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Programmatic Focus:	Federal	NH	CT	ME	MA	RI	VT
Federal and State Environmental Protection Acts	National Environmental Policy Act		Connecticut Environmental Policy Act	Maine Site Location of Development (Site Law)	Massachusetts Environmental Policy		Act 250
Coordinated Permitting		Innovative Permitting and Technical Assistance Initiative		Permitting Coordination	Fast Track Permitting		
Land Use Planning		State Development Plan Innovative Land Use Planning Techniques Handbook Community Technical Assistance Program Housing and Conservation Planning Program	Housing for Economic Growth The Municipal Primer – Your Guide to Creating a “Green and Growing” Community Landscape Stewardship	Regional Landscape Conservation in Maine: Best Practices for Enhancing Quality of Place Land Use Regulation Commission Comprehensive Land Use Plan		Land Use 2025	Community Planning Toolbox Municipal Planning Grant Program Vermont Housing and Conservation Board Planning Information Center
Smart Growth	EPA Smart Growth Grants Making Smart Growth Happen	NH RSA 9-B - Smart Growth Principles Achieving Smart Growth in New Hampshire 2006 Report to the Governor on Growth Management	Conservation and Development Policies Plan Office of Responsible Growth	Chapter 776 of the 2nd session of the 119th Legislative Session Grow Smart Maine	Commonwealth Capital Program Growth Districts Initiative Smart Growth/Smart Energy Tool Kit 40R and 40S	Grow Smart Rhode Island	Growth Centers Program Vermont Neighborhoods
Redevelopment and Historic Preservation	Historic Preservation Tax Incentives	Community Revitalization Tax Relief	Community Investment Act	Maine Historic Preservation	Community Preservation Act	Historic Preservation Tax	Vermont Division for Historic







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		Incentive   Brownfields	   Historic Preservation and Museum Division	Commission		Credits Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission  State Preservation Plan	Preservation  State Historic Preservation Plan
Conservation	 National Association of Conservation Districts  Land and Water Conservation Fund	 Conservation Land Stewardship Program  Land and Community Heritage Investment Fund  Forest Improvement Fund  Cooperative Extension Community Conservation Assistance Program	 Conservation Districts	 Department of Conservation Grants  Department of Conservation	 Areas of Critical Environmental Concern  Department of Conservation and Recreation Grants  Historic Landscape Preservation Initiative	Land Trust Council	(See Land Use Planning – Housing and Conservation Board)
Transportation	  SAFETEA-LU: Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users	 DOT Rural Airport Fund  Highway Bridge Betterment  Public Boat Access  DOT Driveway Permits  NH Rail Transit	(TBD)	  Gateway 1 and the Sensible Transportation Policy Act	(TBD)	(TBD)	(TBD)

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Water, Sewer, and Other Infrastructure	NPDES – Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System	Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) HB 648 Flood Commission Dam Maintenance	(TBD)	Great American Neighborhoods Sewer Extension Loan Program	(TBD)	(TBD)	Municipal Pollution Control Priority System Wastewater Solutions for Vermont Communities
Water Quality	Section 401 Water Quality Certification NPDES – Wastewater NPDES – Construction General Permit	Alteration of Terrain Land and Water Conservation Fund Coastal Watershed Alliance (2009 SB 168)	Water Quality Standards Stormwater Management Stormwater Associated with Commercial Activity Stormwater from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4)	Erosion & Sedimentation Control Law Stormwater Management Law. 38 MRSA § 420-D; Chapter 500 & 502 Stormwater Program -- Waste Discharge Law i.e., Construction, Industrial, MS4 General permits	Surface Water Quality Standards Water Quality Certification for Discharge of Dredged or Fill Material, Dredging, and Dredged Material Disposal in Waters Reclaimed Water Permit Program and Standards Stormwater Management	Storm Water Discharge Associated with Construction Activity Water Quality Regulations Pollutant Discharge Elimination System	Construction Stormwater Permit Program Stormwater Discharge Permit Program Water Quality Certification







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Wetlands	 Section 404 – Army Corps of Engineers  State Programmatic General Permit	  Wetlands Bureau and Permits  Aquatic Resource Mitigation   Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act	Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act	Natural Resource Protection Act	Wetlands Change Wetlands Protection Act Regulations	Rules and Regulations governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Freshwater Wetlands Act	Vermont Wetlands Rules
Surface Water	New England Lakes and Ponds Project	  Rivers Management Protection Program   Lakes Management Protection Program Lake Restoration/ Preservation Fund	Watershed Management Program (Rivers) Lakes Management Program Minimum Stream Flow Standards	Stream Team Riparian Zone Shoreland Zoning Law	Rivers Protection Act Chapter 91 - The Massachusetts Public Waterfront Act Lakes and Ponds Program	Rhode Island Bays, Rivers, and Watersheds Coordination Team Environmental Collaborative	Rivers Management Section Lakes and Ponds Management and Protection Section
Aquifers and Ground Water	Sole Source Aquifer Protection Program	  Subsurface Systems Bureau	Aquifer Protection Area Program	AQUA INDEX: Risk Assessment of Land Use on High Yield Sand and Gravel Aquifers in Maine	Source Water Assessment & Protection Program (SWAP)	Rules and Regulations for Ground Water Quality	Source Water Protection Program
Wildlife	Endangered Species Act Keeping it Simple: Easy Ways to Help Wildlife Along Roads Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act of 1996	 Wildlife Action Plan Waterfowl Conservation (RSA 214:1-d, II)   Natural Heritage Bureau	Connecticut's Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy Connecticut Endangered Species Program Connecticut Recreation and Natural Heritage Trust Program	Maine Endangered Species Program Maine's Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy Beginning with Habitat	Massachusetts Wildlife Conservation Strategy Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program	Rhode Island Wildlife Action Plan Rhode Island Natural Heritage Program	Vermont's Wildlife Action Plan Vermont Nongame & Natural Heritage Program

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