



Granite State Future

Sharing What's Working: 5X5 Grantee Success Story

New England Peer Exchange
Building Competitive
Communities and Regions
August 8 and 9, 2013





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Upper Valley Lake Sunapee RPC

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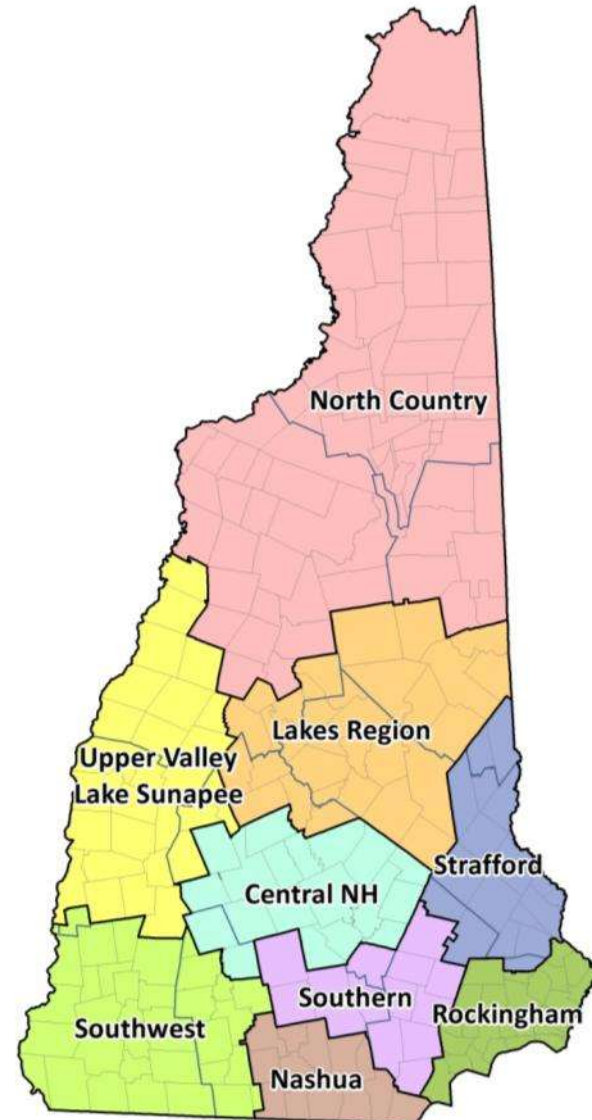
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COLLABORATION & PLANNING FRAMEWORK

*Linking local,
regional and
state planning*



CHAPTERS



■ Transportation



■ Environment



■ Housing



■ Energy Efficiency & Green Building



■ Community & Economic Vitality



■ Water Infrastructure



COMMON OUTREACH EFFORTS Shared Products

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Locations

Topics

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Take a look at the Locations and Topics your neighbors have entered by selecting either tab above.

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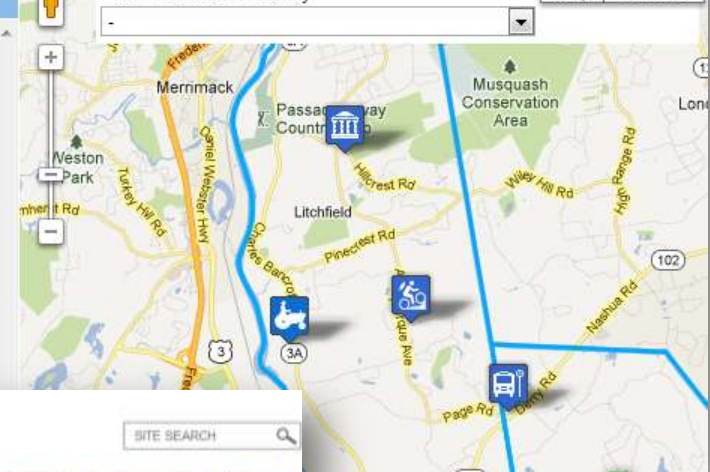
Ideas, suggestions, what's missing?

Vote or comment on what others have already submitted:

Find Your Community

Map

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New England Peer Exchange Building Competitive Communities and Regions



