

### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

# Region 1 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Boston, MA 02109-3912

JUL 19 2012



Mr. Roland Mayhew, Chairman Sewer Commission – Towns of Troy and Jay, VT 1036 VT Rte 242 Jay, VT 05859

Re: Town of Jay

Wastewater Collection System Project

Dear Mr. Mayhew:

In compliance with EPA Regulations for Implementation of Procedures on the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), our office has reviewed the environmental aspects of the proposed Wastewater Collection System Project for your community. This project was included as part of the FY2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act, Public Law 111-8. The work to be done on this project involves replacing and upgrading the existing 8 inch gravity sewer and 6 inch force main with a 10 and 12 inch diameter pressure sewer system.

Based on our review, EPA is in agreement with the determination made by United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDARD) and the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (VTDEC) that the project will not be detrimental to the environment. As a result, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will not be required. Because of this determination, we have prepared a Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI), reaffirming the August 6, 2008 determination made by the USDARD.

The FNSI has been distributed as required by 40 CFR Section 6.203. In addition, we request that you or an authorized representative make available a copy of the FNSI, as well as any proposed project documents, for review by interested individuals and entities at both the Town of Jay and the Town of Troy offices. If any review results in an indication of dissatisfaction with the way the environmental effects of the project have been dealt with, our office should be notified immediately so that we can determine if modifications to the project are warranted.

Should you have any questions, you may contact Josh Nemzer of our staff at (617) 918 -1961.

Sincerely, David Chin

David Chin, Acting Manager Municipal Assistance Unit

Attachment

cc: Nopadon Sundarabhaya, VTDEC Winslow Ladue, VTDEC

Al Lewis, VTDEC



#### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 1

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## FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

To: All Interested Persons

Pursuant to the FY 2009 Appropriations Acts, as amended, we have received an Environmental Assessment (EA) for:

Town of Jay 1036 VT Rte 242 Jay, VT 05859

**Total Project Cost** 

\$2,800,000

**EPA** Grant Number

EM-96142001

Total US EPA Grant Amount

\$898,000

The proposed project is a component of a larger upgrade to the existing Troy/Jay Wastewater Treatment and Collection system.

The proposed wastewater collection system improvement project is located in the Town of Jay, VT beginning at the Jay Peak ski area and traveling along Vermont Rte 242 and ending at the Troy/Jay Wastewater Treatment facility. It involves the replacement of the existing 8 inch gravity sewer and 6 inch force main with a 10 and 12 inch diameter pressure sewer system. The replacement involves 14,400 feet of gravity sewer piping and 2,700 feet of force main piping.

According to the Environmental Assessment prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDARD), the environmental concerns of the proposed project are expected to be minimal and no adverse environmental impacts are anticipated.

Through an independent review of the project, EPA reaffirms the August 6, 2008 Finding of No Significant Impact determination made by the USDARD. The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (VTDEC) by letter dated July 12, 2012

concurred with the findings made by USDARD in its August 2008 determination. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Comments relative to this decision may be submitted to EPA for review, with a copy to the VTDEC. No grant award will be made to the Town of Jay for at least thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of this Finding.

Additional documentation regarding this project is available for public review at the address above, at the EPA Regional Office in Boston, MA and online at www.epa.gov/region1/grants/troyjay\_stag\_fonsi.doc.

Stephen S. Perkins, Director Office of Ecosystem Protection Date Issued