

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

Chester Water Department Water System, WSID #5318
Chester, VT
Route 103 Water System Improvements
DWSRF Loan RF3-324

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 Chester Water Department Water System, located in the Town of Chester, VT 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 consists of the replacement of approximately 3,500 linear feet of 10-inch asbestos cement (AC) water main with a new 12-inch diameter watermain on Route 103 from River Street to the entrance of the High School. The project also includes replacement of approximately 350 linear feet of 4-inch cast iron water main and smaller piping with a new 8-inch diameter water main on Breezy Lane.

Our consideration of the Town of Chester's request included reviewing environmental information and documentation completed and submitted by their engineering consultant, Dufresne Group. 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) 585-4904. 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 [Environmental Review Determination Notice](#) page.

Agency of Natural Resources
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Dated in Montpelier, Vermont this 22nd day of February, 2016