



TOWN OF RICHMOND

RICHMOND TOWN CENTER
203 Bridge Street, P.O. Box 285
Richmond, Vermont 05477



September 6, 2023

Travis Thomason
State Conservationist
Natural Resources Conservation Service
356 Mountain View Drive, Suite 105
Colchester, VT 05446

Dear Mr. Thomason:

We request Federal assistance under the provisions of section 216 of the Flood Control Act of 1950, Public Law 81-516 or section 403 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978, Public Law 95-334, to restore damages sustained in Chittenden County by flooding that occurred on July 16, 2023. This work is needed to safeguard lives and property from an imminent hazard of continued flooding of the house located at 102 Tilden Ave. in Richmond, VT. The assistance requested is to address an undersized stormwater inlet pipe located on a neighboring parcel and uphill of the house which was overrun in the flood event and caused water to run into the garage and basement.

We are a municipality with a legal interest in or responsibility for the values threatened by the watershed emergency. We understand, as sponsors of emergency watershed protection measures, that our responsibilities will include:

- Contributing a share of the project costs, as determined by NRCS, by providing funds or eligible services necessary to undertake the activity.
- Obtaining any necessary real property rights, water rights, and regulatory permits.
- Agreeing to provide for any required operation and maintenance of the completed emergency measures.

We have exhausted or have insufficient funding or other resources available to provide adequate relief from applicable hazards. We acknowledge that NRCS will not provide funding for activities undertaken by a sponsor prior to the signing of an agreement between NRCS and the sponsor.

The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the administrative and technical contact persons in our organization are as follows:

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Please contact them for any additional information that you might need in assessing our request.

Sincerely,

Bard Hill, Richmond Selectboard Vice Chair