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Phosphorus Reduction in the City of Rutland

Through a bidding process the Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District (RNRCD) hired Fitzgerald Environmental Associates to complete a Phosphorus Control Plan for the City of Rutland.

The goal of the Phosphorus Control Plan (PCP) is to provide a plan for the City to achieve the percent phosphorus (P) reduction target for the Otter Creek segment of Lake Champlain. This work will build upon the work completed during the Moon Brook Flow Restoration Plan (FRP) completed by Watershed Consulting Associates, LLC December 1, 2019.

The existing projects identified within the City and the proposed stormwater treatment practices will be assessed for credit towards the phosphorus reduction goal. Good housekeeping practices and implementation of Municipal Road Standards will also be considered during the existing conditions assessment. The existing and proposed structural and non-structural practices will be modeled using the methodology developed by the VT Department of Environmental Conservation (VT DEC) and the City's phosphorus reduction credit will be calculated.

Proposed practices will be ranked, and a project schedule will be developed.

The proposed project is a collaboration among RNRCD, LCBP and the City of Rutland.

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