

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

Plainfield Water System, WSID #5277
Plainfield, VT
School Street Waterline Replacement
DWSRF Loan RF3-601

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 Plainfield Water System, located in Plainfield, VT has requested its proposed School Street Waterline Replacement Project be evaluated for eligibility for a categorical exclusion exempting the project from detailed environmental procedures required for projects having a significant environmental impact.

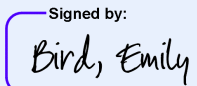
This project involves the replacement of a portion of Plainfield's waterline on School Street. This will help to prevent leaks and improve sanitary conditions for water service customers.

The project involves mitigation measures, detailed in the [Environmental Information Document](#) (EID) and [appendices](#), which the owner has agreed to implement as part of their federal funding.

Our consideration of Plainfield Water System's request included reviewing the EID completed and submitted by their engineering consultant, Aldrich + Elliott, PC. 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 Area of Potential Effect, further review will be required due to potential cultural sensitivity of undisturbed areas. The Plainfield Water System 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 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 Water Infrastructure Financing Program's [Environmental Review Determination Notice](#) page.

Agency of Natural Resources
Department of Environmental Conservation
Misty Sinsigalli, Commissioner

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Emily Bird, Director
Water Investment Division

Dated 1/16/2026

Documents Needed For Categorical Exclusion

1. **Environmental Information Document (EID)** signed 10/28/2025, by Nathan Pion, PE, of Aldrich + Elliott. <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=216633&DVID=0>
2. **Environmental Information Document Appendices** by Aldrich + Elliott.
<https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=216634&DVID=0>

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