

Berkshire HMP meeting notes from April 17, 2026, at 7 p.m.

Attendance: Jason Kittell (via phone); Todd Kinney, Andrew Smith, Mark Larivee, Danny Kennison, Emily Fecteau.

The following items directly relate to hazard mitigation, road erosion control, and stormwater infrastructure:

- Better Roads Category A Grant: The board approved a motion to accept a \$5,248.00 Better Roads Category A Grant. This grant program helps Vermont towns fund road erosion inventories and prioritize infrastructure improvements to prevent road washed-outs and mitigate water quality damage.
- Municipal Roads Grant (MRGP): The board signed a Letter of Intent for the Municipal Roads Grant and approved an agreement with Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NWPRC) to assist with implementation. This initiative supports municipal compliance with Vermont's Municipal Roads General Permit to mitigate road erosion and stormwater runoff issues.
- Choquette Culvert Project: The board discussed project costs and met with local landowners (Adam & Lisa) to ensure cattle and equipment access across the culvert during construction, ensuring storm resistance and structural stability for local stream crossings.
- General Highway Maintenance & Infrastructure: Additional actions supporting hazard prevention include sifting and spring maintenance on local roads, as well as approving a driveway permit for Josh Hammond to regulate proper drainage and road access.