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*Communities Planning Together*

# **CCRPC Board Training**

## **July 19, 2017**

# *Topics*

- CCRPC Responsibilities
- Board Member Responsibilities
- Organization (Board, Committees, Staff)
- Budget
- Unified Planning Work Program
- Public Participation
- ECOS Plan
- Our Work:
  - Economic Development; Smart Growth - Land Use, Housing, Energy & Climate, Transportation; Water Quality; Health; Governance & Finance; Equity & Engagement

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**WINOOSKI RIVER BRIDGE SCOPING STUDY**

Beginning in the spring of 2017 and extending into next summer, the CCRPC, along with the Cities of Burlington and Winooski, partner organizations, and the public, will start an

**CALENDAR**

**WEDNESDAY, JUL 19**  
CCRPC Board Meeting  
**6:00 PM** DETAILS »

**TUESDAY, AUG 1**  
Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

**OUR COMMUNITIES**

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# *CCRPC Responsibilities*

- Regional Planning pursuant to State Statute: Title 24, Chapter 117: Municipal and Regional Planning and Development – 14 Goals, 11 Elements
- Metropolitan Transportation Planning pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 134 - 8 Planning Factors

# *CCRPC Board Member Responsibilities*

We want you to succeed as a board member. To be successful, you should:

- Prepare thoroughly before each meeting by reading the board packet and related materials;
  - Communicate the ideas and opinions of your community or organization clearly;
  - Listen fully to the ideas and opinions of others;
  - Be flexible and diplomatic;
  - Participate in a committee (or two); and
  - Be true to the organization's guiding principles and laws.
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- See [Board Member Handbook](#)

# Organization

- CCRPC [Bylaws](#)
- [Members](#) - 24 voting (19 municipalities, VTrans, 4 subject areas), 4 non-voting
- 8 Standing [Committees](#) – Executive, Finance, Board Development, Unified Planning Work Program, Transportation Advisory, Planning Advisory, Long Range Planning, Clean Water Advisory (**Expectation to serve**)
  - Ad hoc Committees – as needed: Brownfield, Hazard Mitigation, etc.
- [Staff](#) – 20 (including Opioid Alliance)

# Budget - Revenues

## **Transportation Planning**

VTrans/FHWA/FTA/Muni - \$4.3 million or about 71%

## **Regional & Municipal Land Use Planning**

ACCD and Municipalities - \$420 thousand or about 7%

## **Natural Resources & Energy – about 12%**

EPA Brownfields - \$130 thousand

Dept of Public Service - \$30 thousand

ANR – \$430 thousand

VTrans - \$50 thousand

## **Emergency Management & Health – about 10%**

VEM - \$60 thousand

Health Dept & UVM-MC/UWNWVT - \$470 thousand

Regional Dispatch/Municipal - \$50 thousand

- **Total Budget is \$6,160,000**
- **61% passes through, 39% goes towards operating**
- **Municipal Dues are \$245,000 plus additional match for specific projects. Total municipal contributions are <10%.**
- **Annual Audit** – reviewed by [Finance Comm](#), Exec Comm and Board in November

## *Unified Planning Work Program*

- Work plan for the year
- Projects solicited from end of November to late January - Driven by municipalities and state agencies
- UPWP Committee reviews Feb – April
- Finance Comm, Exec Comm, Board review April to May
- Approve UPWP & Budget in May for program year starting in July



# *Data and Mapping*

- Geographic Information System (GIS)
  - ECOS Map Viewer
  - River Corridor Protection
  - Municipal Map Viewers
  - Project or Theme-Based Maps
- Data
  - Traffic Counts
  - Turning Movements
  - Etc.

# ECOS Plan

- Combines:
  - State required Regional Plan
  - Federal required Metropolitan Transportation Plan
  - Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (shared with GBIC)
- Inclusive & comprehensive plan for our community involving many partners
- Sets strategic direction for our work - 8 strategies
- [Online map](#)
- [ECOS Scorecard](#)
- [ECOS Annual Reports](#)
- [Long Range Planning Committee](#)



**1.** Improve and strengthen the economic systems of our region to increase opportunities for Vermont employers and employees.



