Winooski River Basin Water Quality Council Meeting

18 September 2025

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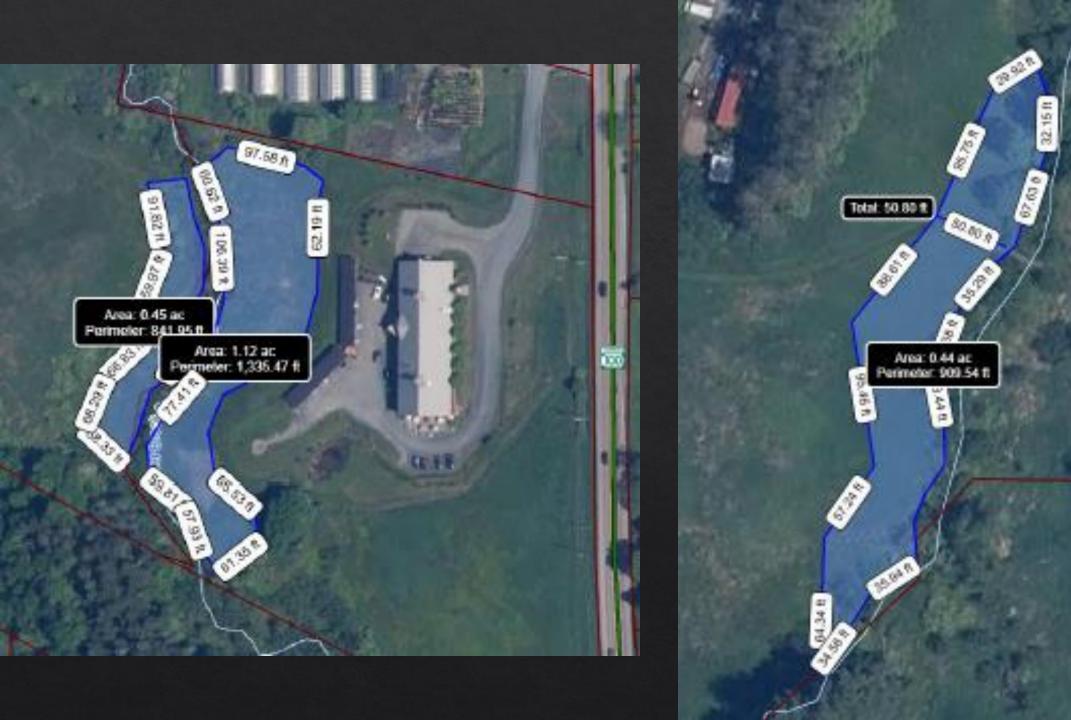
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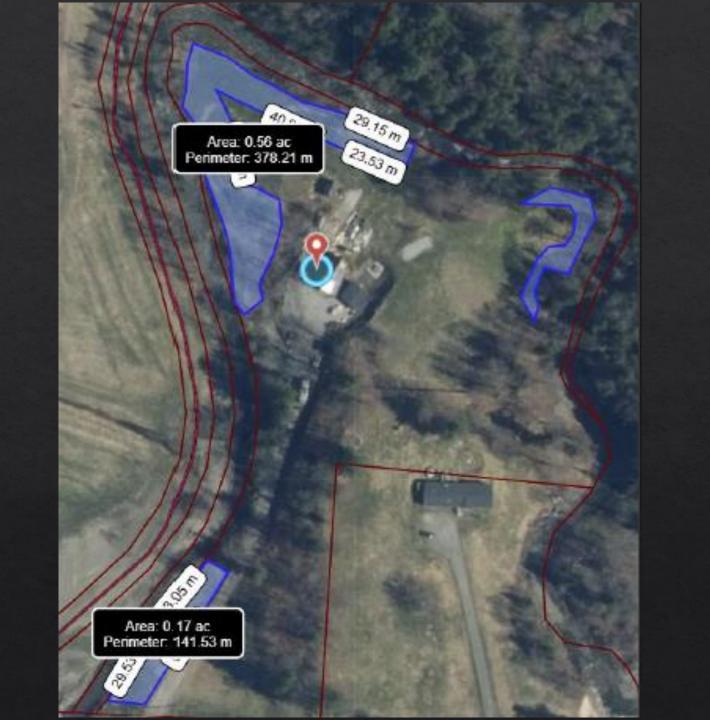
Initial Proposal Review: Riparian Buffer Planting - GMC & VTACT

