



# NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

## FAIRFAX TOWN REPORT - 2025

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### NRPC PROJECTS & PROGRAMS

- Municipal plan and bylaw updates, technical assistance for local permitting
- Brownfields site assessments, cleanups and redevelopment plans
- Transportation planning and project management
- Water and wastewater project management
- Emergency preparedness, disaster recovery and resilience
- Energy conservation, renewable energy plans and projects
- Water quality planning, grants and project management
- Regional plans for growth and development
- Geographic Information System maps and data
- Downtown and village revitalization and community development

### ASSOCIATED PROJECTS MANAGED BY NRPC

- Northern Vermont Economic Development District
- Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail
- Northwest Vermont Regional Foundation, Inc.
- Clean Water Service Provider: Missisquoi & Lamoille River Basins

### REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS

Mike Bishop & Barbara Murphy

### TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

vacant seat

Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a governmental organization created by the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. NRPC implements a variety of projects and programs to serve local, regional and statewide needs. All municipalities in the region have two locally appointed members of the Board of Commissioners.

### 2025 FAIRFAX TOWN PROJECTS

- Consulted with local officials and evaluated infrastructure projects that address water quality concerns.
- As Clean Water Service Provider (CWSP) helped to coordinate a stormwater project at the corner of Hunt and Maple Streets.
- Provided technical assistance for local planning and zoning efforts.
- Provided technical assistance relating to RFP/RFQ preparation for a Town transportation project.
- As Clean Water Service Provider (CWSP), provided a \$10,000 grant to Friends of Northern Lake Champlain for study of problem areas identified near Fairfield Pond.
- Supported the Northwest Communications Union District, in which Fairfax is a founding member.
- Supported VTrans and the Town during the evaluation of improvements at the intersection of VT104/VT128.
- Completed a sidewalk inventory.
- Created an on-line zoning map.
- Provided the 2025 VTrans Highway and Community Maps.
- Applied for and received a grant to complete flood plain modeling of the Lamoille River basin.
- Contracted with the Town to complete a Municipal Plan update, funded by a Municipal Planning Grant.
- Collaborated with the Planning Commission and Selectboard on regional future land use mapping for the 2026-2034 Northwest Regional Plan update, which will be the new process for maintaining Village Center Designation.

This year the Commission will assist our member municipalities with grant applications, project management, water quality project implementation, and local road permit compliance. NRPC will support local energy and climate planning, zoning bylaw updates, emergency preparedness, brownfields redevelopment and other needed services. NRPC will help promote the Missisquoi and Lamoille Valley Rail Trails and update its regional plan to support more housing. The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment in support of local and regional activities and to provide matching funds for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for NRPC is greatly appreciated. We are your resource – we are here to help with planning, zoning, transportation, project management, mapping or other needs.