



OTTER CREEK BASIN

clean water service provider

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Dear Chris,

On behalf of the Addison County Regional Planning Commission I am writing to provide an official request that we be reappointed as the Clean Water Service Provider (CWSP) for Basin 3: Otter Creek, Little Otter Creek, and Lewis Creek. As you know, our initial appointment expires June 30, 2025. We are seeking a five year term as CWSP to begin July 1, 2025.

ACRPC has invested considerable time and resources in developing the CWSP program, initiating a Basin Water Quality Council, and finding and supporting projects to improve water quality in the Otter Creek Basin. We have released four call project proposals resulting in 19 funded projects and obligated over \$677,000 to water quality work. Our funded projects range from identification and development projects to tree plantings to a dam removal. We have planted the seeds for four river and wetland restoration projects that we anticipate maturing in the next one to two years. A map of current projects, with two recently funded projects still to be added, is available on our website at acrpc.org/cwsp/.



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We are developing a clearer picture of the world of potential projects, potential partners, and the scale of benefits possible. We look forward to working with DEC to continue these efforts.

Sincerely,

Michael Winslow
ACRPC Assistant Director

Cc: Angie Allen, Watershed Coordinator
Otter Creek BWQC
Adam Lougee, ACRPC ED
Julie Moore, ANR Secretary