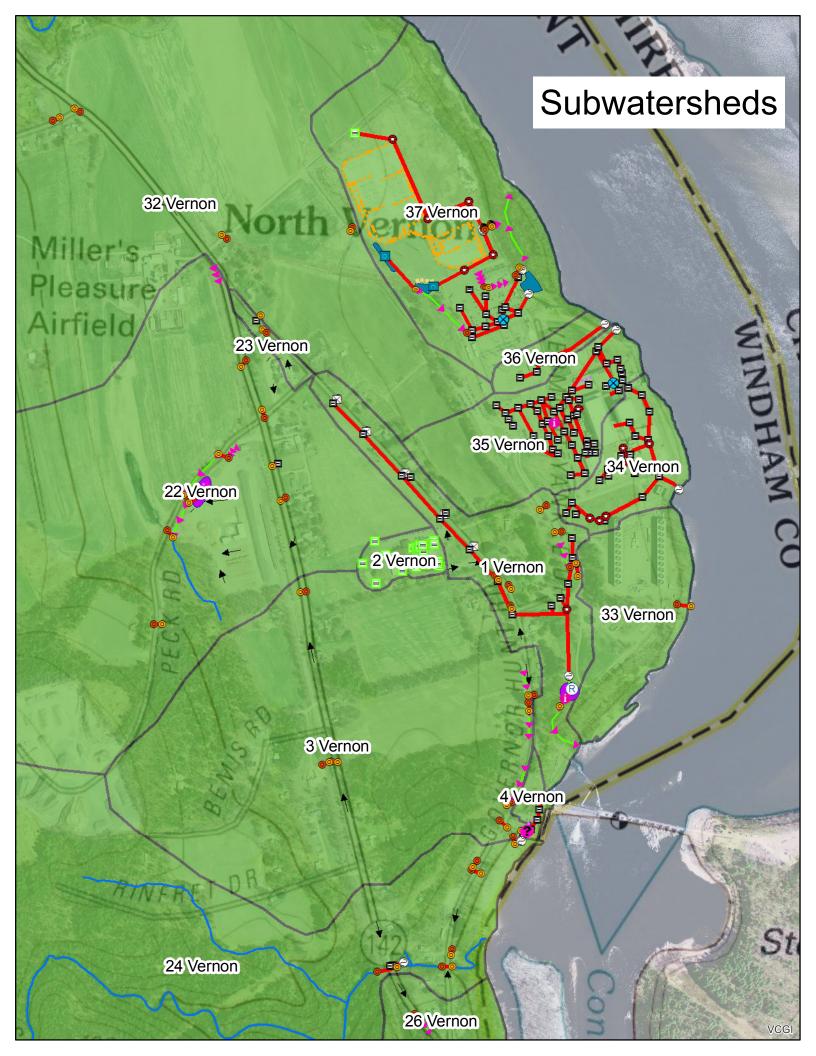


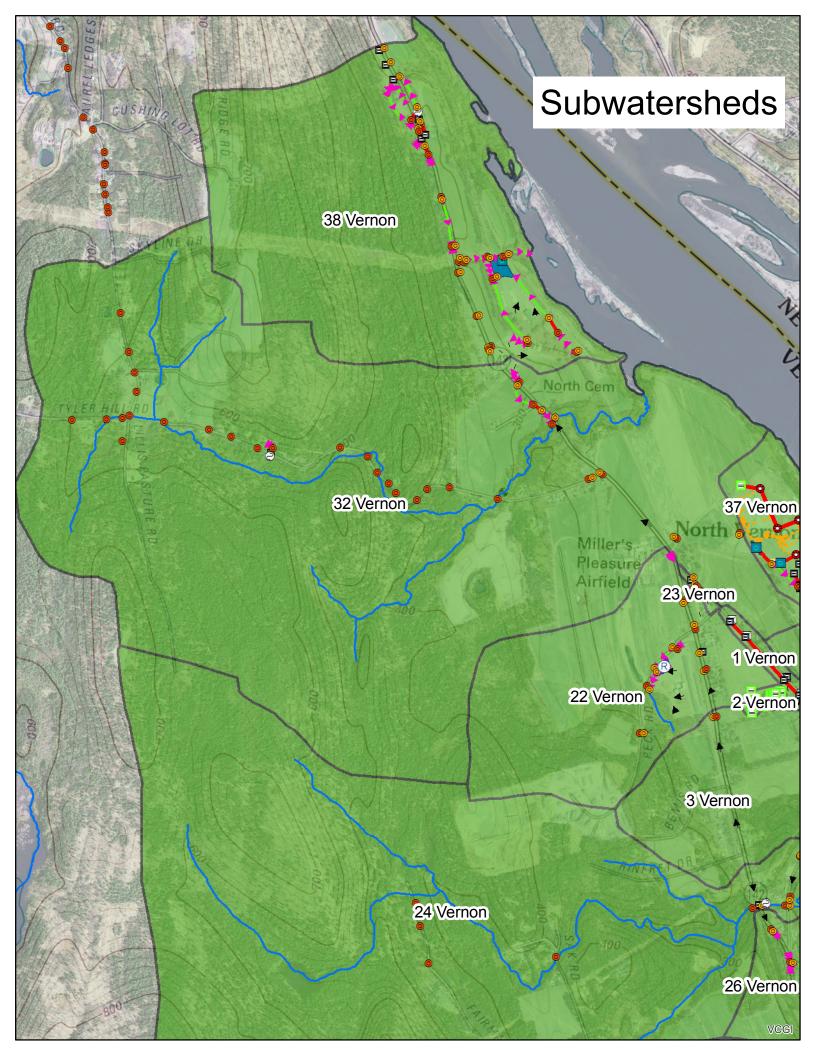
- This graph shows the breakdown of the modeled nitrogen load from the Connecticut River watershed to the Long Island Sound from various sources.

