



Environment and Natural Resources Working Group Meeting Nov. 17, 2014 from 4-6pm, CVRPC Office

ATTENDEES:

- Ed Larson, *Barre Granite Association*
- Brian Fitzgerald, *Town of Duxbury*
- Steve Lotspeich, *Town of Waterbury*
- Emily Nosse-Leirer, *CVRPC Staff*
- Kim McKee, *CVRPC Staff*

SUMMARY:

- **Natural and Productive Resources map:** Ed inquired as to the status of the map that compiles the various natural and productive resource layers into two tiers, which we have renamed the Natural and Productive Resources map. It was determined that this map will be revisited as the Regional Plan Draft Review Committee starts the Future Land Use discussion. Concerns and discussion points amongst the Working Group members (concerns over whether Prime Ag soils be included, whether the mapped resource areas are too extensive for those concerned with property rights, etc.) will be passed along to the Draft Review Committee as those discussions begin.
- **Key Challenges and Trends:** Working group members gave staff hard-copy edits to incorporate into the document. See attached revised draft.
- **Goals, Policies and Strategies:** See attached draft for recommended revisions made by Working Group members on “Surface and Groundwater”- and “Flood Resilience and Climate Change”-related policies and strategies.

It was determined that use of an online survey tool to receive input on which strategies should be kept, revised or omitted would be helpful in order to have a document that closer in line with consensus opinion prior to the next Working Group meeting. The survey in which to provide input is available at this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/HDV79ZF>

- **Next (and potentially final) meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, December 17 from 4-6pm** at CVRPC offices.