

**AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT
STREAM ALTERATION ACTIVITIES**

Pursuant to Section C.2.2, and C.2.3
of the VT Stream Alteration General Permit



VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
**WATERSHED
MANAGEMENT DIVISION**
RIVERS PROGRAM

(Reporting activities requiring Application or Registration)

A. Permitted Project Information:

Project Number: SA-3679 802-723-6551
Northwoods Stewardship Center c/o Maria Young maria@northwoodscenter.org
154 Leadership Drive
Charleston, VT 05846

Project Location: Charleston, Lang Brook, 44.829428°N, -71.9501914°W

B. Findings:

The Secretary of the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VT ANR) has determined that:

This project consists of the installation of a 25-foot-long x 8-foot-wide clear span I-beam bridge and abutments. The proposed activity is eligible for coverage under the VT ANR Stream Alteration General Permit.

1. The proposed activity will meet the terms and conditions of the General Permit provided:
 - a) The project will be completed as shown on the plans titled "Northwoods Stewardship Center Land Brook Crossing" prepared by Fitzgerald Environmental Associates, LLC for Northwoods Stewardship Center.

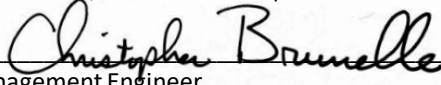
C. Standard Conditions:

1. The project will not adversely affect the public safety by increasing flood hazards.
2. The project will not significantly damage fish life or wildlife.
3. The project will not significantly damage the rights of riparian owners.
4. The project will not obstruct the movement of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody beyond the actual duration of construction.
5. The project is conducted in a manner which minimizes or avoids any discharge of sediment or other pollutants to surface waters in violation of the VT Water Quality Standards.
6. The ANR River Management Engineer is notified by phone, text or email when construction begins and when the project is complete.
7. **In-stream working dates are from June 1st through October 1st; any in-stream work outside these dates will require consultation with and prior authorization from the River Management Engineer (RME).**
8. **This permit will expire: 10/01/24.**

If there are any changes in the project plan or deviation in construction from the plan, the Permittee must notify the River Management Engineer immediately. If the project is constructed as you have described, as shown on the above referenced approved plans and per the above conditions, there is no reason to expect any violation of Vermont Water Quality Standards. Please be aware that the proposed project is in a municipality that participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Construction or storage within the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) as delineated on the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map). 24 VSA, Section 4424 requires communities to submit SFHA permit applications to the ANR Regional Floodplain Manager for review and comment to ensure the project is compliant with local and NFIP minimum floodplain management standards. Please be aware that this authorization does not constitute ANR's review and comment under 24 VSA Section 4424.

D. Authorization:

Signed this 27th day of March, 2024
Peter Walke, Commissioner Department of Environmental Conservation

by:  River
Management Engineer
Rivers Program, Watershed Management Division

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