

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

Village of Swanton, WSID #5132  
Water Treatment Plant Upgrade  
DWSRF Loan RF3-262

In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Vermont/EPA Revolving Loan Fund Program, the Village of Swanton 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 is described as upgrade of the existing water treatment facility to replace aging infrastructure in order to extend its useful life and continue to provide long-term reliable operation. The majority of construction is within the existing footprint of the existing facility with an area of total disturbance calculated to be approximately .75 acres. The improvements at the plant will not increase system capacity. Project includes the following specific upgrades:

- Pumps: Replacement of three low lift pumps, two backwash pumps, and three high lift pumps.
- Treatment: Replacement of existing treatment units with two package filtration units and addition of two new in-line ultraviolet disinfection units.
- Sludge Lagoons: Addition of a third sludge lagoon and associated yard piping.
- Miscellaneous building upgrades.

Our consideration of the Swanton Village request included reviewing the Environmental Information Document dated April 8, 2011, prepared by Aldrich + Elliot 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 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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David K. Mears, Commissioner

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Dated at Waterbury, Vermont this 20th day of June, 2011