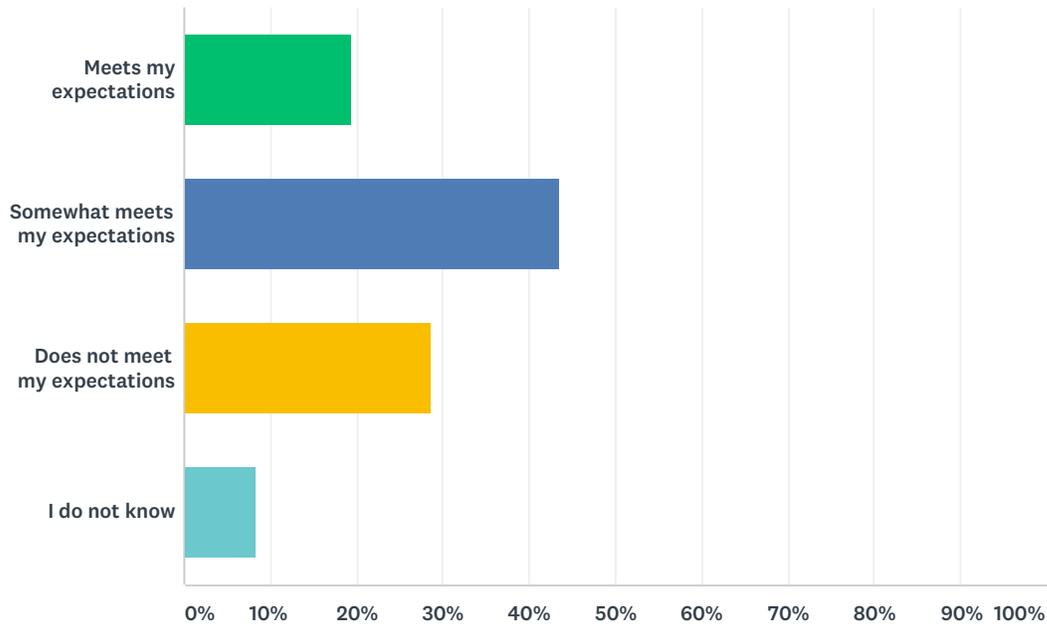


Q1 Please indicate the extent to which the percent distribution of dollars by land use sector in the draft SFY 2020 clean water budget meets your expectations:

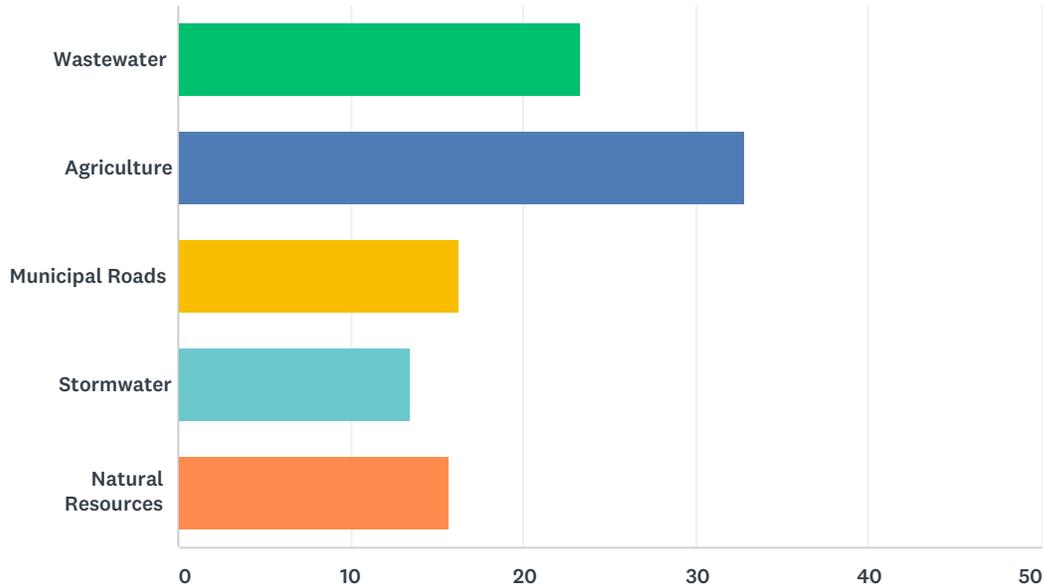
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Meets my expectations	19.44%	21
Somewhat meets my expectations	43.52%	47
Does not meet my expectations	28.70%	31
I do not know	8.33%	9
TOTAL		108

Q2 If the draft SFY 2020 clean water budget does not meet or somewhat meets your expectations, please recommend adjustments to the percent distribution of dollars by land use sector in the draft SFY 2020 clean water budget. Your percentages must add up to 100.