⁻ Above figure taken from USGS – Assessment of Total Nitrogen in the Upper Connecticut River Basin in New Hampshire, Vermont, and Massachusetts, Dec 2002 – Sept 2005. http://pubs.usgs.gov/sir/2006/5144/pdf/sir2006-5144.pdf









Subwatershed Data

Tables showing calculations and Priority drainage area retrofit possibilities

This is a key showing the abbreviations of the different funding programs listed in the calculation sheets.

Abbreviation Key					
Code	Funding Program				
ERP/CWIP	VTDEC Clean Water Initiative Program				
LCBP	Lake Champlain Basin Program				
SRF	Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund				
VTrans	Vermont Agency of Transportation				

This is a key showing the abbreviations of the different stormwater treatment structures or practices listed in the calculation sheets.

	Abbreviation Key						
Code	Structure Type						
BB	Baffle Box						
BFCB	Baffled Catchbasin						
BRA	Bioretention Area or Raingarden						
BS	Buffer Strip (25' Min.)						
СВ	Catch Basin						
CBI	Catch Basin Insert						
CD	Check Dam						
CR or ESRD	Impervious Disconnection Credits						
DS	Dry Swale						
DW	Drywell						
EDPMP	Extended Detention Pond with Micropool						
GS	Grass Swale						
IB	Infiltration Basin						
IG	Infiltration Gallery						
MOD	Modifications/upgrade to 2002 SW standards						
OF	Overland Flow						
OGF	Organic Underground Filter						
POP	Pocket Pond						
PP	Perforated Pipe for infiltration						
PS	Pump Station						
RDD	Roof Drain Disconnect						
RR	Rock Riprap						
RS	Riprap Swale						
SB	Sediment Basin						
SF	Surface Sand Filter						
SS-SF	Swirl Separator – Sand Filter						
SS OR VS	Swirl Separator						
SWPPP	Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan						
TT	Treatment Tank						
UD	Underdrain in basin						
WL	Wetland (Constructed)						
WP	Wet Pond (Retention)						
WS	Wet Swale						

