

CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION 2010 REPORT

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission is a consortium of 23 towns and cities in Washington County and western Orange County. The Commission has been providing planning and development assistance to communities for over forty years through its experienced and knowledgeable staff. CVRPC is governed by appointed representatives from each municipality in the region.

The Commission provides assistance on municipal plan and bylaw updates, and this year focused on updates to municipal flood hazard bylaws. The Commission's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) continued to evaluate the regional inter-modal transportation needs and make recommendations on projects that should be included in the State Transportation Agency's 5 year capital program. CVRPC also continued its work on the development of regional and local pre-disaster mitigation plans, population and housing growth projections, and river and stream assessments to support transportation and water quality improvements. CVRPC also received a grant in 2010 to perform energy audits of municipally owned buildings in the region and is providing assistance to local energy committees.

This year, the Commission supported the efforts of the Town of Waitsfield through administration of the Mad River Valley Planning District and the Mad River Resource Management Alliance, conducting traffic counts, assisting with the Mad River Byway and Safe Routes to School programs, providing assistance with Town Plan updates, performing fluvial erosion hazard (FEH) mapping, Act 250 project review, updating the zoning map, assisting with the National Flood Insurance Program mapping and updating the regulations, assisting with the update of the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan and maps, and conducting energy audits on the General Wait House and the Fire Station.

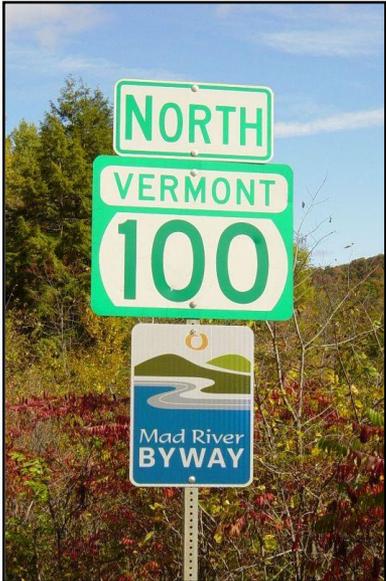
The Commission also sponsors regional planning programs, provides a forum for inter-municipal cooperation, and participates in state regulatory proceedings for projects that have impact across municipal boundaries. Significant staff time this year was spent working with municipalities on mapping and analysis of current bylaws to understand how they influence future development patterns. CVRPC can also provide model bylaws and assist municipalities with the administration of grants.

Thank you for your continued support for local and regional planning. Please call us for assistance with planning, zoning, transportation, recreation, mapping, or data needs. For more information, please call us at (802) 229-0389, or visit our website www.centralvtplanning.org.

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Mad River Byway kiosk at the Wait House
(Photo: J. Schwartz)



MRV Byway sign (Photo: S. Gladczyk)