

FY 2024 -2025 BGS Capital Project Request Overview

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State of Vermont
Department of Public Safety



Special Teams Facility and Storage

CECF (Cash Funds)
FY 24 \$250,000
FY25 \$1,000,000

DPS Division/Team Overview

- Vermont Task Force One - Urban Search and Rescue (USAR)
 - Responds to all major disasters in the State
 - Primary water rescue resources for the State
 - Responds statewide to assist local departments with building stabilization after fires or other emergencies
 - 90-member team of part time employees and 1 full time
- VT Hazardous Materials Response Team (HAZMAT)
 - Established in 1993 via 20 V.S.A. § 33
 - Singular team responding statewide to hazardous materials emergencies
 - 35-member team with a 1 full time chief
 - Provides training to local fire departments in hazardous materials
- Recreational Enforcement Unit-Vermont State Police (VSP)
 - Responsible for recreational boating safety on all Vermont waterways
 - Recreational safety enforcement
 - Underwater recovery team assist statewide in recovery operations
 - Snow machine storage
 - Staffed with full time and auxiliary troopers
- Division of Fire Safety (FS) Williston Regional Office
 - Provides code, enforcement, and investigation services to the Northwest section of the State



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Current State

- **USAR and HAZMAT**
 - AOT garage in Colchester
 - AOT needs to reoccupy this space for their operational needs
 - No classroom or training areas
 - Building layout requires equipment to be positioned with a forklift to fit equipment inside
 - Some equipment currently being stored outside
 - Space is too small for current and future needs
 - No fire protection system leaving equipment at risk
 - 100% of USAR's assets
 - Primary HAZMAT response truck and storage
 - Completely inadequate bathrooms and break space
- **Marine Unit**
 - New building removed from scope of new Williston facility
 - Housed in the current Williston Public Safety Facility
 - Deteriorating building shell and systems
 - Eventual sale of building
 - This unit provides maintenance of VSP's recreational vehicle fleet
- **Division of Fire Safety**
 - High cost leased space in Williston
- **Co-locating**
 - Provides location with shared facilities such as classrooms, storage, and base of operations for DPS teams
 - Increase productivity and functionality between the teams
 - Sharing of resources such as equipment maintenance and personnel
 - Indoor and outdoor storage
- FY 24/25 \$1,250,000 – Design cost



Current
USAR/Haz-Mat
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Rutland Field Station- Clarendon

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Vermont State Police Field Offices

- Seven facilities have been replaced or under construction
 - Derby
 - Royalton
 - St. Albans
 - New Haven
 - Westminster
 - Berlin
 - Williston
- Remaining facilities to be replaced
 - Rutland
 - Shaftsbury
 - St. Johnsbury – Outpost in Bradford
- Rutland Barracks to be replaced with new facility in Clarendon
 - Land was purchased in 2013 in Clarendon to replace Rutland Barracks
 - Provides coverage to 29 towns in the Southwest portion of the state
 - Barracks runs the risk of isolation due to flooding of roadways leading to the barracks
 - Facility was built in 1970
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Current Rutland barracks and Troop B4 coverage area

