

November 30, 2023

## **Ross Gouin**

Vermont Agency of Transportation 219 North Main Street Barre, VT 05641

Dear Mr. Gouin,

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) is writing to you in support of Moretown's application for Municipal Highway and Stormwater Mitigation Program funding, for a new salt shed. The current Town salt shed has reached the end of its functional life and is structurally deficient and appears ready to collapse, the town is concerned that it will allow salt leachate into the Mad River. It is a 16'X16'x12', with no concrete pad or room for dry storage. The new structure will have a 12" concrete pad with a 4' overhang for storage in the back. The new shed will be 14' high which will allow the trucks to dump without damaging the facility and would be built of salt resistant materials that ideally will give it at least a 20 year life expectancy. This project would provide a needed update to the facility as well as preventing run off into the nearby river.

The CVRPC Regional Plan supports establishing a transportation system that maximizes the protection of the environment, by mitigating water contamination, and to minimize negative environmental impacts associated with the transportation system to fragile areas, surface water, and vegetation. As we believe building a salt shed on the proposed location helps achieve these goals. The CVRPC therefore hopes you look favorably onto Moretown's application for a new salt shed.

If you have any questions or comments please let me know.

Sincerely,
Keith Cubbon
Keith Cubbon
Planner