

**Mad River Valley Planning District
Steering Committee Meeting
Agenda for Meeting of
April 9th, 2015
7:00 P.M.
Sugarbush Lower Administration Building
2405 Sugarbush Access Rd.**

I. Accept Minutes of 3/19/15 Steering Committee Meeting

II. Director's Report

III. Old Business

- a. Sugarbush Gadd Brook project follow-up/summer construction plans
- b. MRV Vision & Vitality update
- c. MRVPD FY16 Workplan update

IV. New Business

- a. MRVPD "Super System Map" working session (Patricia Floyd)

V. Other Business

VI. Events/Trainings/Info

- a. CVRPC has distributed a draft regional Future Land Use map to towns for comments and feedback (<http://centralvtplanning.org/future-land-use>). Initial comments will be collected from towns until April 8, though comments may still be submitted beyond that date. Public hearings on CVRPC's Regional Plan update will take place on [May 12](#) and [June 9](#), 2015. Input can be received by staff via [email](#), phone (802-229-0389) or via the [Community Input Map](#) tool.
- b. Registration is open for the 70th Annual Town Officers' Education Conferences, sponsored by UVM Extension and the Vt. Institute for Government with assistance from a number of partner organizations. The 2015 sessions will be held on the following dates: April 1 - Doubletree, Burlington; April 22 - [Lake Morey Inn](#), Fairlee; April 29 - [Killington Grand Resort Hotel](#), Killington. [Conference brochure](#) and [online registration](#) are now available.
- c. Climate Change and Farms webinar on April 14, 2015 at 10:00 AM central time. [Online registration](#) is now available. Discussions about climate change often lead to how agriculture is a major contributor of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. It is also true that agricultural communities are particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change, as they are often those most closely linked to natural ecosystems for their economic, social and environmental well-being. The challenge is to find practical strategies to adapt to and mitigate the current and anticipated effects of climate change. Gijs Kuneman from the Centre for Agriculture and Environment (CLM) in the Netherlands will speak about current developments on climate impacts from farming.

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- e. VELCO's 2015 Vermont Long-Range Transmission Plan Review – Public Meeting, April 15, 2015, Capitol Plaza Hotel, Montpelier 10am-1pm. VELCO owns and manages this statewide system and is responsible for Vermont's transmission grid reliability. The plan identifies transmission investments that may be needed to maintain system reliability. To view an electronic version of the Public Review Draft, please visit <http://www.velco.com/longrangeplan2015>.

VI. Next Meeting – May 21, 2015