#### **MEETING AGENDA**

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. Large Conference Room, CCRPC Offices 110 West Canal Street, Suite 202, Winooski, VT



#### Or preferably by Remote Attendance:

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#### CONSENT AGENDA -

C.1 Minor TIP Amendments - none

#### **DELIBERATIVE AGENDA**

1. Call to Order; Attendance; Changes to the Agenda

(Action; 1 minute)

2. Public Comment Period on Items NOT on the Agenda

(Discussion; 5 minutes)

3. Action on Consent Agenda - none

(MPO Action, if needed; 1 minute)

4. Equity Training, Creative Discourse

(Discussion; 90 minutes)

5. VPSP2 update and recommendations to VTrans\*

(MPO Action; 10 minutes)

6. Lamoille Tactical Basin Plan regional plan conformance memo\*

(Action; 10 minutes)

7. Municipal Dues\*

(Action; 5 minutes)

8. Chair/Executive Director Report

(Discussion; 5 minutes)

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a. ECOS Plan Schedule\*

b. Economic Development Project Priorities

(Information, 2 minutes)

9. Committee/Liaison Activities & Reports

a. Executive Committee (draft minutes October 6, 2021)\*

i. Act 250 Sec 248 letters

b. Transportation Advisory Committee (draft minutes October 5, 2021)\*

c. Clean Water Advisory Committee & (draft minutes October 5, 2021)\*

10. Future Agenda Topics

(Discussion; 5 minutes)

11. Members' Items, Other Business

(Information, 5 minutes)

12. Adjourn

The October 20, 2021, Chittenden County RPC streams LIVE on YouTube at: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLljLFn4BZd2O0l4hJU\_nJ9q0l3PdQR0Pp">https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLljLFn4BZd2O0l4hJU\_nJ9q0l3PdQR0Pp</a>. The meeting will air Sunday, October 24, 2021 at 1 p.m. and is available on the web at: <a href="https://www.cctv.org/watch-tv/series/chittenden-county-regional-planning-commission">https://www.cctv.org/watch-tv/series/chittenden-county-regional-planning-commission</a>.

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<sup>\*</sup> Attachment

Upcoming Meetings - Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at our offices:

- Transportation Advisory Committee Tuesday, November 2, 2021, 9am
- Clean Water Advisory Committee Tuesday, November 2, 2021, 11am
- CWAC MS4 Subcommittee Tuesday, November 2, 2021, ~12:30pm
- Executive Committee Wednesday, November 3, 2021, 5:45pm
- Planning Advisory Committee November 10, 2021, 2:30pm
- CCRPC Board Meeting Wednesday, November 17, 2021, 6:00pm

#### Tentative future Board agenda items:

November 17, 2021	Legislative Breakfast topics FY21 Audit Equity Summit de-brief Telework Trends and Programming – CATMA? 2020 Census results?
December TBD	Legislative Breakfast
January 19,2022	Initial Climate Action Plan comments? Comprehensive Energy Plan comments?



# Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission October 20, 2021

Agenda Item 5: MPO Action Item

#### VTrans Statewide Potential Project Lists – Paving, Roadway, and Traffic & Safety

#### Background:

At its June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting the Board approved the VPSP2 Transportation Value Scores for 23 Chittenden County Projects in the following categories – 5 asset driven Paving projects, 2 asset driven Roadway projects, 5 asset driven Traffic & Safety projects, and 11 Regionally Driven projects. Asset driven projects were identified by VTrans's asset management systems and Regionally Driven projects were identified by CCRPC and approved by the TAC and the Board.

The 23 Chittenden County projects were combined with projects from all other RPCs to create Statewide Potential Project Lists for Paving, Roadway, and Traffic & Safety. Projects were sorted by Transportation Value.

From those lists VTrans has made recommendations regarding which projects to fund and which projects to reserve for later consideration. The sections below list the funded Chittenden County projects by program, and those for later consideration.

The TAC is being asked to review the project lists and provide comments to VTrans. As a starting point for discussion, Staff has drafted some comments (following the project lists) for consideration by the Board. The comments were reviewed by the TAC at their October meeting.

# Paving Projects:

#### **VPSP2 2021 Paving Projects**

- 48 Statewide Projects 5 in Chittenden County
- Due to anticipated increased funding levels all Asset Driven and Regionally Driven Paving Projects are recommended to be funded
- Next Step is to determine timing based on
  - anticipated available funding for each year
  - geographical distribution of proejcts
  - contractor/supplier availability

#### **Chittenden County Paving Projecs recommended for funding**

Statewide Rank	RPC	Route	Municipality	Transportation Value
#1	CCRPC	VT 2A	St. George - Williston	67
#3	CCRPC	VT 15	Colchester - Essex	65
#4	CCRPC	US 7	Colchester - Milton	63
#5	CCRPC	VT 116	Hinesburg – South Burlington	61
#18	CCRPC/NRPC	VT 128	Essex - Fairfax	52

All Chittenden County projects are asset driven

# Roadway Projects:

#### **VPSP2 2021 Roadway Projects**

- 21 Projects Statewide 10 in Chittenden County
- 15 Recommended to be funded 6 in Chittenden County
- 6 for Later Consideration 4 in Chittenden County
- Next step scope refinement phase
  - Projects will be added to the Capital Program at scoping phase
  - A VTrans project manager will be assigned
  - VTrans will work with the RPC to refine scope and determine implementation year

#### **Chittenden County Roadway Projecs recommended for funding**

Statewide Rank	Project Name	Transportation Value
#1	US2 Intersection and Roadway Improvements - Dorset Street to VT116, South Burlington	73
#2	East Allen Street Improvements, Winooski	73
#3	Main Street - Battery to Union Multi-modal Streetscape Improvements, Burlington	71
#5	US7 Paving (Slab Removal), Milton- Georgia	62
#10	Exit 12 Stage 3 - Diverging Diamond Interchange, Williston - CIRC ALT PHASE III	60
#11	US2 Paving (Slab Removal), Williston	59

Projects shown in Bold type are asset driven

#### **Chittenden County Projects for Later Consideration**

Statewide Rank	Project Name	Transportation Value
#16	Essex Jct. Multimodal Station Access and Circulation Improvements, Essex Junction	80
#17	Mountain View Road Multimodal Improvements: Old Stage Road to VT2A, Williston - CIRC ALT PHASE III	55
#19	Exit 12 Stage 2 - New Grid Streets and VT2A Intersection, Williston - CIRC ALT PHASE III	42
#21	North Williston Road Hazard Mitigation, Essex - CIRC Alt Phase III	33

# Traffic & Safety

#### VPSP2 2021 Traffic & Safety Projects

- 26 Statewide Projects
- 23 Recommended to be funded 8 in Chittenden County
- 3 for Later Consideration 0 in Chittenden County

- Next step scope refinement phase
  - Projects will be added to the Capital Program at scoping phase
  - A VTrans project manager will be assigned
  - VTrans will work with the RPC to refine scope and determine implementation year.

Statewide Rank	Project	Transportation Value
#1	US7/Harbor Road, Shelburne	83
#2	Bayside Roundabout, Colchester	75
#4	Colchester Avenue/Riverside Avenue Intersection Improvements, Burlington	69
#5	Colchester Avenue/Prospect Street Intersection Improvements, Burlington	69
#7	VT2A/VT116, St. George	68
#8	VT117/Skunk Hollow Road, Jericho	66
#19	VT116/Cheesefactory Road, South Burlington	49
#20	US7/ Racine/ Legion/ Bartlett/ West Milton Road Improvements, Milton	48

Projects shown in Bold type are asset driven

### Potential Comments on Statewide Project List

CCRPC appreciates the opportunity VTrans has created through VPSP2 to add Regionally Significant projects to the transportation program, and we look forward to working collaboratively with VTrans to advance these projects that we believe will enhance the transportation system in the county.

CCRPC recognizes that there are many transportations needs statewide and funds are limited. We also recognize that not all projects can be funded in this pilot year of the VPSP2. Following review of the Chittenden County projects in the "Later Consideration" category, we would like to offer the following comments:

- Essex Junction Multimodal Station Access and Circulation Improvements we recognize that this is a complicated project involving many elements in addition to roadway improvements. As the highest volume rail station in the state, and an important intermodal transportation hub, we would like to see a path forward for this project identified. We look forward to further conversations regarding how to advance this important project.
- Exit 12 Stage 2 New Grid Streets and VT2A Intersection, Williston CIRC ALT PHASE III The I-89 Exit 12 & VT 2A Scoping Study, completed in 2014, showed considerable improvement in the Exit 12/VT2A/Marshall Avenue area with construction of new grid streets. As the Exit 12 DDI project advances we would like to see consideration of this project moving forward in conjunction with the DDI project. This is an identified CIRC ALT project and therefore we would like to see a path forward for this project, potentially in a future round of VPSP2.
- Mountain View Road Multimodal Improvements: Old Stage Road to VT2A,
   Williston CIRC ALT PHASE III We recognize that this project is on a local road and projects of that type are not typically funded by VTrans. But as an identified CIRC ALT project we believe that this project will make a significant improvement

in an area that is seeing higher traffic volumes due to the CIRC highway not being completed. We would like to see this project added in a future VPSP2 round.

North Williston Road Hazard Mitigation, Essex - CIRC Alt Phase III – The
improvements proposed as part of this project are important to keeping this
corridor, which is a significant connection without the CIRC highway being
completed, open and operational. We would like to see this project advance in a
future round of VPSP2.

