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Fact Sheet: Post-Irene Mobile Home De-Construction Project

The Team: Lt. Gov. Phil Scott, Secretary of Commerce and Community Development Lawrence Miller, Associated General Contractors-VT, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity's Mobile Home Project, Vermont Community Foundation, Vermont Long Term Disaster Recovery Group, UVM, Downs Rachlin Martin

Removed 68 mobile homes from 6 mobile home parks, October 31-December 8

Weston's (Berlin)	October 31-November 14	32 homes
Patterson's (Duxbury)	November 15-17	11 homes
Whalley's (Waterbury)	November 21-22	10 homes
Riverside (Woodstock)	November 29-30	5 homes
Greene (Sharon)	December 5	2 homes
Glen Park (Brattleboro)	December 7-8	8 homes

Total of 946 tons of waste, 105 tons of salvageable metal removed

Crew consisted of a 3400-lb excavator, a 4-yard loader, and 2 ground laborers to rake up

Average time per mobile home: 2 hours

Not a state program; with the exception of administrative costs (state employee time and CVOEO employee time), all funding came from private donations (total of \$300,000 came from more than 2 dozen donors).

Notable donors: Aubuchon Hardware (\$25,000), Bond Auto (\$50,000), Argosy Foundation (\$60,000)

The project also received \$50,000 from the Phish concert (the first grant made from that event).

Per-home demolition and disposal cost was estimated at \$1,500; actual cost averaged \$2,500
(Added weight from wet insulation, wet materials, household contents)

River Run Mobile Home Park in Berlin is the only park that remains on the list
Flooded in May; 5 homes were destroyed and abandoned and remain on their lots
Team hopes to remove those homes once legal issues are handled
Illustrates what could have happened after Irene, in the absence of this project

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