

LOCAL RIVER MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2017 - 2018 BIENNIAL REPORT

NH Rivers Management and Protection Program



RSA 483:8-a III(a)

*As a Local Advisory Committee, it is your duty to report biennially to the Rivers Management Advisory Committee and the commissioner, and annually to the municipalities, on the status of compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, local ordinances, and plans relevant to the Designated River or segment, its corridor, and tributary drainage areas.*

**Complete reports should be sent to [riversprogram@des.nh.gov](mailto:riversprogram@des.nh.gov) by February 1, 2019.**

Please provide the following information:

Name of Committee	Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee	
Date	April 1, 2019	
Your Name and Title	Michele L Tremblay, Chair	
How many regular meetings did the LAC hold during 2017 and 2018?	2017 <u>  9  </u>	2018 <u>  11  </u>
How many total volunteer hours did LAC members contribute in 2017 and 2018?	2017 <u> 2,649 </u>	2018 <u> 2,880 </u>
How many permit notifications did the LAC review during 2017 and 2018?	2017 <u>  11  </u>	2018 <u>  11  </u>
Of these permit notifications, on how many did the LAC provide comments and/or a response?	2017 <u>  11  </u>	2018 <u>  11  </u>
Did the LAC participate in VRAP or other water quality monitoring?	2017 <u>  yes  </u> 2018 <u>  yes  </u> The UMRAC has been conducting extensive monitoring through the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program since 1995.	
How many river clean-ups did the LAC organize or participate in?	Host: 2017 <u>  0  </u>	2018 <u>  0  </u>
	Participate: 2017 <u>  0  </u>	2018 <u>  0  </u>

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Please answer the following questions or attach your LAC Annual Reports:

When was the river corridor management plan or its most recent update adopted? If it has been more than 8 years, or the plan is not complete, what preparations are underway to complete or update the plan?

It was last revised in 2007. Currently, there are no plans to revise it for a third time. There are not financial resources available for another major undertaking and the plan is still current and evergreen for current issues and conditions.

During 2017 and 2018, did the LAC implement any recommendations included in the corridor or watershed management plan? If so, please describe:

2017: water quality monitoring

2018: water quality monitoring

During 2017 and 2018, did the LAC conduct any outreach or educational programs, special meetings, events, or monitoring programs? (i.e., Stormwater Management Workshop or Property Owner Survey) If so, please describe:

2017: Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program, including Bug Nights, ambient monitoring, macroinvertebrate collection, and watershed survey. The UMLAC scheduled a number of professional development presentations on topics including underground storage tanks and other timely issues.

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During 2017 and 2018, did the LAC receive any grants or special recognition for projects? If so, please describe:

2017: Six towns and cities and nine area businesses provide significant financial support and volunteers to participate in the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program

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Is there anything else that you would like to report regarding the LAC's work and/or accomplishments, or any significant concerns or issues regarding the designated river? If yes, please describe.