

December 12, 2022

Michael A. Jones Town Manager Town of Castleton 263 Route 30N Bomoseen, Vermont 05732

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RE: Town of Castleton Staso Road Salt & Sand Shed

Dear Mr. Robertson,

The Town of Castleton Selectboard approved the Town Manager to apply for a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant to assist with stormwater mitigation and to secure funding needed to build a new salt and sand shed on Town property on Staso Road. The grant category supports Environmental Mitigation Activity Related to Stormwater and Highways.

Commencing in 2019, and again in 2021, the voters from the Town of Castleton voted to use \$253,000 of unanticipated revenue for the sole purpose of using it for the Town's share of a grant for a new salt and sand shed. The Town also applied for a TAP Grant to conduct a scoping study Town property and roadway on Staso Road. The scoping study (Castleton TAP TA 19(3) Staso Road Stormwater Scoping Study) was completed in 2022 by MSK Engineers, in collaboration with Fitzgerald Engineering. This grant will enable us to build this building, which is out of our reach without assistance. The grant will help us solve a persistent stormwater runoff problem, help us to be better stewards of the environment, and to improve water quality in the Pond Hill Brook, which is hydrologically connected to the Castleton River, which is a feeder body of water to the Lake Champlain southern basin.

The Selectboard is committed to this project and this grant goes a long way in making it possible. We ask for your favorable consideration. Please feel free to contact me at (802) 468-5319, ext. 207. Sincerely,

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Selectboard Chairman Town of Castleton, VT

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