

The Cost of Clean Water

Vermont is committed to ensuring a legacy of clean water for this and future generations. We all benefit from clean water and have a shared responsibility to pay for it. The costs of protecting and restoring clean water are real and significant. These costs will be borne by federal and state government, municipalities and the private sector.



We are at a critical point in time to decide on how we pay for clean water. We need to identify a cost-effective and equitable long-term funding solution.

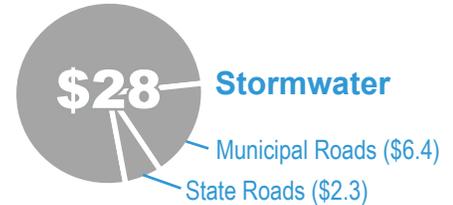
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Required Phosphorus Load Reduction in the Lake Champlain Basin (metric tons/year)



* Reduction in permitted load allocation

Annualized Statewide Funding Gap (millions of dollars)



Total = \$68 million/year over 20 years

Who pays and how much?



KEY QUESTIONS:

How much of clean water costs should the State of Vermont subsidize?

How do we raise the revenue needed to meet our clean water requirements?

Anticipated federal share of clean water costs is assumed to stay constant at current funding levels.