

EWP Process Overview

➤ Watershed Event Occurs

- Step 1** NRCS State Conservationist submits Electronic Disaster Report (EDR).
- Step 2** Sponsor submits Request for EWP Assistance to NRCS State Conservationist within 60 days of the watershed event that caused the damage in the town.
- Step 3** NRCS conducts site visits with Sponsor and completes Damage Survey Reports (DSR).
- Step 4** NRCS State Conservationist submits eligible DSR to the National Watershed Office.
 - This is the Vermont NRCS funding request.
- Step 5** NRCS National Watershed Office reviews submitted DSR's and approves funding for eligible DSR.
 - If EWP funds are not available, eligible projects are added to a national EWP waitlist.
 - Projects on the waitlist will be funded when Congress appropriates funds for the EWP Program.
- Step 6** EWP Funds are transferred to Vermont NRCS.
- Step 7** Vermont NRCS notifies Sponsor funds are available.
- Step 8** Sponsor submits EWP Grant Application.
 - NRCS DSR Estimated Cost are used for EWP grant application budget.
- Step 9** NRCS processes grant application.
- Step 10** Sponsor and NRCS execute (sign) the EWP agreement.
 - This obligates EWP funds for repairs.
- Step 11** Complete design and obtain permits.
 - With the scope of damage, NRCS may require Sponsor to contract design and construction oversight services. NRCS can obligate funds to help cover this cost.
- Step 12** Sponsor Solicits Bids.
- Step 13** Sponsor Awards Construction Contract
 - Sponsor can request additional funds to increase NRCS share to 75% if the selected bid exceeds the DSR Cost Estimate.
- Step 14** Construction of project.
- Step 15** Close Out and Final Reports