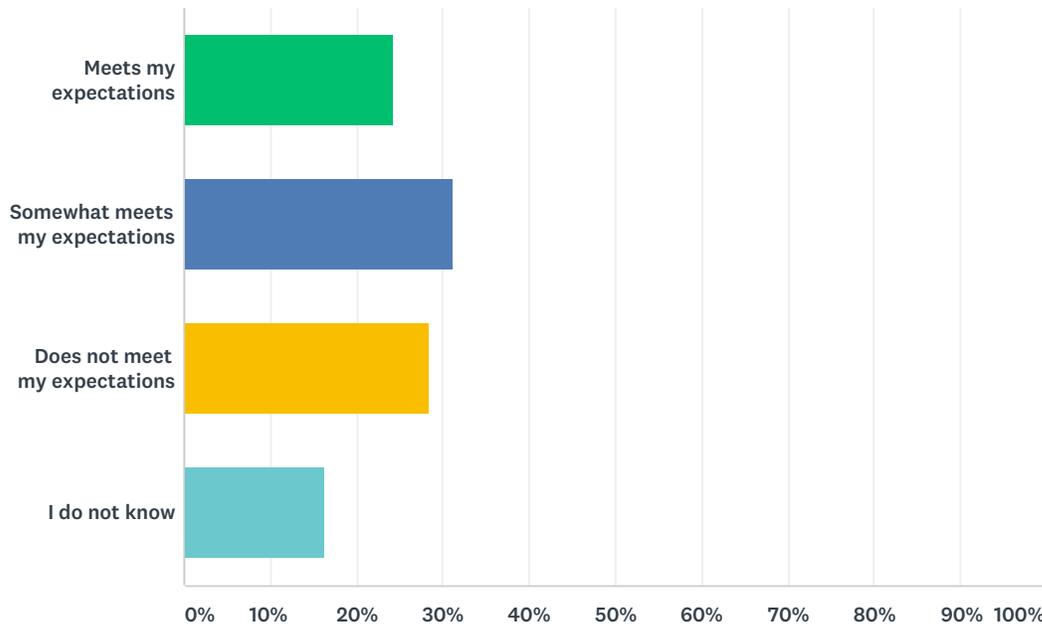
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ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
Wastewater	23	1,775	76
Agriculture	33	2,528	77
Municipal Roads	16	1,220	75
Stormwater	14	1,029	76
Natural Resources	16	1,148	73
Total Respondents: 77			

Q3 Please indicate the extent to which the draft SFY 2020 clean water budget (black dots in the graph above) meets your expectations:

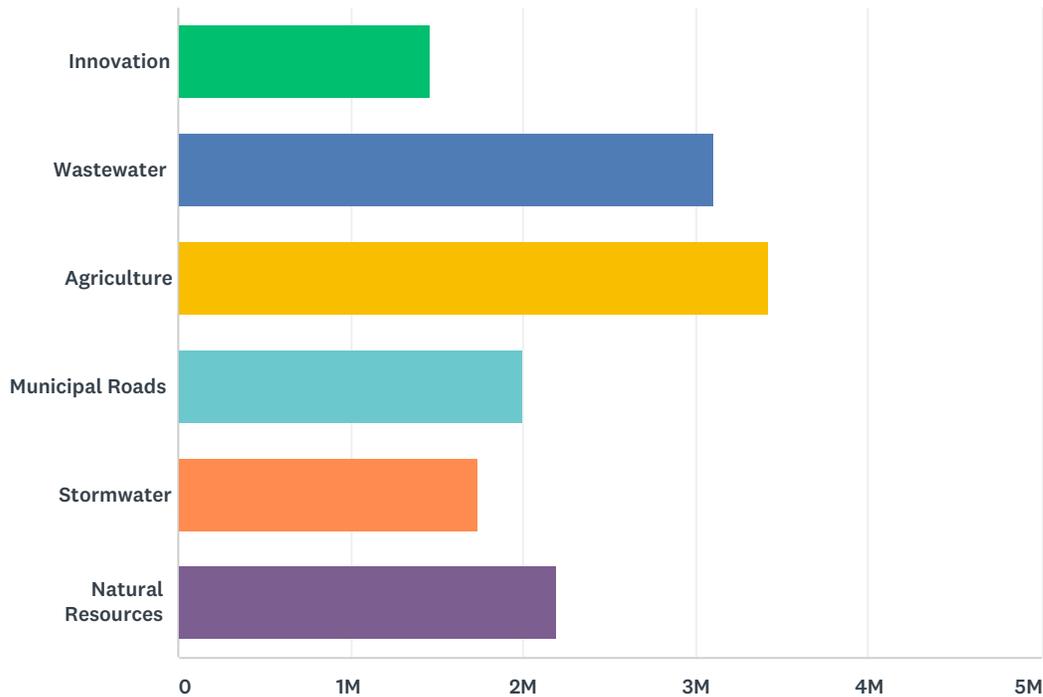
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Meets my expectations	24.32%	18
Somewhat meets my expectations	31.08%	23
Does not meet my expectations	28.38%	21
I do not know	16.22%	12
TOTAL		74

