## Building Climate Resilient Communities in the Upper Valley

## Is Your Town Ready for the Next Flood?

A Free Public Forum for Information Sharing, Collaboration and Solutions

Monday, April 28, 2014

5:30 pm - Registration and a light dinner will be provided 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm - Forum

Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH Auditorium E; Enter through main entrance and follow signs Directions: <a href="http://patients.dartmouthhitchcock.org/our\_locations/lebanon/driving\_directions\_dhmc.html">http://patients.dartmouthhitchcock.org/our\_locations/lebanon/driving\_directions\_dhmc.html</a>

Please join us for our second in a series of community conversations about climate change and building climate resilient communities in the Upper Valley. This workshop is designed for all Upper Valley residents including community volunteer boards, municipal staff and committee members, health care professionals, community organizations, business owners and interested citizens.

The workshop is **FREE**, but space is limited. **Please** register by April 23 at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/UVAW-Apr2014">http://tinyurl.com/UVAW-Apr2014</a> Contact Mike McCrory at <a href="mmccrory@uvlsrpc.org">mmccrory@uvlsrpc.org</a> or (603) 448-1680 with questions.



Slayton Hill Road, Lebanon, NH, July 2013

## What to Expect

- See model demonstrations of flooding and erosion effects
- Learn from municipal leaders about key lessons and opportunities in preparing for flooding events
- Gain financial planning strategies including working with FEMA and investing in adaptive infrastructure
- Learn from a case study of a local community that has benefited from adaptation investments
- Learn about multiple co-benefits of planning for a flooding event in your community

## **Agenda**

- 5:30 Registration, Socializing, and Light Dinner
- 6:00 Welcome and Introductions
- 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:
  - Bill Kerns, Planner, Town of Springfield, VT
  - Kurt Blomquist, Publics Works Director, City of Keene, NH
  - Kevin Geiger, 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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This workshop series is coordinated by the Upper Valley Adaptation Workgroup. UVAW is a bi-state, multi-stakeholder workgroup convened in 2012 to help Upper Valley communities prepare for climate change impacts and become more resilient.

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