



NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

FRANKLIN 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

Yvon Dandurand & Wesley Kempton

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Yvon Dandurand

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 FRANKLIN TOWN PROJECTS

- Provided technical assistance in local planning and zoning efforts, including administration of wastewater permitting requirements.
- Updated the locally adopted Emergency Management Plan which will help the town be prepared for future disasters.
- Participated in meetings of the Lake Carmi TMDL Implementation Team and Lake Carmi Task Force (an offshoot of the Franklin Community Voices project).
- As Clean Water Service Provider (CWSP), coordinated numerous grants to Franklin County NRCD for projects in the Lake Carmi watershed.
- Completed work as Municipal Project Manager for the Pidgeon Hill Road project.
- Contracted with the Town to complete an update to the Municipal Plan (adopted 9/16/25).
- Granted regional approval of the Town Plan and confirmation of municipal planning process.
- Completed a sidewalk inventory.
- Provided the 2025 VTrans Highway and Community Maps.
- 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.