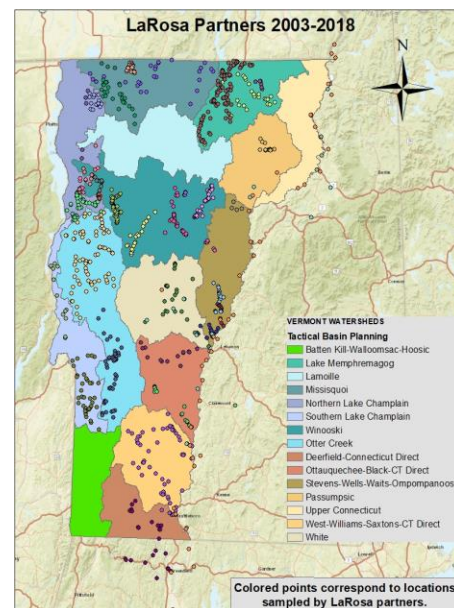


# LAROSA PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM NEWSLETTER



## UPDATES:

1. The RFP for the LaRosa Organizational Support Grant is out, and proposals are due on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm.

2. The turbidity and E. coli samples that were cut from your projects will be reconsidered for 2020.

3. We have not yet heard back from the Agency of Ag Williston Office on a courier service to run from Williston to Randolph.

## REMINDERS:

1. We need your 2019 QAPPs as soon as possible.

2. Please give VAEL at least a week's notice to fill out bottle orders!

## ABOUT THE LAROSA PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Since 2003, this partnership has helped watershed associations and monitoring groups across the state of Vermont implement new and/or ongoing surface water monitoring projects for waters in need of water quality assessment by helping to alleviate the financial burden of laboratory analysis costs.

## PROPOSAL NOTIFICATIONS

A contact person from each organization should have either received an email stating that your proposal has been approved or an email with suggestions of further cuts. Unless explicitly discussed with Jim or Kristen, E. coli and turbidity have been cut for the Analytical Services Grant. Please contact Jim or Kristen if you want to discuss exceptions in relation to an Organizational Support Grant. If you did not see any emails regarding your project status in the past couple days, please contact Kristen.

## UPDATE FROM VAEL ON LIMS: *Bottle Order Notifications*

When your bottle orders are filled, a comment will be put in the "Remark" section of the order number. In that same section, you can let VAEL know of special needs (DI water, racks, etc.) for that order. Make a note of the order number as you register samples so you can check to see if the order is filled sooner than one week from the request date.

## Site Visits

Sign up for a site visit at this link:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Qsr4uxG5b3RZj1WYWKMotcQXqZHIIn4E1IoXfE9XnHgY/edit?usp=sharing>

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**LaRosa website:** <https://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/map/monitor/larosa>