

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

Vergennes – Panton Water District, WSID #5010
Water System Improvements

In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Vermont/EPA Revolving Loan Fund Program, the Vergennes Panton Water District in the Town of Panton, Vermont 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.

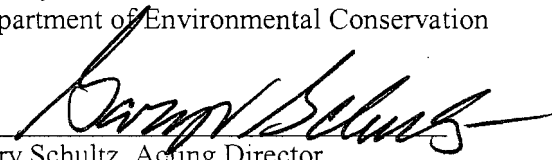
The proposed project is a complete upgrade to the existing water treatment facility. The project includes: complete replacement of process equipment, building mechanical systems improvements, electrical equipment upgrades including power service to the facility, improve energy efficiency at the treatment plant building, modifications to existing filter backwash settling tank, and replacement of existing steel water storage tank. Most of the work will occur within the existing structure with limited modifications outside of the facility.

Our consideration of the Vergennes – Panton request included reviewing the Environmental Assessment Report dated September 2009, prepared by Otter Creek Engineering. 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.

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By


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Dated at Waterbury, Vermont this 13 day of DEC, 2010

