

FY25 ANNUAL REPORT – TOWN OF BARRE

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) provides planning, development, and project implementation services to its 23 municipalities in Washington and western Orange Counties. Municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by a locally appointed member to the governing Board of Commissioners. CVRPC has no regulatory or taxing authority; each year, we request a per capita assessment from our members in support of local and regional planning activities and to help offset costs and provide local matching funds needed for state and federal funding. Your continued support for local and regional planning is valued! CVRPC is your resource – please contact us at 802-229-0389 or cvrpc@cvregion.com for assistance.

Barre Town Activities Through June 30, 2025 (Fiscal Year 2025)

- Completed seven traffic studies at town request at Taplan Street, Thunder Road, Waterman Street, Beckley Hill Road, Cassie Street, Windywood Road, and Hill Street.
- Updated municipal officials regarding National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) compliance, FEMA map and bylaw updates, river corridor planning, and DEC Rivers Program no adverse impact model bylaw.
- Reviewed Barre Town Flood Hazard Area Bylaws for conformance with the National Flood Insurance Program.
- Identified 45 discretionary municipal water quality restoration projects from the Department of Environmental Conservation Watershed Projects Database supported by goals identified in the municipal plan.
- Presented an overview of the Clean Water Service Provider Program to Selectboard highlighting potential projects on municipal property that would qualify for funding.
- Provided Town Zoning Administrator with Letter of Support template and Work Plan & Budget draft for Municipal Planning Grant application.
- Provided guidance on FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program application for 2023 flooding for Wildersburg Commons landslide mitigation application.

Regional Commissioner Alice Farrell
Transportation Advisory Committee Phil Cecchini

Overview of CVRPC Programs and Services

- ❖ *Technical assistance for municipal plan and bylaw updates, focusing on predictable and effective local permitting*
- ❖ *Brownfields environmental site assessments to facilitate redevelopment and economic growth*
- ❖ *Transportation planning, studies, data collection, traffic counts, and coordination of local involvement through the regional Transportation Advisory Committee*
- ❖ *Emergency planning for natural disasters and coordination with local volunteers and the State*
- ❖ *Climate and energy planning to support projects to reduce energy burdens and build resilience*
- ❖ *Natural resource planning to protect water resources, preserve forest blocks, enhance recreational opportunities and support agricultural and forest industries*
- ❖ *Regional Planning to coordinate infrastructure, community development, and growth*
- ❖ *Geographic Information System Services to support to municipalities*
- ❖ *Clean Water Service Provider: Developing water quality projects to meet phosphorous reduction targets*
- ❖ *Special Projects such as recreation paths, farmland preservation, and affordable housing*
- ❖ *Grant support through project identification, scoping, and applications*