Dear Department Chair/Program Director,

Please share this announcement with the faculty in your unit. Time is of the essence for this opportunity as the turnaround time short.

The Lake Champlain Basin Program has recently announced Local Implementation Grants, a limited competition program (see the description at http://www.lcbp.org/about-us/grants-rfps/available-grants/) with deadline dates of August 28, 2015 and September 24, 2015 depending on the particular grant category. The University may submit one application for each of the following 8 categories: Local Heritage Grants; Conservation and Community Grants; Pollution Prevention & Wildlife Habitat Conservation Grants; Aquatic Invasive Species Spread Prevention Grants; Flood Resilience & Climate Change; Impervious Surface Management in Schools; Watershed Organization Support for Road Maintenance; and Education and Outreach Grants. The University is not eligible to apply for a 9th category, Organizational Support. Please note that the first two grant categories have a description link on the above website under the Application Forms section where it says "RFP". All the other descriptions may be found at the website above by clicking on the link part way down the page where it says, "Grant Guidelines - MS Word".

If you are interested in submitting an application to this grant program, please forward a letter of interest (LOI) to Hilda Alajajian (Hilda.Alajajian@uvm.edu). The LOI should include the name of the grant category under which you would like to apply, a description of the proposed project and a brief statement about why you deem the proposal to be competitive. LOI proposals will be evaluated on merit, feasibility, tangible products or measurable benefits and on how your proposal relates to the other specific selection criteria described in relevant grant category. The deadline for submitting letters of interest to the Sponsored Project Administration office is July 15, 2015.

If there are more interested applicants than the number allowed, a selection will be made shortly thereafter.

Please direct questions concerning this announcement to Jennifer Gagnon or Hilda Alajajian.

Sincerely,
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