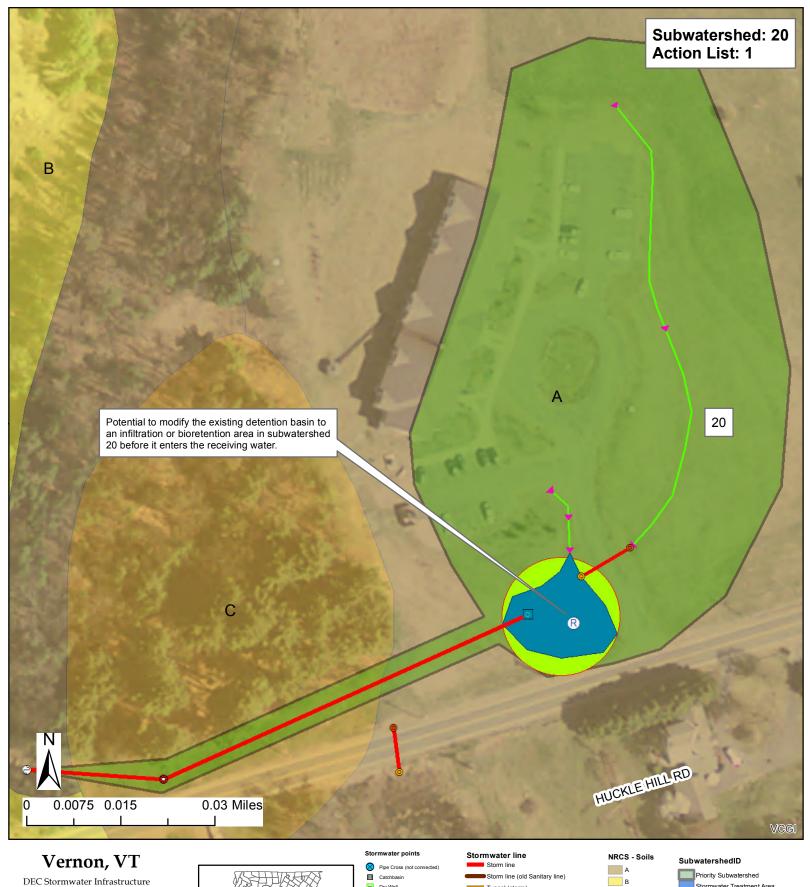
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Watershall Newshare	Action List #	Proceeds of the	Proposed or Existing Stormwater Treatment	D	Watershed Area	Percent Mapped Impervious Area	Current Reductions	Sediment Load with Priority Action (lbs.)	Nitrogen Load with Current Reductions	Nitrogen Load with Priority
Watershed Number		Proposed Action	Practice	Permit Number	(Acres)	(MIA)	(lbs.)	(Ibs.)	(lbs.)	Action (lbs.)
	1	Infiltration basin at outfall behind 270		3653-9003, 3653-						
1 Vernon		Governor Hunt Rd	IB/CB/GS/SWPPP/SB	9010	31.5	22.2	4006	1202	41.73	4.17
2 Vernon			DW/OF		4.3	58.6	206	206	1.71	1.71
3 Vernon			OF/GS		118.1	8.7	11441	11441	95.34	95.34
4 Vernon			CB		2.0	70.3	1833	1833	15.27	15.27
5 Vernon			CB/GS		8.1	38.6	2862	2862	23.85	23.85
6 Vernon			CB/WP		0.8	28.4	136	136	1.27	1.27
7 Vernon			GS		23.9	7.0	2111	2111	17.59	17.59
8 Vernon			OF/CB		2.2	17.5	343	343	2.86	2.86
9 Vernon			GS	E400 0040	13.0 8.7	20.9	2342	2342	19.52	19.52
10 Vernon 11 Vernon			GS/WP GS	5468-9010 5468-9010	2.6	20.6 28.8	202 335	202 335	5.05 3.72	5.05 3.72
12 Vernon			GS/WP	5468-9010	10.3	10.8	165	165	4.13	4.13
13 Vernon			CB/WP	4943-9010	1.4	36.6	322	322	3.02	3.02
14 Vernon			GS/CB/SB	4943-9010	10.1	19.2	1119	1119	10.49	10.49
15 Vernon			OF/GS/CB		21.6	16.9	3226	3226	26.88	26.88
16 Vernon			OF/GS		4.8	14.7	641	641	5.34	5.34
17 Vernon			OF/GS		4.8	23.3	969	969	8.07	8.07
18 Vernon			OF/GS		13.6	6.5	1174	1174	9.79	9.79
19 Vernon			OF/GS		3.7	18.6	599	599	5.00	5.00
20 Vernon	1	Modify existing detention basin to infiltration or bioretention area	IB-BRA/GS		3.1	24.6	274	164	3.42	1.20
21 Vernon		Dioreterition area	GS/WP	5468-9010	17.3	6.2	246	246	6.14	6.14
22 Vernon	1	Infiltration basin near weigh station at 63 Peck Rd	IB/OF/GS	3292-9003	198.7	18.7	32296	22607	269.14	188.39
23 Vernon			CB/OF		2.1	43.7	872	872	7.26	7.26
24 Vernon			OF/GS		1079.3	4.1	82390	82390	686.58	686.58
25 Vernon			OF		7.1	9.2	703	703	5.86	5.86
26 Vernon			OF/GS		61.7	8.8	6015	6015	50.13	50.13
27 Vernon			OF/GS		29.4	10.5	3141	3141	26.17	26.17
28 Vernon			OF/GS/WP	5468-9010	125.8	3.7	7117	7117	66.72	66.72
29 Vernon		ļ	GS/CB/SB		38.0	8.8	3705	3705	30.88	30.88
30 Vernon			OF/GS		0.0	26.5	1	1	0.01	0.01
31 Vernon		ļ	OF/GS	4040.0000	17.5	12.6	2087	2087	17.39	17.39
32 Vernon		ļ	OF/GS/SWPPP	4916-9003	1059.0	3.9	80094	80094	667.45	667.45
33 Vernon		ļ	OF/SWPPP	3653-9003	20.9	30.0	4393	4393	41.19	41.19
34 Vernon			CB/SWPPP	3653-9003	12.7	60.5	8035	8035	75.32	75.32
35 Vernon			CB/SWPPP	3653-9003	25.0	48.6	12924	12924	121.16	96.93
36 Vernon		ļ	CB/SWPPP	3653-9003	4.4	60.2	2772	2772	25.99	25.99
37 Vernon			CB/EDP/DW/GS/CR/ SWPPP	3653-9010, 3653- 9015	54.6	37.2	1262	1262	52.60	52.60
38 Vernon			CB/SWPP/GS/EDP	6796-9015, 6796- 9003	393.9	6.6	2815	2815	117.29	117.29

