

ACT 250 JURISDICTIONAL OPINION JO 4-468

State of Vermont
Land Use Review Board
District 4 Environmental Commission
111 West Street
Essex Junction, VT 05452
https://act250.vermont.gov/

This is a Jurisdictional Opinion based upon available information and a written request from the landowner/agent or other person. Any notified person or entity will be bound by this opinion unless that person or entity files a request for reconsideration with the District Coordinator or an appeal with the Superior Court, Environmental Division within 30 days of the issuance of this opinion (see below). This Opinion identifies Act 250 Jurisdiction only. Other permits may be required (e.g., https://dec.vermont.gov/permits). For more information, please contact the Agency of Natural Resources Environmental Assistance Office: (https://dec.vermont.gov/assistance/permits).

☑ I hereby request a jurisdictional opinion from the District Coordinator regarding the jurisdiction of 10 V.S.A. Chapter 151 (Act 250) over the project described below.

Project Description:

The existing Creamery building (74 Jolina Court, Richmond) is four-stories and 18,360 square feet with 14 apartments and unused commercial space. The proposed project is the conversion of 5,245 square feet of this commercial space (80%) into nine residential rental units. The project includes a semi-permanent, moveable, 648 square foot bike shed, one additional exterior light, stairs and a sidewalk at the front of the building, and an ADA compliant pat to access the existing green space. The project is owned by Buttermilk, LLC.

The Project is further described in the JO request and exhibits (Project Number JO 4-468 on the <u>Act 250 Database</u> online).

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Project Locat	ion: The Creamery	y, 74 Jolina Court, Ricl	nmond, VT 05477	
Existing Act 2	250 permit number(s) or series: 4C015	0 and amendments	
Project Type:	☐ Commercial ☐ Farming/Forestry	☐ Subdivision☑ Housing	☐ Municipal/State ☐ Other	☐ Mixed

AN ACT 250 PERMIT IS REQUIRED: ☐ YES ☐ NO

BASIS FOR DECISION:

(cc) Until July 1, 2028, no permit amendment is required for the construction of improvements for converting a structure used for a commercial purpose to 29 or fewer housing units. 10 V.S.A. §6081(cc).

DATE: October 15, 2025

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Any party may file within 30 days from the date of a decision of the District Coordinator a request for reconsideration with respect to the jurisdictional opinion, pursuant to Act 250 Rule 3(B). Any reply to a request for reconsideration shall be filed within 15 days of the service of the request, unless otherwise provided by the District Coordinator.

Any person aggrieved by an act or decision of a District Commission or District Coordinator, or any party by right, may appeal to the Environmental Division of Vermont Superior Court within 30 days of the act or decision pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 8504. Such appeals are governed by Rule 5 of the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings. The appellant must file a notice of appeal with the clerk of the court and pay any fee required under 32 V.S.A. § 1431.

The appellant must also serve a copy of the Notice of Appeal on the Land Use Review Board and on other parties in accordance with Rule 5(b)(4)(B) of the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings. The Land Use Review Board's copy may be sent to act250.legal@vermont.gov and/or 10 Baldwin Street, Montpelier, VT 05633-3201.

Please note that there are certain limitations on the right to appeal, including interlocutory appeals. See, e.g., 10 V.S.A. § 8504(k), 3 V.S.A. § 815, and Vermont Rule of Appellate Procedure 5. For additional information on filing appeals, see the Court's website at: http://www.vermontjudiciary.org/GTC/environmental/default.aspx or call (802) 951-1740. The Court's mailing address is Vermont Superior Court, Environmental Division, 32 Cherry Street, 2nd Floor, Suite 303, Burlington, VT 05401.

The foregoing statements regarding requests for reconsideration and appeals are intended for informational purposes only. They neither supplant any rights or obligations provided for by law nor do they constitute a complete statement of the rights or obligations of any person or party.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I, Adriene Katz, Land Use Review Board Technician, District 4 Environmental Commission, sent a copy of the foregoing **Jurisdictional Opinion JO 4-468** by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on this October 15, 2025 to the following individuals without email addresses, and by electronic mail, to the following individuals with email addresses:

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Dated this October 15, 2025.

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