Q4 If the draft SFY 2020 clean water budget does not meet or somewhat meets your expectations, please recommend how you would allocate \$13,250,000 of clean water funds (please enter only whole numbers without decimals, commas, or dollar signs):

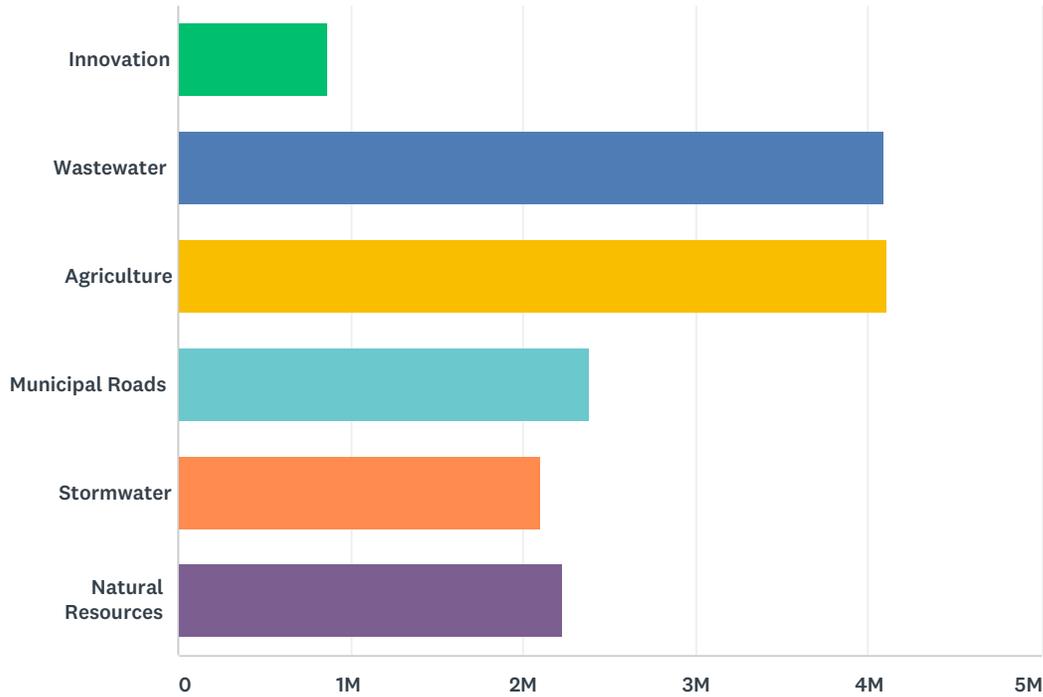
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ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
Innovation	1,464,375	43,931,250	30
Wastewater	3,104,750	90,037,750	29
Agriculture	3,417,683	102,530,500	30
Municipal Roads	2,003,125	60,093,750	30
Stormwater	1,737,733	50,394,250	29
Natural Resources	2,198,707	63,762,500	29
Total Respondents: 31			

Q5 If the draft SFY 2020 clean water budget does not meet or somewhat meets your expectations, please recommend how you would allocate \$15,000,000 of capital bill revenues (please enter only whole numbers without decimals, commas, or dollar signs):