COMMON OUTREACH EFFORTS Shared Process

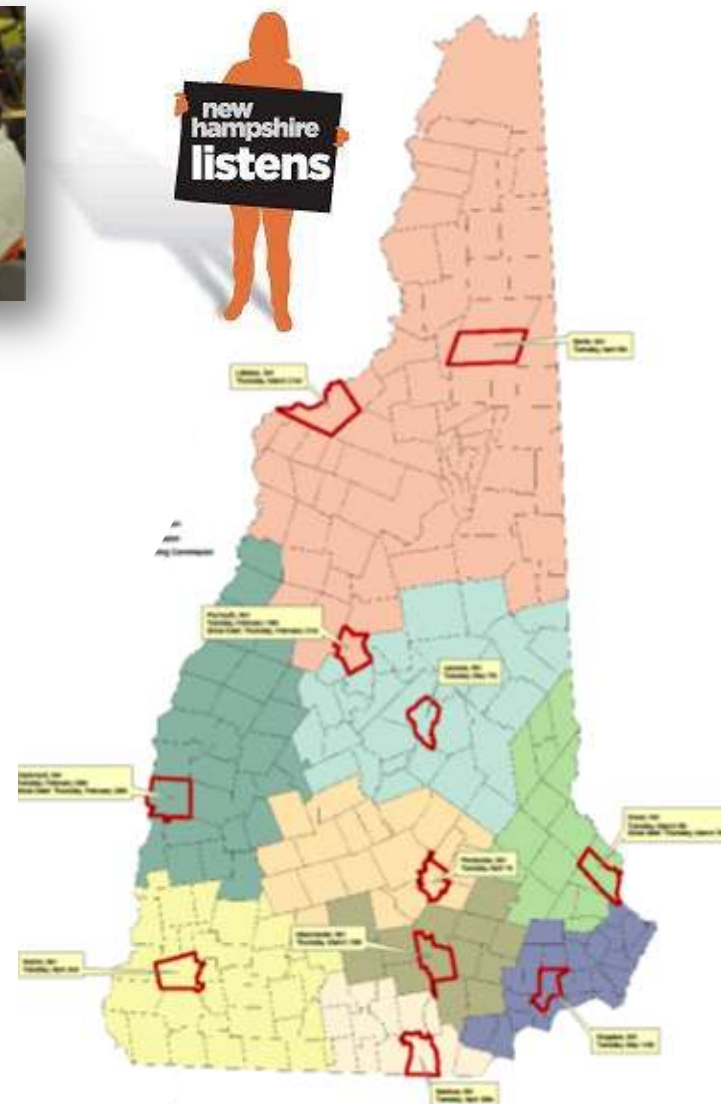


Communities of Interest:

- 9 “Communities”
- 20 Focus Groups
- 120 Participants

Communities of Place:

- 10 Locations
- 45 Small Groups
- 535 +/- participants





REGIONAL OUTREACH EFFORTS

Committees, Workshops, Events

MISSED THE WORKSHOP?

TRANSPORTATION WORKSHOP
2/12/2013

- [Presentation](#)
- [Discussion Guide](#)
- [What We Heard - Summary of Discussion](#)
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HOUSING WORKSHOP 3/29/2013

MISSED THE MEETING?

NRPC'S REGIONAL PLAN SUBCOMMITTEES

Regional Plan Advisory Subcommittees' [Roles and Responsibilities](#)

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- [June 25, 2013](#)
- [April 9, 2013](#)
- [February 26, 2013](#)
- [January 29, 2013](#)

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC VITALITY

- [July 17, 2013](#)

NATURAL RESOURCES

- [Stay tuned for upcoming meetings](#)

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- [June 24, 2013](#)





New England Peer Exchange

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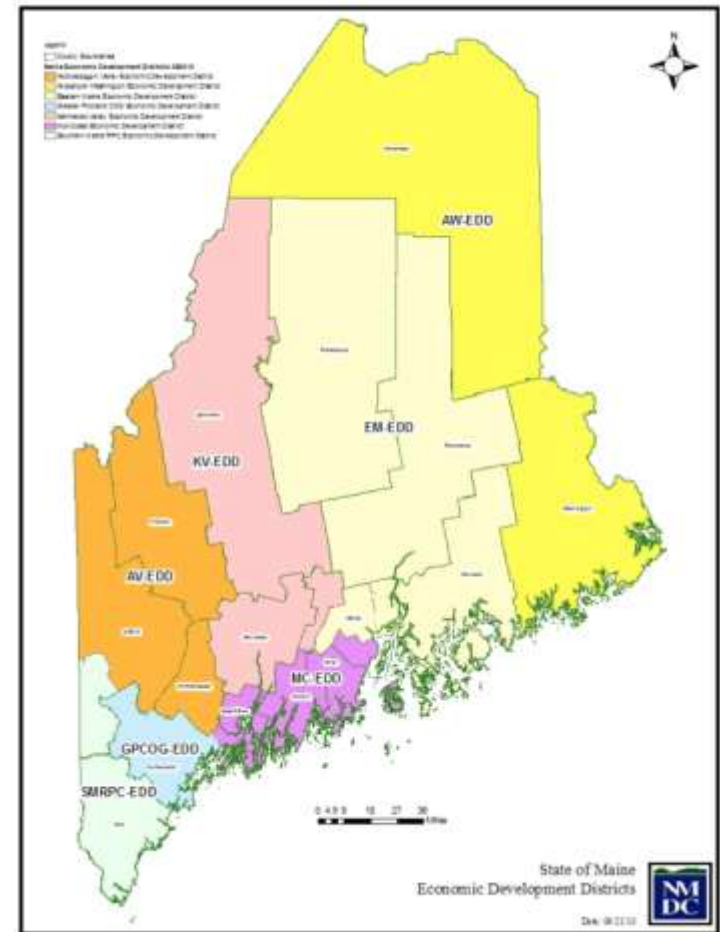
Portsmouth, NH

Overview

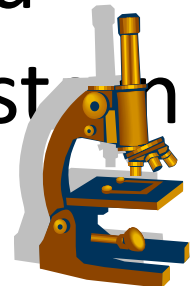
Regional Plan for Long Term Sustainable Growth

Raising Median Income linked with Mobilize Maine and the new Aroostook Washington Economic Development District (AWEDD)

Multiple Components ...



