NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

RICHFORD TOWN REPORT – 2026

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

2026 RICHFORD TOWN PROJECTS

- Provided local planning and zoning technical assistance.
- Supported the Northwest Communications Union District, in which Richford is a member.
- Assisted with a construction grant through the Municipal Energy Resilience Program.
- Granted brownfields cleanup funding to the Richford Economic Advancement Corporation to complete the final remaining soil remediation at the 113 Main Street property behind the Missisquoi Overlook Park.
- Provided technical assistance to watershed partners exploring erosion-reduction work in and near the Richford Town Forest, including historical road-map research, funding-eligibility discussions, and coordination on road-inventory information.
- Completed a Road Erosion Inventory, a requirement under the Town's Municipal Roads General Permit. Met with municipal staff to explain the process and answer questions.
- Coordinated a site visit for Grants-in-Aid funding and prepared preconstruction reports for submission to VTrans.
- Granted regional approval of the Town Plan and confirmed the Town's planning process.

This year NRPC will assist our member municipalities with grant applications, project management, water quality project implementation, and local road permit compliance. NRPC will support transportation planning, energy planning and project management, zoning bylaw updates, emergency preparedness, and other needed services. NRPC will fund clean-up and redevelopment of brownfields sites and help promote the Missisquoi and Lamoille Valley Rail Trails. 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.

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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
- Lamoille & Missisquoi Valley Rail Trails
- Northwest Vermont Regional Foundation, Inc.
- Clean Water Service Provider: Missisquoi & Lamoille River Basins

REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS

Marissa Tessier & vacant seat

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wallace Steinhour