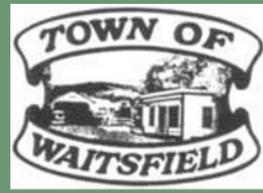


HEALTHY WAITSFIELD

Waitsfield Community Wastewater Project



Project Goals

- **Protect water quality** in the Mad River
- **Safeguard human health** near drinking water wells
- **Replace aging septic systems** with no upfront cost
- **Build more housing** in Waitsfield Village & Irasville
- **Have no impact on Waitsfield municipal tax rates**



System Components

- **Wastewater collection** from homes and businesses in Waitsfield Village & Irasville
- **Conveyance** from Waitsfield Village & Irasville along VT 100 to the Munn Site
- **Treatment & disposal** at the Munn Site, across from Valley Animal Hospital

Timeline

- 2022 Planning
- 2023 Preliminary design
- 2024-25 Final design
- 2025 Permitting
- 2025 Construction starts
- 2026 System online

All work to date has been funded through state and federal sources (~\$400,000) **at no cost to taxpayers**. Initial property owner conversations are underway and have been overwhelmingly positive and supportive.

Anticipated Costs, No Tax Impact

Estimated construction costs are ~\$15 million. The Town is seeking ~\$13 million in grants and ~\$2 million in loans to pay for the system. **The project will not impact Waitsfield municipal tax rates**. Loan payments and operating costs will be covered by reasonable user fees, just like the existing town water system.



Bond Vote!

A successful bond vote on June 11, 2024 is crucial to secure maximum grant funding. Grant rules require the town vote to bond the full ~\$15M cost, even though we are seeking ~\$13M in grants. Your vote allows the town to pursue funding; construction will only proceed if grants & loans ensure affordability for users.



<https://www.waitsfieldvt.us/waitsfield-community-wastewater-project>

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