



Granite State Future – Session 1

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NH REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS

North Country Council

Bethlehem, NH

Lakes Region Planning Commission

Meredith, NH

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee RPC

Lebanon, NH

Southwest Region Planning Comm.

Keene, NH

Central NH Regional Planning Commission

Concord, NH

Southern NH Planning Commission

Manchester, NH

Nashua Regional Planning Commission

Merrimack, NH

Rockingham Planning Commission

Exeter, NH

Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Rochester, NH





Linking Local, Regional, and State Planning

**State
Development
Plan**

RSA 9-A

**Regional
Planning**

RSA 36:47

**Local Master
Plan**

RSA 674:2



THE BASICS

Livability Principles

Housing Choices

Community &
Economic Vitality

Climate Change &
Energy Efficiency

Transportation
Choices

Traditional
Settlement
Patterns

Natural Resource
Functions &
Quality



PROCESS AND SCHEDULE

Phase 1 – 2012

- Existing Trends and Conditions
- Planning Framework
- Common Data
- Preliminary Outreach

We
are
Here

Phase 2 – 2013 - 2014

- Regional Comprehensive Needs Assessments
- Vision, goals, strategies & implementation
- Technical Studies and Analyses
- Scenario Planning

Phase 3 – 2014

- Regional Plan Adoption
- Statewide Snapshot
- Implementation



PLANNING FRAMEWORK

Interrelationship of the Regional Plan Components and the NH Livability Principles

	NH Livability Principles						
	Compact Development Patterns	Housing Choices	Transportation Choices	Natural Resource Functions and Quality	Community and Economic Vitality	Climate Change and Energy Efficiency	Creating Opportunity <i>Equity & Engagement</i>
Housing	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Regional Transportation Plan	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Water Infrastructure Plan	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Environmental Plan	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Economic Development Plan	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Comprehensive Climate Change Impacts	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Energy Efficiency and Green Building Strategy	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Scenario Planning	■	■	■	■	■	■	■

Degree of Interrelationships Key





PLANNING FRAMEWORK

Transportation

Housing

Environment

Water Infrastructure

Energy Efficiency & Green Building

Community & Economic Vitality





REGIONAL PLAN CONTENT

Consistent for Regional Plans

- Vision and Goals
- The Region's Story
- Implementation
- Housing
- Transportation
- Water Infrastructure
- Environment
- Economic Development
- Climate Change
- Energy Efficiency
- Needs Assessment
- Scenario Planning



GET INVOLVED in the Regional Plan

Ensure that your values are adequately represented in the regional vision and plan –
outcomes are often defined by those who show up!





GET INVOLVED!

- Share Your Idea
- Find a Meeting
- My Granite State Future
- Events Calendar



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ENCOURAGING STUDENTS TO STAY, WORK, AND PLAY

APRIL 11, 2012 AT 10:00 PM

Spring's slow arrival sends New Hampshire's not reflective of the class of 2011's first job prospects for graduates and entry into the workforce. In 2011 New Hampshire's 22 colleges and universities awarded over 28,000 bachelors, masters, and doctoral degrees. Despite these impressive numbers, it was found that 32% of a segment of young graduates said they planned to move out of the state within five years of graduating.

New Hampshire's vital signs now become starkly and prominently revealing that encourage graduates to stay in the Granite State. This issue has been highlighted during recent State of Regional Planning Committee outreach events and Regional Community Conversations and through the efforts of organizations such as the Work Play and StayWorkPlay.

In 2009, **Stay Work Play** was established to further a 50% increase, working to increase the number of graduates that choose to stay in the state to 50% or more. **Stay Work Play**'s mission is to work collaboratively across New Hampshire to support thriving economic, work-life, and community development by promoting the state as a favorable place for young workers and raising college graduates to stay, work, and play while showcasing employment and lifestyle opportunities.

In order to encourage graduates to stay in the Granite State, a grant response program was created. The program highlights local employers, who have agreed to pay down federal college loans of newly hired New graduates over the first four years of their employment. Students can find these employers at www.stayworkplay.com/employers.

