# **Permit Obtainment Assistance (POA) Program****QR Code, Front Porch Forum, and Facebook Outreach Materials for Vermont Town Clerks**

**General Information**
The Permit Obtainment Assistance (POA) program is a beneficiary program that provides financial assistance to eligible 3-acre sites seeking to obtain Three-Acre Permit coverage.

POA Program Website
<https://anr.vermont.gov/special-topics/arpa-vermont/treating-stormwater-runoff#POA>

POA Program QR Code
Including the [QR Code](https://dec.vermont.gov/sites/dec/files/WID/CWIP/POA%20Outreach/POAProgram-QRCode.jpg) in your outreach materials ensures a direct link to the State of Vermont’s POA Program Website.

**July/August**

### Front Porch Forum Post

**Posting category that best applies**: Announcement
**Subject**: One Month to Apply for 3-Acre Design & Permitting Funds
**Body**:

Hi **[Your town name]** residents!

Are you a site with 3 or more acres of impervious surfaces (think roofs, parking lots, and roads), like a housing subdivision or business park?

To support our state’s clean water efforts, Vermont’s Clean Water Act requires all 3-acre sites to obtain the Three-Acre Permit to capture and treat the stormwater that runs off these surfaces.

The Three-Acre Permit Obtainment Assistance (POA) Program has $12.4 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to support you and other affected sites in design and permitting costs.

Applications may close as early as September 1st, 2024! Find 15 to 40 minutes to gather necessary information and fill out the application! You don’t need to have taken any steps toward permit obtainment to apply.

For more information and to apply, visit <http://tinyurl.com/VTPOA>.

### Facebook Post

**Image**: [Download this file](https://dec.vermont.gov/sites/dec/files/WID/CWIP/POA%20Outreach/October.png)**Caption**:

**[Town name]** residents!

Are you a site with 3 or more acres of impervious surface like roofs, parking lots, and roads? 3-acre sites are required by the Vermont Clean Water Act to obtain a Three-Acre Permit to capture and treat stormwater that runs off these surfaces. 🌧 💧

Funding is available through the Three-Acre Permit Obtainment Assistance (POA) Program to help with design and permitting costs. Applications may close as early as September 1st, 2024! 💲⌛️

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#CleanWaterVT #WaterQuality #TheMoreYouKnow #VTDEC

Image description: Aerial view of a housing subdivision, partially covered at the top with a black border with text. Below, a wavy black border with text. The information in the graphic is also stated in the caption.