

## Permit Coordination Assistance for ARPA-Funded Projects

Office of Planning, Vermont Agency of Natural Resources

*Struggling to make sense of the environmental permitting requirements associated with your ARPA-funded project? Would it be helpful to convene or gather feedback from experts across ANR's regulatory programs? Does your project need an Act 250 permit? If you answer 'yes' to any of these questions, **consider contacting ANR's Office of Planning for assistance.***

The [Office of Planning](#) at the Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) coordinates ANR's participation in the permitting of land, energy, and telecommunications development projects by Vermont's District Environmental Commissions and Public Utility Commission. The Office has broad expertise in state environmental laws and regulations. In recognition of the time-sensitivity and potential complexity of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) projects, the Office of Planning is available to help coordinate the environmental permitting associated with ARPA projects. Coordination could mean scoping permit requirements, convening regulatory programs and grantees to discuss conflicts and cross-program issues, and providing information to regulatory programs and grantees to facilitate permitting.

When might you need permit coordination assistance? Examples include:

- A preliminary engineering report or the [Permit Navigator](#) indicates you need three or more ANR permits.
- Your project involves unavoidable impacts to sensitive resources like [wetlands](#) or [floodplains](#).
- Your project requires an [Act 250 permit](#) and raises substantive issues related to streams or wildlife habitat.

For more information on environmental permit coordination for ARPA projects, contact Kevin Anderson ([kevin.anderson@vermont.gov](mailto:kevin.anderson@vermont.gov); 802-798-2087) or Kathleen Taft ([Kathleen.taft@vermont.gov](mailto:Kathleen.taft@vermont.gov); 802-461-8812) in the Office of Planning.