Vernon - Sub	watershed I	Prioritizat	ion and Reco	ommendatio	ns				
Watershed Number	Water Quality Volume (Acre-Feet)	Channel Protection (Acre-Feet)	Estimated Basin Construction Cost	Estimated Other BMP Construction Cost	Cost of Sediment Removal Per Pound (based on annual sediment load)	Cost of Nitrogen or Phosphorus Removal Per Pound (based on annual nutrient load)	Assistance Program	# LID-Roof Raingardens to Treat Water Quality Volume	Raingarden Co
1 Vernon	0.28	FALSE	\$259,164		\$92	\$6,901	CWIP,SRF,VTrans	142	\$65,161
2 Vernon	0.12	0.28					CWIP,SRF	58	\$26,775
3 Vernon	0.65	1.13					CWIP,SRF	324	\$148,877
4 Vernon	0.10	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	52	\$23,846
5 Vernon	0.16	0.34					CWIP,SRF	81	\$37,245
6 Vernon	0.01	0.03					CWIP,SRF	5	\$2,205
7 Vernon	0.12	0.18					CWIP,SRF	60	\$27,471
8 Vernon	0.02	0.04					CWIP,SRF	10	\$4,466
9 Vernon	0.13	0.30					CWIP,SRF	66	\$30,476
10 Vernon	0.06	0.20					CWIP,SRF	29	\$13,140
11 Vernon	0.03	0.08					CWIP,SRF	16	\$7,256
12 Vernon	0.05	0.12					CWIP,SRF	23	\$10,749
13 Vernon	0.02	0.06					CWIP,SRF	11	\$5,237
14 Vernon	0.08	0.21					CWIP,SRF	40	\$18,200
15 Vernon	0.18	0.40					CWIP,SRF	91	\$41,980
16 Vernon	0.04	0.08					CWIP,SRF	18	\$8,346
17 Vernon	0.05	0.12					CWIP,SRF	27	\$12,609
18 Vernon	0.07	0.10					CWIP,SRF	33	\$15,281
19 Vernon	0.03	0.08					CWIP,SRF	17	\$7,801
20 Vernon	0.03	0.08		\$15,000.00	\$137	\$6,747	CWIP,SRF	15	\$7,121
21 Vernon	0.07	0.12		4.0,000.00	7	7-7	CWIP,SRF	35	\$15,976
									4.0,0.0
22 Vernon	1.83	FALSE		\$20,000.00	\$2	\$248	CWIP.SRF	914	\$420,267
23 Vernon	0.05	FALSE		Ψ20,000.00	Ý-L	Ç240	CWIP,SRF	25	\$11,342
24 Vernon	4.66	4.92					CWIP,SRF	2331	\$1,072,125
25 Vernon	0.04	0.07		1			CWIP,SRF	20	\$9,153
26 Vernon	0.34	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	170	\$78,273
27 Vernon	0.18	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	89	\$40,869
28 Vernon	0.50	0.51					CWIP,SRF	252	\$115,765
29 Vernon	0.21	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	105	\$48,215
30 Vernon	0.00	0.00					CWIP,SRF	0	\$16
31 Vernon	0.12	0.24					CWIP,SRF	59	\$27,155
32 Vernon	4.53	4.60					CWIP,SRF	2266	\$1,042,250
33 Vernon	0.31	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	155	\$71,460
34 Vernon	0.57	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	284	\$130,692
35 Vernon	0.91	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	457	\$210,227
36 Vernon	0.20	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	98	\$45,098
37 Vernon	0.71	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	357	\$164,286
38 Vernon	1.59	FALSE					CWIP,SRF	796	\$366,298