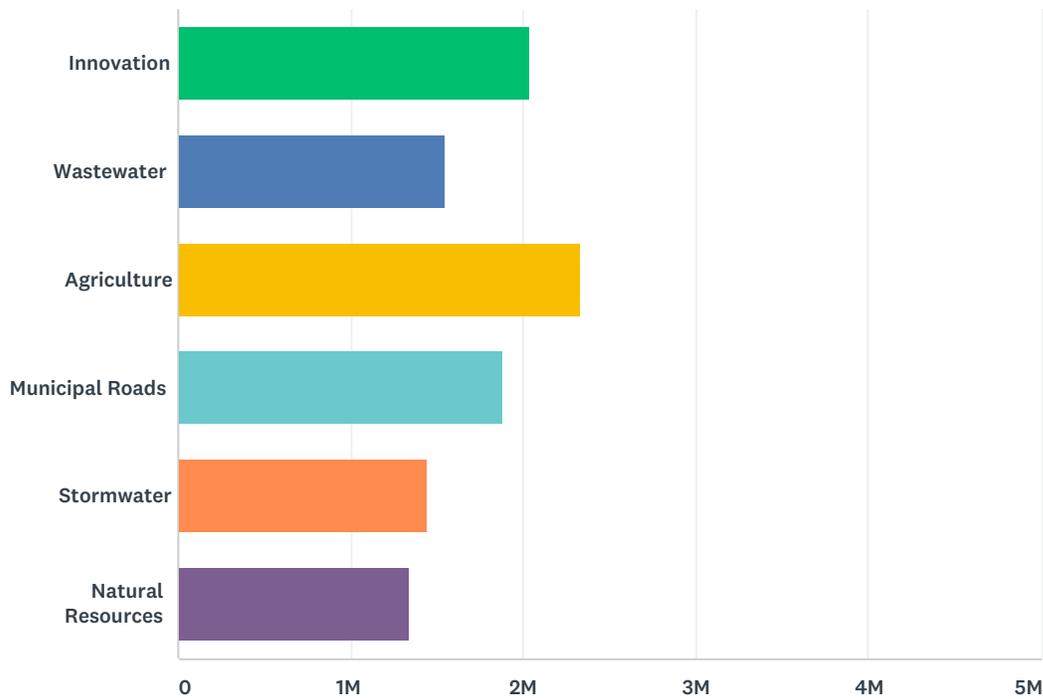
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ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
Innovation	865,000	21,625,000	25
Wastewater	4,094,444	110,550,000	27
Agriculture	4,106,481	110,875,000	27
Municipal Roads	2,388,889	64,500,000	27
Stormwater	2,104,630	56,825,000	27
Natural Resources	2,225,000	55,625,000	25
Total Respondents: 28			

Q6 If \$7,250,000 in additional state funds is not available for clean water work, please indicate where you would reduce state clean water funds, keeping in mind other sources of federal, municipal, and private funding may become available (please enter whole numbers without decimals, commas, or dollar signs).

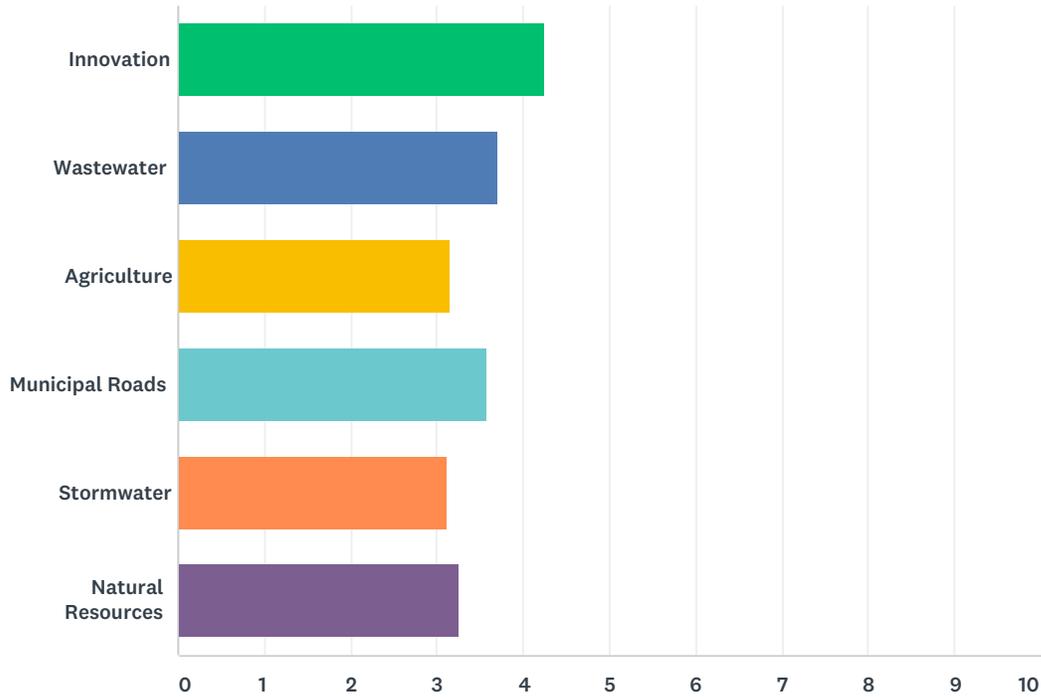
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ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
Innovation	2,034,583	54,933,750	27
Wastewater	1,551,607	32,583,750	21
Agriculture	2,333,800	58,345,000	25
Municipal Roads	1,887,240	45,293,750	24
Stormwater	1,438,542	25,893,750	18
Natural Resources	1,338,636	29,450,000	22
Total Respondents: 34			

Q7 If \$7,250,000 in additional state funds is not available for clean water work, please rank the areas you recommend reducing state clean water funds. Ranking 1-6: 1 = highest priority for reduction; 6 = lowest priority for reduction.

