

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

May 15, 2024

The Honorable Jeff Merkley
Chair
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and
Related Agencies
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and
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Dear Chair Merkley and Ranking Member Murkowski:

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2025 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for profit entities.

Thank you again for your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Peter Welch".

Peter Welch
United States Senator

**Welch, Peter(D-VT) Interior and Environment
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
First Congregational Church	The purpose of this project is to restore and preserve the historic First Congregational Church in Bennington, VT.	Bennington VT	\$500
Bolton Valley Water and Community Development Company	The purpose of this project is to replace a wastewater treatment facility at the end of its useful life, avoiding sever economic and environmental risks in the event of a failure.	Bolton VT	\$2,000
City of Burlington	The purpose of the project is to improve wastewater storage infrastructure to prevent combined sewer overflow discharge into Lake Champlain.	Burlington VT	\$1,000
Intervale Center Inc.	The Intervale Conservation Nursery specializes in growing native trees and shrubs for riparian restoration and land conservation projects throughout Vermont. This project furthers the goal of developing a coordinated native seed collection, storage, and propagation strategy.	Burlington VT	\$450
City of Burlington	This project, which will replace a drinking water reservoir and pump station that were built in 1867, will improve both water quality and overall resiliency of the city's drinking water system.	Burlington VT	\$2,000
City of Montpelier	This project aims to accelerate the proposed 10-year plan to replace 27,335 linear feet of water system mains with adequately sized and rated pipes.	Montpelier VT	\$2,500
Town of Richmond	The Richmond WWTF is a regional septage receiving facility for Chittenden County, accepting up to 4.8 million gallons of septage per year. The existing septage receiving and processing equipment has reached the end of its useful life, lacks redundancy, and presents safety concerns for operations.	Richmond VT	\$2,500
Town of South Hero	The purpose of this project is to restore the historic Meeting House in the town of South Hero, Vermont.	South Hero VT	\$400
Town of Waitsfield	This project will allow the town to connect 105 private septic systems to a common system, with priority given to systems that are more than 40 years old, located in a floodplain or river corridor, or are near drinking water wells.	Waitsfield VT	\$2,500
Town of Wolcott	The project purpose is to construct a community wastewater system including installation of a septic tank effluent pump; construction of a collection and treatment system; and installation of a common pump for dosing and dispersal into the soil.	Wolcott VT	\$1,400
Town of Woodstock	This project, to replace the Woodstock Mian Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF), will maintain water quality by addressing aging infrastructure, treatment for emerging effluent limitations, operational efficiency, and resiliency.	Woodstock VT	\$2,500