



Dear Bristol Wastewater System Customer,

The Town of Bristol is working with RCAP Solutions to share important information about the Bristol wastewater system and invites you to participate in upcoming efforts focused on the system's long-term reliability and the future of the downtown area.

You are requested to attend an In-person informational session to learn more, ask questions, and provide feedback.

**This meeting will take place on October 21, 2026, from 6pm – 8pm
at Holley Hall, 1 South St, Bristol, VT**

Bristol's wastewater system currently has enough physical (hydraulic) capacity to serve the community. However, the system is limited by the amount of organic material measured as Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD) entering the system. Elevated BOD levels reduce how much wastewater the system can effectively treat.

The Bristol Sewer system was designed to handle 20,000 gal per day but is maxed out at about 8,000 gal per day, which is only 40% of its capacity. If Bristol can decrease its BOD 50% (as a potential goal), it will result in a dramatic increase in available wastewater capacity to be utilized for growth of the downtown business community and sustainability of the sewer system. If BOD cannot be reduced, costly treatment options will be needed, and the expense would be split by all the wastewater system customers. Addressing BOD at its source is widely recognized as the most effective and cost-efficient solution.

Additionally, VTM Engineering will present on the Main Street water line design for Bristol East.

Please feel free to email or call with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joshua Lochhead".

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