

Memo

Date: 5/3/25
From: Tom Leitz
To: Selectboard
Re: Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program

The Town has been invited to participate in the Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) Program through the National Parks Service.

[Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program \(U.S. National Park Service\)](#)

This past Thursday I had a meeting with Pat Moulton, who is serving as Recover Officer for all of Central Vermont, along with Dana Allen who is assisting the town with securing funding for flood mitigation projects, and several individuals from the National Parks Service. We toured the Randall Meadow and discussed the RTCA program in that context.

The Town has been invited to participate in the program by the Parks Service. Our participation would provide us with an array of expertise through the Parks Service to help us implement the envisioned project. Specifically, this assistance is not related to the engineering and capital project related to creating additional flood storage. Rather, this is expertise to help with developing a vision for the land after that project is complete. That vision could include concepts such as creating wetlands, developing recreational amenities, and improving the cross Vermont trail.

There is no cost to participate in the program.