

Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission

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CNHRPC NEWS & UPDATES

Upcoming Events

CommuteSmart NH Coordination Committee Meeting Thursday, February 13, 2019 at 1:00 PM CNHRPC Conference Room 28 Commercial Street, Suite 3, Concord NH



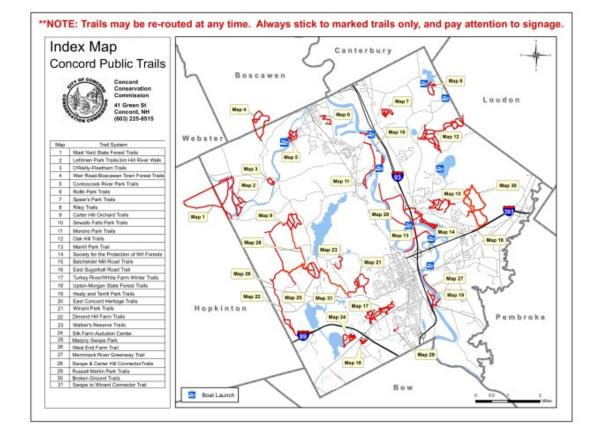
CNHRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting

Friday, February 7, 2019 at 9:00 AM Bow Municipal Building 10 Grandview Road, Bow NH

Trails Plan for Concord

The CNHRPC is helping the City of Concord develop a trails plan for the 80+ miles City trails. These trails have been enjoyed by Concord residents and visitors for many years, and have contributed to quality of life, offered a connection to nature, and brought economic benefits to the City and the region. The plan will help establish a vision for trails in Concord, evaluate the trail network and trail needs weighed against other considerations, and will also discuss ongoing trail maintenance, stewardship, and roles and responsibilities. The City's Trails Subcommittee of the Conservation Commission has for many years built and maintained this vast network of backwoods trails primarily through volunteer labor with support and oversight from City government. Over 70 people attended a public hearing on January 28 in Council Chambers, to discuss trails and share their thoughts on trails. A second meeting is planned for May, date to be announced. In the meantime, residents and visitors are welcome to share your thoughts via the online survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ConcordTrails

For more information contact Craig Tufts at 226-6020 orctufts@cnhrpc.org.



Concord to Claremont Rail Corridor Site Walk

On January 17, Principal
Transportation Planner, Dean
Williams, attended a site walk along
sections of the abandoned Concord to
Claremont Rail Corridor and the
potential future location of the Concord
to Lake Sunapee Rail Trail (CLSRT).
He was joined by Lelia Mennel of the
National Park Service, Tim Blagden
representing CLSRT and Mike Vignale
of KV Engineers. The Town of Warner,
in partnership with CLSRT are utilizing
CNHRPC's On-Call Engineer, KV
Partners, to provide technical



assistance for a section of the trail that is proposed to cross under I-89 at three locations. KV Partners will develop conceptual plans and cross sections of some of the highway and river crossings as well as other unique sections of the trail along the Warner River. The National Park Service will also provide some conceptual drawings and technical assistance through their Rivers and Trails Program to help CLSRT and the Town of Warner assemble a portfolio of drawings to engage with the public and assist with future fundraising and grant requests.

Allenstown Capital Improvement Program

Over the past few months, CNHRPC staff have been assisting the Town of Allenstown in the update of their Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for 2021-2026. The

Program identifies capital expenditures anticipated over the next six fiscal years as well as supplemental information related to demographic and financial trends. As part of the process, the Allenstown Planning Board appointed a CIP Committee and solicited capital expenditure projects from all municipal and school departments. The CIP Committee then worked to create a finalized document, which will be reviewed by the Planning Board this February.



CommuteSmart NH Busy Preparing for the 2020 Statewide June Challenge

CNHRPC staff are busy preparing for CommuteSmart NH's second annual June Statewide Commuter Challenge. Similar to 2019, the employer-based challenge will run for the month of June, encouraging businesses, organizations, and municipalities from across the state to adapt



their current commuting practices by trying new, more sustainable methods of getting to work.

Sign-ups for the Challenge will begin in March. For more information, visit commutesmartnh.org or contact info@commutesmartnh.org.

There is still time to take the Warner River Survey!

The Warner River Corridor survey will be available until February 16, 2020. *Intended for everyone in the five waterfront communities of Bradford, Hopkinton, Sutton, Warner and Webster*, the survey will help the Warner River Advisory Committee (WRLAC) prepare and implement a corridor management plan. The management plan will help guide the river communities in protecting and managing the valuable resources of the designated river.

Survey Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WarnerLAC

The Warner River was designated as a protected river in 2018 under the state's River Management and Protection Program (RMPP). The designated river corridor consists of the lands within one-quarter mile of each bank of the river, between the confluence of the West Branch Warner River and Andrew Brook in Bradford and the confluence of the Warner and Contoocook Rivers in Hopkinton.

2020 Census Information & Resources

The 2020 Census counts every person living in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories. New Hampshire's participation in the upcoming count of population on April 1, 2020, is of critical importance to determine the number of seats representing our state in the U.S. House of Representatives. But the Census will also provide our communities with information vital for funding and planning by state and local governments. A complete count of the population in 2020 is necessary for drawing accurate boundaries for voting and legislative districts, and communities rely on Census Bureau statistics for information to plan new

businesses, schools, roads, hospitals, job training, centers, and senior care needs.

2020 Census Resources:

- NH Office of Strategic Initiatives
- 2020census.gov
- 2020 Census Jobs

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