



Hands Mill Dam Removal

Study and Preliminary Design

Stakeholder Closing Meeting

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Agenda

- ❖ **10:00 AM:** Introductions
- ❖ **10:10 AM:** Discussion on 30% Design
- ❖ **10:45 AM:** Geotechnical report
- ❖ **11:00 AM:** Archaeological and Historic Resources Findings
- ❖ **11:20 AM:** Budget Estimates for Phases 2 and 3
- ❖ **11:40 AM:** Close-out needs and next steps for stakeholders

Introductions (for newcomers)

- ☐ NAME
- ☐ ENTITY YOU REPRESENT
- ☐ ROLE YOU PLAY IN PROJECT



Phase 1 Timeline

FIELD WORK AND BACKGROUND/DESKTOP RESEARCH

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

- CONCEPT DESIGN
- AREA OF IMPACT
- ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS AND FEASIBILITY
- MEMO/SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

REPORT AND DESIGN DRAFTING

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER

- HISTORICAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCE ASSESSMENTS
- 30% DESIGNS
- POTENTIAL PERMIT NEEDS
- DRAFT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

PUBLIC OUTREACH TO TOWN

JANUARY - FEBRUARY

- PRESS RELEASE
- PUBLIC MEETING TO REVIEW PLANS AND SIMULATION IMAGERY/ ANSWER QUESTIONS

MID-LATE SEPTEMBER

- SELECT ALTERNATIVE FOR DESIGN
- DISCUSS SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN
- DISCUSS H&A FINDINGS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR DESIGN

