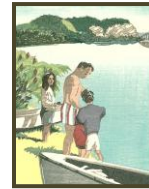


# *Mount Ascutney Local River Subcommittee*

of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions

New Hampshire – Plainfield, Cornish, Claremont, Charlestown

Vermont – Hartland, Windsor, Weathersfield, Springfield, Rockingham



## **Connecticut River – Mount Ascutney Local River Subcommittee – Annual Report 2025**

The Mount Ascutney Subcommittee of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions (CRJC) meets every two months and consists of up to two volunteers nominated by riverfront municipalities, with allowance for alternates. Throughout 2025, the Subcommittee has maintained a hybrid meeting format where a quorum of participating municipalities is required to be present in person. Current members of Vermont are Dan Nelson from Hartland, William Manner and Kelly Stettner from Springfield, Howard Beach from Weathersfield, and Michael Metivier and Jim Bennett from Windsor, and Hayden Smith of Rockingham. Current members of New Hampshire are John Streeter from Charlestown, Jeffrey Plant from Cornish, David Taylor from Plainfield, and David Bailey in Claremont. Those with only one representative have an opening for a second volunteer. Towns with openings for a second volunteer include Plainfield, Cornish, Claremont, Charlestown, Hartland, Windsor, and Weathersfield. During 2025, David Taylor from Plainfield served as chair. Meetings and events are open to the public.

Mount Ascutney is one of the five subcommittees a part of the CRJC since 1989. The Subcommittees provide a local voice to help steward the resources on or affecting the Connecticut River, particularly on topics related to the maintenance of good water quality, wildlife habitat, and appropriate development. Specific responsibilities include providing feedback on proposed permits and plans to NH Department of Environmental Services, VT Agency of Natural Resources, and municipalities. In addition, CRJC is responsible for maintaining a bi-state watershed plan.

During 2025, Mount Ascutney engaged on several issues. Permits that were reviewed include a Saint-Gaudens Wetlands Permit Review and a Standard Dredge and Fill Permit, a Rockingham Corrective Action Plan and a General Permit Application, a Plainfield Standard Shoreland Permit, and a Springfield Black River Subdivision General Permit Application and Notice of Intent.

In 2026, Mount Ascutney will continue their activities in management, outreach, and learning for the Connecticut River. Mount Ascutney welcomes local participation in permit reviews, educational events,

watershed planning, and water quality monitoring. If you are interested to learn more, please contact us at [info@crjc.org](mailto:info@crjc.org).

