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, Publics 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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