# Addison County Regional Planning Commission

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## **MEMORANDUM**

From: Adam Lougee, Executive Director
To: Executive Board and Full Commission

Date: July 9, 2021

Re: Committee Mission Statements and Assignments

Dear Members:

Our Bylaws provide that the Executive Board shall appoint members to committees as necessary to fulfill the obligations of the Commission by September of each year. At the June full commission meeting we asked each of you to consider a committee assignment. At this meeting, we will ask you to sign up for a committee. The Executive Board will consider those requests and make committee assignments by the September meeting. Current Committee assignments will continue until September. Each committee's mission is listed below for your reference.

Please choose at least one committee. If you choose more than one committee, please prioritize your choices of committee assignments with 1 being your highest choice. The Executive Board endeavors to give all members their first or second choice for committee assignments. However, they also try to balance the committees politically, geographically and make sure that each committee has enough members to function properly.

Please check the appropriate line depending upon the number of committees on which you would like to serve.

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Please return this form to Adam by the July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting either by mailing it to ACRPC 14 Seminary Street Middlebury, Vermont 05753 or send your choices by e-mail to <a href="mailto-alougee@acrpc.org">alougee@acrpc.org</a> or aclodgo@acrpc.org. Thank you for your input and support.

Addison County

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

### **Standing Committees:**

- 1. Act 250/248. To review all Act 250/Section 248 applications for a "substantial regional impact" as defined in the Regional Plan and to support towns in the Act 250 process. If a substantial regional impact exists, or if a town requests assistance, conduct a review of the application to determine whether it complies with the Regional Plan pursuant to 10 V.S.A. §6086(a)(10) and make a policy recommendation to the Executive Board and Full Commission who shall then determine whether and if so, how the commission should participate as a party in the Act 250 or Section 248 process.
- Local Government. Conduct a regional review, including a public hearing, of Town Plans for communities requesting regional approval. The review shall be conducted pursuant to the criteria set forth in 24 V.S.A. §4350. Upon conclusion of the hearing, the committee shall make a recommendation for a vote of the Full Commission.

#### **Ad Hoc Committees:**

- Natural Resources. This committee currently focuses on natural resource based planning initiatives
  occurring within the region and implementing the Natural Resources Section of the Regional Plan.
  This year the committee will primarily focus on water quality issues, forestry connectivity and natural
  resource impacts.
- 3. **Transportation Advisory Committee.** The TAC conducts the transportation-planning role of the regional planning commission. It operates as an ad hoc subcommittee of the RPC and recommends local projects and needs to VTrans including priority transportation projects, provides local input to VTrans on state projects within the region, provides recommendations for the selection of consultants on town or outside regional planning projects and other transportation related decisions. The Transportation Advisory Committee consists of designees of each town that may or may not be members of the RPC. If you would like to serve on this committee, you should also speak with your Selectboard and make sure that they have not already appointed a delegate and request that your Selectboard approve your appointment to the TAC. **Please note that if your Selectboard has already appointed a member to the TAC, you will be appointed as an alternate.**
- 4. **Energy.** The Energy Committee is governed by a relatively broad charge authorizing the committee to work with all types of energy policy and their implementation. This year its focus will be on implementing the Energy Section of the Regional Plan, and approving local energy plans.
- 5. **Housing Committee**: ACRPC is in the process of updating the Housing and Population sections of the Regional Plan. This Committee shall help staff create that plan section.
- 6. **Economic Development Committee:** ACRPC is in the process of re-writing the Economy section of the Plan. ACRPC is doing this work in partnership with ACEDC. This Committee will work with the delegates of ACEDC to help staff and interns re-write this portion of the Plan.

#### Appointments to other state or regional boards:

Vermont Association of Regional Planning Commissions (VAPDA) - Stephen Pilcher, Chair

Vermont Economic Progress Council -

Addison County Chamber of Commerce –

Addison County Economic Development Corporation -

Vermont Downtown Board -

Basin 3, Otter Creek Basin Water Quality Committee –

Basin 4 and 5, South Lake Basin Water Quality Committee -