

Greensboro Wastewater Treatment Project Update August 15, 2024

In 2019, wastewater treatment was one of four task forces established as part of the Community Visit Program conducted by the Vermont Council on Rural Development. The Wastewater Task Force, later called the Wastewater Committee, worked with the Town to win a grant to study to identify a proposed community wastewater solution to serve the main Greensboro Village. Several possible locations for the project were identified and evaluated in 2021 and 2022. None of the sites were judged feasible.

Negotiations then began with the St Michel's Church on the Bend Road to investigate several acres of land to the rear of the church buildings. Advanced hydrogeological investigations were performed on the church property in 2023. The results of these investigations indicated that the St. Michaels Roman Catholic Church property in Greensboro Bend had wastewater disposal capacity to serve Greensboro Village. The Town has received significant ARPA grant funding to construct the community wastewater project; however, the ARPA grant funding terms include aggressive project progress deadlines. In September 2023, the Town commenced negotiations with the St. Michaels Roman Catholic Church to draft a purchase and sale agreement to acquire , property to the Town.

With the ARPA funding about to expire, the Town and our engineers decided to consider the green in front of Town Hall as a village project that might be able to serve both the village as well as the proposed apartment complex planned for Town Hall (or, just the village if the apartment project does not proceed). Discussions began with engineers working with Rural Edge, the developer of the Town Hall apartment project, who proposed a wastewater treatment system be built on the Town green. Field investigations are likely to be conducted in August or September.

Finally, one other potential wastewater location has been identified, and will be evaluated in the coming weeks.