

# Municipal Plan – Implementation Assessment

## Guidelines and Standards for Confirmation of Municipal Planning Processes

**Municipality:** Town of Grand Isle

**Date:** 3/5/2025

**Municipal Plan Expiration:** 2/17/2033

**Planning Process Currently Confirmed?**  Yes  No

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Progress?</b> (select all that may apply)	<b>Explanation of Progress</b>
<b>Preparation or adoption of bylaws or amendments:</b>	Activity Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Currently Implementing <input type="checkbox"/> Not a Priority During Time Period Not a Priority in Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Hindered or Delayed <input type="checkbox"/> No Activity	Grand Isle is seeking a Municipal Planning Grant in 2025 for a bylaw update that will reflect the new plan's Proposed Land Use areas and bring bylaws into compliance with state statute.
<b>Capital budgets and programs:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Activity Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Currently Implementing <input type="checkbox"/> Not a Priority During Time Period Not a Priority in Plan Hindered or Delayed <input type="checkbox"/> No Activity	Grand Isle does not currently have a Capital Budget. An short-to-medium term implementation action of the Town Plan is to consider doing municipal budgeting and planning for capital expenditures with a formal Capital Budget and Program.

<p><b>Supplemental plans:</b> (list one or more identified in the plan, but not necessarily all. Examples: Hazard Mitigation Plan, Sidewalk Plan, etc.)</p>	<p>X Activity Completed  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Currently Implementing  <input type="checkbox"/> Not a Priority During Time Period  <input type="checkbox"/> Not a Priority in Plan  <input type="checkbox"/> Hindered or Delayed  <input type="checkbox"/> No Activity</p>	<p>Grand Isle has created a comprehensive plan for a new Municipal Town Center on a 6.7-acre town-owned parcel in the Village. Outreach was conducted in 2024 alongside the Town Plan update process. The Planning Commission then worked with an architectural firm to develop a comprehensive site plan for the Municipal Town Center property.</p> <p>Grand Isle’s Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) was updated in 2024 and is valid until 2029.</p>
<p><b>Other actions, programs, or measures undertaken or scheduled to implement the adopted plan:</b> (list one or more identified in the plan, but not necessarily all)</p>	<p>Activity Completed  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Currently Implementing  <input type="checkbox"/> Not a Priority During Time Period  <input type="checkbox"/> Not a Priority in Plan  <input type="checkbox"/> Hindered or Delayed  <input type="checkbox"/> No Activity</p>	<p>Implementation actions of the plan include reviewing Flood Hazard standards and considering adopting River Corridor regulations, investigating funding and opportunities for community septic systems, and investigating ways to increase public use of town-owned lakefront and beach areas.</p>

**24 V.S.A. 4350(c):** *In order to retain confirmation or the planning process, a municipality shall document that it has reviewed and is actively engaged in a process to implement its adopted plan.*

*(1) When assessing whether a municipality has been actively engaged in a process to implement its adopted plan, the regional planning commission shall consider the activities of the local boards and commissions with regard to the preparation or adoption of bylaws and amendments; capital budgets and programs; supplemental plan; or other actions, programs, or measures undertaken or scheduled to implement the adopted plan. The regional planning commission shall consider factors that may have hindered or delayed municipal implementation efforts.*

*(2) The consultation may include guidance by the regional planning commission with regard to resources and technical support available to the municipality its adopted plan and recommendations by the regional planning commission for plan amendments and for updating the plan prior to readoption under section 4387 of this title.*

In order to obtain or retain confirmation, a municipality must be actively engaged in a process to implement its adopted plan. Actively engaged is defined as making progress in all of the four implementation categories above or a determination that the plan does not call for any implementation actions in a category.

**Notes:** Staff recommends that the Town receive confirmation of the planning process.