Answered: 51 Skipped: 58



	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	SCORE
Innovation	37.50% 18	16.67% 8	14.58% 7	8.33% 4	10.42% 5	12.50% 6	48	4.25
Wastewater	20.41% 10	14.29% 7	16.33% 8	22.45% 11	18.37% 9	8.16% 4	49	3.71
Agriculture	14.89% 7	19.15% 9	10.64% 5	10.64% 5	10.64% 5	34.04% 16	47	3.15
Municipal Roads	10.42% 5	18.75% 9	25.00% 12	18.75% 9	18.75% 9	8.33% 4	48	3.58
Stormwater	2.17% 1	13.04% 6	21.74% 10	32.61% 15	17.39% 8	13.04% 6	46	3.11
Natural Resources	16.33% 8	18.37% 9	12.24% 6	6.12% 3	22.45% 11	24.49% 12	49	3.27

Q8 Additional comments on the draft SFY 2020 clean water budget:

Answered: 35 Skipped: 74

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Very confusing; not much public process.	12/10/2018 10:58 AM
2	To expect an ordinary citizen to respond to this survey is ludicrous. We lack the background knowledge and expertise necessary. However, as a lifelong summer resident of Lake Carmi, Franklin, VT I ask that you make clean up of this lake a priority. Clean water is a basic human need and right. We are entitled to nothing short of this. In recent years we have often been unable to enjoy the lake's recreational opportunities and fear the negative health implications that Cyanobacteria poses. Please put human rights ahead of agricultural rights as it relates to water pollution and the Lake Carmi clean up. Agricultural practices contribute over 80 percent of the phosphorus loading in Carmi. The best way to eliminate this loading is to take control of the land through state purchase. All other remedies will take too long to effect change in a timely, satisfactory manner and will potentially consume millions of dollars that could have been used to purchase the land.	12/9/2018 10:28 PM
3	Money should be allocated to insuring agriculture employs Best Management Practices.	12/9/2018 8:54 PM
4	Lake Carmi continues to be a Lake in Crisis and needs additional financial resources until the clean water issues are fixed...	12/9/2018 5:50 PM
5	As a Lake Carmi camp owner I am desperate for some help with Lake cleanup at our lake and across the state. I am not knowledgeable enough to assign percentages. Recreation is such an important part of the VT economy that all efforts must be made to lead the country in water cleanup. The farmers must be helped if we're going to continue to have farming and a clean state.	12/9/2018 4:25 PM
6	It is very difficult to respond to this survey. We are ordinary citizens that lack expertise and knowledge in this area. However, we are the citizens that are impacted by the decisions made as to where and what monies are spent on clean water. We spend 5-6 months living on the shores of Lake Carmi and are living with the repercussions of the state's previous failure to protect our water. We are encouraged that an aeration system will hopefully alleviate the harmful cyanobacteria but we must continue to press for more significant agricultural change in farm practices in our watershed. The right to clean, safe water for humans needs to trump agricultural interests.	12/9/2018 3:51 PM
7	Additional investment is needed to evaluate, develop, and prioritize solutions for needs identified in the tactical basin plans.	12/9/2018 3:03 PM
8	Invest state dollars into a substate implementation mechanism that includes all partners. Invest more in basin planning, the proper place to prioritize and identify potential projects.	12/9/2018 9:54 AM
9	Until whole herd buyouts are put in place, and all Vermont Dairy Agribusiness is halted, Vermont has zero hope of having clean lakes, rivers, and streams. The VT DEC best thinking has got us to this place, why should we believe anything they do going forward will make our water cleaner?	12/8/2018 4:09 PM
10	This is interesting, but should not be the basis for action. State Government is responsible for public waters and is obliged to fully fund the action needed to clean them up, and keep them clean.	12/6/2018 8:40 PM
11	I think the state of Vermont is making great gains,we need to stay on this path with future generations.	12/6/2018 6:31 PM
12	Please add funds for private property. I couldn't answer your budget reallocation questions, because you did not allow for 'other' or for adding funds to private lands. We will not be able to clean up the lake without addressing stormwater and driveway issues on private lands. All taxpayers contribute and should receive technical and financial assistance. In my stormwater master plans, 95% of the projects identified are on private land. So having a stormwater category, with no ability to use funds on private property is self-defeating...	12/5/2018 6:59 PM

