

FY25 ANNUAL REPORT – WATERBURY

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.

Waterbury Activities Through June 30, 2025 (Fiscal Year 2025)

- Provided technical assistance to aggregate and organize municipal utility bills, as well as on funding stacking and models for priority community projects including housing to identify opportunities for savings and investment.
- Prepared Municipal energy breakout for Planning Commission for town plan update and enhanced energy plan element including targets and analyses across thermal, transportation and electric sectors and renewable energy generation, draft siting maps, updates on changes to energy policy and potential municipal actions and decision points.
- Helped apply for \$87,410 in energy resilience implementation funding for building envelope & HVAC improvements. Provided assistance for energy mini grant (\$4,000 awarded).
- Performed a traffic study on Winooski Street at town request.
- Updated town bridge and culvert survey.
- Provided assistance for town FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Application.
- Facilitated consultation with the Planning Commission for the 2026 Waterbury Town Plan update.
- Identified 55 discretionary water quality restoration projects from the Department of Environmental Conservation Watershed Projects Database supported by municipal planning goals.
- Met with municipal officials to discuss priority floodplain restoration projects.
- Updated municipal officials regarding National Flood Insurance Program, FEMA map and bylaw updates, river corridor planning, and DEC Rivers Program no adverse impact model bylaw.
- Provided Conservation Commission with tutorial on ANR's BioFinder online mapping tool and discussed next steps for updating their municipal plan Natural Resources maps.
- Reviewed Flood Hazard Area Bylaws for conformance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).
- Discussed water quality restoration and stormwater master planning funding opportunities with municipal staff and the Selectboard, Planning Commission and Conservation Commission.
- Participated in monthly Waterbury Flood Roundtable meetings to discuss ongoing recovery efforts and opportunities for funding and collaboration.

Regional Commissioner
Doug Greason
Transportation Advisory Committee
Mike Hedges

Overview of CVRPC Programs and Services

- ❖ *Assistance for town 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: Support 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*