



The Town of Thetford is excited to invite you to a Public Forum concerning our town's drinking water supplies and infrastructure.

March 31, 2022, 7pm

**Please watch the listserv and/or go to the Town Website for the Zoom Link**

The Town of Thetford has received a grant to study the long-term drinking water supply and infrastructure needs of our villages. The purpose of this initial Public Forum is to gather questions we would want a hired consultant to answer. This input will help the committee write the official document (Request for Qualification or RFQ) that will be used to search for, and eventually hire, the best consultant to assess and advise on our town's situation and needs.

Please consider how you or your neighbors currently obtain drinking water and how, as the century progresses, those situations may change. Consider perspectives you have about our town's current drinking water supplies, or situations that could occur as Thetford housing stock and business infrastructure increase and our private or public drinking water needs increase alongside them. And then bring your questions and perspectives to the Forum.

Examples of Questions to be considered: How well are the present drinking water supplies in our villages functioning? Is it possible for prospective new houses or businesses in the villages to obtain drinking water? How are our current drinking water supplies paid for and maintained; how expensive is that? Is the current drinking water situation viable in the long term or, if not, what should the drinking water supplies in our villages look like 20 or 50 years from now? Should the villages have water systems capable of supplying fire protection? How might any new or upgraded drinking water or fire protection water supply infrastructure be paid for?

The timeline for the consultant's work will be shared at the Forum and additional information about this work will be consistently added to the Town Website under Community/Town Documents/Other Documents/Water Systems Study Updates.

Please contact Town Manager, Bryan Gazda, [townmanager@thetfordvt.gov](mailto:townmanager@thetfordvt.gov) with questions about the Public Forum or the Water Systems Study Grant in general.