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FRCC Resource Stewardship subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Attendance: Colebrook (Alison Jassen, Representative subcommittee chair), New Hartford (Alison Murdock), FRWA (Laura Hart, Alternate), CT DEEP (Matt Gocłowski, Alternate and Susan Peterson, Alternate), National Parks Service (Andrew Petidmange, Representative), FVTU (Jim Buchok, Representative).

R/S Action Items: Andrew and Alison Jassen discussed excel sheet of action items and a plan for addressing issues and projects, including Satan’s Kingdom, visitor use, invasive plant mgmt. Tasks will fall in line with the budgets. Alison Jassen discussed adding invasive plant control methods and native plantings into the grant application to learn how and if each grant proposal will include info on invasives. Laura can edit the grant applications to add this in (after full committee approval).

Invasive Plant Mgmt: Discussed idea of creating RFP’s for invasive plant removal and native re-plantings. Andrew will continue to work with Betsy Corrigan and partners to develop a calendar and plan of locations. Jim mentioned that FVTU does invasive plant removal work days once a year.

Water Quality Monitoring: Laura review the Summer Chloride Monitoring report, noting we have historic summer data from 2004-2019 when MDC processed the FRCC water samples. Have seen a slow by steady rise. FRWA would like to continue monitoring for chloride in winter and summer to determine problem areas and use this in combination with another Green Snow Pro training this fall for the Towns who were not able to participate last spring. FRWA proposed a chloride monitoring budget to be added to the existing water quality monitoring program of \$2,943 (FRWA’s match is \$8,523).

Request: Susan moved to accept the FRWA FRCC Chloride Monitoring grant proposal budget as presented to make an addition to their monitoring program. Andrew seconded. Laura abstained. Passed unanimously.

In-stream temperature monitoring – FRWA has added 5 new sites to the Upper river this summer. Switching them out now and will compile and share the data this fall.

Stream-crossing assessment: checked on 532 hogback road – will go back when flows are present, then will upload data and share with the town. Jim will be fully trained after 5 more shadowing sites, then he will be able to complete assessments with Tom from FVTU.

Land Protection: Grant status discussed for HLT only using \$1200 this fiscal year. WLT will be invoicing soon for the \$3000 for surveys. Waiting on Barkhamsted for West River Rd grant reimbursement.

Hogback Rd violation: no new updates

West River Rd: waiting on permits

Flows: no new updates. Alison J will talk to Alicea Charmont from Rivers Alliance.

HWA: Land Trusts and McLeans interested in January meeting with Dr. Carole Cheah.

Recording: [https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/P1yh7-](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/P1yh7-WhISbx5jvqf8mcb98S01oQikaSeXR6xLRNVxtAzB4g4iJuHWo5iAlu7YCn.DMGUtPQhy_6h_7St)

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