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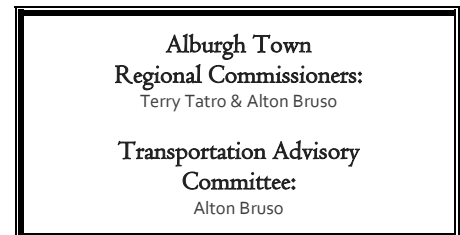
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- ☞ Assisted with the administration of the Grand Isle County Mutual Aid Association.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map and provided maps for the E-911 Coordinator to update E-911 addressing.
- ☞ Provided maps to assist with public safety communications coverage.
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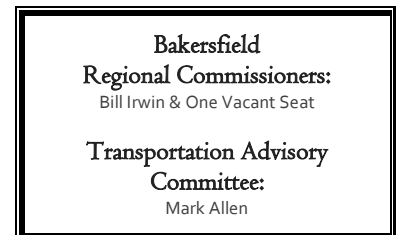
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2016 Bakersfield Projects:

- ☞ Completed amendments to the Zoning and Subdivision Regulations.
- ☞ Coordinated the preparation of the Village Designation Renewal Application.
- ☞ Assisted with a Local Emergency Operations Plan for the Town.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Provided technical assistance in planning and zoning.



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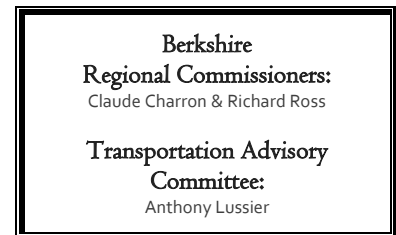
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2016 Berkshire Projects:

- ☞ Provided technical assistance in planning and zoning.
- ☞ Assisted with updating and adoption of the Local Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Completed and submitted to FEMA a draft Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- ☞ Completed an updated Town Plan draft in coordination with the Planning Commission.
- ☞ Provided regional approval of the Town Plan.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Wrote a successful Municipal Planning Grant application to update the zoning regulations.
- ☞ Coordinated High Risk Rural Roads sign review/replacement project for Water Town Road and Berkshire Center Road.



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2016 Enosburg Falls Village Projects:

- ☞ Drafted updates to the Enosburg Falls Development Regulations.
- ☞ Assisted with updating and adoption of Local Emergency Operations for the Village and Town.
- ☞ Provided zoning technical assistance and updated zoning maps.
- ☞ Provided technical assistance for road erosion and stormwater outfall inventory.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Assisted with updating the Village Designation renewal with mapping.
- ☞ Completed draft of Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for Village.
- ☞ Assisted with successful Better Back Roads grant application.

<p>Enosburg Falls Village Regional Commissioners: Leonard Charron & One Vacant Seat</p> <p>Transportation Advisory Committee: Ellen St. Marie</p>

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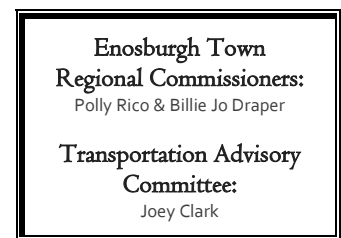
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2016 Enosburgh Town Projects:

- ☞ Finalized a draft of the unified Town of Enosburgh and Village of Enosburg Falls Municipal Plan in coordination with a joint Town/Village Planning Commission.
- ☞ Coordinated municipal outreach for the Vermont Emergency Resiliency Initiative.
- ☞ Assisted with updating the adopted Local Emergency Operations Plan for Village and Town.
- ☞ Completed a Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant for Tyler Branch culvert replacement.
- ☞ Finalized a FEMA approved and locally adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan.
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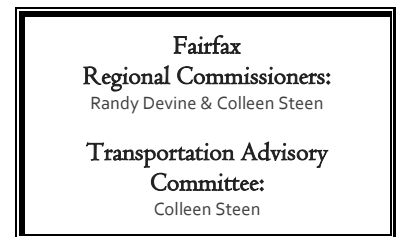
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2016 Fairfax Projects:

- ☞ Assisted with the update and adoption of a Local Emergency Operations Plan along with documenting and submitting Tier 2 Hazardous Materials reports for Highway Department and Water and Sewer Departments.
- ☞ Provided technical assistance for planning and zoning.
- ☞ Provided technical support with the Town and 911 Board for updating E-911 addresses and road name data. Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Provided a review of proposed amendments to the development regulations.
- ☞ Provided Westford and Cambridge E-911 maps for Fire and Rescue.
- ☞ Drafted a ground-mounted solar screening bylaw in coordination with the Planning Commission.
- ☞ Assisted with a Municipal Planning Grant application to update the Municipal Plan.
- ☞ Updated the culvert inventory.



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- ☞ Provided Hazard Mitigation Grant writing and Cost-Benefit Analysis for Brusso Road and Paradee Road Projects.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Assisted with a Town Plan update, including a new flood resiliency section.
- ☞ Completed the Regional review and approval of the Town Plan.
- ☞ Updated the Town's Local Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Assisted with a municipal planning grant application for zoning bylaw updates.
- ☞ Completed a road erosion and culvert inventory.