Target Maps

Showing Priority Action List Drainage Areas

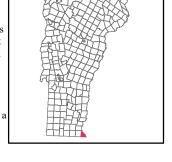
And Potential Retrofit Locations



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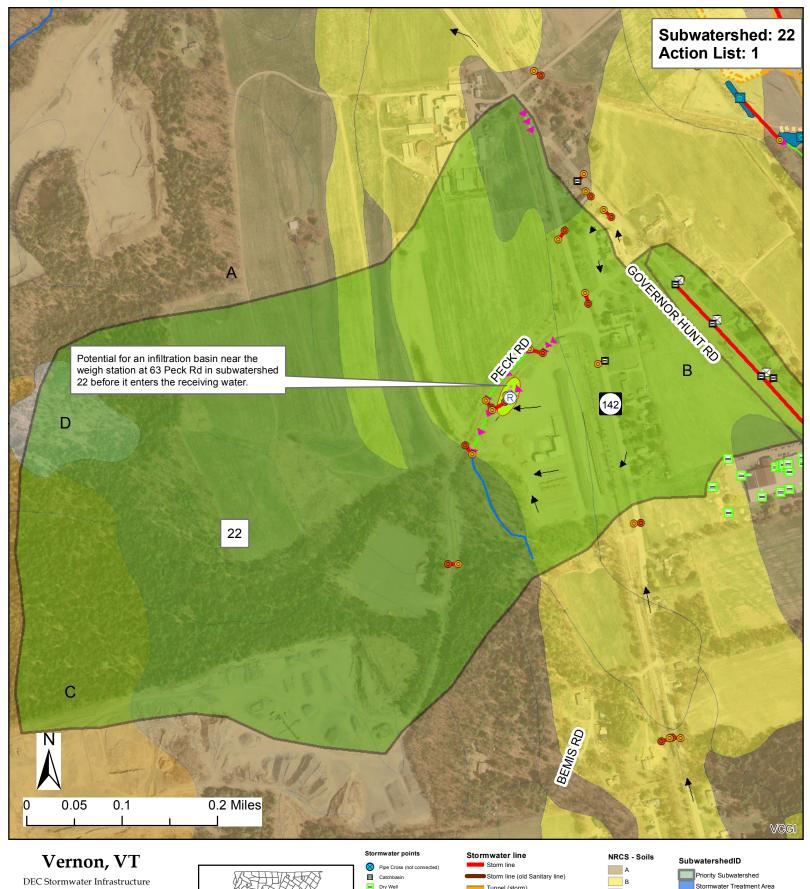


Dry Well Tunnel (storm) ■ Drop Inlet Combined sewer Grate/Curb Inle Sanitary line Yard drain CB tied to sanitary se Footing drain - Under drain Stormwater Ma Outfall Infiltration pipe Culvert inlet French drain Culvert outlet Emergency spillway

Overland flow

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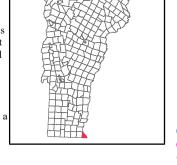




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Emergency spillway

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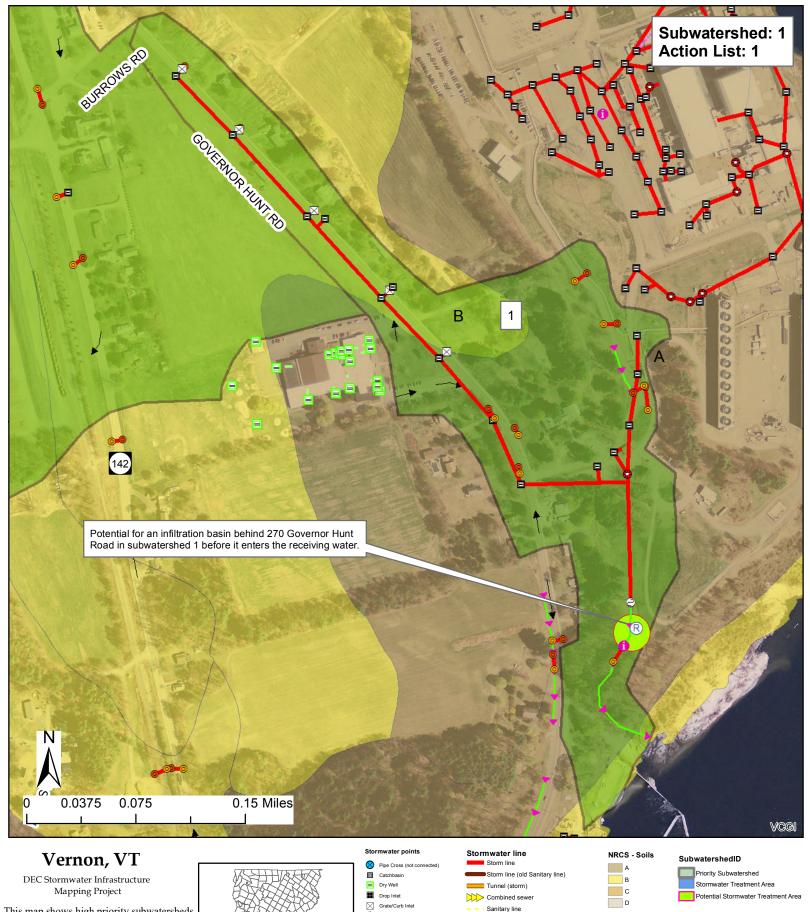


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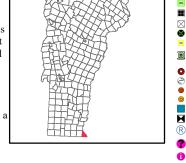
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Pipe Cross (not connected) Catchbasin Drop Inlet Grate/Cub Inlet Yard drain CB tied to sanitary sewer Junction Box Storm line (old Sanitary line) Catchbasin CB tied to sanitary sewer Junction Box Swale Footing drain Junction Hot I Noder drain Stormwater Manhole Roof drain I Infiltration pipe Culvent coutet Culvent coutet French drain Treatment feature (see notes) Emergency spillway Emergency spillway

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Spill Control

and

Vermont Hazardous Waste Management Regulations

Have a spill control plan for accidental spills at municipal facilities and on municipal streets

These stormwater infrastructure maps show the connectivity of the stormwater system for the municipality as accurately as it could be determined with the collected and existing data. In the event of a spill this can be a valuable tool for controlling spills and in spill response.

