

Updates from Vermont Rural Water

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Clean Water for Vermont Communities.

Sign the Pledge!

The current administration is considering cutting funding to the USDA–Rural Development’s Water & Environmental Programs (WEP). This could impact Vermont Rural Water, as WEP funds several of our staff positions, allowing us to provide free technical assistance. WEP also provides grants and loans to water and wastewater systems.

The National Rural Water Association launched a campaign called [Rural Water Strong](#) to encourage the federal government to maintain funding for WEP. There is a pledge form that you can fill out to show your support at <https://www.ruralwaterstrong.org/pledge>.

The goal is to collect **30,000 signatures** from across the country to show the current administration the far-reaching impacts of rural water programs. So far only 76 people from Vermont have signed. Please take a moment to sign the pledge, and then share it with your colleagues, board members, friends, and family.

Spring Newsletter

Our spring newsletter is out, featuring Yankee Ingenuity, exciting updates from our Apprenticeship Program, our new cybersecurity program, and our spring training calendar. [Read it online here.](#)

If you receive the print version in the mail, be aware that some pages were inserted in the wrong order. Our printer sends their sincerest apologies. [Click here to read the newsletter as a PDF \(with all pages in the proper order!\)](#)

2025 Conference & Trade Show

Thursday, May 15 • 8 am to 3 pm

Lake Morey Resort • Fairlee, VT

Register now for our 2025 Conference! The event features a trade show, luncheon, and training classes (earn up to 3.5 TCH for water and/or wastewater) on Thursday, May 15 at Lake Morey Resort. [Click here for more information.](#)

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Register for the golf tournament on May 14 [here.](#)

Vendors can sign up for a booth in the trade show [here.](#) (Only 12 booths left!)

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