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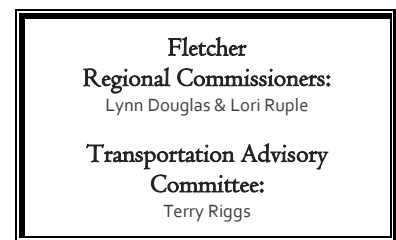
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2016 Fletcher Projects:

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2016 Franklin Projects:

- ☞ Coordinated with the Planning Commission to amend the Municipal Plan.
- ☞ Provided maps and information for a successful application for Village Center Designation.
- ☞ Provided on-going federal monitoring of the status of the Morses Line Border Crossing.
- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Provided Department of Public Safety Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program grant compliance assistance to the Volunteer Fire Department.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Served on the Lake Carmi TMDL Implementation Team.
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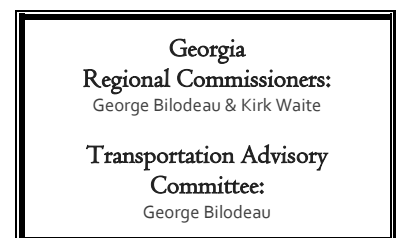
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- ☞ Assisted in management of the regional hydroseeder program.
- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Researched grant funding options for Mill River Road bridge culvert/bridge replacement.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Completed updates to the Town Plan in coordination with the Planning Commission.
- ☞ Coordinated a project between the Planning Commission and VNRC regarding the links between affordable housing and transportation.



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2016 Grand Isle Projects:

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- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Basic Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Drafted Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- ☞ Provided maps to assist with public safety communications coverage.
- ☞ Completed a town-wide culvert inventory and provided a Culvert Inventory Map.
- ☞ Participated in development of the Safe Routes to School Travel Plan.
- ☞ Produced a draft Capital Budget and Improvement Plan.
- ☞ Provided planning and zoning technical assistance.
- ☞ Completed road erosion inventory.



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2016 Highgate Projects:

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- ☞ Finalized a draft of a Capital Budget and Improvement Program.
- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Coordinated with land slide risk analysis of Highgate with the Department of Public Safety, State Geologist, Norwich University, UVM's Transportation Research Center and local officials.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Completed a road erosion and culvert inventory.
- ☞ Wrote a successful Municipal Planning Grant application for library and community center feasibility study.
- ☞ Initiated a Road Safety Audit Review for the intersection of VT Route 78 and St. Armand Road.
- ☞ Provided technical assistance to the Selectboard related to the redevelopment of the former Young Landfill.



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2016 Isle La Motte Projects:

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- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Provided maps to Mutual Aid Association to assist with public safety communications coverage.

Isle La Motte
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Sylvia Jensen & Paul Hinman

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2016 Montgomery Projects:

- ☞ Provided zoning technical assistance.
- ☞ Assisted with updating and adoption of the Local Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Updated the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan with input from the mitigation steering committee.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Drafted a Town Plan update, including new flood resiliency section in coordination with the Planning Commission.
- ☞ Coordinated with the Planning Commission to complete a Municipal Planning Grant application to conduct a natural resources inventory.
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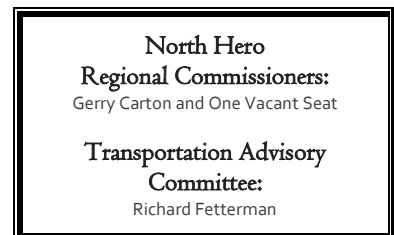
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2016 North Hero Projects:

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- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Assisted with development of a VT Alert notification group.
- ☞ Updated the local emergency operations plan with input from local officials.
- ☞ Completed road erosion and culvert inventories.
- ☞ Provided maps to the Mutual Aid Association to assist with public safety communications coverage.
- ☞ Provided technical assistance to the Planning Commission in considering a free standing solar screening bylaw.



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2016 Richford Projects:

- ☞ Participated in the NFCT Trail Town Initiative Steering Committee.
- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Provided zoning technical assistance.
- ☞ Completed a Municipal Planning Grant application to update the Town Plan.
- ☞ Wrote three successful Better Roads grant applications.

**Richford
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Rowena Brown & One Vacant Seat

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Christopher Martel
Tim Green (Alternate)

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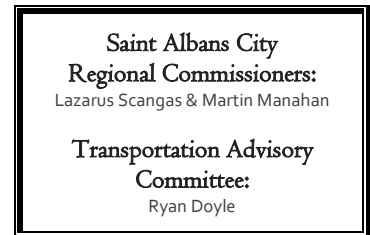
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2016 Saint Albans City Projects:

