

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

Castleton Fire District #1, WSID #5212
Castleton, VT
Water System Improvements
DWSRF Loan RF3-412

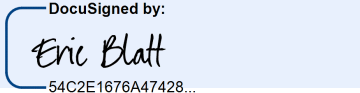
In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program, the Castleton Fire District #1, located in Castleton, VT has requested its proposed water improvement project be evaluated for eligibility 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 an existing, approximately 100-year-old, 10-inch cast iron transmission main with a 12-inch ductile iron main. The existing pipe is old, has a C factor of 60 and is a priority of the Fire District's asset management plan. The project is located in the Ellis Orchard parcel and runs cross country.

Our consideration of Castleton's request included reviewing environmental information and documentation completed and submitted by their engineering consultant, Marble Valley 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. Should the proposed work be altered to expand beyond the current scope of work and/or APE, further review will be required due to potential cultural sensitivity of undisturbed areas. The Castleton Fire District #1 and all contractors on their behalf are directed to follow the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians Policy for Treatment and Disposition of Human Remains and Cultural Items That May be discovered Inadvertently during Planned Activities.

Further information on the project and this determination are available for inspection by contacting the SRF Program at (802) 490-6226. In addition to the applicant, a copy of this determination will be sent to a list of stakeholders and posted on the Water Infrastructure Financing Program's [Environmental Review Determination Notice](#) page.

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John Beling, Commissioner

By  8/22/2022
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