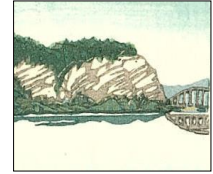


Upper Valley Local River Subcommittee

of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions

New Hampshire – Piermont, Orford, Lyme, Hanover, Lebanon

Vermont – Bradford, Fairlee, Thetford, Norwich, Hartford



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The Upper Valley 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 Lynn Bohi and David Barrell from Hartford; Bill Bridge and Linda Matteson from Thetford; Ted Unkles from Bradford; Lynnwood Andrews from Norwich; and Arlene Guest from Fairlee. Current members of New Hampshire are Majestic Terhune and Jude Stull from Lebanon; Bill Malcolm from Lyme; Edmond Cooley from Orford; and Watt Alexander from Norwich and openings in Piermont and Hanover. Those with one representative have an opening for a second volunteer. During 2025, Bill Malcolm served as chair. Meetings and events are open to the public.

Upper Valley 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, Upper Valley engaged several issues. Projects that were reviewed include a Fairlee Individual Construction Stormwater Permit, a Hartford Brookview Apartments General Permit and Stream Alteration Permit, a Piermont Shoreland Permit Application, a Norwich River Road Dry Hydrant Application, a Lebanon Landfill Permit Application, and a Pine Park Herbicide Application.

In 2026, Upper Valley will continue their activities in management, outreach, and learning for the Connecticut River. Upper Valley 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.

