

April 12, 2019

Northern Borders Regional Commission James Cleveland Federal Building Suite 1201 53 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301

RE: NBRC Grant Program – Stoney Hill Project, Bristol, VT

Dear Review Committee,

The Addison County Chamber of Commerce confidently offers its support for the Stoney Hill Project being developed by Stoney Hill Properties and the Town of Bristol. Over the years, Bristol has lost several growing companies with local employees due to the lack of adequate manufacturing space and associated infrastructure, including Bee's Wrap, Vermont Coffee Company and Aqua Vitea. Having a business park in town would greatly enhance the town's ability to attract and keep employers in the area. This in turn would provide Bristol residents with local employment, saving the added expenses of commuting and longer child-care hours.

The NBRC grant would help Stoney Hill Properties over the final hurdle of their financing and bring them closer to their target build date of the Fall of 2020. Kevin Harper of Stoney Hill Properties has been a strong partner to the town of Bristol by revitalizing the Bristol Works property, and by assisting with the building of the Bristol Fire Station. It would seem that this project aligns well with the expanded NBRC grant program, to revitalize the Northern Borders region.

We look forward to participating in any way needed, along with other Addison County partners and the Town of Bristol, to make this plan a reality.

Thank you for your consideration of this key community project.

Sincerely,

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