

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT: ART INSTALLATIONS ON STATE TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

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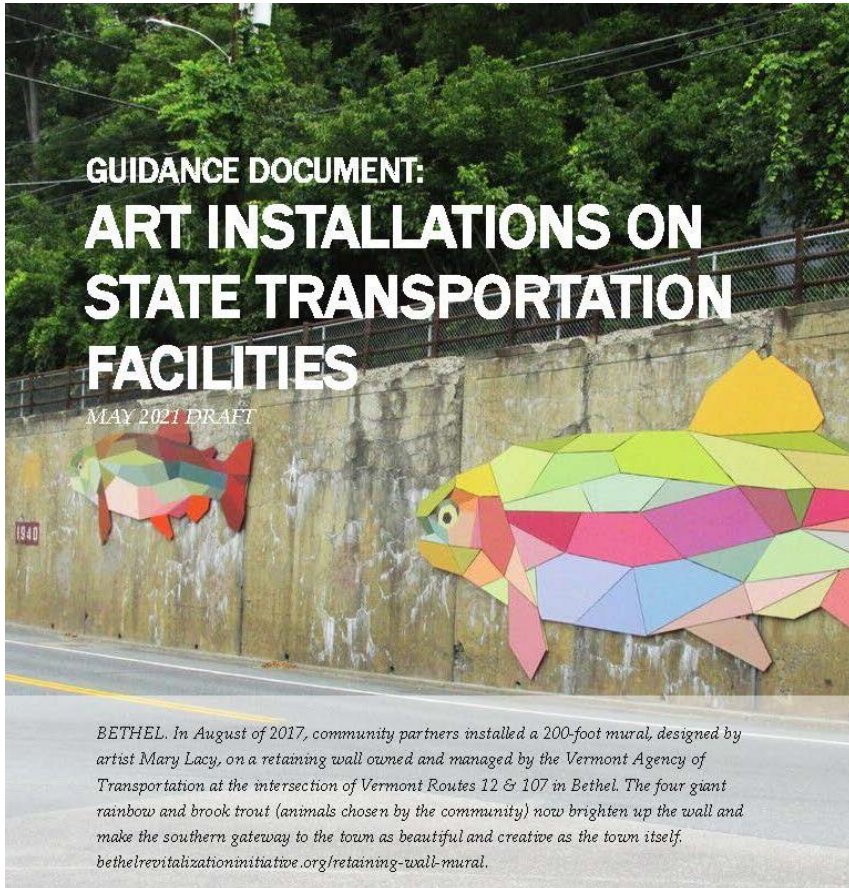
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Permitted Installations

- Barton- I91 tunnel under roadway on TH6 (2002 by District)
- Montpelier- I89 bridge piers along bike path (2015 by Permitting)
- Bennington- VT279 tunnel for Long Trail/hiking trail under roadway (2016 by District)
- Montpelier - I89 bridge piers along bike path – continued (2017 by Permitting)
- Bethel- VT12 retaining wall at mile marker 1.38 right to VT107 mile marker 3.41 (2017 by District)
- So. Burlington- I89 bridge piers along Dorset Street (2019 by District)
- Chittenden County- various locations artwork on utility cabinets (2020 and 2021 by Permitting)





What the Guidance Addresses

- Policy Statement
- VTrans, Art Committee, and Applicant Roles and Responsibilities
- Application Review Process
- Approval Criteria

<https://vtrans.Vermont.gov/planning/policy-planning/art>

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Application Process

PHASE 1

- Concept Proposal

PHASE 2

- Technical Review

PHASE 3

- Issuance of Artwork Agreement



Applicant Responsibilities

- Project design and planning (inclusive of public engagement)
- Project materials & labor
- Project installation, maintenance, and removal
- Other:
 - Municipal resolution
 - VARA Waiver
 - Minimum liability insurance
 - Fair Market Value Waiver request and Appraisal (if applicable)
 - Other permits (as applicable)

VTrans Responsibilities

- Advise applicants during Phase 1 on design and other considerations
- Technical Review during Phase 2
- Issue the Art Installation Agreement and any additional necessary permits, agreements, etc. during Phase 3
- Facilitate FHWA Review of Fair Market Value Waiver Request.
- Monitor project with regular facility maintenance duties
- Final inspection after removal

Requirements & Considerations

Applicants

- Municipalities
- Regional Planning Commissions
- State Agencies

Location

- State Highway System
- Rail banked lines
- Limited access facilities along state roads (i.e. bridges)
- State Airports
- State Park & Ride Facilities

Fair Market Value Required for Non-Transportation Uses

- Applicable to State Highways
- Amount to be determined by Appraisal and will depend on project size and scope
- **Exception** from FHWA possible if in the public interest

More Requirements

Safety

- Approved materials
- Clear zone
- Sight Distance
- Simulate movement
- Traffic Control Devices (colors, lighting, etc.)
- Load carrying or stress-bearing structural members
- Physical or structural modification
- Regular inspection & maintenance of existing facility

Other

- History, resources, & character
- Setting & scale
- Drainage patterns, stormwater runoff quality, and landscaping
- Vegetation and other natural features
- Text, symbols or icons, commercial symbols
- Religious or anti-religious references
- Vermont State Billboard Act

Installation, Maintenance, & Removal

- Traffic Control may be required during installation and removal
- Maintain installation in state of good condition
- Regular inspections required
- Return facility to original condition



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