

LAROSA PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

LPP Q & A:

Q: Does the Site Selection Team require a specific number of sites for each watershed or region?

A: No, the Site Selection Team does not adhere to a specific quota or number of sites in each watershed or region. We do our best to select a list of sites that are distributed widely throughout Vermont based upon both DEC and LaRosa partners' priorities. We are concerned less with the number of sites and more with creating an even distribution to fully represent water quality in the state of Vermont.

REMINDERS:

Keep an eye out for the list of selected sites for the 2022 sampling season, which will be shared with partners in **mid-February**.

2021 DATA PRESENTATION

All 2018 and 2021 LPP data have been fully reviewed and added to the Vermont Integrated Watershed Information System. 2019 LPP data is still in the process of being reviewed but should be completed by the end of the month. VT DEC staff are currently working on creating a visual presentation of all 2021 data, which we hope to share with everyone at this year's Annual Partner Training.

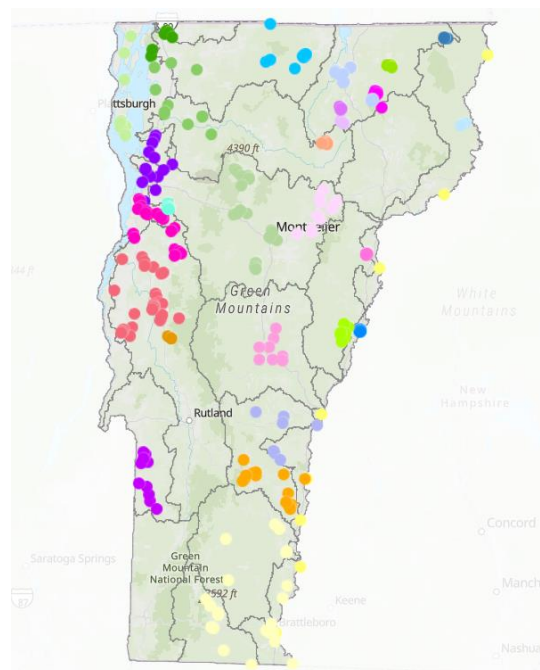
ABOUT THE LAROSA PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (LPP)

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

The 2022 Site Selection Team is currently reviewing all submitted 2022 site nominations. Final site selection review is scheduled for February 15th, and we hope to share selected sites with partners in mid-February.

UPDATES

- ❖ This year sample pickups will occur on Tuesday and Thursdays to avoid scheduling sample pickup on holidays.
- ❖ After selected sites have been shared with partners, we will send out a poll to partners to schedule the Annual Partner Training.
- ❖ A map of all sites nominated for the 2022 sampling season is included here:



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