Towns should be equipped with suitable equipment to contain and clean up spills of hazardous materials. Accidental spills of materials can be sources of runoff pollution if not addressed appropriately. If possible Towns should be prepared to address spills on municipal streets while at the same time contacting the state Waste Management Division. DPW managers should be aware of all applicable requirements and should contact regulatory authorities if requirements are not known.

All spills should be cleaned up immediately after they occur. For municipal facilities the creation of a site specific spill control and response plan in combination with spill response training for designated on-site personnel can be effective in dealing with accidental spills and preventing the contamination of soil, water, and runoff. Preparation of a spill containment, control, and countermeasures (SPCC) plan might be required to meet regulatory requirements (e.g., requirements regarding storage of specified chemicals above certain volume thresholds).

Even if a formal plan is not required, preparing one is a good idea. In general, an SPCC plan should include guidance to site personnel on the following:

- Proper notification when a spill occurs;
- Site responsibility with respect to addressing the cleanup of a spill;
- Stopping the source of a spill;
- Cleaning up a spill;
- Proper disposal of materials contaminated by the spill;
- Location of spill response equipment programs; and
- Training for designated on-site personnel.

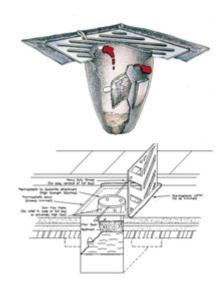
A periodic spill "fire drill" should be conducted to help prepare Town personnel in the event of a spill.

Spill Prevention and Response Measures

Catch Basin Inserts

Catch Basin Inserts (Drain Guards / Sediment Traps) protect our rivers and streams by capturing sediment, debris, oil and grease at storm water catch basins. Catch Basin Inserts are an economical and effective method to protect you from costly clean-up work.

The standard filter material is a non-woven geotextile with built-in overflow ports for cases of abnormally high water flow or over-filled filter bags. Catch Basin Inserts are available with a replaceable 5" x 15" oil absorbent boom that floats to absorb any oil, gas or diesel entering a storm water catch basin.



Urethane Drain Protector

Urethane Drain Protectors are positive sealing drain covers that ensure spills do not enter drains. Drain Protectors are environmentally safe and resistant to chemicals, solvents and hydrocarbons. After use, the Drain Protector can be washed and stored in its tube storage container.



Absorbent Socks

Absorbent socks are flexible tubes used to contain and clean-up spilled fluids. Socks are widely used in industrial applications and are ideal for Spill Kits. Fast spreading spills are quickly stopped with a sock.



Drums & Intermediate Bulk Containers (IBC's)

New and reconditioned steel drums are ideal for storing solid and liquid waste. Poly drums available for durable outdoor storage or for building your own spill kits. Steel and poly drums are available in both tight-head (TH) and full open-head styles (FOH).



Pads & Rolls

Absorbent pads and rolls made from polypropylene fibers are the most popular form of absorbents on the market. Various types of absorbent pads and rolls can be used for different liquids and site applications.

The most widely used absorbent pads and rolls are oil-only (white) and universal (grey). Pads and rolls are great for spills on land, easily absorbing 20 to 25 times their own weight in recovered liquid. Rolls can easily be cut to the exact size required.





Booms

Linkable Absorbent Booms

Absorbent booms are ideal for containing and cleaning up spills on water. Booms repel water and float even when completely saturated. Absorbent booms are constructed with a strong mesh outer skin encasing non-linting and highly absorbent polypropylene filler. Linkable booms come complete with end rings and clips attached to nylon rope running the length of the boom.





Collection basins

Collection basins are permanent structures in which large spills or contaminated storm water is contained and stored before cleanup or treatment. Collection basins are designed to receive spills, leaks, etc., and to prevent pollutants from being released into the environment. Unlike containment dikes, collection basins can receive and contain materials from many locations across a facility.

Containment diking

Containment dikes are temporary or permanent earth or concrete berms or retaining walls that are designed to hold spills. Diking can be used at any industrial facility, but is most common for controlling large spills or releases from liquid storage and transfer areas. Diking can provide one of the best protective measures against the contamination of storm water because it surrounds the area of concern and keeps spilled materials separated from the storm water outside of the diked area.

Curbing

Similar to containment diking, a curb is a barrier that surrounds an area of concern. Unlike diking, curbing is unable to contain large spills and is usually implemented on a small-scale basis. However, curbing is common at many facilities and in small areas where liquids are handled and transferred.

Granular Absorbents

A variety of granular and powdered absorbents are available for the effective clean-up of spills on streets, construction sites and in repair shops. These products absorb spilled liquids of various kinds to greatly lower the viscosity, aiding in the clean-up of the spill.

