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Subject: Public Notice of Categorical Exclusion (Bellows Falls Water Department, RF3-308)
Attachments: rf3-308--phase I categorical exclusion.pdf

Dear Mr. Stearns II,

The attached National Environmental Policy Act Categorical Exclusion determination for Phase I of your water system improvement project is being distributed to interested regulatory agencies, stakeholders, and other interested parties. The Categorical Exclusion exempting the project from further environmental review became effective upon signing. Please contact me with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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

Bellows Falls Water Department, WSID #5298
Bellows Falls, VT
Water System Improvements
DWSRF Loan RF3-308

In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program, the Bellows Falls Water Department, located in the Village of Bellows Falls, VT has requested its proposed water improvement project (Phase I) be evaluated for eligibility for a categorical exclusion exempting the project from detailed environmental procedures required for projects having a significant environmental impact.

The Phase I Project consists of installation of a source control valve vault, isolation valves and a meter manhole on the lower Saxton's River crossing, a water distribution system master meter and improvements to the raw water intake

Our consideration of Bellows Falls Village Corporation's request included reviewing environmental information and documentation completed and submitted by their engineering consultant, Dufresne Group Consulting Engineers. 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 by contacting the DWSRF Program at (802) 585-4905. In addition to the applicant, a copy of this determination will be sent to a list of stakeholders and posted on the Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division's website located at www.vermontdrinkingwater.org.

Agency of Natural Resources
Department of Environmental Conservation
David Mears, Commissioner

By 
Eric Blatt, P.E., Director
Facilities Engineering Division

Dated in Montpelier, Vermont this 16th day of June, 2014