GROWashington-Aroostook is a regional planning process focused on job creation, modern infrastructure, and healthy, affordable communities in the counties of Aroostook and Washington, here in northeast Maine



Asset-based Methodology

Applied to Gro-WA planning process

- Adopted in 2009
- Indigenous assets seen as primary drivers of Econ Dev strategic planning and implementation
- Fundamental difference in focus on “what the region has” not “what the region lacks”
- Gro-WA work components utilize asset-mapping and sector identification principles



Regional Plan Components



**Economic
Development**



**Transportation
Infrastructure
for Economic
Development**



**Healthy
Communities**



**Workforce
Development**



**Modernizing
Communications
Electric Utility
Infrastructure**



**Climate Change
Infrastructure
Resilience**



**Renewable Energy
Related Training**



**Sustainable
Housing**



**Water Infrastructure
Investment**



**Brownfields
Economic Renewal**



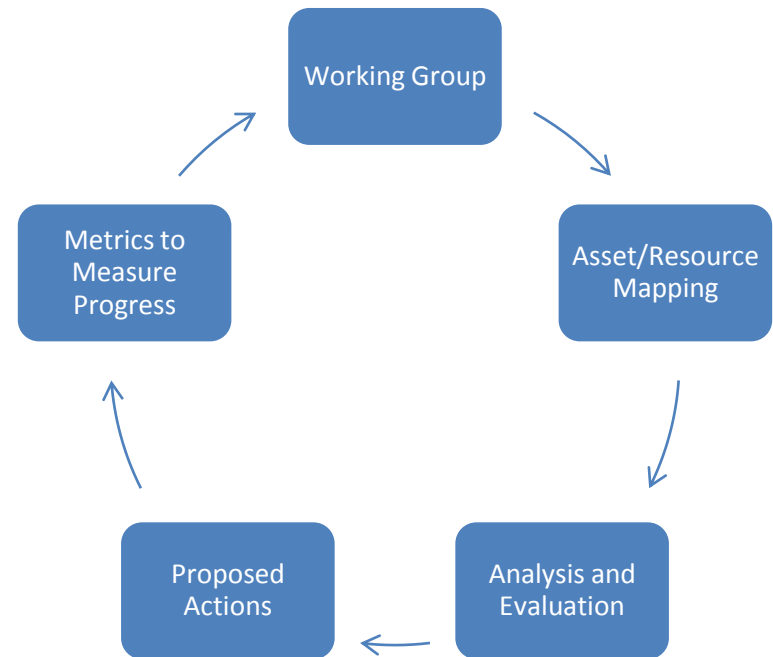
**Transportation
Housing**



**Growth Management
Law Change**

Asset-based process

- Goal Setting
- Asset Mapping
- Sector selection
- Implementation
- Northern Maine example



Sustainable Land Use Regulation Project

SUSTAINABLE LAND USE REGULATIONS



ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL LAND USE REGULATIONS

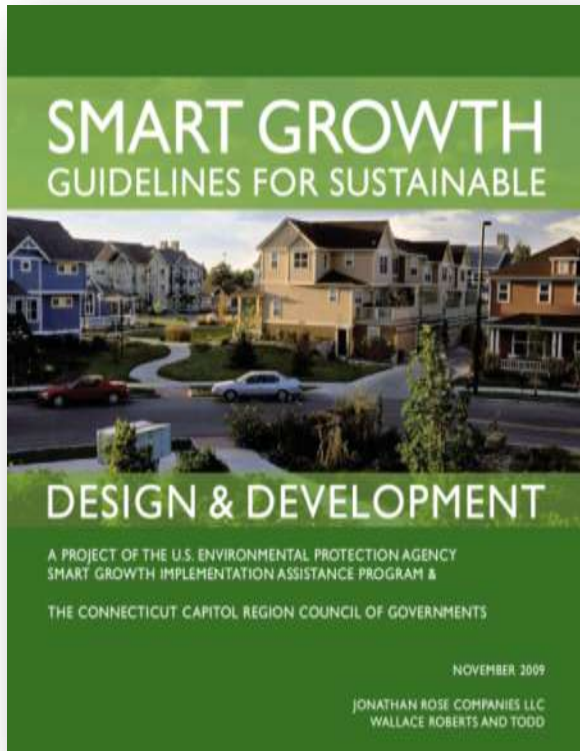


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SUCCESS #1 – BUILDING ON PREVIOUS WORK

