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Call for Water Quality Projects

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To: Municipalities in the Otter Creek, Little Otter Creek and Lewis Creek Basins:
From: Otter Creek Basin Clean Water Service Provider

The Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC), issued the attached request for proposals for projects that improve water quality in the Otter Creek, Lewis Creek, and Little Otter Creek watersheds. Approximately \$1 million in funding is available, and non-regulatory water quality projects are eligible and encouraged.

Eligible Applicants: Funding can be provided to non-profit watershed organizations, natural resource conservation districts, other non-profit organizations, and municipalities. Projects not sponsored by these groups may still be eligible for funding via contracted services.

Types of Projects Sought: Projects must reduce the level of phosphorus entering waterways and depositing into Lake Champlain and will be primarily scored based on their cost efficiency in achieving this. Other benefits, including environmental justice concerns, addressing other pollutants, ecosystem services and climate resilience, recreation and community enhancement, education opportunities, and economic growth opportunities, will still play a role in the scoring of a project. Project sponsors should also have the capacity to take on this work. There are separate phases for development, preliminary design, final design, and implementation, and separate applications will be required for each phase if a project plans on using grant money through the whole process.

Project types vary, but some examples of eligible options are sub-jurisdictional practices related to developed lands, restoration and protection of river corridors, floodplains, wetlands, riparian and lakeshore corridors, forestry projects related to water quality beyond state requirements, and agricultural projects if farm is not subject to Required Agricultural Practices.


Due Date: January 11, 2023

For questions, please contact Mike Winslow at 802-578-9999 or mwinslow@acrpc.org
Please share this announcement widely within your community.

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