



**ACT 250**  
**JURISDICTIONAL OPINION NO. 3-208**  
**Vermont Institute of Natural Science, Hartford**

State of Vermont

Natural Resources Board

District 3 Environmental Commission

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This is a Jurisdictional Opinion based upon available information and a written request, dated January 29, 2021, from Charles Rattigan, Executive Director, VT Institute of Natural Science (VINS). Any notified person or entity will be bound by this opinion unless that person or entity files a request for reconsideration with the District Coordinator or an appeal with the Superior Court, Environmental Division within 30 days of the issuance of this opinion (see below). This Opinion identifies Act 250 Jurisdiction only. Other permits may be required (e.g., <https://dec.vermont.gov/permits>). For more information, please contact the Agency of Natural Resources Permit Specialist serving your area: (<https://dec.vermont.gov/environmental-assistance/permits/specialists>).

I hereby request a jurisdictional opinion from the District Coordinator or Assistant District Coordinator regarding the jurisdiction of 10 V.S.A. Chapter 151 (Act 250) over the project described below.

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Vermont Institute of Natural Science

PO Box 1281

Quechee, VT 05059

Landowner

Agent

Other

**Project Description: VINS proposes to construct an approximate 8-foot by 16-foot restroom facility onto the existing permitted Welcome Center. They will be connecting to existing water and sewer systems. The project is located at 149 Natures Way, off Route 4, in Hartford (Quechee), Vermont.**

**Existing Act 250 permit number(s) or series: 3W0400 and amendments**

Project Type:  Commercial       Subdivision       Municipal/State       Mixed  
 Farming/Forestry       Housing       Other \_\_\_\_\_

Has the landowner or affiliated person subdivided before?  Yes  No  N/A

If Yes: Location: \_\_\_\_\_ no. of lots: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT 250 PERMIT IS REQUIRED:  YES  NO

**BASIS FOR DECISION: This project is not a material change to the permitted development. Act 250 Rule 2(C)(6), therefore, an Act 250 permit amendment is not required.**



DATE: Feb. 2, 2021

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*This is a jurisdictional opinion issued pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 6007(c) and Act 250 Rule 3(B). Reconsideration requests are governed by Act 250 Rule 3(B) and should be directed to the district coordinator at the above address. Any appeal of this decision must be filed with the Superior Court, Environmental Division within 30 days of the date the decision was issued, pursuant to 10 V.S.A. Chapter 220. The Notice of Appeal must comply with the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings (VRECP). The appellant must file the entry fee required by 32 V.S.A. § 1431 with the Notice of Appeal, which is \$295.00. The appellant must also serve a copy of the Notice of Appeal on the Natural Resources Board, 10 Baldwin Street, Montpelier, VT 05633-3201, and on other parties in accordance with Rule 5(b)(4)(B) of the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings.*

CC (email only): Hartford Selectboard, Hartford Planning Commission, ANR Office of Planning and Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission

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