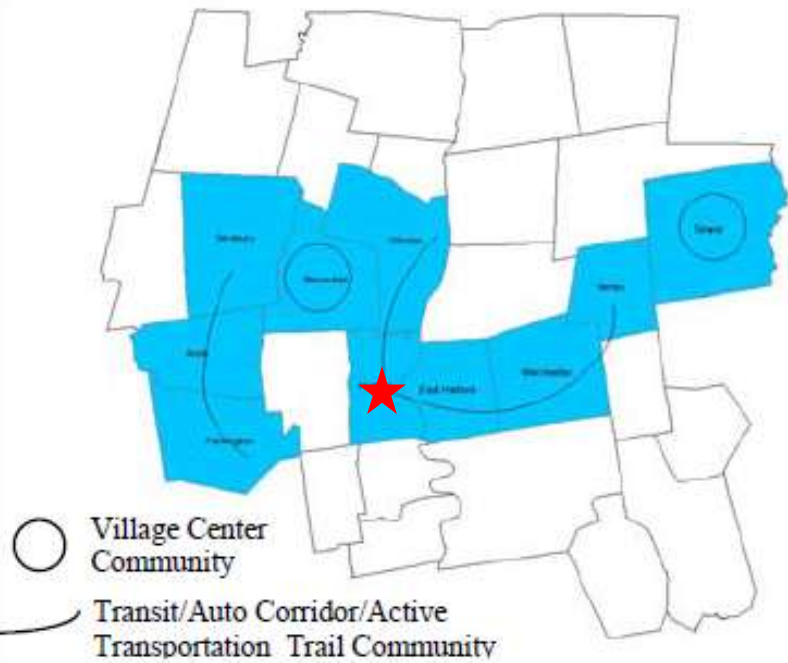
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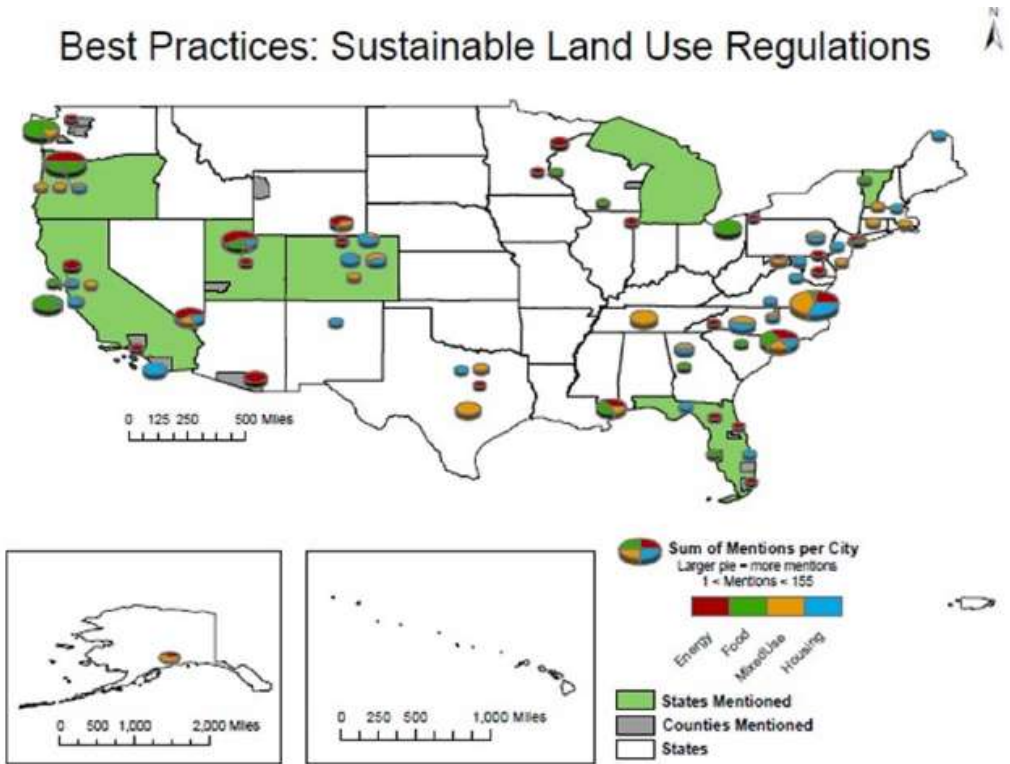
**Model Code
Language**

SUCCESS #2 – PLANNING FOR AND LEARNING FROM A WIDE RANGE OF COMMUNITIES



Capitol Region Working Group Communities



Best Practices: Sustainable Land Use Regulations



SUCCESS #3 – UNDERSTANDING OUR STRENGTHS & WEAKNESSES

TOWN OF WINDSOR ZONING REGULATIONS		
EXISTING REGULATIONS	POSSIBLE REVISION	EXAMPLES/BEST PRACTICES
<div><div>SUSTAINABLE L</div></div> <p>The current regulations do not allow existing nonconforming structures or development on nonconforming lots to be renovated or expanded without complying with all standards.</p>	<p>Allow infill and redevelopment on nonconforming lots of record, if it is compatible with its context.</p>	<p>Portsmouth, VA, has adopted a set of contextual development standards that are applied to nonconforming structures or lots that allows development, redevelopment, or renovation to take place provided it complies with the average dimensional requirements found on lots or structures along the same block face.</p>
<p>There are no incentives for the provision of structured parking.</p>	<p>Allow some or all of the area provided for structured parking to be exempted from FAR, or allow structured parking spaces to receive accelerated credit towards parking requirements.</p>	<p>Hartford, CT, exempts structured parking spaces provided for residential uses in the B-2 district from FAR calculations.</p> <p>Fayetteville, NC, allows parking spaces in a parking structure to be credited toward shared or off-site parking requirements even when these spaces are more than 1,000 feet from the use they serve.</p>
<div></div> <p>Bicycle racks are required at transit stops and some building entrances (Sec. 3.5.2).</p>	<p>Clarify when bicycle parking facilities are required for specific use types or in specific locations.</p> <p>Add standards or incentives for bicycle parking.</p>	<p>Alexandria, VA, requires bicycle parking spaces to be provided (based upon square footage) for office and retail uses, as well as one bicycle parking space for every 10 multifamily residential units to be located within 50 feet of the building entrance used by bicyclists in all zone districts in the city.</p> <p>Portsmouth, VA, requires bicycle parking within 50 feet of building entrances in the high density residential, mixed-use, and activity center zone districts based on the number of vehicular spaces (uses with over 20 spaces are required to provide 4 bike parking spaces for each additional 10 vehicular spaces, up to a maximum of 100 bike spaces).</p>





