



Weekly News Roundup October 9, 2020

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Upcoming Events

Vermont Department of Health Workplace Wellness Workshop Series

The Department of Health is hosting its first ever Worksite Wellness Virtual Workshop Series. Virtual workshops will start in October 2020 and run through April 2021 on the theme of "Cultivating Connection-Supporting Employee Wellbeing." The first workshop will be October 15th and registration is open now. Visit the [Department of Health website](#) for full details.

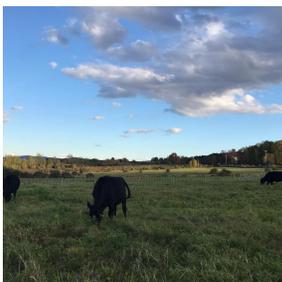
Clean Water Budget Public Hearing

October 22, 2020 | 12:00 PM

The public is invited to learn more about clean water funding and the budget process and comment on State Fiscal Year 2022 clean water funding priorities at the [Clean Water Budget Public Hearing](#) on Thursday, October 22, 2020, at 12:00 pm.

- **RSVP:** Please RSVP by completing this [online form](#) by Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 4:00 pm. Your RSVP will help us better plan to host the public hearing remotely.
- **Sign-up to Comment:** Please indicate, using the [RSVP form](#), if you wish to comment during the hearing. Commenters are encouraged to submit verbal comments in written form to ANR.CleanWaterVT@vermont.gov to ensure accuracy in public hearing minutes.
- **Attend Remotely:** The hearing will be held remotely via Microsoft Teams due to COVID-19 social distancing. [Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#) for full meeting audio and visual. If you require a call-in option to participate (e.g., computer does not have a microphone), RSVP using the above-linked form and call-in details will be sent to you directly.
- **Agenda and Materials:** To be posted on the [Clean Water Board Meetings webpage](#) in advance.

Community News



Farmers to Families Food Distribution - Volunteers Needed!

Vermont Foodbank's Farmers to Families Food Box Program is launching its third phase of distribution this month. Farmers to Families is a federally funded program that was created as part of the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP). The USDA funds distributors from around the country to source, pack, and distribute boxes full of fresh foods; including produce, dairy, and meat products.

During the upcoming phase, the Foodbank won't have the support of the National Guard so we are issuing a call for volunteers to help get this food to people in need. Specifically, we are looking for people who can consistently lift 32 pounds.

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- All distributions are open to the public from 10am – 2pm
- Volunteer shifts will run from 9:30am – 2:15pm

To Sign-Up: Please visit Volunteer Hub at <https://vtfoodbank.volunteerhub.com/>. Once your application has been approved, please visit our event calendar to view and register for Farmers to Families food distribution events.

Needs Assessment Survey for Older Adults & Family Caregivers

The Vermont Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living (DAIL) wants to learn about older Vermonters' needs and aspirations. Two surveys: Vermonters 60+ and Family Caregiver will provide vital information to help DAIL develop Vermont's next State Plan on Aging, a guiding document that outlines how the State of Vermont and the network of Agencies on Aging and service providers will strive to meet the needs of older Vermonters over time.

Anyone who lives in Vermont and is 60 years or older is encouraged to complete the Vermonter 60+ survey.

Anyone who provides care for a family member (spouse, parent, etc.) age 60+ living in Vermont is encouraged to complete the Family Caregiver Survey.

Surveys can be completed on paper or online

Vermonters 60: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Vermontage60>

Family caregiver: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VTfamilyCG>

All responses are anonymous and confidential. Survey participants may enter a raffle for a \$50 Visa gift cards – 35 cards will be given away.

For questions about the survey, contact Joy Livingston at JoyLivingston@FlintSpringsAssociates.com or 802-482-5100. For questions about how the survey results will be used, contact Conor ODea, Director State Unit on Aging, DAIL (Conor.ODea@vermont.gov) or (802-585-6040)

Comment on Draft Clean Water Budget Now Through October 30th

The Clean Water Board is requesting public input on State Fiscal Year 2022 clean water funding priorities, October 1-30, 2020. Weigh in by completing this brief [online questionnaire](#), open October 1-30, 2020.

Complete the brief [online questionnaire](#) by October 30, 2020 at 4:00 pm.

View the [draft State Fiscal Year 2022 clean water budget](#) and [line item descriptions](#).

To request a hard copy of the questionnaire, or other accommodations to participate in the public comment process, email ANR.CleanWaterVT@vermont.gov. Hard copy questionnaire responses must be postmarked by October 30th and mailed to:

Attention: Vermont Clean Water Initiative Program
Department of Environmental Conservation
One National Life Drive, Davis 3
Montpelier, VT 05620-3522



COVID 19 Updates

News from CVRPC

If your community has a need we can assist you with, please contact us at CVRPC@cvregion.com. Previously published editions of [CVRPC's Municipal Updates](#) related to COVID-19 are available on our website. Stay Safe!

RFP's, Grant Information, Applications & Deadlines

Vermont DEC Funding Opportunity for Electrification Projects - Applications Due November 3

Funds from Vermont's allocation of the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust are being allocated to assess the feasibility of all-electric technologies and begin to catalyze market transformation in Vermont. The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation is seeking proposals for electric replacement or repower (engine replacement) projects for all eligible mitigation actions under the Trust to reduce emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx) and co-pollutants in the state. [Read More »](#)

Upcoming Meetings

Please note that CVRPC will provide a video or call in option for all meetings

OCTOBER

Oct 12 - CVRPC Office Closed - Holiday

Oct 13 6:30 pm Board of Commissioners Meeting | Regional Plan Amendment Hearing, Via Technology (See Agenda)

Oct 22 4 pm Project Review Committee Meeting, TBD

Oct 27 6:30 pm Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting, Via Technology (See Agenda)

NOVEMBER

Nov 2 4 pm Executive Committee Meeting, Via Technology (See Agenda)

Nov 10 6:30 pm Board of Commissioners Meeting, Via Technology (See Agenda)

Nov 12 4 pm Clean Water Advisory Committee Meeting, Via Technology (See Agenda)

Nov 24 6:30 pm Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting, Via Technology (See Agenda)

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