



RETHINK RUNOFF STREAM TEAM FY20 Monthly Update

Covering work from March 22, 2020 to April 18, 2020

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Ongoing Tasks

- Brainstorm ideas for how to carry this initiative forward in the face of covid-19

Completed Administrative Tasks

- 2019 Work-plan and activity tracking
- FY20 Budget tracking
- Preparing monthly updates
- Attended April MS4 meeting

Outreach Tasks

- Completed 20-minute Zoom interview for Positively VT on Channel 17. Watch it [here](#).
- Wrote an article for the South Burlington outreach initiative.
- Collaborated with ECHO to brainstorm a shared video series about water quality. Details forthcoming.
- Helped to maintain RRST website by sharing edits and content
- Facebook account - One Posts -- 256 likes -- 295 follows
- Instagram account - No Posts -- 207 followers

Completed Event/Project Driven Tasks

- Logistics for rain barrel workshop: Re-set date for August 15, 2020
- Communicating with DEC and LaRosa about 2020 Stream Team water quality sampling funding. In short, all funding decisions have been frozen. We are considering alternatives to water sampling that would continue to engage volunteers in the field by collecting turbidity, macroinvertebrates and temperature in order to plan for a program that could run without available state funding. Kristen attended a nation-wide Zoom meeting (co-hosted by UVM SeaGrant's Kris Stepenuck) about best practices for citizen science in a world with covid. The conclusion of the meeting was that if clear standard operating procedures are put in place and field work can be completed in a way that observes social distancing and all state guidelines, it should be safe to move forward with a field season.

Total # of residents in Rethink Runoff towns reached **in-person** this reporting period = **0**

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Budget FY20 Expenses from February 22, 2020 to March 21, 2020

WNRCD - \$ 1,541.25
Travel - \$ 0
Supplies (Rain Barrel Workshop Income) - - \$77.08
Refreshments - \$ 0
Promotional - \$ 0
Contractual - \$ 0
Advertisements - \$ 0
Total - \$ 1,464.17

Total FY20 Expenses:

WNRCD - \$ 14,602.50
Travel - \$ 136.01
Supplies - \$ 1,194.43
Refreshments - \$23.10
Promotional - \$ 0
Contractual - \$1,000.00
Advertisements - \$ 0
Total - \$ 16,956.04

Total budgeted for FY20 - \$25,000.00

Total spent FY20 to date - \$16,965.04

Total remaining FY20 budget - **\$8,043.96**

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