SUCCESS #4 – COORDINATING TO LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR TOD SUCCESS

Fully built out residential density with proposed transit

Walking zones around existing and proposed transit overlaid on existing and zoning-enabled residential density.

Zoning-enabled density calculated from current CRCOG zoning data, see Residential Density map for existing density methodology.

Walking distance to transit

-  Proposed busway and commuter rail
-  Express bus
-  High frequency (Up to 30 min. headways)
-  Low frequency (30+ min. headways)

Existing residential density

Below transit-supportive threshold



Supports local bus services






More frequent bus service

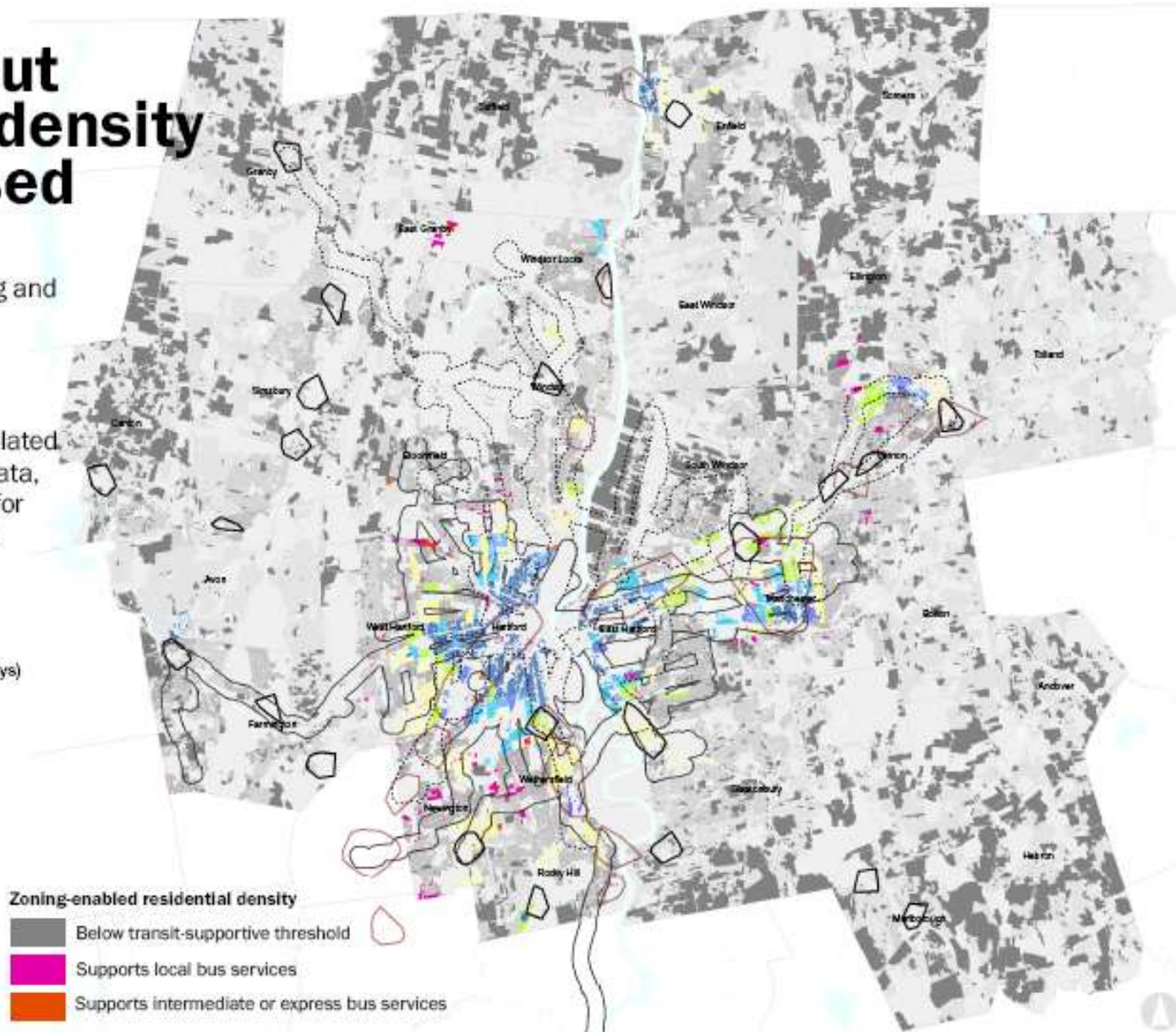


Possible light rail

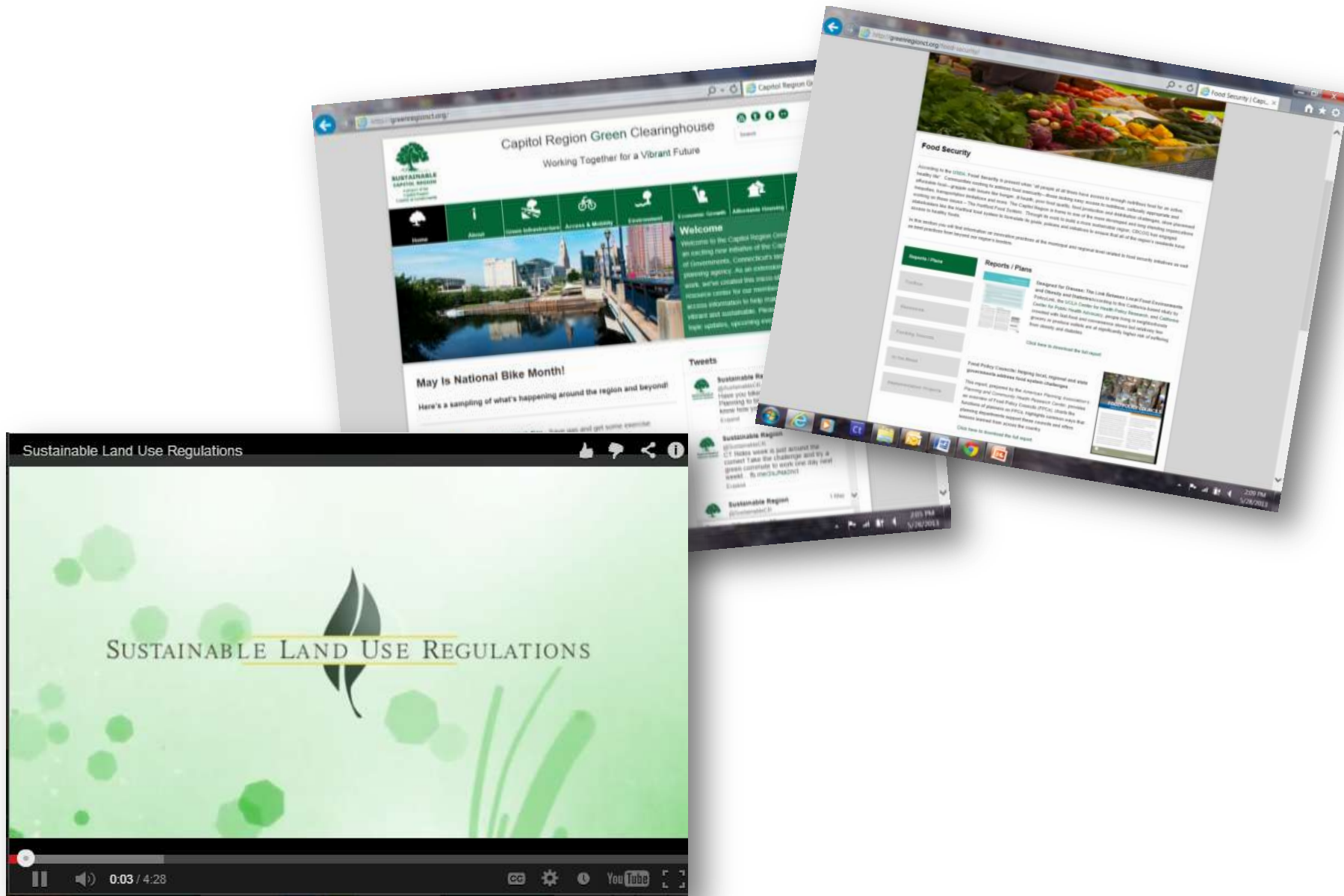


Zoning-enabled residential density

-  Below transit-supportive threshold
-  Supports local bus services
-  Supports intermediate or express bus services



SUCCESS #5 – REACHING OUT IN NEW WAYS FOR IMPLEMENTATION SUCCESS





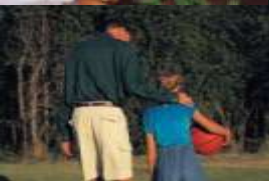
- Food Mapping
 - Housing Needs Assessment
 - Policy/Regulatory Audits
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- Where are food sources located in our region?
 - Where is housing located within walking distance of food sources?
 - How can these two resources be better positioned in the future?