Staff/TAC Recommendation:

Recommend comments prepared by staff and TAC be submitted to VTrans for consideration in the VPSP2 process.

For more information contact:

Christine Forde cforde@ccrpcvt.org

Attachments: Full VPSP2 Statewide Potential Project Lists for Paving, Roadway, and Traffic & Safety

## **VPSP2 2021 Selected Paving Projects**

RPC	Route	Municipality	Total Project Length	Transportation Value
CCRPC	VT 2A	St. George - Williston*	5.7	67
CVRPC	VT 14	Barre - East Montpelier	4.1	66
CCRPC	VT 15	Colchester - Essex	3.2	65
CCRPC	US 7	Colchester - Milton	0.9 5.0	- 63
CCRPC	VT 116	Hinesburg - South Burlington	8.0	61
RRPC	VT 30	Casteleton - Hubbarton	8.1	60
RRPC/BCRC	VT 30	Rupert - Wells	11.6	60
WRC	US 5 VT 9	Brattleboro - Putney*	6.6 0.9	58
NRPC	US 7 VT 105 VT 207	St. Albans - Swanton	6.9 0.0 1.1	58
BCRC	VT 67A	Bennington	2.2	58
CVRPC	VT 100	Waitsfield - Moretown*	12.8	58
NVDA	VT 105	Troy - Newport*	12.2	55
NVDA	US 2	Danville - St. J*	0.9 2.2 8.6	55
NRPC	VT 104	Fairfax - St. Albans	11.7	55
CVRPC	VT 64	Williamstown	3.6	54
NRPC	VT 104A	Georgia-Fairfax	4.5	54
LCPC/CVRPC	VT 12	Worcester - Morristown*	14.0	53
CCRPC/NRPC	VT 128	Essex - Fairfax*	11.7	52
RRPC	VT 4A	Fair Haven - West Rutland	0.9 3.5 6.2	52
TRORC	VT 14	Sharon - Royalton	8.2	52
NRPC	VT 242	Montgomery-Westfield	6.4	52
NVDA	VT 105	Derby - Charleston	7.0	51
BCRC	VT 67	Shaftsbury - Bennington	1.8 4.3	51
TRORC	VT 110	Tunbridge - Chelsea	10.3	50
NVDA	VT 114 VT 147	Brighton-Norton	15.9	50
NVDA	VT 114	Norton - Canaan*	0.1 16.9	50
ACRPC/TRORC	VT 125	Middlebury - Hancock	16.0	50
LCPC	VT 109	Cambridge - Belvidere*	14.9	50

ACRPC	VT 22A	Orwell - Addison	20.0	50
NRPC	VT 105	Sheldon - Enosburg	9.3	48
NVDA	VT 191	Derby - Newport*	3.3	47
NVDA	US 5	Lyndon - Burke	7.5	47
TRORC	VT 14	Hartford - Sharon	11.8	47
	VT 16	Hardwick - Wheelock	10.2	
NVDA	VT 16	Wheelock - Barton	9.7	47
ACRPC	VT 17	Addison	8.1	47
CVRPC	VT 110	Chelsea - Washington	9.7	47
TRORC/CVRPC	VT 25	Bradford - Orange	10.9	47
NVDA	US 5	Lyndon - Burke	7.5	47
AU /D A	VT 105	Ferdinand-Bloomfield	8.4	45
NVDA	VT 105	Brighton - Ferdinand	7.5	45
NRPC	VT 207	Swanton-Highgate	6.8	44
NVDA	US 5	Burke - Barton	12.4	44
NVDA	US 5	Barton - Coventry	9.6	43
NVDA	US 5	Ryegate - St. J*	19.4	42
CVRPC	VT 232	Peacham - Marshfield	6.2	42
TRORC	VT 244	Thetford - Fairlee	5.6	41
TRORC	US 5	Thetford - Fairlee	8.3	38
NVDA	VT 243	Troy	1.2	40
NVDA	VT 102	Guildhall - Bloomfield*	23.6	38

### **VPSP2 2021 Selected Roadway Projects**

RPC	Project Name	Description	Transportation Value
CCRPC	US2 Intersection and Roadway Improvements - Dorset Street to VT116, South Burlington	Possibly to include a median, intersection improvements include increased safety for turning vehicles, bike, and pedestrian improvements, tighter curb radii at intersections, and updated traffic signals and controllers.	73
CCRPC	East Allen Street Improvements, Winooski	VT15 from Weaver Lane to Florida Avenue. Safety improvements: reduce the number of travel lanes, adding a center turn lane, adding bike lanes, adding a pedestrian refuge	73
CCRPC	Main Street - Battery to Union Multi-modal Streetscape Improvements, Burlington	Multimodal streetscape project	71
WRC	VT9, Brattleboro	Replace concrete base and the repaving of the roadway	66
CCRPC	US7 Paving (Slab Removal), Milton- Georgia	slab removal	62
ACRPC	VT116, Bristol	Widen shoulders to improve safety for bicyclist approx. 1 mile	62
CVRPC	US2, Moretown - Middlesex	slab removal	60
CVRPC	VT14, Williamstown-Barre Town	slab removal	60
NRPC	US7, Georgia	1.US-7/VT104-A Intersection Upgrade. 2.I-89 NB Ramps and Skunk Hill Road Intersection Update- New connected traffic signal and left turn lane on I-89NB off ramp. 3.Remove existing Park and Ride and relocate/expand to new location within existing highway right-of-way. All aspects of project to integrate stormwater mitigation into design.	60
CCRPC	Exit 12 Stage 3 - Diverging Diamond Interchange, Williston - CIRC ALT PHASE III	Exit 12 Diverging Diamond	60
CCRPC	US2 Paving (Slab Removal), Williston	slab removal	59
TRORC	US4, Hartford	slab removal	56
TRORC	US4, Woodstock - Hartford	reconstruction	55
CVRPC	US2, Middlesex - Montpelier	slab removal	54
NVDA	US5, Newport - Derby	slab removal	47

Note: Bold projects are VTrans Asset Driven

### **Roadway Projects for Later Consideration**

RPC	Project Name	Description	Transportation Value
CCRPC	Essex Jct. Multimodal Station Access and Circulation Improvements	Essex Jct. Multimodal Station Access and Circulation Improvements	80
CCRPC	Mountain View Road Multimodal Improvements: Old Stage Road to VT2A, Williston - CIRC ALT	Circ Alternative: Widening Mountain View Road by 4 feet to accommodate 4-foot-wide shared shoulders for bicyclists and	55
NVDA	US5, Barton - Coventry	slab removal (VPSP2 Paving Project)	49
CCPRC	Exit 12 Stage 2 - New Grid Streets and VT2A Intersection, Williston - CIRC ALT PHASE III	Circ Alternative: Exit 12 Stage 2 - New Grid Streets and VT2A Intersection	42
NRPC	VT120, Sheldon-Franklin	address drainage and road base issues	37
CCRPC	North Williston Road Hazard Mitigation, Essex - CIRC Alt Phase III	replace existing culvert with new box culvert, reconstruct banks, install road closure gates, install stream gauge, install roadway	33

### **VPSP2 2021 Selected Traffic and Safety Projects**

RPC	Project	Project Description	Transportation Value
CCRPC	US7/Harbor Road, Shelburne	Intersections improvements to US7/Harbor Rd.	83
CCRPC	Bayside Roundabout, Colchester	Intersection and stormwater improvements on VT127.	75
LCPC	VT100 Truck, Morrisville	Traffic Signal at intersection Stafford Ave	70
CCRPC	Colchester Avenue/Riverside Avenue Intersection Improvements, Burlington	Reconfigures existing three intersections to one signalized 4-way intersection at Colchester Avenue and Barrett Street and an unsignalized intersection at Colchester Avenue and Mill Street.	69
CCRPC	Colchester Avenue/Prospect Street Intersection Improvements, Burlington	Realign North and South Prospect legs to include new signals, sidewalk and crosswalk improvements, and adjustments to lane assignments.	69
NRPC	VT104, Fairfax	Improvements to intersection VT104/VT128	68
CCRPC	VT2A/VT116, St. George	Remediation and evaluation of HSIP location at the intersection of VT116/VT 2A in St. George.	68
CCRPC	VT117/Skunk Hollow Road, Jericho	Improvements to intersection VT117/Skunk Hollow Rd	66
LCPC	VT108, Stowe	Improvements to the Luce Hill Rd and VT 108 intersection to include pedestrian and bicycle mobility and connectivity through the intersection and its approaches.	64
TRORC	US5, Hartford NH 020-2(44)	HSIP project. Improvements to the intersection of US 5 and US 4 in Hartford.	63
ACRPC	US7, Middlebury	Intersection 1: US7/Monroe (3 leg signal to 4 leg signal) Intersection 2: US7/Charles (3 leg signal removed and Charles relocated)	61
WRC	VT100, Londonderry	Improvements to intersection VT 100/Middletown Rd.	61
BCRC	US7, Bennington	Construct a roundabout at the at the intersection of US7/North St. and VT7A/Kocher Drive/Northside Drive.	59
BCRC	VT7A, Bennington	Construct double-roundabout to replace two closely spaced intersections. Intersection VT7A/Northside Drive and VT7A/Orchard Rd./Hicks Ave.	59
ACRPC	US7, Middlebury	Redesign US7/Boardman intersection, add a left-hand turn lane for traffic turning onto Route 7. Project to include pedestrian improvements to connect segments of the Trail Around Middlebury.	59
MARC	VT11, Springfield	Intersection 1:VT11/VT106 - unsure of solution - geometry changesIntersection 2: VT11/Valley - bulb out/ped focusedIntersection 3: VT11/Summer(RT143)-bulb out/ped focusedIntersection 4: VT11/South Stroundabout	59
MARC	VT103, Cavendish	Geometry and traffic control improvements to the VT-103/VT-131 intersection in Proctorsville. There is a pedestrian need here to cross VT103.	56
BCRC	VT7A, Bennington STP 1000(21)	Evaluation of HSIP location at the intersection of VT 7A and Rice Lane/Houghton Lane.	54
CCRPC	VT116/Cheesefactory Road, South Burlington	Intersection Improvements VT-116/ Cheese Factory Road	49
CCRPC	US7/ Racine/ Legion/ Bartlett/ West Milton Road Improvements, Milton	Consolidate the intersections at Racine/Forbes Roads and install sidewalks/crosswalks.	48
CVRPC	VT100, Waitsfield	Improve the intersection of VT100 and VT17 and incorporate the intersection of adjacent Bragg Hill Road and VT100 in the project area.	44
NRPC	I-89, Swanton	Resolve congestions issues during the PM peak on the north-bound Exit21/VT78.	32
TRORC	US5, Hartford	US 5 Veterans Drive/I-91 Signals	Not Scored Yet