**2.** Strive for 80% of new development in areas planned for growth, which amounts to 15% of our land area.



**3.** Improve the safety, water quality, and habitat of our rivers, streams, wetlands and lakes in each watershed.



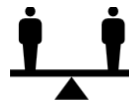
**4.** Increase investment in and decrease subdivision of working lands and significant habitats, and support local food systems.



**5.** Increase opportunity for every person in our community to achieve optimal health and personal safety.



**6.** Equip our residents with the education and skills they need to thrive.



**7.** Develop financing and governance systems to make the most efficient use of taxpayer dollars and reduce costs.



**8.** Ensure that the projects and actions in all ECOS strategies assess equity impacts, and that the design and development of programs are inclusive of all and engage underrepresented populations.

# *Our Work*

- By [Municipality](#)
- By Strategy/Topic
  1. Economic Development
  2. Smart Growth - Land Use, Housing, Energy & Climate, & Transportation
  3. Water Quality
  4. Rural
  5. Health
  6. Education
  7. Governance & Finance
  8. Equity & Engagement

# 1. Economic Development

- Brownfields
  - Brownfields Advisory Committee
- Lake Champlain Byway
- ECOS Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy with GBIC
- Link to Housing...

## *2.a., b., & e. Land Use*

- ECOS Plan
  - Future Land Use Map
- Municipal Planning Assistance
  - Comprehensive Plans
  - Zoning Bylaws
- Act 250
- Permit Reform
- Planning Advisory Committee

## 2.c. Housing

- Building Homes Together campaign

## 2.d. Energy & Climate

- Regional Energy Plan
  - Long Range Planning Committee Energy Subcommittee
  - Municipal Energy Data Guides
- Electric Vehicle Charging guidance
- Climate Action Guide



## 2.f. Transportation

ECOS Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) – regional, 20+ years, fiscal constraint, updated every 5 years

### - Plans and Planning

- **Regional Bike/Ped Plan**
- Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Plan
- Transit Development Plans – GMT
- Transportation Demand Management
- Corridor & Area Studies
- Scoping & Project Development Studies

VTrans Capital Program ranking

Transportation Improvement Program – 4-year capital program developed with VTrans.

Transportation Advisory Committee

### 3. Water Quality & Safety

- Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit assistance – regional service
  - Public Education – Rethink Runoff
  - Public Involvement – Stream Team
- Vermont Clean Water Initiative – Grant Program assistance for municipalities to comply with MS4, Municipal Roads, and Stormwater permits
  - VTrans - Better Road Grants, Municipal Mitigation, Transportation Alternatives
  - ANR - Ecosystem Restoration Grants, Municipal Road Grants in Aid, Block Grant
- Clean Water Advisory Committee

## 4. *Rural*

- Our work under this strategy is incorporated in:
- Strategy 1. Economic Development and
  - Farm to Plate
- Strategy 2. Land Use
  - Rural land preservation

## 5. Health & Public Safety

- Emergency Preparedness
  - Local Emergency Planning Committee
  - Local Emergency Operations Plans
  - State Emergency Operations Center
    - Local liaison and supplemental staff
  - Exercises and training
- Regional Prevention Partnership - lead agency
  - Alcohol and tobacco prevention
- Chittenden County Opioid Alliance – backbone organization

## 6. *Education*

- Only a support role through the ECOS Plan and to support Economic Development efforts to improve and increase the workforce

## 7. Governance & Finance

- [Regional Dispatch](#) – union municipal district development
- Clean water finance [policy position](#)
- [Legislative Breakfasts](#)

## 8. *Equity & Engagement*

- [Public Participation Plan](#)
- Federal requirement for MPOs
- Best practices and fundamental to our work
- Uses a [spectrum of engagement](#)
- Uses a [public participation and equity impact worksheet](#)
- Accessibility – website, meetings, etc.

Thank you!

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