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Availability of Agricultural Products

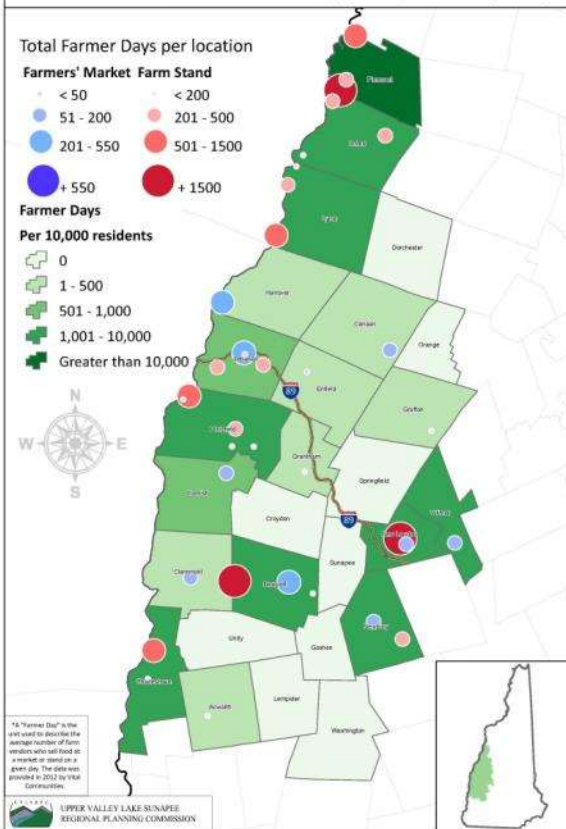
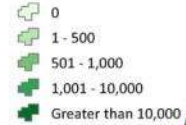
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Total Farmer Days per location



Farmer Days

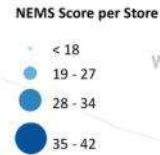
Per 10,000 residents



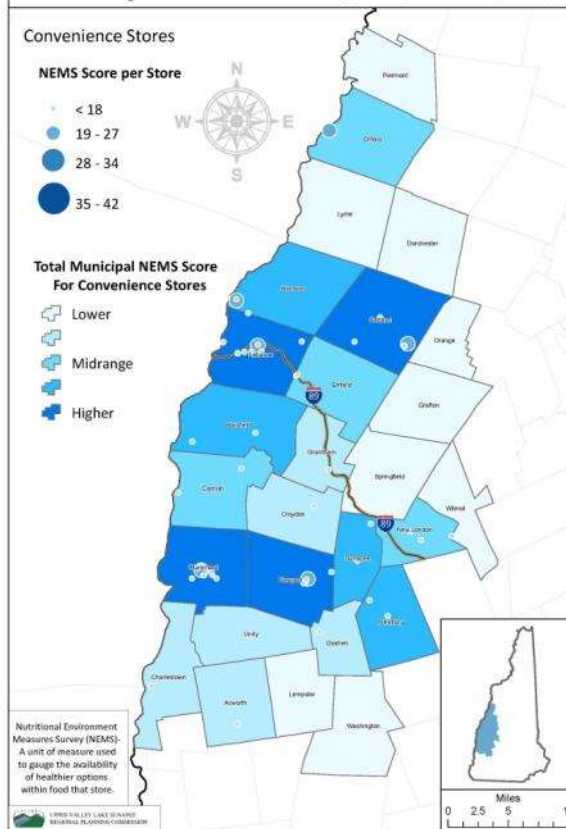
Availability of Healthier Food Options

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Convenience Stores



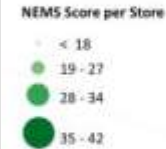
Total Municipal NEMS Score For Convenience Stores



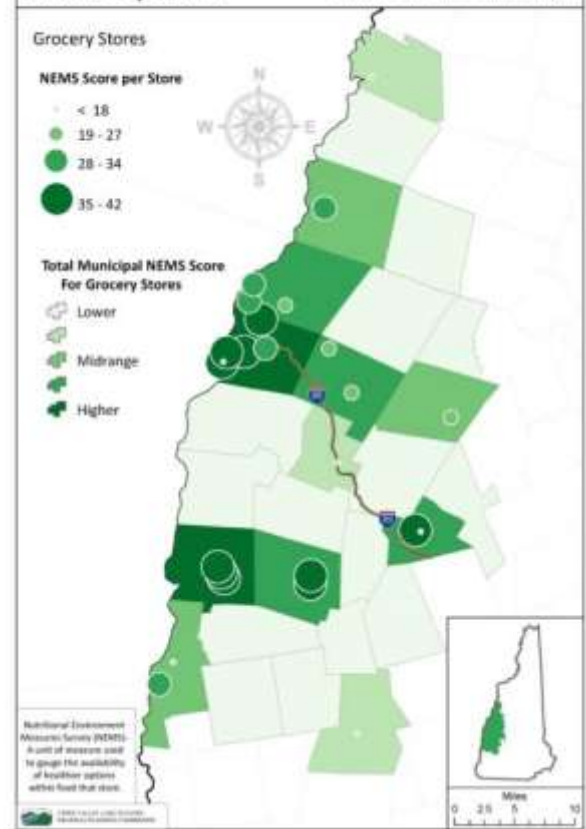
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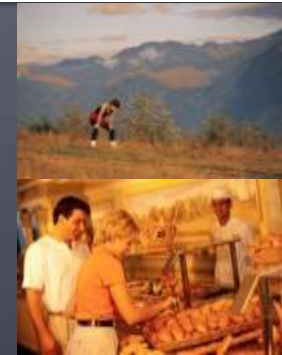
Grocery Stores