Note: Bold projects are VTrans Asset Driven

#### **Traffic and Safety Projects for Later Consideration**

RPC	Project Name	Project Description	Transportation Value
WRC	VT100, Weston Improve vehicle and pedestrian safety at the intersections of VT100/Park St. and VT100/ Lawrence Hill Rd. as recommended in the 2017 Traffic Safety Audit.	Improve vehicle and pedestrian safety at the intersections of VT100/Park St. and	39
WIC		39	
NRPC	VT120. Franklin	Reconfigure VT120/VT 235/Middle Road to include "T"ing the intersection and	37
INNEC	V1120, F1d1Kill1	making an all-way stop or constructing a roundabout.	37
BCRC	VT11, Manchester	Address safety concerns at the intersection of VT11/East Manchester Road.	26



# Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission October 20, 2021

Agenda Item 6: Lamoille Tactical Basin Plan regional plan conformance memo

Issues:

On October 13, 2021, the Vermont DEC issued the draft 2021 Lamoille River (Basin 7) Tactical Basin Plan (TBP\_ for public review and comment. As detailed in the attached 2-page handout a TBP focuses "on the projects or actions needed to protect or restore specific waters and identify appropriate funding sources to complete the work, based on monitoring and assessment data. Since tactical basin plans will guide watershed work supported by the Agency of Natural Resources, the issues identified in these plans are the ones that will be prioritized for management attention and funding."

The draft Lamoille TBP was developed with significant input from water quality partners including from municipalities in Chittenden County within the lower Lamoille River watershed. Additionally, the CCRPC Clean Water Advisory Committee has been briefed by both DEC staff and CCRPC during development of the draft.

Staff will briefly highlight the Strategies put forth in the draft TBP.

Finally, as directed in its FY22 RPC Tactical Basin Planning Support grant from DEC, the CCRPC shall "(p)rovide a written analysis and formal recommendation(s) from the Board of Commissioners on conformance of the draft Tactical Basin Plan(s) with the goals and objectives of applicable regional plan."

The Clean Water Advisory Committee was briefed at its 10/5/21 meeting that staff would draft and present said conformance analysis to the Board for its 10/20/21 meeting.

**Staff Recommendation:** Review and approve the Regional Plan Conformance memorandum and

authorize staff to submit the memo to DEC.

**Staff Contact:** Contact Charlie Baker or Dan Albrecht with any questions:

cbaker@ccrpcvt.org, 735-3500 or dalbrecht@ccrpcvt.org, 324-4642



# Vermont Tactical Basin Planning

### Basin Coverage & Planning Cycle

- A Tactical Basin Plan (TBP) is prepared for each watershed
- There are 15 planning watersheds in VT
- Each TBP is updated every 5 years

#### Role of Tactical Basin Plans

Tactical basin plans focus on the projects or actions needed to protect or restore specific waters and identify appropriate funding sources to complete the work, based on monitoring and assessment data. Since tactical basin plans will guide watershed work supported by the Agency of Natural Resources, the issues identified in these plans are the ones that will be prioritized for management attention and funding.

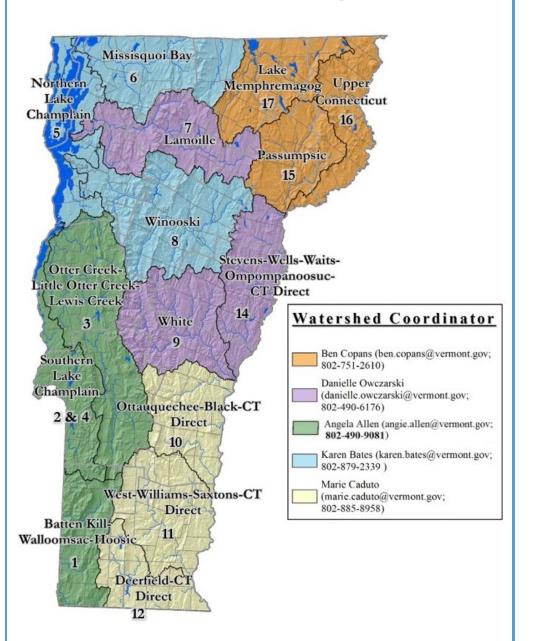
### 2021 Lamoille (Basin 7) Tactical Basin Plan

Copies of the draft plan may be obtained on October 13, 2021, online at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y3vwk65z">https://tinyurl.com/y3vwk65z</a> or by requesting a copy from Danielle Owczarski by email at <a href="mailto:danielle.owczarski@vermont.gov">danielle.owczarski@vermont.gov</a> or (802) 490-6176.

Comments should be directed by email to <a href="mailto:anr.basin7comments@vermont.gov">anr.basin7comments@vermont.gov</a> or by mail to Danielle Owczarski, Basin 7 Comments, 1 National Life Drive, Davis 3, Montpelier VT 05620-3522.

Comments should be postmarked or sent through email by the end of the business day (4:30 pm) on November 12, 2021. Comments received by this date will be addressed in a responsiveness summary.

## **VT Tactical Planning Basins**



## Focus areas and priority strategies for restoration and protection in Basin 7.

	Focus Areas	Priority Strategies
Agriculture	Deer Brook, Stones Brook, Streeter Brook, Mill Brook, Browns River, Lower and Middle Lamoille River, Centerville Brook, Wild Branch, Beaver Meadow Brook, Perkins Meadow Brook, Porter Brook	<ul> <li>Form agricultural sector workgroups for priority watersheds.</li> <li>Identify areas of nutrient input through AAFM inspections and landowner outreach.</li> <li>Implement Nutrient Management Plans and agricultural water quality practices in high priority catchments.</li> <li>Provide education and assistance to agricultural communities in priority watersheds.</li> <li>Support monitoring efforts to track results of practices applied in priority watersheds.</li> <li>Continue funding programs to support water quality practices in high priority watersheds.</li> </ul>
Developed Lands - Stormwater	Lamoille mainstem, Lamoille River Tributary #4, Deer Brook, three-acre sites, Streeter Brook, Lake Elmore, Lake Eden, Lower Gihon River, Centerville Brook, Greensboro Brook, Browns River, Brewster River	<ul> <li>Provide technical and funding support to develop high priority projects from stormwater master plans (SWMPs) and Phosphorus Control Plans.</li> <li>Provide information to municipalities on DEC standards and training opportunities for operations and maintenance of installed stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs).</li> <li>Encourage participation in the Green Schools Block Grant and support three-acre schools with funding and technical assistance for project development, implementation, and design.</li> <li>Provide outreach to towns on and promote the adoption of Green Stormwater concepts.</li> <li>Implement projects addressing vulnerabilities from flooding, severe rainstorms, and fluvial erosion from county and municipal All-Hazards Mitigation Plans.</li> </ul>
Developed Lands -	Caspian Lake, Streeter Brook, Deer Brook, Lake Eden, Lake Elmore, Stannard Brook, Kate Brook	<ul> <li>Provide support for towns and contractors to attend Road Roundtable Forums.</li> <li>Implement high priority road projects identified in Municipal Road General Permit (MRGP) road erosion inventories, lake watershed action plans, and SWMPs.</li> <li>Support outreach and funding for MRGP equipment for towns.</li> <li>Support training, outreach, and funding for equipment sharing programs.</li> </ul>
Waste- water	Lamoille Mainstem	<ul> <li>Provide technical assistance and funding to towns interested in exploring and implementing village wastewater systems and septic replacement.</li> <li>Support and ensure monitoring and permit compliance for waste management systems.</li> </ul>
Rivers	Wild Branch, Deer Brook, North Branch Lamoille, Browns River, Seymour River, Centerville Brook, Stones Brook, Stannard Brook, Brewster River, Gihon River, Lamoille River	<ul> <li>Provide technical assistance to help towns implement stronger protections for surface water in their town plans and municipal regulations.</li> <li>Work with towns to increase their Emergency Relief Assistance Funds (ERAF) rating.</li> <li>Develop projects identified in the River Corridor Plans and by the Functioning Floodplain Initiative tool.</li> <li>Scope, design, and implement high priority bridge and culvert replacements to improve aquatic organism passage, stream geomorphic compatibility, and flood resilience.</li> </ul>
Lakes	Caspian Lake, Lake Eden, Lake Elmore, Round Pond, East Long Pond, Nichols Pond	<ul> <li>Develop lake watershed action plans and implement priority projects.</li> <li>Maintain and build the capacity for existing aquatic invasive species programs.</li> <li>Initiate stakeholder meetings to discuss fair to poor shoreland condition in target waters.</li> <li>Where applicable, increase protections for high-quality lakes through reclassification.</li> </ul>
Wetlands	Potential Class I wetlands, Browns River watershed, wetlands identified for restoration in assessments	<ul> <li>Provide outreach and technical assistance for Class I wetland assessment, stakeholder discussions, and petition development where there is interest.</li> <li>Increase wetland acreage and function through restoration of wetlands.</li> <li>Provide support to the Wetlands Program by publicizing volunteer wetland mapping workshops and training for the public.</li> </ul>
Forests	Browns River, Lamoille River tributaries, Lake Eden, State Lands, North Branch Lamoille	<ul> <li>Develop forestland focused workgroups in priority watersheds to carry out strategies in the 2021 Lamoille TBP.</li> <li>Implement forestry Acceptable Management Practices (AMPs) and natural resource restoration and conservation projects on state and private lands.</li> <li>Maintain and increase UVA enrolled forestland among eligible parcels by providing outreach and technical assistance to private landowners, foresters, and loggers to equip them with tools to apply, enroll and manage forestland in accordance with program standards, including implementation of AMPs.</li> </ul>

