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Natural Resources Functions and Quality Technical Advisory Subcommittee (TASC) A Granite State Future

August 7, 2012

1:00 PM -3:00 PM

Memorial Room

NH Local Government Center

AGENDA

- 1. Introductions, Rules for Discussion, Objectives of Meeting and new information regarding Data Collection –G. Greenwood
- 2. Review TASC Matrix and Google Doc spreadsheet Jack Munn
- 3. Identify and Discuss Existing Plans and Resources that currently impact the Subject Areas / Prioritization of these reports—Cooperative Discussion
- 4. Election of Chair Dari Sassan
- 5. Future Meeting Dates/Times all
- 6. Adjournment

Minutes of the Natural Resources TASC Meeting August 7, 2012

Local Government Center 25 Triangle Park Drive Concord, NH 03301

Members in attendance:

Jack Munn, Southern NHPC
James Kupfer, Southern NHPC
Dari Sassan, Lakes Region PC
Tom Obrien, Lakes
Rick DeMark, NCRCD
Will Abbott, SPNHF

Phil Bryce, Parks
Duane Hyde, Nature
Stacey Lemieux, US Forest
Carolyn Russell, NHDES
Emily Brunkhurst, NHF&G

- **1. Call to Order/Objectives of Meeting:** Dari Sassan called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM and explained the objectives of the meeting followed by a round of introductions and why we are here.
- 2. Review TASC Matrix and Google Doc spreadsheet: Jack Munn gave an overview of the history and scope of project: A Granite State Future noting that the 9 MPOs in NH are working together over a 3 year timeline to create a shared vision that addresses local problems and needs. The vision will take a multidisciplinary and big picture approach while embracing livability principles and best practices (see handout map and detail). Jack asked Committee members to continue to work on adding their resources to the google.doc spreadsheet. Carolyn Russell asked if a separate column for links and description of resources could be added. James Kupfer responded that he would add that to the spreadsheet and have it sent back to the group.
- 3. Identify and Discuss Existing Plans and Resources Cooperative Discussion
 - Committee members raised numerous issues and concerns that the process is not adequately addressing how one can go from the goole.doc spreadsheet to the matric table. In addition, concerns were expressed about the livability principle subcategories as well as the structure of the proposed elements of the plan. The Committee believed that the livability principles in the matrix did not seem to be important at this point and the group would prefer not to fill this section out. The Committee however did note that they believe the livability principles need to be revised. The Committee liked the idea of integration and believed that each chapter of the regional plan should have a section that deals with natural resources. Overall, the TASC members were confused on how the information in the matrix will be incorporated into the plans and requested clarification on these points before moving forward.
- **4. Election of Chair:** Tom O'Brien and several committee members stated that it was vital to have a Chair to facilitate the committee and move the meetings along. Carolyn Russell was nominated by Emily Brunkhurst and accepted by the Committee. It was agreed another Chair would be appointed for acting as the voice of the Committee when needed.
- **5. Future Meeting Dates/Times:** Carolyn, Chair suggested that the next meeting date of September 6th be postponed in order to work through these issues.
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 3:15PM