



Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation

EC7 Water Investment Division

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Agency of Natural Resources

Audrey DeProspero, Selectboard Assistant
Authorized Representative
Town of Danville
PO Box 183
Danville VT, 05828

November 13, 2025

Re: Town of Danville, Lagoon Full Cover System Project
Vermont/ USEPA Clean Water Revolving Loan Number RF1-346

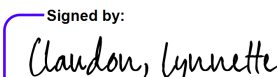
Categorical Exclusion from Detailed Environmental Review

Dear Audrey DeProspero:

The Department of Environmental Conservation has determined that the Town of Danville, Lagoon Full Cover System Project may be excluded from the detailed environmental review procedures that are required for projects that have environmental effects. The Department's (Clean Water) environmental review procedures require a 30 day public comment period following the issuance of a Notice of Determination of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion. If no public comments received during that period demonstrate that this Determination is in error, then the Categorical Exclusion exempting the project from detailed review will become effective.

Copies of documents supporting a Categorical Exclusion are enclosed. Please keep copies of the enclosed documents available for public inspection during a public comment period of 30 days. A full listing of the documents that must be available for public inspection is attached. Please contact Lynnette.claudon@vermont.gov if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Signed by:
 11/7/2025

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Lynnette Claudon, P.E.,
Senior Water Infrastructure Program Engineer
Water Investment Division (WID)

Documents Enclosed for Categorical Exclusion Public Comment Period (30 days)

1. "Notice of Determination of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion"

Town of Danville, Vermont
Lagoon Full Cover System Project

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Notice of Determination of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion from Detailed Environmental Review

(Signed by Emily Bird, Director of Water Investment Division)

2. *"Evaluation of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion"*
(Signed by Emily Bird, Director of Water Investment Division)

Additional Documents Needed for Categorical Exclusion Public Comment Period (30 days)

1. **"Environmental Review Procedures for Projects Funded Through the Vermont/EPA Revolving Loan Program"**, <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=129684&DVID=0>
2. **100% Draft Preliminary Engineering Report (PER)** entitled "Preliminary Engineering Report for Wastewater Treatment Plant Evaluation" and dated 9/15/25, by Dufresne Group Engineering. <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=216022&DVID=0>
3. **Environmental Information Document (EID)** signed 10/10/24, by Andrea Day P.E., of Dufresne Group Engineering. <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=214275&DVID=0> (pages 63-78)
4. Project Permit Navigator results dated 9/9/2025.
<https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=215052&DVID=0>

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Andrea Day, P.E., Dufresne Group

Sherri Kasten, Inspector, Wastewater Management Program, Watershed Management Division

Tom Brown, CWSRF Program Lead, Financial Management Section, VT-DEC-WID



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Notice of Determination of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion

Town of Danville

Danville, Lagoon Full Cover System Project

Vermont/ USEPA Clean Water Revolving Fund Loan Number RF1-346

In accordance with section VII of the Department's "*Environmental Review Procedures for Projects Funded Through the Vermont/ EPA Revolving Loan Program*", the Town of Danville has requested that its proposed Lagoon Full Cover System Project be evaluated for eligibility for a Categorical Exclusion from the detailed environmental review that is described in the Procedures and required for projects with significant environmental effects.

Consideration of the requests for Categorical Exclusion included a review of the following documents:

- **Environmental Information Document (EID)** signed 10/10/24, by Andrea Day P.E., of Dufresne Group Engineering. <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=214275&DVID=0> (pages 63-78).
- **100% Draft Preliminary Engineering Report (PER)** entitled "*Preliminary Engineering Report for Wastewater Treatment Plant Evaluation*" and dated 9/15/25, by Dufresne Group Engineering. <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=216022&DVID=0>

Upon completion of its independent evaluation, the Department has determined that the proposed project meets the criteria for issuance of a Categorical Exclusion.