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**Date:** October 20, 2021

**To:** Vermont Agency of Natural Resources

From: Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission

RE: RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING CONFORMANCE OF THE DRAFT LAMOILLE TACTICAL BASIN PLAN

WITH THE 2018 CHITTENDEN COUNTY ECOS PLAN

#### **BACKGROUND**

CCRPC has the opportunity to provide recommendations to the Agency of Natural Resources regarding tactical basin plans pursuant to the following sections of Vermont Statutes Title 10, Chapter 47, §1253(d)

 (2)(G) ... the Secretary [of Natural Resources] shall: develop, in consultation with the regional planning commission, an analysis and formal recommendation on conformance with the goals and objectives of applicable regional plans.

CCRPC staff reviewed the Draft Lamoille Tactical Basin Plan that was issued for public review on October 13, 2021. The Lamoille Basin includes major portions of the Chittenden County towns of Milton, Westford, Jericho, Underhill and Essex and a small portion of the County's towns of Colchester and Bolton. The 2018 Chittenden County ECOS Plan serves as the County's Regional Plan. The ECOS Plan also serves as the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the County.

The purpose of this memorandum is to analyze the relative conformance of the *Draft Lamoille Tactical Basin Plan* with the relevant Goals, Strategies and Recommended Actions of the *Regional Plan* and to provide recommendations regarding project prioritization.

#### **CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLAN: APPLICABLE GOALS AND STRATEGIES**

The Regional Plan has 17 goals organized under four Broad Goals. Distinct goals applicable to this review are:

**Broad Goal: Natural Systems**: Design and maintain a strategically planned and managed green infrastructure network composed of natural areas, working lands and open spaces that conserve ecosystem values and functions and provide associated benefits to our community. To achieve this Broad Goal the *Regional Plan* the following discrete goals are endorsed:

**(Goal #1) Ecological Systems:** Conserve, protect and improve the health of native species habitats, water quality and quantity, and air quality.

**(Goal #2) Scenic and Recreational Resources**: Conserve, protect and improve valued scenic, recreational, and historic resources and opportunities.

**(Goal #3) Climate Change** - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions contributing to climate change and adapt to become more resilient to a changing climate

**Broad Goal: Built Environment:** Make public and private investments in the built environment to minimize environmental impact, maximize financial efficiency, optimize social equity and benefits, and improve public health. To achieve this Broad Goal the Regional Plan establishes additional goals with the most applicable to this review being:

**(Goal #16) Infrastructure & Facilities** - Ensure adequate infrastructure and facilities (i.e. water supply, wastewater treatment, stormwater treatment, broadband coverage and solid waste recovery and recycling) to support areas planned for growth while conserving resources.

Of the *Regional Plan's* eight Strategies to achieve its goals, three (3) strategies, and their associated Actions, are most applicable for assessing the conformance of the draft Lamoille Tactical Basin Plan are:

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

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

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

#### **ANALYSIS REGARDING TACTICAL BASIN PLAN CONFORMANCE**

CCRPC would like to commend Ms. Danielle Owczarski of DEC on the excellent analysis and presentation of all the known water quality data in the Draft Lamoille Tactical Basin Plan as well as her frequent communication with staff and presentations to the CCRPC Clean Water Advisory Committee. We would also like to commend DEC for incorporating input from the CCRPC staff as well as staff of the applicable municipalities during the plan drafting process.

The TBP presents the following "Strategies to Address Pollution by Sector"

- Agriculture: Conservation practices that reduce sources of pollution from farm production areas and farm fields.
- <u>Developed Lands—Stormwater</u>: Practices that reduce or treat polluted stormwater runoff from developed lands, such as parking lots, sidewalks, and rooftops.
- <u>Developed Lands—Roads</u>: Stormwater and roadside erosion control practices that prevent erosion and treat road-related sources of pollution.
- <u>Wastewater</u>: Improvements to municipal wastewater infrastructure that decrease pollution from municipal wastewater systems through treatment upgrades, combined sewer overflow (CSO) abatement, and refurbishment of aging infrastructure.
- <u>Natural Resource Restoration</u>: Restoration of "natural infrastructure" functions that prevent and abate pollution. Natural infrastructure includes: floodplains, river channels, lakeshores, wetlands, and forest lands.

"Chapter 5 – The Basin 7 Implementation Table" of the TBP details fifty-seven (57) priority strategies to be implemented by the State as well as numerous water quality partners including municipalities. Implementation of many of these individual strategies will support implementation of Goals #1, #2, #3 and #16 and Strategies #2, #3 and #7 in the Regional Plan. In particular, the following TBP strategies are directly applicable to municipalities:

#### Developed Lands—Stormwater

- #7. Support, provide technical assistance to, and encourage local town and residential efforts to reduce stormwater runoff on private properties using initiatives such as Raise the Blade, Lawn to Meadow, Lake Wise, or other established programs and techniques
- #8. Provide technical and funding support to develop high priority projects from recently completed stormwater master plans and Phosphorus Control Plans with a focus on priority subbasins.
- #11. Support the development of a stormwater retrofits in the Streeter Brook and Deer Brook watersheds.

- #12. Complete IDDE studies and mapping in Basin 7, follow-up on recommended actions from previous studies, and eliminate discharges identified by new studies.
- #15. Provide information to municipalities on DEC standards and training opportunities for operations and maintenance of installed stormwater BMPs.
- #16. Provide outreach to towns on the Green Stormwater Infrastructure toolkit to consider the development of zoning bylaws and municipal regulations in growth centers.
- #17. Provide technical support and funding for the implementation of Private Public Partnership projects.
- #18. Implement projects addressing vulnerabilities from flooding and fluvial erosion from county and municipal All-Hazards Mitigation Plans where water quality improvements are present.

#### Developed Lands—Roads:

- #20. Support Regional Hydroseeder and Vactor sharing programs through training, outreach, and funding.
- #21. Support outreach and funding for MRGP equipment for towns.
- #22. Implement high priority road projects identified in MRGP road erosion inventories, lake watershed action plans, and stormwater master plans basinwide with a focus on priority subbasins and very steep slopes.
- #23. Provide outreach and support towns and contractors to attend Road Roundtable Forums.
- #24. Provide assistance to encourage towns to adopt the Vermont Road and Bridge Standards to increase ERAF rating.

#### Wastewater:

- #25. Provide information on the ANR Village Wastewater Solutions to any communities that have inadequate individual onsite wastewater treatment on small, challenging sites, and funding for planning and implementation of priority projects that are identified and have community support.
- #26. Support relocation of septic systems and/or floodproofing of on-site septic systems.

#### Natural Resource Protection and Restoration - Forests:

- #28. Develop a workgroup for forestland collaborative efforts in priority watersheds to carry out strategies in the 2021 Lamoille TBP.
- #32. Identify headwaters and sensitive surface waters in large forest blocks for protection through conservation easement and land acquisition.

#### Natural Resource Protection and Restoration - Lakes:

#33. Initiate stakeholder meeting to discuss lay monitoring and Lake Wise on target lakes with fair to poor shoreland scores.

#34. Identify and coordinate stakeholders to work with VDEC to develop an invasive species management plan for the waterbody.

#### Natural Resource Protection and Restoration - Rivers:

- #43. Support towns to adopt river corridor protection or strengthen existing river protection by-laws, setbacks, and zoning by providing technical assistance and outreach.
- #45. Support recreational access to the Lamoille River through the establishment and maintenance of stable access areas, portage trails and river campsites.
- #50. Scope, design, and implement high priority bridge and culvert replacements to improve aquatic organism passage, stream geomorphic compatibility, and flood resilience as identified in statewide and local assessments (e.g., river corridor plans, culvert inventories, hazard mitigation plans, etc.).
- #51. Develop priority projects and actions identified in the River Corridor Plans and supported by the Functioning Floodplain Initiative tool.

