

Upper Valley Adaptation Workgroup

Building Climate Resilient Communities in the Upper Valley
Is Your Town Ready for the Next Flood?

April 28, 2014

Agenda

- 5:30 Registration, Socializing, and Light Dinner
- 6:00 Welcome and Introductions – Alex Jacacci, Hypertherm, UVAW Co-Chair
- 6:10 **Flooding Events: Assessing Vulnerability and Building Capacity to Respond**
- Michael Simpson, Antioch University
- 6:30 **Panel and group discussion on community flooding impacts and working with FEMA:**
- Kurt Blomquist, Public Works Director, City of Keene, NH
 - Bill Kearns, Emergency Management Director, Selectman, Zoning Officer, Town of Grafton, VT
 - Kevin Geiger, Certified Floodplain Manager, Senior Planner, Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission
- 7:30 Break - view flooding models
- 7:50 **Stronger Communities, Healthier Landscapes: The Multiple Benefits of Preparing for Climate Change**
- Elizabeth Sawin, Climate Interactive
- 8:10 **Discussion and wrap up**

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