



Weekly News Roundup March 5, 2021

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Upcoming Events



Starting Your Town Conservation Fund

March 11, 2021 | 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Did you know that towns can establish dedicated funds to pay for conservation? Join Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department's Community Wildlife Program to learn about what it takes to start a Conservation Fund, where the money come from, and what to do

with yours. They will share useful tips, inspiring project stories from other towns, and help launch you towards realizing your town's conservation aspirations. This webinar is intended for Vermonters serving on town boards and municipal staff, and is hosted in partnership with the Vermont Association of Conservation Commissions (AVCC). [REGISTER](#)

2021 LEMP Seminars

March 8 and March 11

VEM will be hosting an Local Emergency Management Plan (LEMP) update seminar (virtually) on March 8th from 6:30 to 7:30pm and again on March 11th from 3pm to 4pm for any communities that want to participate and learn about getting your LEMP done and adopted. Please reach out to vinson@cvregion.com, or Harry.Schoppmann@vermont.gov if you'd like to participate.

Montpelier Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee Meeting

March 12, 2021 | 9:30 am

The fourth Montpelier LHMP Committee meeting is scheduled via Zoom. The focus of the meeting will be to discuss mitigation goals and actions.

The meeting is open to all interested community members. The meeting can be accessed by computer using [this link](#) or by phone: (1-929-205-6099) using the following Access Code (855761). Local Hazard Mitigation Plans identify mitigation strategies and actions to reduce damage from foreseeable natural and human-caused hazards. For more information, please contact Grace Vinson at vinson@cvregion.com

SAVE THE DATE - 3/31/2021

CVRPC will be holding a Planning and Zoning Roundtable on the 31st at 7:00 pm. More details to follow soon. We hope you can join us

Community News

CVRPC Welcomes New Transportation Planner

On March 1st, CVRPC welcomed Christian Meyer as our new Transportation Planner. Christian is a native of Calais, VT, and most recently was Supervising

Transportation Planner at the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments in Waterbury, CT. He also has experience in land use planning. Christian now lives in Montpelier with his wife and two children. We heartily welcome him to our team!



2021 LEMPs are due by May 1st, 2021

Local Emergency Management Plans (LEMPs) must be adopted before May 1st, 2021. Please submit your LEMP to CVRPC via email at vinson@cvregion.com. Submissions should include a municipal adoption form and your LEMP. For 2021, VEM has learned that FEMA is no longer typing certain pieces of equipment in their [Resource Typing Tool Library](#) and is requesting that municipalities categorize those resources that are no longer typed as “other. CVRPC is available to assist with this transition.

See the VEM website for more information on LEMPS: <https://vem.vermont.gov/plans/lemp>. For assistance, contact Grace Vinson at vinson@cvregion.com

COVID 19 Updates



Vaccination Event Sunday, March 7 at Spaulding High School in Barre

Vermonters age 65 and older can sign up to get vaccinated this Sunday, March 7th at a large-scale vaccination event held by Kinney Drugs at Spaulding High School in Barre. 1,100 doses of vaccine are anticipated to be available. You must register for the event by visiting: <https://kinneydrugs.as.me/BarrePopup>. If you have already made an appointment at another clinic but would like to get vaccinated sooner, you can still register for the Barre event – but please CANCEL your original appointment in the system where you made it

Vaccination Appointments Open for those 65 and Older

Vermonters age 65 and above are able to schedule a vaccination appointment. Creating an account today and entering health information in advance of registration is encouraged via: healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine.

Vaccination Appointments Open March 8 for those 55+ with High Risk Health Conditions

On Monday, March 8, Vermonters age 55 and above with high risk health conditions will be able to schedule a vaccination appointment. Find the list of health conditions [here](#). Make an account and schedule your appointment here: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/getting-covid-19-vaccine>

Vaccination Appointments Open March 15 for those 16 to 64 with High Risk Health Conditions

On Monday, March 8, Vermonters age 16 to 64 with high risk health conditions will be able to schedule a vaccination appointment. Find the list of health conditions [here](#). Make an account and schedule your appointment here: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/getting-covid-19-vaccine>

Vermont Farmers to Families Dates and Locations

Vermont Farmers to Families dates and locations continue to be available for reservation through the first week of March. To register and see the dates and locations, please visit <https://humanresources.vermont.gov/food-help> or call 802-476-0316 for assistance. Upcoming dates include: Wednesday, March 10 in Barre.

New Travel and Gatherings Guidance for Fully Vaccinated People

Under Vermont’s updated guidance, people who are fully vaccinated may now:

- Multiple households who are all vaccinated may gather with one another and may include members of one other household that has members who are not vaccinated.
- People who are fully vaccinated may also travel to Vermont and return from out of state travel without quarantine restrictions.

“Fully vaccinated” means 14 days have passed since your final dose.

These changes come following updates to [CDC guidance](#) that fully vaccinated people who meet the criteria will no longer be required to quarantine following an exposure to someone with COVID-19. Wondering if you need to quarantine under new guidelines? Use this [new chart](#) to find out. Get more information about vaccination, quarantine, and more in [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Central Vermont Pop-Up Testing Ongoing

Find free testing near you at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/testing/where-get-tested>. Central Vermont Medical Center has also expanded testing- to schedule an appointment, call the CVMC COVID Hotline at 802-371-5310.

News from CVRPC

The status of many municipal offices has changed in recent weeks - please see our [Municipal Status](#) chart for the latest information (in red). If your community has a need we can assist you with, please contact us at CVRPC@cvregion.com. Previously published editions of [CVRPC's Municipal Updates](#) related to COVID-19 are available on our website. Stay Safe!

RFP's, Grant Information, Applications & Deadlines

2021 AARP Community Challenge Grants

AARP invites you to submit applications for tangible improvement projects that can help YOUR community become more livable. Applications are being accepted through April 14, 2021, 8:00 p.m. ET for grants to improve public places, housing, transportation, civic engagement, coronavirus recovery, focusing on diversity and inclusion improvements to the built and social environment of a community, and other elements that support people of all ages. Visit www.AARP.org/CommunityChallenge to learn more. If you have questions please reach out to the VT AARP State Office, kstoddardpoor@aarp.org

Upcoming Meetings

Please note that CVRPC will provide a video or call in option for all meetings

MARCH

- Mar 9 11 am Bylaw Review Work Group, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Mar 9 6:30 pm Board of Commissioners, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Mar 10 4 pm Nominating Committee, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Mar 11 4 pm Clean Water Advisory Committee, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Mar 16 11 am Bylaw Review Work Group, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Mar 23 6:30 pm Transportation Advisory Committee, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Mar 25 4 pm Project Review Committee, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Mar 30 11 am Bylaw Review Work Group, Via Technology (See Agenda)

APRIL

- Apr 5 4 pm Executive Committee, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Apr 13 11 am Bylaw Review Work Group, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Apr 13 6:30 pm Board of Commissioners, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Apr 14 2 pm Regional Elders and Persons with Disabilities Committee, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Apr 22 4 pm Project Review Committee, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Apr 27 11 am Bylaw Review Work Group, Via Technology (See Agenda)
- Apr 27 6:30 pm Transportation Advisory Committee, Via Technology (See Agenda)

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