#### Natural Resource Protection and Restoration - Wetlands:

- #54. Provide outreach and technical assistance for Class I wetland assessment, stakeholder discussions, and petition development where is interest.
- #55. Provide support to the Wetlands Program for publicizing volunteer wetland mapping workshops and training for the public to aid in the eventual updated wetland mapping for the Lamoille River basin.
- #56. Increase wetland acreage and function through restoration of previously drained and degraded wetlands identified in assessments River Corridor Plans and Wetland Restoration Assessments and field surveys.
- #57. Support monitoring efforts on priority surface waters as identified in the 2021 Lamoille TBP Monitoring & Assessment Table.
  - As detailed in the CCRPC staff analysis of the TBP's strategies above, the CCRPC Board of Directors affirms that the draft Lamoille Tactical Basin Plan is in conformance with the applicable goals and objectives of the 2018 Chittenden County Regional Plan.

If you desire clarification on this memorandum, please do not hesitate to contact Dan Albrecht, CCRPC Senior Planner via <a href="mailto:dalbrecht@ccrpcvt.org">dalbrecht@ccrpcvt.org</a> or 802-861-0133.



# Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission October 20, 2021

**Agenda Item 7: Municipal Dues for FY23** 

**FY2023 Municipal Dues** 

**Background:** 

Each year the CCRPC assesses municipal dues that are primarily used to match federal transportation dollars for municipal and regional projects in Chittenden County.

The municipal dues assessment amounts are distributed among the member municipalities based on the Equalized Education Grand List (EEGL). Even with no increase in total dues, the dues for each municipality are adjusted each year consistent with their proportion of the EEGL. The most recent EEGL issued by the State of Vermont for Chittenden County is used in the FY23 table. The effective January 2021 EEGL data is available on Vermont Department of Taxes website.

CCRPC uses the Employment Cost Index (ECI) for State and Local Government employee Compensation, which is published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), as an index for dues increases. In the twelve-month period from June 2020 to June 2021, State and Local Government Compensation rose 2%. Supporting documentation is included.

The dues were increased most recently in FY20, for a total assessment of \$250,400. The dues were held level in FY21 and FY22.

**Table 1**, included in the packet, presents the FY23 municipal dues table with a 2% overall increase. This increases the overall dues assessment by \$5,008. Staff understands that CCRPC needs the capacity to continue to bring MPO planning dollars into the region. A five thousand dollar increase in match can equate to an additional \$50,000 project for our region. The Executive Committee was presented with *Table 1* and supporting documentation and voted to support the increase during their October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Recommendations:** 

The Executive Committee recommends to the Board that CCRPC increase municipal dues by 2% for FY23 and approve the FY23 Dues Table 1 as presented.

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**TABLE 1** 

	<b>EEG List</b>		<b>EEG List</b>		2	2020 - 2021	2020 - 2021
Municipality	January 2020	% of County	January 2021	% of County		\$ Change	% Change
Bolton	1,367,710	0.58%	1,438,240	0.59%	\$	70,530	0.61%
<b>Buels Gore</b>	38,280	0.02%	33,110	0.01%	\$	(5,170)	-20.84%
Burlington	49,995,400	21.38%	52,471,460	21.47%	\$	2,476,060	0.41%
Charlotte	9,688,890	4.14%	9,777,870	4.00%	\$	88,980	-3.57%
Colchester	24,277,880	10.38%	25,485,970	10.43%	\$	1,208,090	0.43%
Essex Town*	28,846,960	12.33%	30,116,750	12.32%	\$	1,269,790	-0.11%
Hinesburg	6,381,530	2.73%	6,677,890	2.73%	\$	296,360	0.12%
Huntington	2,307,170	0.99%	2,404,130	0.98%	\$	96,960	-0.30%
Jericho	6,907,160	2.95%	7,277,010	2.98%	\$	369,850	0.79%
Milton	12,296,550	5.26%	12,836,120	5.25%	\$	539,570	-0.13%
Richmond	5,247,510	2.24%	5,525,040	2.26%	\$	277,530	0.73%
Shelburne	16,727,390	7.15%	17,106,390	7.00%	\$	379,000	-2.20%
South Burlington	33,614,700	14.37%	35,597,280	14.56%	\$	1,982,580	1.30%
St. George	898,030	0.38%	948,320	0.39%	\$	50,290	1.02%
Underhill	4,119,600	1.76%	4,476,550	1.83%	\$	356,950	3.81%
Westford	2,672,810	1.14%	2,769,630	1.13%	\$	96,820	-0.87%
Williston	21,729,630	9.29%	22,330,200	9.14%	\$	600,570	-1.71%
Winooski	6,747,970	2.89%	7,163,930	2.93%	\$	415,960	1.55%
TOTAL	\$233,865,170	100.00%	\$244,435,890	100.00%	\$	10,570,720	4.32%

CCRPC FY	22
Assessme	-
\$1,4	64
\$	41
\$53,5	30
\$10,3	74
\$25,9	
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2% Increase		
CCRPC FY23	FY22 - FY23	FY22 - FY23
Assessment	\$ Change	% Change
\$1,503	\$38	2.62%
\$35	-\$6	-15.59%
\$54,827	\$1,297	2.42%
\$10,217	-\$157	-1.51%
\$26,630	\$636	2.45%
\$31,469	\$582	1.88%
\$6,978	\$145	2.12%
\$2,512	\$42	1.69%
\$7,604	\$208	2.81%
\$13,412	\$246	1.87%
\$5,773	\$155	2.75%
\$17,874	-\$36	-0.20%
\$37,195	\$1,204	3.34%
\$991	\$29	3.05%
\$4,677	\$267	6.04%
\$2,894	\$32	1.12%
\$23,333	\$67	0.29%
\$7,486	\$260	3.60%
\$255,408	\$5,008	2.00%

Each town is assessed dues using their percentage of the Equalized Education Grand List. Their amount is determined by taking the total dues and multiplying it by the municipality's percentage of the total Grand List.

Equalized Education Grand List can be accessed at the Vermont Department of Taxes https://tax.vermont.gov/document/pvr-annual-report-2020-data-cod-cla-eegl

<sup>\*</sup> RPC Dues for Essex and Essex Junction are combined



### **Economic News Release**



### **Employment Cost Index Summary**

Transmission of material in this release is embargoed until 8:30 a.m. (ET) Friday, July 30, 2021

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EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX - June 2021

Compensation costs for civilian workers increased 0.7 percent, seasonally adjusted, for the 3-month period ending in June 2021, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Wages and salaries increased 0.9 percent and benefit costs increased 0.4 percent from March 2021. (See tables A, 1, 2, and 3.)

Compensation costs for civilian workers increased 2.9 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2021 and increased 2.7 percent in June 2020. Wages and salaries increased 3.2 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2021 and increased 2.9 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2020. Benefit costs increased 2.2 percent over the year and increased 2.2 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2020. (See tables A, 4, 8, and 12.)

Compensation costs for private industry workers increased 3.1 percent over the year. In June 2020, the increase was 2.7 percent. Wages and salaries increased 3.5 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2021 and increased 2.9 percent in June 2020. The cost of benefits increased 2.0 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2021 and increased 2.0 percent in June 2020. (See tables A, 5, 9, and 12.)

Employer costs for health benefits increased 0.4 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2021.(See www.bls.gov/ncs/ect/data.htm.)

Among private industry occupational groups, compensation cost increases for the 12-month period ending in June 2021 ranged from 2.4 percent for management, professional, and related occupations to 4.8 percent for service occupations. Within industry supersectors, compensation cost increases ranged from 2.6 percent for both manufacturing and professional and business services to 5.5 percent for leisure and hospitality. (See table 5.)

Compensation costs for state and local government workers increased 2.0 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2021, compared with an increase of 2.7 percent in June 2020. Wages and salaries increased 1.6 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2021 and 2.6 percent a year ago. Benefit costs increased 2.6 percent for the 12-month period ending in June 2021. The prior year increase was 3.1 percent. (See tables A, 7, 11, and 12.)

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic Impact on the June 2021 Employment Cost Index Response rates for June were comparable with prior releases and no changes in estimation procedures were necessary. Additional information is available at www.bls.gov/covid19/home.htm.

#### Table A. Major series of the Employment Cost Index

[Percent change]

	3-month, seasonally adjusted		12-month, not seasonally adjusted			
Category	Jun. 2021	Jun. 2020	Sep. 2020	Dec. 2020	Mar. 2021	Jun. 2021
Civilian workers( <u>1</u> )						

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		3-month, seasonally adjusted		12-month, not seasonally adjusted			
Category	Mar. 2021	Jun. 2021	Jun. 2020	Sep. 2020	Dec. 2020	Mar. 2021	Jun. 2021
Compensation(2)	0.9	0.7	2.7	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.9
Wages and salaries	1.0	0.9	2.9	2.5	2.6	2.7	3.2
Benefits	0.6	0.4	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.2
Private industry							
Compensation(2)	1.0	0.8	2.7	2.4	2.6	2.8	3.1
Wages and salaries	1.1	1.0	2.9	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.5
Benefits	0.6	0.3	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.5	2.0
State and local government							
Compensation(2)	0.4	0.6	2.7	2.3	2.3	2.0	2.0
Wages and salaries	0.4	0.5	2.6	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.6
Benefits	0.4	0.7	3.1	3.2	3.1	2.6	2.6