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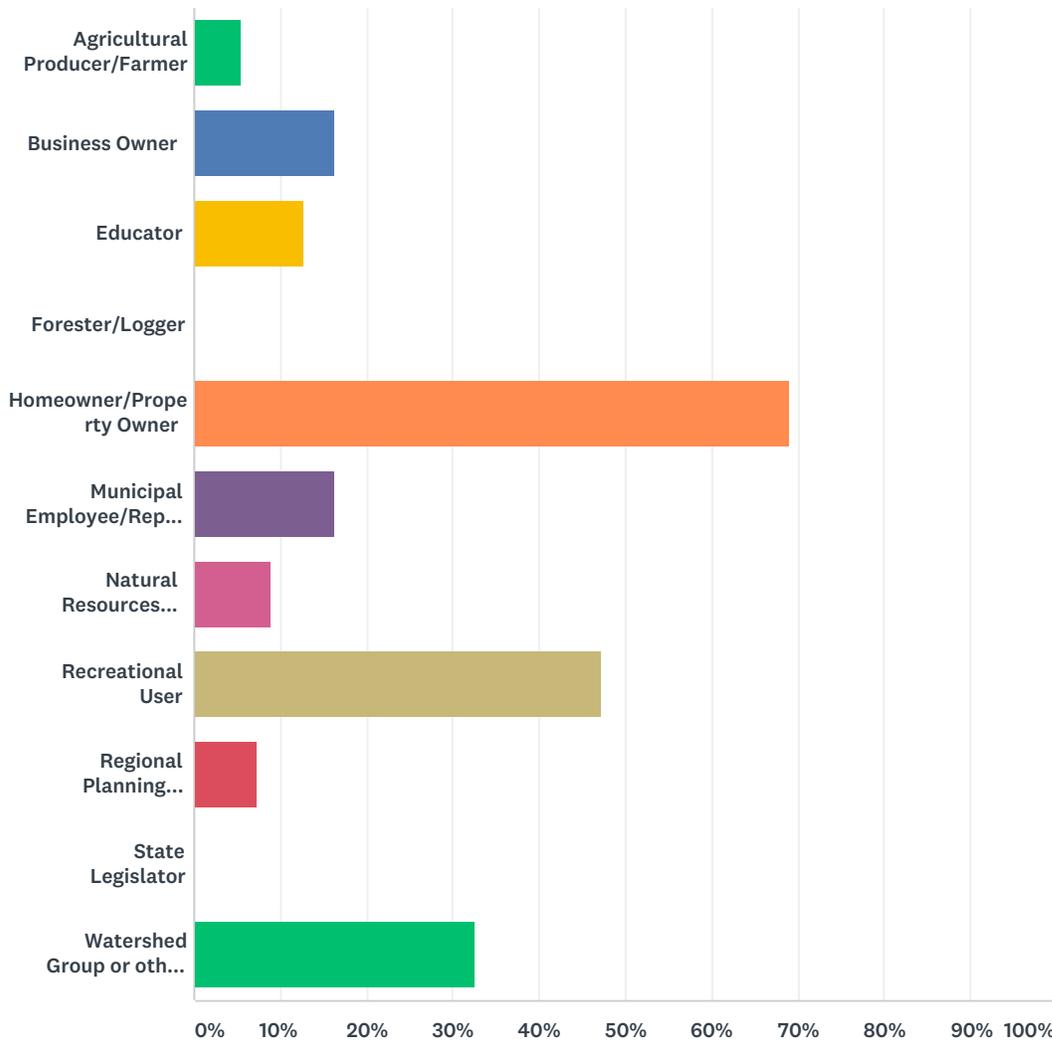
13	1. Funding is inadequate, there is too much reliance on the capital bill revenues, and we need to diversify sources of funding. We should have at least \$8M additional in this year's Clean Water Budget. 2. Some of the Agricultural sector dollars should be targeted toward farm retirement, and since those projects are complicated and take a long time, this should be in a designated fund held by VHCB but not used for other purposes. 3. The Natural Resources sector is the most cost effective for phosphorous reduction and yields the greatest spectrum of benefits. Natural Resource restoration is a permanent investment that does not require annual maintenance; I suggest the funding for this sector be increased, including an increase to VHCB for natural resource protection and restoration. 4. In the category of "Innovation, DEC and Partner Support" more funding should be allocated here, especially partner support, so that small watershed and conservation organizations have adequate capacity to develop projects that can be submitted for implementation funding. These small groups are the people that have the closest relationships with the landowners.	12/5/2018 10:23 AM
14	A system of accountability needs to be developed so that there is an objective way to measure the improvement of Vermont's water. Cost benefit analysis should be done so that activities that bring the most improvement are funded the most.	12/4/2018 10:15 PM
15	More funds need to be allocated to natural resource projects. The current budget is insufficient to support the work needed to address Vermont's water pollution.	12/4/2018 5:53 PM
16	The level of natural resources and conservation investments in SFY 2020 do not reflect the Act 73 or public comment YET investments in this area are characterized as "more cost effective" and also noted to deliver benefits across a number of other values/state goals such as flood resiliency, habitat and recreation. Given the win-win nature of these investments, it seems a curious sector to short change.	12/3/2018 3:37 PM
17	Having to indicate what I would cut if Clean Water Funding doesn't come through as hoped feels like a false choice. I feel strongly that we cannot limit ourselves to these sources, nor can we rely on the capital budget so much. We need a new revenue source, full stop.	12/3/2018 2:11 PM
18	Very complicated questionnaire! Please make sure small towns have funding to update their wastewater systems!!	11/30/2018 4:59 PM
19	Ag is the biggest polluters and there is no sense in cleaning up river and lakes if they keep polluting more every year. So put the funds into keeping the ag runoff on the fields and not in our water. The wetlands initiative in the Midwest has been working on this concept for years and it is working	11/29/2018 9:15 PM
20	Suggest the CW Board signal support for the per parcel fee, after figuring out how to streamline the collection process thru Town Clerks so that it is not so expensive.	11/29/2018 6:17 PM
21	Thank you for putting this together. I know it must have taken some time. And thank you for asking these questions. However, this survey is too confusing. Why don't you just post the budget and ask for comments? I gave up on completing it. Also, isn't the overall amount lower than last year? Also, last year, we were able to see the draft budget in the summer and fall, showing how our comments really mattered. The process this year did not do that. Was it because the budget is lower? I do not understand what we mean by innovation. Diverting funds away from helping towns to do research is not something I support. We all want clean water.	11/24/2018 6:49 PM
22	It's our own irresponsibility that has led us here. Just think, if VT had not allowed itself to fall victim to the NEA, we could solve this funding debacle with the \$30m in projected additional FY2020 revenue. Instead it's already as good as spent on debt payments for the \$4.5 billion and growing unfunded liabilities we allowed ourselves to be bullied into.	11/19/2018 5:13 PM
23	because NR assets are public values, they should use public dollars to manage. at some point/horizon, private and ag businesses must be accountable-	11/19/2018 5:01 PM
24	TMDL driven WWTF upgrades/replacements are at a STAGGERING cost to ratepayers. Major GRANT funding is needed to offset this mandate.	11/19/2018 2:58 PM
25	This survey doesn't allow enough input. Agricultural land is private land and yet black dots on the graph show zero money allocated to private land. The goal is to protect and clean up surface waters with the most effective practices installed on the landscape so the "private land versus public land" should not limit project sites, especially if they are high priority riparian areas, etc.	11/19/2018 8:48 AM