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FORUM ON THE FUTURE

Strafford Planning Commission - Online Forum

Locations

- Dover Transportation Center Transportation
- Rochester Opera House Arts and Culture
- UNH Downtown and Community Centers
- 51 Park Street Public Places
- 52-78 Henry Law Avenue Public Places
- 282-290 Central Avenue Downtown and Community Centers
- Somersworth Transportation
- 25-59 North Main Street Arts and the Economy
- 12 Abbey Sawyer Memorial Highway Local History
- 18-23 North Main Street Downtown and Community Centers
- 75-137 Donk Road Transportation
- Waterworks Road Recreation
- Community Way Transportation
- Dover Public Library Education
- 91-97 Wakefield Street Transportation
- 138-150 Wakefield Street Public Safety and Emergency Services
- 129 N Main St Rochester, NH Public Safety and Emergency Services
- Rochester Commons Public Places
- 12 Donk Rd Rochester, NH 03067 Transportation

Find Your Community:

Map Satellite

141 Rollins Rd Rollinsford, NH 03869

1 0
Farmers' markets are great display of community of NH.

1 0
I enjoy Community events, like the Farmer's Market.

Medums Pond

1 0
Great fishing location.

Add Your Comment

Dover Point Road

1 0
Larger house lots are needed, for example down Dover Point Road the houses are too close together, and people are trying to build on conservation land.

Add Your Comment

GRANITE STATE FUTURE





NH LISTENS

- Communities of Interest
 - Statewide
 - Targeted Regional Conversations
- Communities of Place
 - Statewide
 - 12 Place-Based Conversations
 - Geographic and demographic diversity



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"How can the places we live, work, and learn accommodate our needs long-term in a meaningful way for ALL our residents?"



REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT

- Neighborhood Conversations
 - Community Engagement
- Topical Workshops
 - Educating our Regional Experts
 - Contact Your Regional Planning Commission





REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT

- Outreach Events
 - All Regions
 - Quantitative and Qualitative Results
 - Getting out in the Community
- Listening Boxes
 - Statewide
 - Comment Cards





STATEWIDE COORDINATION

Unified Work Products

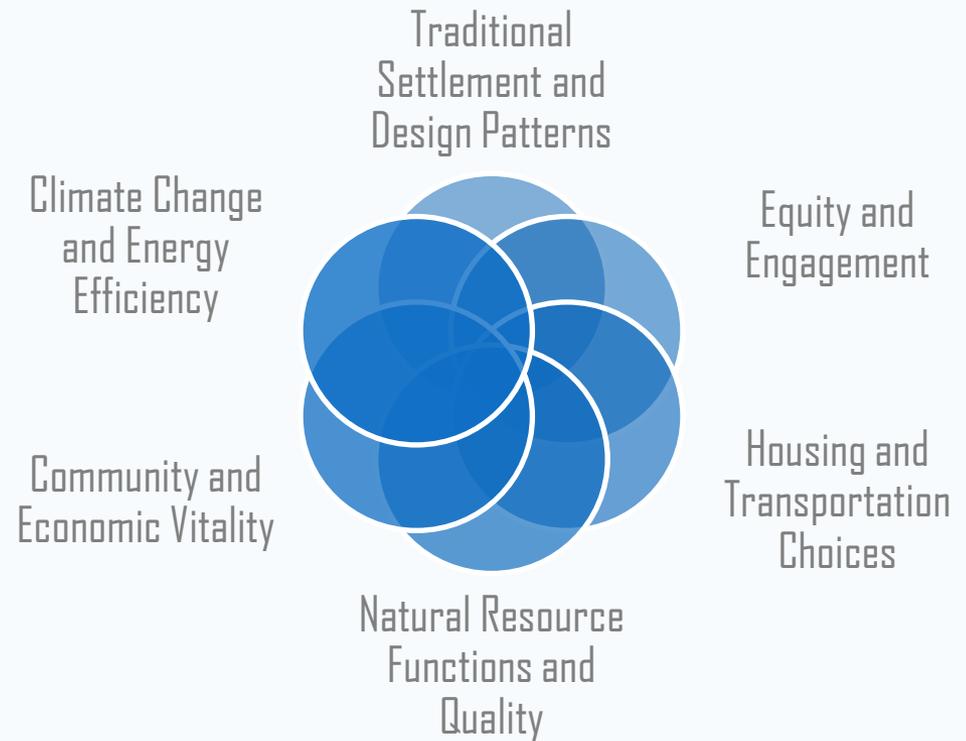




Statewide Products

■ TASC Work

- Statewide Partners
 - Public
 - Private
- Role in Development of Regional Planning Framework, Appendices, and Data Metrics