Total Municipal NEMS Score For Grocery Stores



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Quality of Roads for Walking

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Region



Quality of Roads for Biking

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Region



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Access to Healthier Food Choices

New London, NH

Food Sources

- Farms/Farmers' Markets
- Grocery Stores
- Convenience Stores

Cluster Outline
(5 Minute Walk)

Circle Size Indicator


- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| More | Higher |
| ● | ● |
| ● | ● |
| Fewer | Lower |

*Farmer Days
Availability of Healthy Food Choices

0 0.5 1 2
Miles

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Map created January 2012

A "Farmer Day" is the unit used by the US Center for Disease Control to measure the availability of food products at a Farmers' Market

 Pedestrian Range
Reference Map

Local Knowledge
Feedback

Access to Healthier Food Choices

Cluster #50

Food Sources

- Farms/Farmers' Markets
- Grocery Stores
- Convenience Stores

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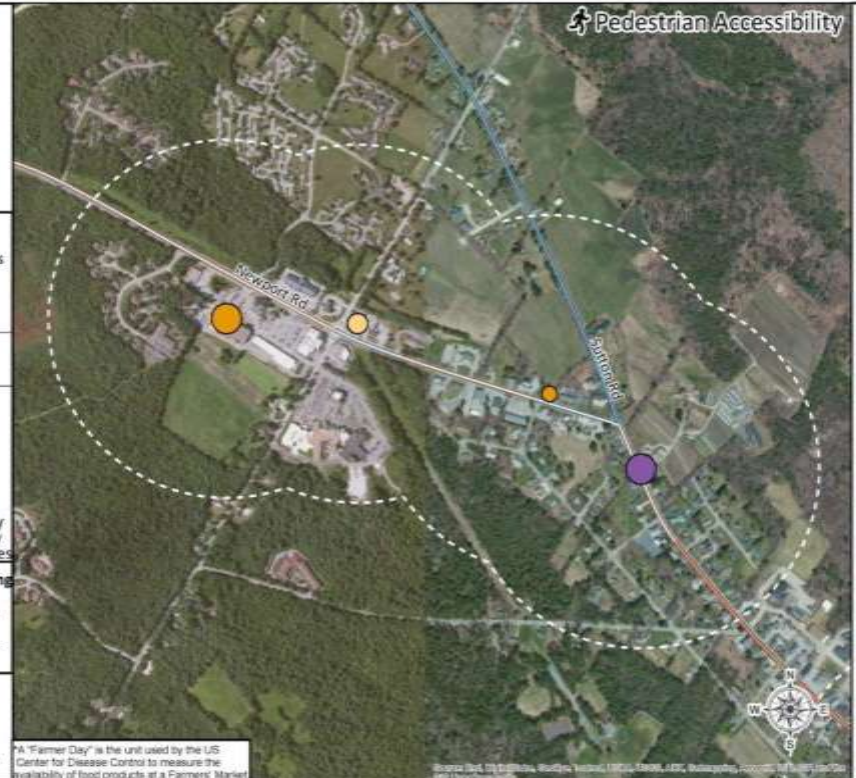
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*Farmer Days
Availability of Healthy Food Choices

Quality of roads for walking
State Road Network
Better ← → Worse

0 0.075 0.15 0.3
Miles

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Plan Today for Tomorrow's Flood

*Arriving at a framework for local
flood resilience in Vermont*

**Vermont Department of Housing and
Community Development**

Faith Ingulsrud, Planning Coordinator



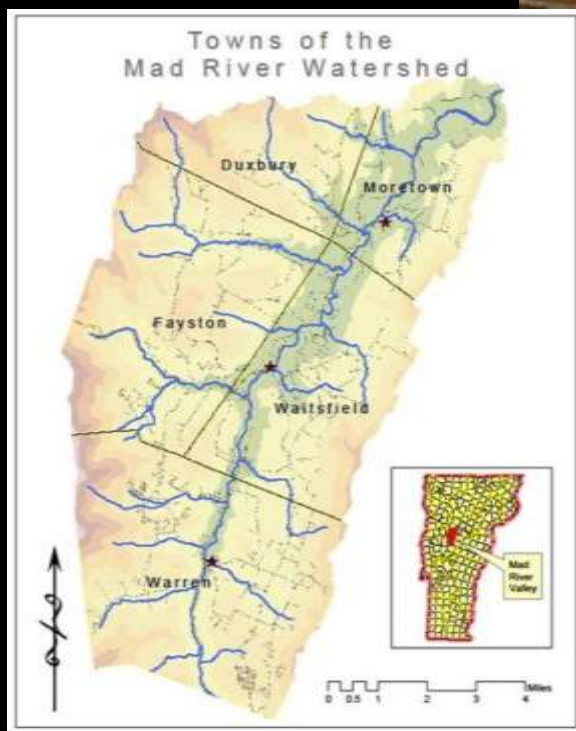
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Local

Nonprofit





Upland and Everywhere: Manage Stormwater

Slow it, Spread it, Sink it.

Safer Areas

Plan for new development

River Corridors

Conserve and Avoid Development

Vulnerable Settlements

Protect People, Buildings and Facilities

Preparing for Future Flooding