- ♦ Primary Contact: Samuel Puddicombe, Friends of the Winooski River
- Project Type: Riparian Buffer Planting Implementation
- ♦ Project Description: This proposal seeks funds to plant a 50' 100' wide riparian buffer at a density of 400 stems / acre on 2-acres in the Lower Little River watershed (Waterbury).
- Project Deliverables:
 - Acres of riparian buffer planted / restored: 2
 - ♦ P-reduction: 1.5 kg / yr
- Project Budget:
 - ♦ Formula Grant: \$15,548
 - ♦ Non-State Matching Funds: \$4,840
 - ♦ Total Project Budget: \$20,388



Initial Proposal Review: Riparian Buffer Planting - Graber

- Primary Contact: Samuel Puddicombe, Friends of the Winooski River
- Project Type: Riparian Buffer Planting Implementation
- ♦ Project Description: This proposal seeks funds to plant a 35′ 50′ wide riparian buffer at a density of 400 stems / acre on 0.85-acres in the Winooski River Headwaters watershed (Cabot). A letter of support from the landowner is pending.
- Project Deliverables:
 - Acres of riparian buffer planted / restored: 0.85
 - ♦ P-reduction: 1.7 kg / yr
- Project Budget:
 - ♦ Formula Grant: \$11,155
 - ♦ Non-State Matching Funds: \$0
 - ♦ Total Project Budget: \$11,155



Initial Proposal Review: Riparian Buffer Planting - Kelly

- Primary Contact: Samuel Puddicombe, Friends of the Winooski River
- Project Type: Riparian Buffer Planting Implementation
- Project Description: This proposal seeks funds to plant a 300' wide riparian buffer at a density of 350 stems / acre on 0.75-acres in the Huntington River watershed (Huntington). A letter of support from the landowner is pending.
- Project Deliverables:
 - Acres of riparian buffer planted / restored: 0.75
 - ♦ P-reduction: 1 kg / yr
- Project Budget:
 - ♦ Formula Grant: \$8,861
 - ♦ Non-State Matching Funds: \$0
 - ♦ Total Project Budget: \$8,861



Initial Proposal Review: Riparian Buffer Planting - SHO

- ♦ Primary Contact: Samuel Puddicombe, Friends of the Winooski River
- Project Type: Riparian Buffer Planting Implementation
- ♦ Project Description: This proposal seeks funds to plant a 100' wide riparian buffer at a density of 300 stems / acre on 1.75-acres in the Huntington River watershed (Huntington). The landowner supports the project.
- Project Deliverables:
 - Acres of riparian buffer planted / restored: 1.75
 - ♦ P-reduction: 1.1 kg / yr
- Project Budget:
 - ♦ Formula Grant: \$13,940
 - ♦ Non-State Matching Funds: \$0
 - ♦ Total Project Budget: \$13,940



Initial Proposal Review: Riparian Buffer Planting – Tyler Place Trib

- Primary Contact: Samuel Puddicombe, Friends of the Winooski River
- Project Type: Riparian Buffer Planting Implementation
- ♦ Project Description: This proposal seeks funds to plant a 50' wide riparian buffer at a density of 400 stems / acre on 3.75-acres in the Tributaries to the Lower Mid-Winooski watershed (Jericho). The landowner supports the project.
- Project Deliverables:
 - Acres of riparian buffer planted / restored: 3.75
 - ♦ P-reduction: 3.25 kg / yr
- Project Budget:
 - ♦ Formula Grant: \$25,572
 - ♦ Non-State Matching Funds: \$4,500
 - ♦ Total Project Budget: \$30,522



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Announcements

River Corridor Planning & The Flood Safety Act 121 – Municipal Sessions

Facilitators: Lake Champlain Sea Grant & The Nature Conservancy

- ♦ 14 October 2025 at 6:30PM CVRPC Board of Commissioners Meeting (discussion)
- ♦ 13 November 2025 at 4:00PM CVRPC Clean Water Advisory Committee Meeting (workshop)
 - ♦ See the CVRPC website for meeting agendas and zoom links
- Vermont's Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has released a draft <u>Cost</u> <u>Rate Methodology (CRM)</u> on the State's Environmental Notice Bulletin (ENB) website for a 30-day public comment period

A public presentation will be held on Wednesday, 8 October 2025 from 2-3pm.

- ♦ Attend in person: National Life Building, Davis 2, Catamount Room, in Montpelier, Vermont
- Attend remotely: via MS Teams by following <u>this meeting link</u>
- Friends of the Mad River has issued a Request for Proposals for a consultant to lead the design and build of a geospatial database for their Clean Water Database Planning Project in the Mad River Watershed, a project funded by the Lake Champlain Basin Program.
 - ♦ Deadline for proposals is 24 October 2025. Please direct any questions to julie@friendsofthemadriver.org.
- ♦ CWSP Funding The deadline for consideration at the October Winooski River Basin Water Quality Council meeting is 9 October 2025. <u>Schedule a meeting</u> with Brian & Lincoln for proposal development assistance.

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