#### **Footnotes**

- (1) Includes private industry and state and local government.
- (2) Includes wages and salaries and benefits.
  - Employment Cost Index Technical Note
  - Table 1. Seasonally adjusted: Employment Cost Index for total compensation, by ownership, occupational group, and industry
  - Table 2. Seasonally adjusted: Employment Cost Index for wages and salaries, by ownership, occupational group, and industry
- Table 3. Seasonally adjusted: Employment Cost Index for benefits, by ownership, occupational group, and industry
- <u>Table 4. Compensation (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for total compensation, for civilian workers, by occupational group and industry</u>
- Table 5. Compensation (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for total compensation, for private industry workers, by occupational group and industry
- Table 6. Compensation (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for total compensation, for private industry workers, by
   bargaining status, census region, census divisions, and area
- <u>Table 7. Compensation (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for total compensation, for State and local government workers, by occupational group and industry</u>
- Table 8. Wages and salaries (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for wages and salaries, for civilian workers, by occupational group and industry
- Table 9. Wages and salaries (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for wages and salaries, for private industry workers, by occupational group and industry
- <u>Table 10. Wages and salaries (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for wages and salaries, for private industry workers, by bargaining status, region, and area</u>
- Table 11. Wages and salaries (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for wages and salaries, for State and local government workers, by occupational group and industry.
- Table 12. Benefits (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for benefits, by ownership, occupational group, industry, and bargaining status
- <u>Table 13. Compensation and wages and salaries (not seasonally adjusted): Employment Cost Index for total compensation, and wages and salaries, for private industry workers, by area</u>
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# Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission October 20, 2021

Agenda Item 8a: Information Item

#### 2023 ECOS Plan Update Schedule

**Issues:** 

The <u>ECOS Plan</u> is the region's Regional Plan, Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. Because the MTP and CEDS are incorporated, the Plan needs to be updated every five years. A number of current efforts will be incorporated into this update:

- MTP: I-89 Study, Active Transporation Plan, Park & Ride Plan, etc.
- CEDS: West Central Vermont CEDS
- Regional Plan: Equity, Building Homes Together 2.0, State Climate Action Plan, State Comprehensive Energy Plan, All Hazard Mitigation Plan, etc.

#### Schedule:

- Staff have begun to meet regularly
- The Long Range Planning Committee will meet monthly starting in November
- Draft 2023 ECOS Plan prepared by December 2022
- Formal Public Hearing Process will take place during the winter and spring of 2023
- Adoption by June 2023

**Staff** No action needed at this time.

**Recommendation:** 

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1 2 3 4	CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES DRAFT			
5 6	DATE:	Wednesday September 15, 2021		
7	TIME:	5:00 PM		
8 9	PLACE:	CCRPC office and/or Remote Attendance v	ria ZOOM Meeting	
10	PRESENT:	Catherine McMains, Chair	Mike O'Brien, Immediate Past Chair	
11		Jacki Murphy, at large >5000	Bard Hill, at large >5000	
12		John Zicconi, Treasurer		
13				
14 15	ABSENT:	Chris Shaw, Vice-Chair		
16	STAFF:	Charlie Baker, Executive Director	Eleni Churchill, Trans. Program Mgr.	
17		Amy Irvin Witham, Business Office Mgr.	Christine Forde, Senior Trans. Planner	
18		,		
19	OTHERS:	Matthew Langham, VTrans		
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21	1. Call to Oi	rder, Attendance. The meeting was called to c	order at 5:00 PM by the Chair, Catherine	
22	McMains	_	, and an	
23 24	2 Changes	to the Agenda Members' Items There were	2020	
24 25	2. <u>Changes</u>	to the Agenda, Members' Items. There were	none.	
25 26	2 TID Amor	adments		
	3. <u>TIP Amer</u>		thou received proviously via a mail She	
27		erred members to the TIP Amendment Memo		
28		atthew Langham to review the TIP Amendmen	·	
29		•	other details. Christine thanked Matthew and	
30	stated ne	e summarized the information appropriately.		
31	The CODE	OC Staff and TAC management that fallenting are		
32	The CCR	PC Staff and TAC recommend the following rec	quested changes to the FY20-2023 TIP:	
33				
34	-	in Parkway, Burlington (Project HC001A, Am	enament FY21-58)	
35	Desc	ription of TIP Change:		
36		• Transfer \$1,000,000 from construction	, , ,	
37 38		<ul> <li>Move \$5,227,121 in Federal funds for remains for construction in FY21.</li> </ul>	construction from FY21 to FY22. \$100,000	
39 40		<ul> <li>Add \$5,227,121 for construction in FYZ construction in FY22. The new total is</li> </ul>		
41		Add \$10,000,000 for construction in F	Y23.	
42		Add balance of construction funds in F	Y24 - \$9,960,419.	
43	<u> </u>	Reason for Change: The current estimated adv	ertising date for this project is late September	
44 45		to there will be minimal expenditures in FY21. FY22, FY23 and FY24. This change does not res	Construction is expected to take place in all times an increase in the construction cost but	

1 2	just changes the funding schedule. The funding changes will be accommodated outside of CCRPC's fiscal constraint limit.
3	
4	Add the following 2021 VTrans Bicycle and Pedestrian Program grant awards to the TIP. Note that both
5 6	the current TIP and the FY2022-2025 TIP will be updated.
7	VT15/Underhill Flats Sidewalk, Underhill (Project BP077, Amendment FY21-62)
8	Description of TIP Change:
9	Add \$76,000 in additional federal funds to construct a sidewalk along VT15 from Park Street to
10	Dumas Street in Underhill. This project previously received a 2013 Bicycle and Pedestrian
11	Program award of \$347,022.
12	
13	Intervale Road Shared Use Path, Burlington (Project BP115, Amendment FY22-01)
14	<u>Description of TIP Change:</u>
15	Add \$207,490 in federal funds for design in FY22. Burlington was awarded a 2021 VTrans Bicycle
16	and Pedestrian Program grant (\$1,162,000 in federal funds) to construct a curb-separate, ten-
17	foot-wide shared use path along Intervale Road from Riverside Avenue to the Intervale Center.
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19	Riverside Village Sidewalk, Jericho (Project BP116, Amendment FY22-02)
20	Description of TIP Change:
21 22	Add \$112,000 in federal funds for design in FY22. Jericho was awarded a 2021 VTrans Bicycle and Pedestrian Program grant (\$600,000) to construct a sidewalk on the east side of VT15
23	between the Jericho Market and Park Street.
24	between the Jencho Market and Fark Street.
25	Make the following rail project changes to the FY2021 and FY2022 years of the TIP. Note that both the
26	current TIP and the FY2022-2025 TIP will be updated.
27	and the special section of the secti
28	Burlington Train Station Platform (Project RR007, Amendment FY22-03)
29	Description of TIP Change:
30	Reduce federal funds (TIGER VII) in FY21 by \$480,000 to a new total of \$400,000 and add
31	\$294,200 in federal TIGER VII funds in FY22.
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33	Vermont Railway Switch Replacement, Burlington (Project RR013, Amendment FY22-04)
34	Description of TIP Change:
35	Revise the comment section to read "2 switches", instead of 3. Add the latest cost estimate
36	\$2,417,813 of which 53.94% is Federal TIGER VII funds. Remove \$1,874,500 in federal TIGER VII
37	funds from FY21 and add \$2,469,055 in federal TIGER VII funds in FY22.
38	
39	Amtrak Siding, Burlington (Project RR014, Amendment FY22-05)
40	Description of TIP Change:
41	Change VTrans project number to VTRY(51). The latest cost estimate is \$4,577,411. This project
42	is funded with 100% state funds; therefore, no funds are shown in the TIP. Construction will take
43	place in FY22.
44 45	Intervale Pood Pail Crassing Improvements Ruglington (Project BB015, Amandment EV22, 05)
45 46	Intervale Road Rail Crossing Improvements, Burlington (Project RR015, Amendment FY22-06)  Description of TIP Change
40 47	This project is included in the FY2022 TIP, which has not yet been approved by FHWA so this
<del>-</del> /	inis project is included in the F12022 Fit, which has not yet been approved by F11WA 50 tills

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amendment adds this project to the current TIP. Add \$135,000 in federal Section 130 Rail Grade Crossing funds for preliminary engineering in FY22 and \$405,000 in Section 130 funds for construction in FY22.

#### Mallets Bay Rail Crossing Improvements, Winooski (Project RR011, Amendment FY22-07)

Description of TIP Change

Reduce federal Section 130 Rail Grade Crossing funds in FY21 from \$315,000 (CON) to \$31,500 (PE) and add \$380,880 in Section 130 Rail Grade Crossing funds for construction in FY22.

MIKE O'BRIEN MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY JOHN ZICCONI TO APPROVE THE TIP AMENDMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Other Business: Mike reminded everyone the regularly scheduled Board Meeting for this evening was canceled due to the date falling on the Yom Kippur holiday. Charlie noted that we are trying to do a better job in being respectful of the different cultures in our community. He explained we are currently reviewing our meeting calendar to ensure we are not holding any other Board meetings on significant holidays. Members agreed this was the right action to take.

5. <u>Executive Session</u>: There was none.

