

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

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Newark School District-Newark School Water System, WSID #6630
Water System Improvements
DWSRF Project WPL-161

In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Vermont/EPA Revolving Loan Fund Program, Newark School, WSID #6630, 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 project includes: relocation of water supply connections for the town offices and the town garage into the school building and installation of a master water meter and a water disinfection treatment system.

Our consideration of the Newark School request included reviewing environmental information and documentation completed and submitted by the Vermont Rural Water Association. Upon 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.

Agency of Natural Resources
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Justin Johnson, Acting Commissioner

By Gary Schultz
Gary Schultz, Acting Director
Water Supply Division

Dated at Waterbury, Vermont this 1 day of June, 2009



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Re: Projects that meet the requirements for Categorical Exclusion (CATEX) without the submittal of a formal request.

Dear Eric:

As per 40 CFR Part 6.204, Procedures for Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Assessing the Environmental Effects Abroad of EPA Actions, and the Vermont State Environmental Review Process (SERP), I am recommending that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. The recommendation is based on my site visit, review of proposed project plans, and a review discussion with the respective project engineer, which confirms the project will be confined to the existing building with no environmental or archeological impacts outside the building's interior footprint. I recommend that a formal request for a Categorical Exclusion is not necessary in this case.

Project Location:

Little School (Weston)
P.O. Box 98
Weston, VT 05161
WSID 20390

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ian Schrauf", is written over a horizontal line.

Ian Schrauf
Water Systems Specialist
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