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26	Your survey question #6. "If \$7.25 million in additional state funds is not available for clean water work, please indicate where you would reduce state clean water funds, keeping in mind other sources of federal, municipal, and private funding may become available." is way to difficult for almost all private citizens to respond reasonably to, thus, I believe, making this question's responses of questionable value.	11/18/2018 2:19 PM
27	There should be funding budgeted for the acquisition of lands if necessary to protect natural resources.	11/17/2018 10:58 AM
28	provide public water supply for villages to free up greater area for residential wastewater treatment. Update skidder road specifications to reduce forest soils erosion.	11/16/2018 3:57 PM
29	There is a need for improving buffer zones along high ways and agricultural communities.	11/16/2018 12:37 PM
30	I would like to take this opportunity to Thank the Clean Water Board and those involved in taking on such an arduous task. As I answered the questionnaire, I gave thought that it is never easy to put a number to what is really important. I appreciate the idea of integrating public input. We all want the same things; clean air, clean water, accessibility, recreation, and sustainability. Being mindful of where we live, what we consume, and how we work in our environment is priceless.	11/16/2018 12:13 PM
31	Please lets concentrate on the 2-3 things that have the largest impact and not spread this money around like peanut butter. Do a few things great, not a lot of things mediocre.	11/16/2018 10:16 AM
32	It is well-documented that investments in natural resource / nature based solutions are the most cost effective and longest lasting improvements that can be made. It is in the best interest of taxpayers and our natural resources to invest the limited funds in the most effective ways.	11/16/2018 9:52 AM
33	Questions 4-7 do not provide opportunity to address private lands	11/16/2018 8:00 AM
34	I am not qualified to recommend percentages. I support adequate funding to get the job done. I do not like robbing Peter to pay Paul. In other words, I want as much as possible for clean water but not at the expense of other needed programs. I advocate mobilizing capital from other sources to augment what the state can contribute so that there is the amount needed to get the job done. Lake George has done that. So can we.	11/15/2018 5:05 PM
35	There should be funding available for storm water projects on private lands. With most lands around our lakes privately owned with infrastructure from the 70's and earlier, I believe we could reduce nutrient and pollution runoff if cost share was available.	11/15/2018 4:47 PM

Q9 We are interested to know who is completing this questionnaire. Which groups do you belong to or identify with? Select all that apply.

