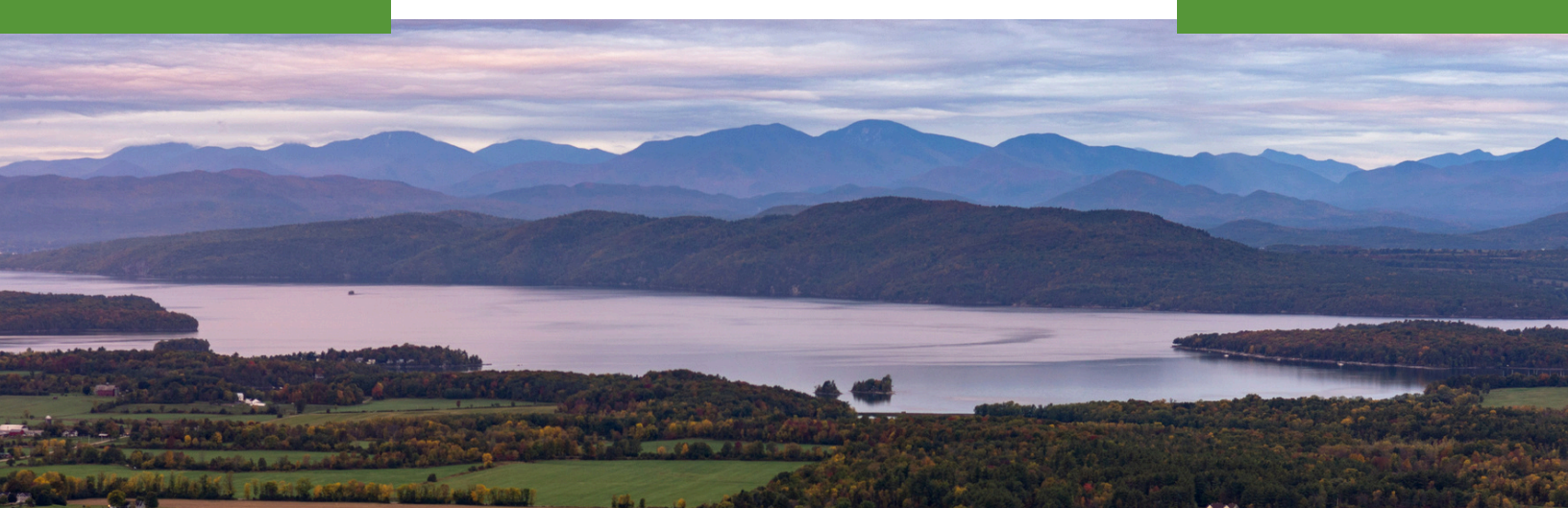


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➤➤➤ QUARTERLY DATA SUBMISSIONS

We have some new information regarding CSWP quarterly data submissions. Since the data builds on itself each quarter, we ask that CWSPS make sure that the information in the submission is current, and anything that isn't ready to report out this quarter can be captured in a future quarter. Data submissions should be submitted 45 days after the close of the quarter, even if incomplete. Sticking to the set quarterly schedule for data submission, review, and WPD entry will streamline the process and limit the need to keep up with basin specific status and extensions.

HOT OFF THE PRESS

»»» TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

FFI User Management Training

Date: January 30th, 2025

Time: 10:00am – 2:30pm

Location – Hybrid: VTrans Dill Building
Conference Room, 2178 Airport Road, Berlin, VT
05641; and on Teams

A hybrid, in-person and virtual, training on the updated Functioning Floodplain Initiative (FFI) tool will be held on January 30th, 2025, from 10:00am – 2:30 pm. The training will showcase the new User Management system, work through hands-on examples for new functions in tool, and work through examples for crediting structures and Strategic Wood projects currently not in the FFI. The in-person training will be held in the VTrans Dill Building Conference Room with an option to join virtually via Teams. Stay tuned for the link to this virtual meeting.

NEW TOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

➤➤ WATERSHED PROJECTS DATABASE FEATURE

A new tool is now available to find projects recently added to Watershed Projects Database through the “View Recent Projects” tab.

Simply click on the “view recent projects” button and you can see the projects added to the database over the last week, or – you can select a different date range, basin, project type, or county to further filter projects from the database. We expect this tool to be useful for people finding project numbers for projects they have recently added to the database through Nforms, and for CWSPs, project partners, or technical staff in DEC wanting to track projects recently added to the database of a particular project type, or in a specific basin or county. You can also export the report as you can with the regular database search feature. We welcome any input on how to make this new tool more useful for you. Screenshots of the tool are included on the following page.



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CLEAN WATER PORTAL

HOME PROJECT EXPLORER **WPD SEARCH** SCREENING TOOL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Watershed Projects Database Search

Name Status

Project Type County

BMP Type Town

Grade Type Grade

Basin Plan Submission Number

Search Clear To Report **View Recent Projects**

RECENT PROJECTS SEARCH TOOL

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Start Date End Date

Basins Project Type

Counties

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	Project ID	Date Created	Project Name
Project Details	12303	11/12/2024	Jackson Dam - Project Development - Hardwick

COMING SOON

➤➤ MORE INFORMATION FROM DEC ON FORMULA GRANT PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS

Last April, DEC organized the Clean Water Service Provider Summit, in part to hear how things were going and to identify opportunities for improvement to the funding system for non-regulatory clean water work. Complementary meetings were held during the summer with stakeholders. You have seen some results of our work during this time, implementing a number of your suggestions, with even more items still on the 'to do' list. We wanted to let you know that our process improvement efforts are ongoing and that we are working on a document that we hope to be able to share out in our next WPP newsletter. We are calling the document the Clean Water Action Plan. The intent of the Plan is twofold – to be an organizational tool for prioritizing our next steps, and to be a communication tool to show you not only what initiatives are in process, but also what is planned for high priority next steps. We appreciate your input and efforts to communicate what you are seeing with us, and are hopeful that the Plan will be helpful to show where we are and where we are going. So, be on the lookout for more information coming your way, shortly!