6. <u>Adjournment</u>: JACKI MURPHY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY JOHN ZICCONI, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:09 PM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 24 Respectfully submitted,
- 25 Amy Irvin Witham

1 CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION 2 TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE 3 **MINUTES** 4 5 Tuesday, October 5, 2021 DATE: 6 TIME: 9:00 a.m. 7 PLACE: Hybrid Meeting: In-person at CCRPC Offices, 110 West Canal St. Winooski, VT, and 8 virtually via Zoom 9 Barbara Elliott, Huntington 10 Members Present Mary Anne Michaels, Rail Bryan Osborne, Colchester 11 Justin Rabidoux, South Burlington Andrea Morgante, Hinesburg 12 Dennis Lutz, Essex Sandy Thibault, CATMA 13 Kurt Johnson, Underhill Robin Pierce, Essex Junction 14 Matthew Langham, VTrans 15 Amy Bell, VTrans Staff 16 Ashley Atkins, VTrans Charlie Baker, Executive Director 17 Chris Jolly, FHWA Eleni Churchill, Transportation Program Manager 18 Jonathon Weber, Local Motion Bryan Davis, Senior Transportation Planner 19 Bob Henneberger, Seniors Christine Forde, Senior Transportation Planner 20 Josh Arneson, Richmond Jason Charest, Senior Transportation Planning Engineer 21 Dean Bloch, Charlotte Marshall Distel, Senior Transportation Planner 22 Chris Dubin, Senior Transportation Planner 23 Deirdre Holmes, Charlotte Sam Andersen, GBIC 24 Elizabeth Ross, Burlington Guests 25 Wayne Howe, Jericho Jackie Cassino, VTrans

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1. Bryan Osborne called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

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#### 2. Consent Agenda

No consent agenda this month.

Chris Damiani, GMT

David Allerton, Milton

Kirsten Jensen, Milton

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#### 3. Approval of September 7, 2021 Minutes

Bryan Osborne asked for any changes, which there were none. SAM ANDERSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2021, SECONDED BY BOB HENNEBERGER. THE MOTION PASSED WITH BARBARA ELLIOTT ABSTAINING.

Michele Bailey, Vermont Arts Council

Mark Johnson, Bolt Mobility

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#### 4. Public Comments

None.

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#### 4a. TIP Amendment

VTrans requested this TIP Amendment be included for TAC action. The project, Charlotte Rail Bridge over Thorp Brook, is part of the work that needs to be done for the Amtrak extension to Burlington. Andrea would like more than just a repair project, the embankments are eroding, the culvert is undersized, this is an opportunity to do more and look at it in a comprehensive way. Lewis Creek Association advocated that the Town get involved because of the need for properly sized culverts. Dierdre asked if the TAC could approve the amendment procedurally and then address those issues later? Andrea notes that it's not just a water quality issue, but also erosion and structure size. There's nothing we can really do but bring it to people's attention. Matthew pointed out the cost, it's about \$570,000 to replace the culvert, but to replace with a structure would likely cost more than \$2 million, which VTrans doesn't have, but there

54 are some Western Corridor earmark funds that could potentially be available. Andrea asked about compliance by the railroad with stormwater and who is going to push for the improvements. Matthew said the state is responsible for the land beneath the railroad tracks, the railroad company is in charge of the tracks. Andrea asked if there's a way to get the railroad company to pay for the improvements. SAM ANDERSEN MADE A MOTION THAT THE TAC APPROVE THE PROPOSED TIP AMENDMENTS, SECONDED BY ROBIN PIERCE. THE MOTION PASSED WITH ANDREA MORGANTE ABSTAINING.

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#### 5. Animating Infrastructure Grant Program and VTrans Art Installation Guidance

Michele Bailey, Vermont Arts Council, and Jackie Cassino, VTrans, presented information about the Animating Infrastructure Grant Program and the VTrans Policy and process for Art Installations on State Transportation Facilities. Michele provided background on and numerous examples of using art and creative placemaking to demonstrate that people and places are valued, to animate local infrastructure, to enhance local economies, engage in civic dialogue, enhance public health, create educational and community engagement opportunities, and more. Sam asked if there will be a press release or other communication with municipalities. Michele said there will be direct outreach in October and November. Justin sees great benefits from public art in South Burlington, which requires projects of a certain size to include funding for art components, as does Burlington. These projects engage the community, showcase public infrastructure, and tend to generate foot traffic. He asked TAC members to consider how to include art components in local policies and budgets. Michele notes that pop up projects are a way to start small, build local interest, then go bigger. Jonathon asked if grant funds could be used to pay for both art and infrastructure, such as covered bike parking. Michele said the funds are only for the artist but there might be a possibility depending on the project, the Vermont Arts Council is interested in new ideas. The Better Places grant program might also be a funding source. Bob pointed out that AARP also has funding for place-making and Michele said AARP has another grant round coming up, as well as a fall workshop October 28-29. Guidelines and application for the Animating Infrastructure Grant Program are available now, with letters of interest due in December, and invitations for 8-10 full proposals to follow. More information on the Animating Infrastructure Grant Program:

https://www.vermontartscouncil.org/grants/organizations/animating-infrastructure

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Jackie presented installation guidance from VTrans for permanent installations. They are getting more requests thanks to the Vermont Arts Council programs. There is a three-phase application process, and applications are accepted on a rolling basis. There's no timeframe because each project is different so there's a need to be flexible. Justin commended VTrans's response to the public's expectations and their quick turnaround. Art is important in South Burlington and this is a great step forward to have the process developed so quickly. Bryan commented on the illuminated train art on the Waterbury bridge and asked if it's okay to have art illuminated on a state highway. Jackie said yes, it's an option. Bryan asked if art could be installed on bridge abutments as those can be good gateways to a community, and yes that's a possibility. More information on the Art Installations on State Transportation Facilities: https://vtrans.vermont.gov/planning/policy-planning/art

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Both presentations are available on the CCRPC TAC webpage: https://www.ccrpcvt.org/aboutus/committees/transportation-advisory-committee/

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#### 6. Greenride Bikeshare Update

Bryan Davis, CCRPC, and Mark Johnson, Bolt Mobility, provided an update on the expansion of Greenride Bikeshare and conversion to electric assist bikes. Bryan provided background on the history, partners, planning, funding and launch of the initial bikeshare system in 2018, and the system expansion and conversion to electric assist bikes in 2021. Mark shared data trends of the new system, pointing out the positive ridership impacts of summer months and college/university students returning to campus. Bryan Osborne asked if there's a way to track recreational use versus transportation trips. Bryan Davis said that we can look at the hub usage as one tool, and the team continues to push the system as a transportation option. Mark notes that location and time of day are other datasets to inform those discussions. He also noted the impacts of the labor shortage and supply chains as factors in getting the full

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system deployed. Bryan Osborne asked about the operating season, and Mark replied that it's a yearround system but that the fleet would likely be reduced during the winter. He also talked about how he manages big snowstorms, by pulling bikes out of the system before a storm, shoveling out the stations, then redeploying the bikes. Bryan Osborne asked about the system financials compared to the first system, which was locally funded. Mark said that Bolt currently funds the system, there have been some grant funds, and in the future Bolt will seek local station sponsors to expand the system. Bryan Osborne asked how success is measured, and Mark said by increased ridership and increased members. Sandy also noted the positive impact of bikesharing on vehicle parking demand. Sam said she was impressed with the amount of work this takes, and that the business community and employment hubs would be great locations for stations, especially for New Americans and others with limited access to employment. Mark said he agrees. Jonathon asked about virtual hubs, and Mark said those are created by geofencing existing public or private racks so that they show up on the system app as places where people can park bikes without incurring a fee. Jonathon asked if more racks could be added to station hubs for people to park their own bikes. Mark said that stations have extra capacity built in and could discuss allowing private bikes to be parked at them, and there would need to be a way to indicate that it is okay for people to park there. There was a question about the financial sustainability and profitability, and while Mark didn't have that information he indicated that Bolt is pleased with the system usage so far. Jason asked how bikes are charged, and Mark said that users can see battery charge levels using the app, as can he, and he carries extra batteries with him to swap in the field and recharge at the warehouse. Jason pointed out that the existing system boundary doesn't include St Michaels College and asked if it had been considered. Mark said he agrees with some boundary changes and will pursue.

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# 7. Vermont Project Selection and Prioritization Process (VPSP2) – Review Statewide Potential Project List and Provide Comments e

Christine Forde, CCRPC, reviewed the memo in the agenda packet, which shows the Chittenden County projects recommended by VTrans for funding, as well as those for later consideration, on the Statewide Potential Project Lists for Paving, Roadway, and Traffic & Safety. The implementation schedule hasn't been determined but all projects are funded. The TAC is being asked to review the project lists and provide comments to VTrans. The memo includes some suggested comments by CCRPC staff for projects in the "Later Consideration" category. Jonathon asked why there's no funding for the Essex Junction multimodal station. Christine noted this particular project is for circulation at the station, and the Village is interested in the building structure. There's more thinking needed for what needs to be done. VTrans may apply for a grate for station upgrades statewide, which would include this facility. Wayne asked about the VT117/Skunk Hollow Road project and whether it was to replace a culvert, which it is not. Previous thinking was to realign the intersection, or fix the slope to improve visibility. JUSTIN RABIDOUX MOVED THAT THE TAC RECOMMEND COMMENTS PREPARED BY STAFF WITH EDITS TO BE SUBMITTED TO VTRANS FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE VPSP2 PROCESS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SAM ANDERSEN AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

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#### 8. TAC Volunteer to serve on Long Range Planning Committee (Action Item – 5 min)

CCRPC requests a TAC volunteer to serve on the Long Range Planning Committee to assist with the ECOS Plan Update. Representatives from the CWAC, TAC & PAC would benefit the process, expected from Sept/Oct 2021 to March/April 2023. The biggest committee engagement is anticipated to be in 2022.

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#### 9. Status of Projects and Subcommittee Reports

See bulleted list at the end of the agenda for current CCRPC projects. TAC members are encouraged to ask staff for more information on the status of any of these on-going or recently completed projects.