Specifically, the project will not increase the permitted annual average flow (hydraulic) capacity of the existing Town of Danville, Lagoon Full Cover System Project, and it will not increase permitted pounds of pollutants that may be discharged by that plant. Also, the project will not increase the design organic (equivalent population) treatment capacity of the wastewater treatment plant. The project will not add a new permanent discharge of stormwater or treated wastewater to surface waters or groundwater. Further, the project does not involve (create) serious local or environmental issues or meet any of the criteria that would result in denial of an Exclusion, nor does the project meet the definition of sewer extension.

Town of Danville, Vermont
Lagoon Full Cover System Project
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Further information on the project and this Determination is available for inspection at the following locations:

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Montpelier, VT 05620-3510

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(Note: National Life requires photo identification to obtain an building-access badge for entry.)

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Dufresne Group Engineering
459 Portland St Ste 106
Saint Johnsbury, VT 05819

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No significant administrative action will be taken on this project for thirty (30) days from issuance of this Notice of Determination, to allow for public response.

Signed by:

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Emily Bird
Director
Water Investment Division

11/10/2025

Date

Department of Environmental Conservation
Vermont Agency of Natural Resources



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TO: Emily Bird, Director, Water Investment Division  11/10/2025

FROM: Lynnette Claudon, P.E.
Senior Water Infrastructure Program Engineer, Water Investment Division  11/7/2025

SUBJECT: Town of Danville
Lagoon Full Cover System Project, RF1-346

Evaluation of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion
from Detailed Environmental Review

DATE: 11/13/2025

A. Project Identification

Project Name: Lagoon Full Cover System Project

Address:

Audrey DeProspero, Selectboard Clerk
Authorized Representative
Town of Danville
PO Box 183
Danville VT, 05828

Project Location: This project will be located at the Town of Danville's Wastewater Treatment Facility, which is located at 406 US Route 2 East, Danville, VT. Longitude: 44.411469 Latitude: -72.131314

Vermont/ USEPA Clean Water Revolving Loan Number RF1-346

To preserve, enhance, restore, and conserve Vermont's natural resources, and protect human health, for the benefit of this and future generations.

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B. Summary of Environmental Review

In accordance with section VII of the Department's "*Environmental Review Procedures for Projects Funded Through the Vermont/EPA Revolving Loan Program*", the Town of Danville has requested that the proposed Lagoon Full Cover System Project be evaluated for eligibility for a Categorical Exclusion from the detailed environmental review that is described in the Procedures and required for projects with significant environmental effects.

The applicant's request and the following planning document have been reviewed, and our findings are summarized below:

Environmental Information Document (EID) signed 10/10/24, by Andrea Day P.E., of Dufresne Group Engineering. <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=214275&DVID=0> (pages 63-78).

1. Project Description

The Town of Danville is located in Caledonia County, Vermont.

This project involves the installation of a full cover system over Lagoon #1 and the conversion of this lagoon to a complete mix – partial mix baffled system and polishing reactor with option to add baffles to Lagoon # 2 with chemical injection for additional phosphorus removal to meet future permit limits.

Eligibility for clean water revolving loan (**CWSRF**) construction funding will be limited to the eligible clean water work as detailed in the Preliminary Engineering Report and to physical areas cleared through this environmental review process.

The contract documents will contain standard requirements to limit hours of construction and to control noise, dust and discharges of stormwater runoff or pollutants during construction.

2. Justification for Categorical Exclusion

We have determined that the proposed project meets the criteria for issuance of a Categorical Exclusion.

Specifically, the project will not increase the design hydraulic capacity of the wastewater treatment plant by more than 20 percent, and it will not increase the design organic treatment capacity (equivalent population served) by more than 30 percent.

The project will not create a new permanent discharge of stormwater or treated wastewater to surface waters or groundwater, and there will be no increase of effluent pollutant loadings (pounds per day) permitted to be discharged from associated wastewater treatment plant.

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The project is not expected to adversely affect wetlands, wetlands buffer zones, floodplains, historic sites, archeological sites, habitats of threatened or endangered species, or other environmentally or culturally sensitive areas.

The project does not involve serious local or environmental issues or meet any of the criteria that would result in denial of a Categorical Exclusion.