Sorbents, Gels, and Foams

Sorbents are compounds that immobilize materials by surface absorption or adsorption in the sorbent bulk. Gelling agents interact with the spilled chemical(s) by concentrating and congealing to form a rigid or viscous material more conducive to a mechanical cleanup. Foams are mixtures of air and aqueous solutions of proteins and surfactant-based foaming agents. The primary purpose of foams is to reduce the vapor concentration above the spill surface, thereby controlling the rate of evaporation.

§ 7-104 NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Except for persons who have been issued a temporary identification number pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, any person who generates or transports hazardous waste or who owns or operates a transfer facility or a facility for the treatment, storage, use, disposal, or recycling of hazardous waste shall notify the Secretary of such activity. In addition, persons managing waste under the provisions of either the used oil management standards of subchapter 8, or the universal waste management standards of subchapter 9, shall notify the Secretary of such activity as required under those subchapters. Notification shall be made by accurately and completely filling out the Vermont Hazardous Waste Handler Site ID Form (provided by the Secretary) in accordance with the form's instructions.
- (b) Notification is required upon transferal of ownership of an entity that was required to notify the Secretary under **subsection** (a) of this section.
- (c) Persons subject to the requirements of this section shall maintain an up-to-date **Vermont Hazardous Waste Handler Site ID Form** filed with the Secretary that accurately describes current waste activity and waste generation. A generator may notify the Secretary of a change in generator status by marking the appropriate status level on the **Hazardous Waste Generator Registration Fee Assessment** form that is sent to generators each year pursuant to § 7-708(e).
- (d) The Secretary may issue a temporary identification number to persons who have generated hazardous waste only from an episodic event.

§ 7-105 EMERGENCY AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

- (a) Emergency actions
 - (1) In the event of a discharge of hazardous waste or a release of a hazardous material, the person in control of such waste or material shall:
 - (A) Take all appropriate immediate actions to protect human health and the environment including, but not limited to, emergency containment measures and notification as described below; and
 - (B) Take any further clean-up actions as may be required and approved by federal, state, or local officials, or corrective actions as specified under **subsection** (b) **of this section** so that the discharged waste or released material and related contaminated materials no longer present a hazard to human health or the environment.

(2) Reporting

- (A) All discharges and/or releases that meet any of the following criteria shall be immediately reported to the Secretary by the person or persons exercising control over such waste by calling the Waste Management & Prevention Division at (802) 828-1138, Monday through Friday, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or the Department of Public Safety, Emergency Management Division at (800) 641-5005, 24 hours/day:
 - (i) A discharge of hazardous waste, or release of hazardous material that exceeds 2 gallons;
 - (ii) A discharge of hazardous waste, or release of hazardous material that is less than or equal to 2 gallons and poses a potential or actual threat to human health or the environment; or
 - (iii) A discharge of hazardous waste, or release of hazardous material that equals or exceeds its corresponding reportable quantity under CERCLA as specified under **40 CFR § 302.4**.

Note: Under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, certain spills of "oil" and/or "hazardous substances" are prohibited and must be reported pursuant to the requirements of **40 CFR Part 110** / Discharge of Oil. Certain spills of hazardous substances must also be reported pursuant to CERCLA. In both cases, the National Response Center must be notified at (800) 424-8802. Finally, in addition to federal and state spill reporting, EPCRA requires that spills are also reported to local authorities.

- (B) A written report shall be submitted to the Secretary within ten (10) days following any discharge or release subject to **subsection** (a)(1) of this section. The report should be sent to: The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Waste Management & Prevention Division, 1 National Life Drive Davis 1, Montpelier, VT 05620-3704. The person responsible for submitting the written report may request that it not be submitted for small discharges and/or releases that were reported pursuant to **subsection** (a)(2)(A) of this section, and that have been entirely remediated within the ten (10) day period immediately following the discharge and/or release.
- (3) If the discharge or release occurred during transportation, the transporter shall, in addition to notifying the Secretary:
 - (A) Notify the National Response Center at (800) 424-8802 or (202) 426-2675, if required by **49 CFR § 171.15**; and

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- (B) Report in writing to the Director, Office of Hazardous Materials Regulations, Materials Transportation Bureau, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590, if required by **49 CFR § 171.16**; and
- (C) A water (bulk shipment) transporter who has discharged hazardous wastes must give the same notice as required by **33 CFR § 153.203** for oil and hazardous substances.
- (4) If a discharge or release occurs and the Secretary determines that immediate removal of the waste is necessary to protect human health or the environment, the Secretary may authorize its removal by unpermitted transporters without the preparation of a manifest. Such hazardous waste may be transported to a site authorized by the Secretary under the emergency certification provisions of § 7-503 to temporarily accept hazardous waste generated during an emergency clean-up of a discharge or release.
- (5) In the case of an explosives or munitions emergency response, if a Federal, State, Tribal or local official acting within the scope of his or her official responsibilities, or an explosives or munitions emergency response specialist, determines that immediate removal of the material or waste is necessary to protect human health or the environment, that official or specialist may authorize the removal of the material or waste by transporters who do not have EPA identification numbers or hold Vermont hazardous waste transportation permits and without the preparation of a manifest. In the case of emergencies involving military munitions, the responding military emergency response specialist's organizational unit must retain records for three years identifying the dates of the response, the responsible persons responding, the type and description of material addressed, and its disposition.
- (6) All clean-up debris and residues that are hazardous waste must be stored in leak-proof containers that are covered so as to prevent contact of the waste with precipitation or run-on from precipitation.
- (7) All clean-up debris and residues that are hazardous waste must be transported ultimately to:
 - (A) A designated facility;
 - (B) A person authorized by the Secretary to use such waste if the waste has been delisted pursuant to § 7-218;
 - (C) Some other location specified and authorized by the Secretary to receive clean up debris and residues if the waste has been delisted pursuant to § 7-218; or
 - (D) For hazardous waste not defined as hazardous in 40 CFR Part 261 (i.e., waste regulated as hazardous by Vermont), to a facility, that is not a designated