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#### 10. CCRPC Board Meeting Report

In September the Board voted to approve the Town of Hinesburg determination of energy compliance to the amended Hinesburg Town Plan, voted to approve the 2021 Underhill Town Plan, confirm the Underhill planning process, and grant affirmative determination of energy compliance for the 2021 Underhill Town Plan, and heard updates on Executive Director visits to municipal elected bodies, hiring

consultant Creative Discourse.

11. Chairman's/Members' Items

Ann Janda as the Senior Energy Project Manager, and noted the Housing Convening on 9/30. There will

VTrans Municipal Highway and Stormwater Mitigation Grants – applications due October 9: https://vtrans.vermont.gov/highway/Municipal-Highway-and-Stormwater-Mitigation-Program

**VTrans Transportation Alternatives Grant Program** – Applications are due by e-mail by

BARBARA ELLIOTT MOVED THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED, SECONDED BY SAM

ANDERSEN, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 10:54

Wednesday, November 24, 2021. http://vtrans.vermont.gov/highway/local-projects/transport-alt

be two Board meetings in October so that members can participate in equity learning sessions with

The next TAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

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Respectfully submitted, Bryan Davis

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#### CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION **CLEAN WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE – DRAFT MINUTES**

DATE: Tuesday, October 5, 2021

SCHEDULED TIME: 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

PLACE: In-person at CCRPC office and ONLINE VIA ZOOM

DOCUMENTS: Minutes, documents, and presentations discussed accessible at: http://www.ccrpcvt.org/meetings/clean-water-advisory-committee/

Committee Members in Attendance (all online unless otherwise noted)					
Bolton:	Hinesburg: Merrily Lovell	St. George:			
Buels Gore:	Huntington: Darlene Palola	Underhill:			
Burlington: James Sherrard	Jericho: Katherine Sonnick	Westford:			
Charlotte:	Milton: David Allerton, Kirsten	Williston: Christine Dougherty			
	Jensen				
Colchester:	Richmond: Ravi Venkataraman	Winooski: Ryan Lambert			
Essex:	Shelburne: Chris Robinson	VAOT: Jennifer Callahan			
Essex Junction: Chelsea Mandigo	South Burlington:Tom DiPietro	VANR:			
Burlington Airport: Catie Calabrese University of VT: Lani Ravin (EIV)		CCRPC Board: Don Meals, co-chair			
Friends of the Winooski River:  Michele Braun  Lewis Creek Assoc:  Winooski NRCD:					
Other Attendees: DEC: Danielle, Owczarski, Karen Bates Other:					
CCRPC Staff: Dan Albrecht (at CCRPC office), Sai Sarepalli, Regina Mahony, Charlie Baker, Chris Dubin					

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- 2. Changes to the Agenda and public comments on items not on the agenda Dan noted that as part of the CWSP discussion Charlie will brief the Committee on the anticipated funding for projects as described in the PDF uploaded for today's meeting.
- 3. Review and action on draft minutes of September 7, 2021 After a brief recap by Dan Albrecht, James Sherrard made a motion, seconded by Chelsea Mandigo to approve the minutes as drafted. MOTION PASSED with abstention by Lani Ravin.

#### 4. <u>Draft Lamoille River Watershed Tactical Basin Plan</u>

Dan Albrecht walked the committee through Chapters 4 and 5 of the pre-release draft of the Plan. The official public review draft will be released on October 13th. He noted that this draft includes several edits requested of DEC during a CCRPC-facilitated work session held in September between lower Lamoille Chittenden County municipalities with Ms. Owczarski. He highlighted the strategies in Chapter 5 – The Basin 7 Implementation Table where municipalities have a significant role such as Strategies to Address Runoff from Developed Lands-Stormwater (e.g. strategies 8, 9, 12, 13, 17, 18 and 19), Strategies to Address Runoff from Developed Lands-Roads (e.g. strategies 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25) and Strategies to Address Wastewater (e.g strategy 27). In response to a query from Dan, no members offered any further comments.

- As noted in the posted flyer, Danielle Owczarski noted there will be a formal public meeting hosted on 10/14 by DEC in Hyde Park. The public can attend there, can attend online or can attend at one of several satellite locations including the Jericho Town Office on VT Route 15. She encouraged members to submit comments as well which will be accepted through 11/12.
- Dan continued noting that the full RPC Board will be briefed at its October 20th meeting and also vote on a draft of the required Regional Plan Conformance letter which Dan will prepare. He will then work to draft a

more detailed CCRPC comment letter and present it to the CWAC for their consideration on 11/2 which will then pass it onto the CCRPC Executive Committee to vote on submission at their 11/3 meeting.

# 5. Scope of Work for CCRPC as Clean Water Service Provider for Basin 5 (Northern LC Direct Drainages)

Dan walked the committee through the Scope of Work. He noted that Northwest RPC (contact Dean Pierce) will be the CWSP for the Lamoille Basin while Central Vermont RPC (contact Grace Vinson) will take care of the Winooski Basin. Deliverables are as follows:

Performance Measure	Deliverable	Estimated Timeframe
Develop a website/webpage for CWSP and BWQC notices and activities	Website/webpage description and link	December, 2021
Set up a grant/contract tracking system and grant reporting systems, to manage grant and contract issuance, and grant reporting to the State	Description of the grant/contract tracking system and grant reporting system (and access)	January, 2022
Set up a project tracking system, for managing CWSP funded projects, that integrates with the State's project tracking	Description of the project tracking system and access	January, 2022
Ensure all CWSP legal and accounting requirements will be sufficient for CWSP operations	Report on upgrades to/status of legal/accounting framework for CWSP operations	March, 2022
Draft required CWSP policies	<ul> <li>Subgrant policy</li> <li>Conflict of Interest policy</li> <li>Personnel policy</li> <li>Internal controls policy</li> <li>Other required policies</li> </ul>	June, 2022
Provide input to development of Secretary's Guidance, by participating in Act 76 Advisory Group Meetings.	Summaries of meeting outcomes and written feedback on policies/proposals as requested by the State	Ongoing
Establish and empanel the BWQC	• List of BWQC members, affiliation and contact information	December, 2021
BWQC capacity development and training	List of any trainings, dates, attendees, and agenda. List of activities conducted to provide services to community groups. Conduct training, and if needed, provide support to community groups to foster development of organizations that can serve on the BWQC	March, 2022
Develop and Adopt BWQC Meeting Rules and Policies	Copy of adopted rules/policies	February, 2022

	Performance Measure	Deliverable	Estimated Timeframe				
	BWQC member attendance at approved meetings and trainings during start-up for three members two-municipal members and one member representing a statewide conservation organization)	Attendance at four meetings, approximately 2 hours each, at \$50/hour for three people	Ongoing				
	<ul> <li>Conduct RFQs, procurement for select services related to stand up clean water projects, as appropriate</li> </ul>	List of services procured	April, 2022				
e a	e anticipate project tracking will be similar to our REI dashboard; various CCRPC internal policies:						

We anticipate project tracking will be similar to our REI dashboard; various CCRPC internal policies already in place will go a long way towards meeting those specs. There are 9 members of the BWQC: two municipal reps, two NRCD seats, two watershed groups members, two RPC members and one member for land conservation organizations. In November or December he will ask the CWAC to recommend one municipal member from CCRPC and will ask Northwest RPC to recommend a municipal member. The eight other members will be solicited directly. Regarding procurement, we will issue an RFQ to pre-qualify engineering firms with the requisite skill set but the RFQ will also seek people and organizations to implement projects like streambank plantings or floodplain restoration.

Charlie Baker walked through the DEC powerpoint on year-one Water Quality Restoration Formula Grant with a focus on the slides on pages 13 and 14. Basin 5's overall CWSP Formula Grant budget would be \$552,500 for projects plus \$97,500 to cover CCRPC Administrative costs. (Note: These funds are separate from the CWSP start-up contract described above.) Michele Braun noted that the original CVRPC RFQ response indicated staff sharing with CCRPC. Dan indicated that at the time of RFQ submissions, that was a model discussed and CVRPC evidently put that in their proposal. However, since that time, they have not reached out to us to ask for help with stakeholder outreach which he noted is fine with us given our workload. Charlie also noted that since that time DEC has stressed the need to have one responsible entity for each basin. Charlie noted that CCRPC and the other RPCs and VHCB acting as CWSPs have been working closely with DEC on the Guidance document. Charlie noted that the Clean Water Board will be meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup>. \$7 million is allocated already and there is chance for additional funds via Federal monies.

#### 6. Additional Updates by staff

Dan noted the various VTRANS and DEC-DIBG funding opportunities which he had previously distributed via email.

Chris Dubin noted that we continue to assist municipalities with MRGP reporting. Reporting deadlines are December 31st for non-MS4 towns and April 1st for MS4 towns. He will be reaching out to all towns in sequence. Towns should look at our MRGP dashboard here:

https://ccrpc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/2a653ecb1d0c41ebbcad545c8010bd04 then select their town in upper right, then click on the red portion of the Pie Chart on the left. That will show segments that (according to our data) have not been brought up to MRGP standards. Towns should look that over carefully. It is especially important that towns report back to him on MRGP related work that was achieved with municipal funds only that we may not know was done. (Editors Note: Clicking on the yellow will show Partially Compliant segments).

- 7. Updates by Members and Guests. None.
- 8. Items for November 7<sup>th</sup> Agenda. Action on CCRPC Basin 7 TBP comment letter
- **9. Adjournment**. The meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.