



Waitsfield | Irasville & Waitsfield Village 2022 Water & Wastewater Feasibility Study

Wastewater treatment is fundamental to a thriving, revitalized village—everything from housing to business development relies on proper sewage disposal. However, Waitsfield is one of ~150 villages in VT that lacks a centralized sewer system. That’s why the Town is currently exploring infrastructure options and solutions through a Wastewater & Water (W&WW) Feasibility Study.

WHAT IS THE W&WW STUDY?

- The study will explore:
 - a. Options for infrastructure improvements, b. Wastewater solutions, and c. Potential expansion of water service for Irasville and Waitsfield Villages.
- The final report will:
 - Designs and solutions centralized & decentralized wastewater infrastructure in Waitsfield’s identified growth area
 - Recommended Infrastructure solution
 - Analyze options for extending the current public water service

HOW IS THE STUDY FUNDED?

- This study is fully funded by State ARPA funds through the VT Agency of Natural Resources (ANR), [Department of Environmental Conservation \(DEC\)](#). There is **no cost** to the Waitsfield taxpayers for the feasibility study.

WHO IS INVOLVED IN THE STUDY?

- The project is overseen by the newly created Water and Wastewater Feasibility Study Committee (W&WW Committee) made up of members from the Waitsfield Selectboard, Planning Commission, and Water Commission. The study is being conducted by consulting engineers [DuBois & King, Inc.](#)

WHAT’S THE STUDY TIMELINE?

- The final report from DuBois & King is due early fall 2022. There will be one (or more) public engagement meetings to present the findings.

WHAT IS THE STUDY’S PURPOSE?

- **Housing.** Access to utility infrastructure is an important step in addressing affordable housing development.
- **“Infill development.”** More robust wastewater infrastructure can open the door to new development in identified “growth areas” in Town.
- **Update old infrastructure.** The W&WW Study can address old and failing wastewater systems.
- **Environmental protection.** To protect and promote clean water, preserve existing wetlands and habitats, and promote a clean Mad River.
- **Town services.** Infrastructure is the basis for a future, healthy, sustainable, resilient Waitsfield.

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