Answered: 55 Skipped: 54



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agricultural Producer/Farmer	5.45%	3
Business Owner	16.36%	9
Educator	12.73%	7
Forester/Logger	0.00%	0
Homeowner/Property Owner	69.09%	38
Municipal Employee/Representative	16.36%	9
Natural Resources Conservation District	9.09%	5
Recreational User	47.27%	26
Regional Planning Commission	7.27%	4

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State Legislator	0.00%	0
Watershed Group or other Nongovernmental Organization	32.73%	18
Total Respondents: 55		

Q10 Please enter your zip code to help us understand the statewide distribution of responses to this questionnaire:

Answered: 57 Skipped: 52

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name	0.00%	0
Company	0.00%	0
Address	0.00%	0
Address 2	0.00%	0
City/Town	0.00%	0
State/Province	0.00%	0
ZIP/Postal Code	100.00%	57
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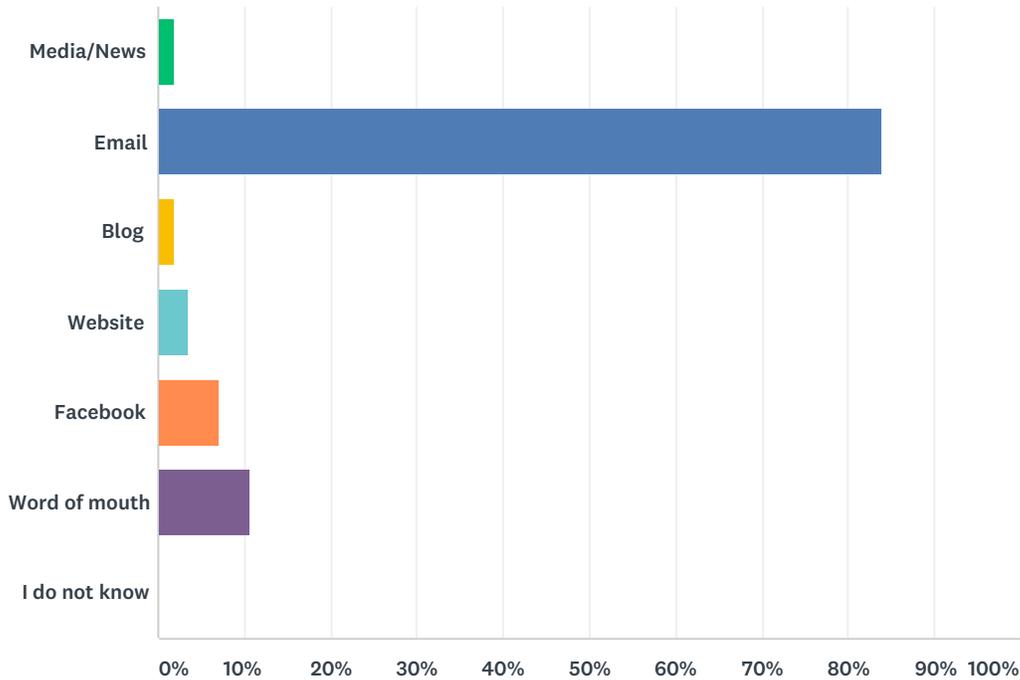
Q11 If you would like to be added to the Vermont Clean Water Initiative mailing list to be kept informed about the state’s progress in clean water, please provide your complete contact information:

Answered: 20 Skipped: 89

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name	85.00%	17
Company	25.00%	5
Address	80.00%	16
Address 2	15.00%	3
City/Town	75.00%	15
State/Province	90.00%	18
ZIP/Postal Code	75.00%	15
Country	0.00%	0
Email Address	80.00%	16
Phone Number	75.00%	15

Q12 How did you hear about this questionnaire?

Answered: 56 Skipped: 53



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Media/News	1.79% 1
Email	83.93% 47
Blog	1.79% 1
Website	3.57% 2
Facebook	7.14% 4
Word of mouth	10.71% 6
I do not know	0.00% 0
Total Respondents: 56	