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**\*\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*\***

State of Vermont Public Service Department to Hold In-Person Listening Session in St. Albans.

**WHAT:** Listening Session

**WHEN:** October 19th, 2023, at 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm

**WHO:** Vermont Public Service Department (PSD)

**WHERE:** St Albans Town Hall, 398 Georgia Shore Road, St. Albans, VT 05478

**ST. ALBANS, Vermont** – The Public Service Department (PSD) is holding an in-person listening session to gather public input for a legislative report on the siting of telecommunications facilities under 30 V.S.A. § 248a. The report shall address how to make the process easier to participate in for municipalities and individuals, how to encourage municipal participation, and recommend any necessary updates to 30 V.S.A. § 248. During this session, PSD will provide a brief overview of the 30 V.S.A. § 248a process, along with time set aside for participants to share their comments. By holding these sessions, PSD hopes to gain insight on how to increase accessibility for the public and the municipalities during the siting of telecommunications facilities under 30 V.S.A. § 248a.

 Everyone is welcome to this free event.

Questions and comments can be emailed to PSD.telecom@vermont.gov, or written to PSD 112, State St. Montpelier, VT 05620. You can find more information at <https://publicservice.vermont.gov/248a>