

Vermont Young Professional Economy Pitch

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Challenges Facing Vermont Businesses/Specific Sector:

Transportation infrastructure

Rutland is 60-90 minutes away from everything despite physical proximity

- intersection of Route 7 and 4

- “You can’t get there from here” – no expedited routes to any location

Ideas/Suggestions to Rejuvenate Vermont’s Economy:

EZ Pass toll collection system for out-of-staters

- they’re coming here to ski, take advantage of nature (or just get somewhere else, like NH)

- thousands of cars come in and out each month

- toll will still cost less than bypassing the state altogether

- use money for road salt, equipment, engineering new roads and byways and create direct routes

- this will also create more jobs

Other Challenges we must address:

Other Comments: