

Vermont Better Roads Program



Installation of a Better Roads grant project in Chester, VT

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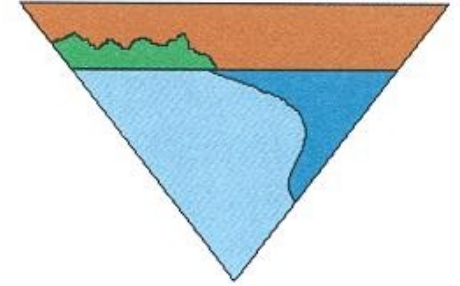
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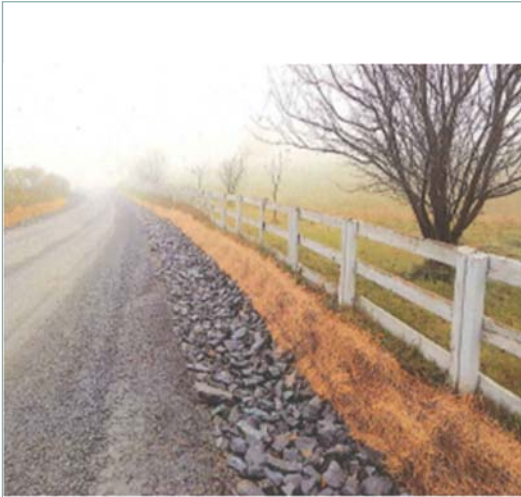


Better Roads
Clean Water You Can Afford



*A grant program for
municipalities that
provides funds for
planning and erosion
control projects that
improve water quality
and reduce
maintenance costs.*





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The Vermont Better Roads Program (formerly known as the Better Backroads Program) started in 1997 to provide towns with funding and technical assistance to implement cost-effective techniques that reduce erosion on town roads while enhancing water quality. Grant funds are provided by the Agency of Transportation in partnership with the Agency of Natural Resources. There are four categories of grants: A, B, C and D.



CATEGORY A GRANTS

Category A grants are for planning and provide funding to conduct a road erosion inventory, development of an implementation table and identification of priorities for work in compliance with the Municipal Roads General Permit.

Maximum grant award: \$8,000

Required local match: 20%



CATEGORY B GRANTS

Category B grants are for construction projects that correct an erosion problem and/or installation of stormwater infrastructure that will result in improved water quality. Examples of eligible projects in this category are the installation of grass or stone lined ditches, small culverts (< 36"), rain gardens that treat road runoff, and catch basins or drop inlets.

Maximum grant award: \$20,000

Required local match: 20%



CATEGORY C GRANTS

Category C grants are for construction projects that correct a streambank, lake shore or other slope related erosion problems on town roads.

Maximum grant award: \$40,000

Required local match: 20%



CATEGORY D GRANTS

Category D grants are for structure and/or culvert upgrade projects. Eligible projects must include installation of a culvert at least 36" in diameter or greater.

Maximum grant award: \$60,000

Required local match: 20%