

Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation

Capital Program

Fiscal Years 2016 – 2017 Project Plan

**Small Scale (Building Scale) Capital Maintenance**

\$1.2 million divided among 5 geographically distributed management regions. Proposed projects include:

- Electrical upgrades and code compliance at locations statewide
- Reroofing of a portion of structures owned by FPR, including ANR Regional Office Building in Essex Junction.
- Accessibility improvements for people with physical disabilities identified in collaboration with the Vermont Center for Independent Living. The current proposed locations include:
  - Woodford
  - Branbury
  - Waterbury Center
  - Kamp Kill Kare
  - Burton Island
- Regionally prioritized building or component scale projects including measures to increase energy efficiency and to address lead paint regulations.

**Septic repairs and planned upgrades**

\$400,000 will be used for emergency repairs with a balance hopefully available in the later part of the biennium for preventive replacement and upgrade of the highest priority needs among the 140 septic systems statewide. For 2016 and 2017 we will begin the following replacements and upgrades as funding allows after addressing emergency failures:

- Full park septic replacement at Jamaica
- Begin septic replacement as part of the Maidstone, Allis rehabilitation
- Replacement of portable toilets and failing vault toilets with self-contained composting units
- Complete detailed design and permitting for replacement of the near-failing spray disposal system at Lake Carmi State Park. The new system will require an approach incorporating innovative technology.

**State Forests and Parks Roads**

\$400,000 for capital scale rehabilitation and replacement of road surfaces and structures. Priority projects include:

- Lake Carmi entrance road reconstruction
- Improvements to major visitor access roads at Little River and completion of the improvements at Coolidge
- Forest road segments and bridges statewide as yet unidentified

## **Large Scale Park Renovation and Rehabilitation**

\$4 million for major park scale rehabilitations to improve the visitor experience and meet appropriate contemporary standards statewide. Priority projects include:

- Completion of Phase II of Bomoseen Day Use rehabilitation including improved pedestrian and ADA linkage to the campground and the rental shelter.
- Completion of construction of Alburgh Dunes State Park consisting of parking, composting toilet buildings, visitor contact station, Shelter and Playground.
- Supplementing donated funds for basic infrastructure stability and renovation at the Muckross property in Springfield
- Camping cabin construction in campgrounds at Burton Island, Carmi, and Quechee.
- Playground replacement/installation with focus on upgrading to fall safety surfacing statewide
- Park scale drinking water system rehabilitation at Little River State Park.
- Beginning improvement to Allis, Sandbar, Burton Island and Maidstone State Parks, all of which have been identified for substantial “park scale” renovation.