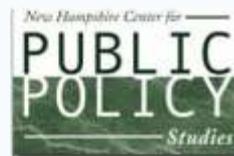


OUR PARTNERS





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Statewide Products

- Regional Planning Framework
 - Foundation for Regional Master Plan Documents
 - Plan Structure and Content Outline
 - Incorporation of Livability Principles



GRANITE STATE FUTURE Regional Plan Framework

Organizing Principles and Common Threads

Throughout the state, regions and localities are facing difficult decisions and tough fiscal constraints about investments in the future. Decision-makers increasingly need to prioritize and make tough choices about transportation and land use, about economic development and resource management, and about housing, public health, energy, and cultural, historic, and natural resources. New Hampshire's Regional Planning Commissions (RPCs) were created by municipalities to advise and assist their member communities with these decisions. RPCs conduct technical studies and provide data analysis to help local decision-makers determine and plan for their future.

Through Granite State Future (GSF), the regional planning commissions and their member communities are presented with the opportunity to utilize a collaborative approach to municipal and regional planning, share resources, and prepare and update regional plans as required by [RSA 266:65](#). By working collaboratively to develop comprehensive plans in each of the State's nine regions, communities that border other regions will have available two separate but comparable plans from which they are presented a more complete picture of where they fit amongst all their municipal and regional neighbors. Additionally, the regional plans' collected data, information, and public input will ultimately save New Hampshire's communities valuable time and money when updating their own local master plans.

Interrelationship with Local and State Plans in New Hampshire

In order to provide a readily available source of information for local communities' master plan updates and community requested planning services, individual regional comprehensive plans may use the structure and contents of both the state development plan as spelled out in [RSA 266:65](#), and of the local master plan as provided in [RSA 676:2](#). State, regional and local comprehensive plans typically discuss topics such as:

- Overall vision
- Land use and regional concerns
- Housing
- Transportation
- Economic development
- Natural, cultural and historic resources and recreation
- USFSes, infrastructure and public service
- Public facilities and energy efficiency
- Natural hazards and climate change
- Implementation

The specific goals for each regional plan will be determined by the communities involved and build on common goals found in local master plans, responses from the listening tours, visioning meetings and other appropriate sources within the region. A goal of the regional plans is to help communities find



Statewide Products

Data Metric Development

- Basis in Regional Planning Framework
- Standardized Data Collection and Processing Effort
- Product: Core Metric Methodology Document
 - ~50 Metrics
 - Next Steps
 - Built for Communities

Housing

Variable: Number of Assisted Housing Units Near Major Employers
[ID# 310]

Description: The number of assisted housing units near Major Employer Centers according to The U.S. Census Bureau's Local Employment Dynamics (LED) On The Map program.

Source Name: Assisted Housing; Provided by the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority

Source Date: December 4, 2012

Source URL: http://www.nhha.org/rent_doh.cfm

Geography: County

Source Name: On The Map; U.S. Census Bureau

Source Date: 2012

Source URL: <http://onthemap.ces.census.gov/>

Geography: County

Methodology:

1. Go to http://www.nhha.org/rent_doh.cfm and download the "Printable Directory of Assisted Housing (with Accessible Unit Listing)" Microsoft Word document.
2. Convert this Microsoft Word document into a spreadsheet using Microsoft Excel so that the fields are separated into columns. (Excel can be obtained by calling NH Housing).
3. Using Google, geocode the Housing Units based on the address data in the Excel table using Google.
4. Go to <http://onthemap.ces.census.gov/>



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ONGOING COLLABORATION

Where Do We Go From Here?





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