- ☞ Coordinated the implementation of education and outreach for a Regional MS4 stormwater permit program.
- ☞ Provided \$127,000.00 in environmental assessment and cleanup sub-grant from NRPC's revolving loan fund for the 43 Lake Street property to be developed as a Hampton Inn.
- ☞ Funded Brownfields environmental assessment work at the current City Public Works Garage that will total just under \$40,000 when completed
- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Assisted the City Emergency Management Committee in local/regional county EM activities.
- ☞ Supported the City's Emergency Operations Center during frozen water main break that affected residents and Northwest Medical Center.
- ☞ Continued development of a Hazard Mitigation Plan to meet state and FEMA requirements.
- ☞ Created Zoning Maps & Design Review Districts Maps and updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Participated in the Brownfields Economic Revitalization Alliance (BERA) for the development of the Fonda site and provided over \$20,000 to assist with revitalization planning.
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2016 Saint Albans Town Projects:

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- ☞ Assisted in management of the regional hydroseeder program.
- ☞ Provided a review of proposed amendments to the development regulations and proposed updates to the Town Plan.
- ☞ Assisted with VT Alert Notification implementation for Town.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Updated the Town's locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Assisted the Town's Public Safety Director with updating the County Mutual Aid Agreement.
- ☞ Initiated a Road Safety Audit Review for intersection of Lake Road (VT Route 36) and Georgia Shore Road.

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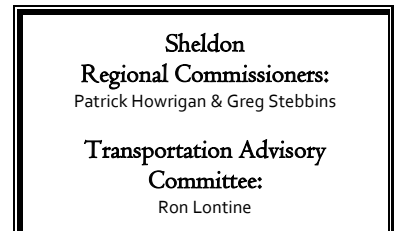
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2016 Sheldon Projects:

- ☞ Completed updates to the Town Plan in coordination with the Planning Commission.
- ☞ Provided zoning technical assistance.
- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Assisted with a GIS parcel mapping grant from the Northern Borders Regional Commission.
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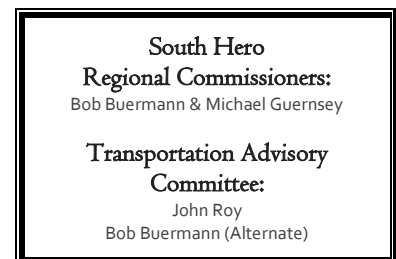
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2016 South Hero Projects:

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- ☞ Worked with the Planning Commission to create Village Zoning Districts and other updates to the South Hero Development Regulations
- ☞ Provided zoning and planning technical assistance.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
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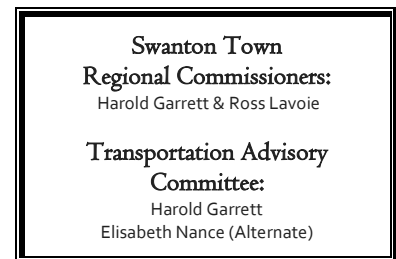
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2016 Swanton Town Projects:

- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan for the Town and Village.
- ☞ Assisted in management of the regional hydroseeder program.
- ☞ Initiated a road erosion inventory.
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Municipal plan and bylaw updates and related technical assistance: Focus on predictable and effective local permitting through education and training, bylaw modernization and plan updates.

Brownfields: Complete environmental site assessments and fund clean-ups so properties can be sold, developed or re-developed to benefit the economy, create or protect jobs and increase housing opportunities.

Transportation planning: Coordinate local involvement in transportation decisions through the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and provide services such as intersection studies, corridor plans and traffic counts.

Emergency planning: Better prepare our region and state for disasters by coordinating with local volunteers and VT Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security on emergency planning, exercises and training.

Energy conservation and development: Implement projects to support municipal energy conservation to save energy and tax dollars, support job training programs and identify opportunities for renewable energy generation.

Watershed planning and project development: Implement water quality projects and programs to protect water resources, ensure safe water supplies, enhance recreational opportunities and address known sources of pollution.

Regional plans: Coordinate infrastructure, community development and growth at the regional level through the development, adoption and administration of a comprehensive regional plan.

Geographic Information System Services: Provide municipalities, state agencies and regional groups with mapping and data analysis in support of their projects.

Special projects: Complete special projects such as downtown revitalization, recreation paths, farmland preservation, economic development and affordable housing projects.

Grants: Provide assistance identifying appropriate grant sources, defining a project scope and writing grant applications.

2016 Swanton Village Projects:

- ☞ Updated the locally adopted Emergency Operations Plan for the Town and Village.
- ☞ Coordinated with the Village on stormwater project development and assisted with grant applications.
- ☞ Updated the E-911 poster map.
- ☞ Initiated a Brownfields Targeted Area Wide Plan to examine redevelopment options in the Northern Gateway.
- ☞ Funded Brownfields assessment work at the 1-3-5 Canada Street property and the Municipal Lot at Merchants Row that will total over \$55,000.

<p style="text-align: center;">Swanton Village Regional Commissioners: Christopher Leach & Neal Speer</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Transportation Advisory Committee: Vacant Seat</p>

This year the Commission will assist communities with water quality compliance and project implementation, complete a regional energy plan, implement our new regional plan and provide other needed services to our member municipalities. The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment from our members in support of local and regional activities and to provide matching funds needed for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for local and regional planning is greatly appreciated. NRPC is your resource -- please call on us for assistance with planning, zoning, transportation, mapping or other needs.