

VERMONT WORKING LANDS ENTERPRISE INITIATIVE

Vermont Technical College

Randolph, VT

Vermont Technical College is a public technical college with campuses in Randolph Center, Williston, Brattleboro and Bennington as well as satellite locations across the state. The college is part of the Vermont State Colleges (VSC) system that includes Castleton State College, Johnson State College, Lyndon State College, and the Community College of Vermont. Vermont Tech offers collegiate-level programs leading to certificates, associate degrees, and bachelor's degrees in agriculture; business; applied technologies; allied health and nursing; and sustainable practices.



Vermont Technical College plans to build a milk processing plant as part of the larger enterprise that makes up the longstanding teaching farm at Vermont Tech. There are three purposes for building the plant. First, and most significantly in terms of long term benefit to the farm enterprise is that it will increase the income for the farm that it will make the farm financially stable into the future and for the first time change its long history of deficits. Second, the plant will serve as a teaching platform to expand the Farms skill development into milk processing, which will help other small dairy processors get skilled help. Third, the plant will serve as a dairy food hub to make the creation of value added dairy businesses much easier and thus will support local food production businesses and increase food sector jobs.

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