

Vermont Citizens Advisory Committee on Lake Champlain's Future

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Lake Champlain Basin Program, 54 West Shore Road, Grand Isle VT 05458

The Vermont Citizens Advisory Committee on Lake Champlain's Future (VTCAC) is a diverse group of citizens, lake advocates, business representatives, farmers, and legislators united through their interest in a clean, healthy Lake Champlain. The 14-member committee (ten citizens and four state legislators) provides an opportunity for diverse interests to work together to develop an action agenda for improving water quality and enhancing the natural, cultural, recreational, and economic resources of the Lake Champlain Basin. VTCAC members are charged with submitting an annual report to the Vermont General Assembly that maps out recommended actions to protect the integrity of the lake.

The VTCAC meets annually with New York and Quebec CACs to discuss issues of mutual concern and to advise the Lake Champlain Steering Committee established under the Memorandum of Understanding on Environmental Cooperation on Lake Champlain. The Lake Champlain Steering Committee guides the Lake Champlain Basin Program and is responsible for implementing the Lake Champlain Management Plan "Opportunities for Action." The Vermont, New York, and Quebec CAC chairs each hold a seat on the Lake Champlain Steering Committee, the governing board for the Lake Champlain Basin Program.

Executive Director, Michaela Stickney -- 241-3619

Connecticut River Watershed Advisory Commission

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c/o Department of Environmental Conservation, 103 South Main Street, 10 North, Waterbury VT 05671-0408

The Connecticut River Watershed Advisory Commission is a bi-state effort, in cooperation with New Hampshire, to guide development within the Connecticut River Watershed so as to protect its outstanding ecological, scenic, recreational, historic, cultural, agricultural, fish, and wildlife values. The Commission meets monthly with the New Hampshire Connecticut River Valley Resources Commission to plan various conservation projects which include water quality management, economic development, and many others. The Commission consists of 15 members: the Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources, one member selected by each of the five regional planning commissions bordering the Connecticut River, and nine residents of the Connecticut River watershed appointed by the Governor.

Natural Resources Board

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National Life Records Center Building, Drawer 20, Montpelier VT 05620-3201

The Natural Resources Board administers Act 250, Vermont's land use and development law. The Board is a separate legal entity from the Agency of Natural Resources. The Agency is a

statutory party to all Act 250 applications and reviews applications. The Agency does not, however, issue Act 250 permits, and project reviews are advisory with no more weight than other parties' comments.

Nine district commissions, each comprised of three volunteer members with a paid support staff, review applications and issue decisions, including land use permits. Appeals of commission decisions are heard by the Environmental Court. Commission members are appointed by the Governor. District commissions are located in five regional offices around the state. Questions about whether an Act 250 permit is needed should be referred to the district coordinator.

Chair, Ronald Shems -- 828-5440

Executive Director, Vacant

General Counsel, John H. Hasen -- 828-5444

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Act 250 District Environmental Commissions Districts 1 and 8

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440 Asa Bloomer Office Building, Rutland, VT 05701

District 1 Coordinator, William Burke -- 786-5923

District 8 Coordinator, Warren Foster -- 786-5922

Natural Resources Board Technician, Joyce Fagan -- 786-5920

Act 250 District Environmental Commissions Districts 2 and 3

Telephone: 885-8855

100 Mineral Street, Suite 305, Springfield, VT 05156

District 2 Coordinator, April Hensel -- 885-8844

District 3 Coordinator, Linda Matteson -- 885-8843

Assistant Coordinator, Boolie Sluka -- 885-8842

Natural Resources Board Technician, Susan Precourt -- 885-8846

Natural Resources Board Technician, Terry Ranney -- 885-8840

Act 250 District Environmental Commissions Districts 4, 6, and 9

Telephone: 879-5614

111 West Street, Essex Junction, VT 05452

District 4 Coordinator, Stephanie Monaghan -- 879-5662

District 4 Coordinator, Peter Keibel -- 879-5658

Districts 6 & 9 Coordinator, Geoffrey Green -- 879-5657

Natural Resources Board Technician, Christine Commo -- 879-5660

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Act 250 District Environmental Commission District 5

Telephone: 476-0185

5 Perry Street, Suite 60, Barre, VT 05641

District 5 Coordinator, Edward Stanak -- 476-0186
Assistant District Coordinator, Susan Baird -- 476-0134
Natural Resources Board Technician, Lori Grenier-- 476-0183

Act 250 District Environmental Commission District 7

Telephone: 751-0120
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District 7 Coordinator, Kirsten Sultan -- 751-0126
Natural Resources Board Technician, Roberta (Bobbie) Smith -- 751-0125

Endangered Species Committee

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c/o Agency of Natural Resources, Nongame and Natural Heritage Program, 103 South Main Street,
10 South, Waterbury VT 05671-0501

The nine-member Endangered Species Committee advises the Agency Secretary on issues concerning the state's endangered and threatened species, including: birds, invertebrates, fish, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and plants. The committee reviews the endangered and threatened species list and makes recommendations to the Secretary about amendments and ways to protect listed species.

Chair, Dr. Ian A. Worley

Fish and Wildlife Board

Telephone: 241-3730
c/o Department of Fish and Wildlife, 103 South Main Street, 10 South, Waterbury VT 05671-0501

The Governor appoints 14 citizens to the Fish and Wildlife Board to implement fish and wildlife regulations. Each member represents one county and serves for six years.

Chair, J. Rob Borowske
Executive Secretary, Wayne Laroche, Fish and Wildlife Commissioner

Governor's Snowmobile Council

Telephone: 241-3683
c/o Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation, 103 South Main Street, 8 South, Waterbury VT 05671-0601

The council advises the Governor and federal and state agencies on the development, operation, and promotion of snowmobiling in Vermont. The council consists of representatives from state and federal agencies, the Vermont Association of Snow Travelers, the Legislature, and the public.

Chair, Miriam Oakes