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facility, located in a state other than Vermont provided the facility can receive such waste under applicable state and local laws, regulations and ordinances.

(b) Corrective actions

- (1) If a discharge of hazardous waste, or a release of hazardous material has not been adequately addressed under **subsection** (a)(1)(A) of this section the Secretary shall require that the person or persons responsible pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 6615 complete the following:
 - (A) Engage the services of an environmental consultant experienced in the investigation and remediation of hazardous waste-contaminated sites; and
 - (B) Within thirty (30) days from either the date of the discharge/release or the date that the release was discovered if the date of discharge/release is not known, or within a period of time established by an alternative schedule approved by the Secretary, submit for approval by the Secretary a work plan for an investigation of the contaminated site (i.e., site investigation) prepared by the environmental consultant. The site investigation shall define the nature, degree and extent of the contamination; and shall assess potential impacts to human health and the environment (refer to **Chapter 2** of the Agency's "**Investigation and Remediation of Contaminated Properties Procedure**" which is available from the Secretary upon request); and
 - (C) Perform the site investigation within either ninety (90) days of receiving written approval of the work plan by the Secretary, or a period of time established by an alternative schedule approved by the Secretary. A report detailing the findings of the site investigation shall be sent to the Secretary for review; and
 - (D) Within either thirty (30) days from the date of final acceptance of the site investigation report by the Secretary, or a period of time established by an alternative schedule approved by the Secretary, submit a corrective action plan prepared by the environmental consultant (refer to **Chapter 4** of the Agency's "**Investigation and Remediation of Contaminated Properties Procedure**" which is available from the Secretary upon request); and
 - (E) Implement the corrective action plan within either ninety (90) days of receiving written approval of the plan by the Secretary, or a period of time established by an alternative schedule approved by the Secretary. The corrective action activity shall continue until the contamination is remediated to levels approved by the Secretary; and
 - (F) Submit to the Secretary all investigative, corrective action and monitoring reports, and all analytical results related to **subsections** (b)(1)(C) through (E) **of this section**, as they become available.

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(2) A used or fired military munition is a waste and is potentially subject to corrective action authorities pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 6615, and the process described by subsection (b)(1) of this section if the munition lands off-range and is not promptly rendered safe or retrieved. Any imminent and substantial threats associated with any remaining material must be addressed. If remedial action is infeasible, the operator of the range must maintain a record of the event for as long as any threat remains. The record must include the type of munition and its location (to the extent the location is known).

§ 7-106 LAND DISPOSAL RESTRICTIONS

(a) Certain hazardous wastes shall not be disposed of in or on the land. 40 CFR Part 268, which is hereby incorporated by reference, except for 40 CFR §§ 268.5, 268.6, and 268.42(b), identifies those wastes which shall not be land disposed and describes the limited circumstances under which an otherwise prohibited waste may continue to be land disposed. The authority for implementing the CFR sections not incorporated by reference remains with the EPA.

Note: A copy of 40 CFR Part 268 (the Land Disposal Restrictions rule), as incorporated by these regulations, is available from the Secretary upon request.

- (b) In addition to the prohibitions of **40 CFR Part 268**, the Secretary may restrict the land disposal of any hazardous waste in the State of Vermont:
 - (1) Which may present an undue risk to human health or the environment, immediately or over a period of time; or
 - (2) Which would be incompatible with the **groundwater protection rule and strategy** of chapter 12 of the environmental protection rules.
- (c) Dilution of hazardous waste subject to the land disposal restrictions of 40 CFR Part 268 is prohibited pursuant to **40 CFR § 268.3**.

§ 7-107 Enforcement

- (a) Information that the generation, transportation, treatment, storage or disposal of hazardous waste may present an actual or potential threat to human health or the environment, or is a violation of the **10 V.S.A. chapter 159**, or these regulations, or any term or condition of certification, order, or assurance, may serve as grounds for an enforcement action by the Secretary, including, but not limited to:
 - (1) After notice and opportunity for hearing, issuing an order directing any person to take such steps as are necessary to: