

GRANITE STATE FUTURE
EQUITY AND ENGAGEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, August 29, 2012
Local Government Center
Concord, N.H.
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

1. Review how Equity and Engagement matters are being represented in other meetings and TASCs.
2. Discuss proposal to invite regional planning commission equity committees to send representative to attend the October Equity & Engagement TASC meeting to discuss coordination of communication across regions and groups.
3. Continue work on the matrix. What are the key policies in New Hampshire providing guidance on equity? Where can the RPC staff find baseline data to measure and track increased equity in these areas? Please review the attached working draft with information from last month's meeting filled in, and bring additional information to this meeting.
4. Review proposed outreach list for Communities of Interest.
5. Future meeting dates.

Reminders: 1. Feel free to bring a brown bag lunch.

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Members in attendance:

Victoria Davis, Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission

Rebecca Sky, Health & Equity Partnership

Michelle Mears, Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Kyle Pimental, Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Dominique Rust, NH Catholic Charities

Tara Bamford, North County Council

Sönke Dornblut, UNH Discovery Program

Janine Lesser, NH Department Health & Human Services/Division of Family Assistance

Barbara Salvatore, Engaging NH

MaryLou Beaver, Family Assistance Advisory Council

Deb Maes, NH Listens

Dan Perry, NH Listens

Jillian Harris, Southern NH Planning Commission

Rick Minard,

Michele Holt-Shannon, UNH NH Listens

Bill Guither, NHHFA

- 1. Review how Equity and Engagement matters are being represented in other meetings and TASCs:** Michele Holt Shannon discussed at the next October meeting to go over the work that has been taking place at the Regional Equity and Engagement committees. Tara Bamford stated that the next Policy Committee meeting on August 30th. How do we learn from others in this process is the question. It was recommended that the Regional Planning Commissions compile a list report out to other regions about the Regional Equity and Engagement process. Vicki Davis followed up with the Native American, John Moody about being on the Equity Regional Leadership Committee for Upper Valley Planning Commission. Snoke Dornbult commented that there is representation from people: how is the issues equity and engagement represented in the Regional Advisory? It was agreed that we would not invite regional planning commission equity committees to send representative to attend the October Equity & Engagement TASC meeting to discuss coordination of communication across regions and groups. Each Regional Planning Commission organizes own advisory group for equity and engagement. RPC reach out to other regions about Equity and Engagement to hear from what's happening in the region.

- 3. Continue work on the matrix.** Tara Bamford (handed out) the draft matrix November is when the Policy Committee meets to review this. The matrix needs to be finished in two more meetings. Would examples of baseline data on the matrix be helpful? This will be the RPC's set of policies to look at in the State to relate to the Regional Plans. What existing policy documents should be looking at? Identify and prioritize the guiding documents for all 9 Regional Planning Commissions for the regional plans. The goal is to have a key place for all to refer too. The last meeting was productive in coming up with a list of existing resources. Bill Guither sent in Housing information. The list needs to be prioritized by the group once compiled. The matrix information should be sent to Michelle Mears. The Equity and Engagement group will be challenged in coming up with information. The resources, plans or policies will be hard to come up with improvements for equity. There was discussion about the plans at the regional level how do we increase equity and engage that group. The matrix is data and existing policies. The key policies in New Hampshire providing guidance on equity are: for example Water Sustainability Commission Reports key places where communities of interest in the process and key places underrepresented groups. The RPC's under state law that do a Housing Needs Assessment is there a State Plan. Each of the six livability principals include: data or reports on the people that we serve or the issues that are available. What is out there for policies such as access to transportation? This will be the most efficient way of collecting this information for the regional plans. Please review the attached working draft with information from last month's meeting filled in, and brings additional information to this meeting. Barbara Salvatore stated that the adult services arena Service Link has a data base of what is out there and gaps in service. Michele Holt Shannon made a list of questions for the livability principals to help complete the matrix.
- 4. Review proposed outreach list for Communities of Interest:** the questions are based on the livability principals with a total of 27 sessions and 3 in each planning commission region. The discussion will run 45 minutes to an hour. There will be one facilitator in each session. The information will be compiled. There are 19 questions (see handout). Each session will be different in the number of questions asked. The questions will be based on the conversation. The Communities of Interest will generate a product the information will be categorized based on the livability principals. The questions could be closed ended as yes or no and themes will come out suggested by Barbara Salvatore.
- 5. Future meeting dates will be determined.**

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