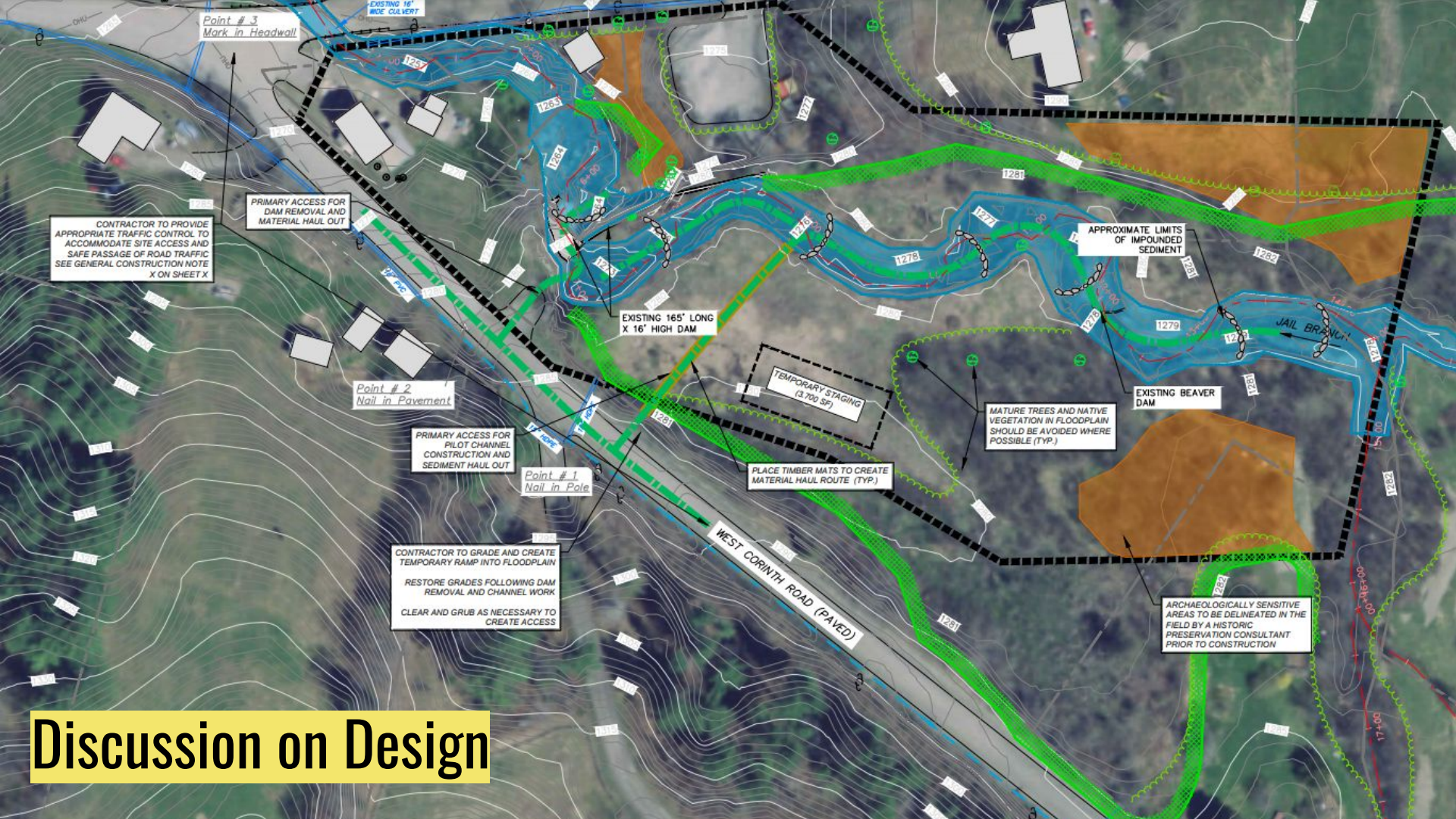
MID-TERM STAKEHOLDER CHECK-IN

EARLY DECEMBER

- COLLECT FINAL COMMENTS ON 30% DESIGNS, SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN, PERMIT NEEDS, O&M
- COLLECT FINAL COMMENTS ON H&A REPORT
- PLAN PUBLIC OUTREACH

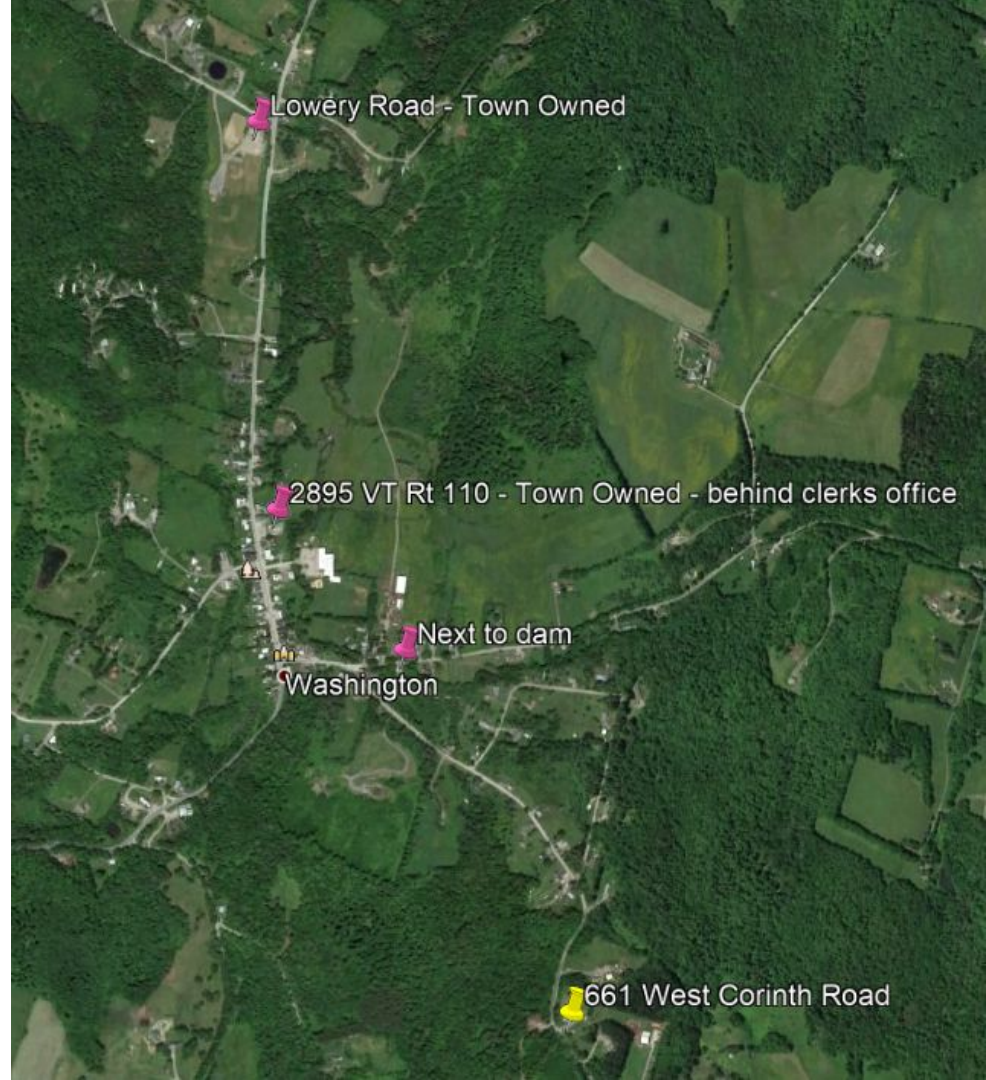
CLOSING STAKEHOLDER CHECK-IN

Discussion on Design



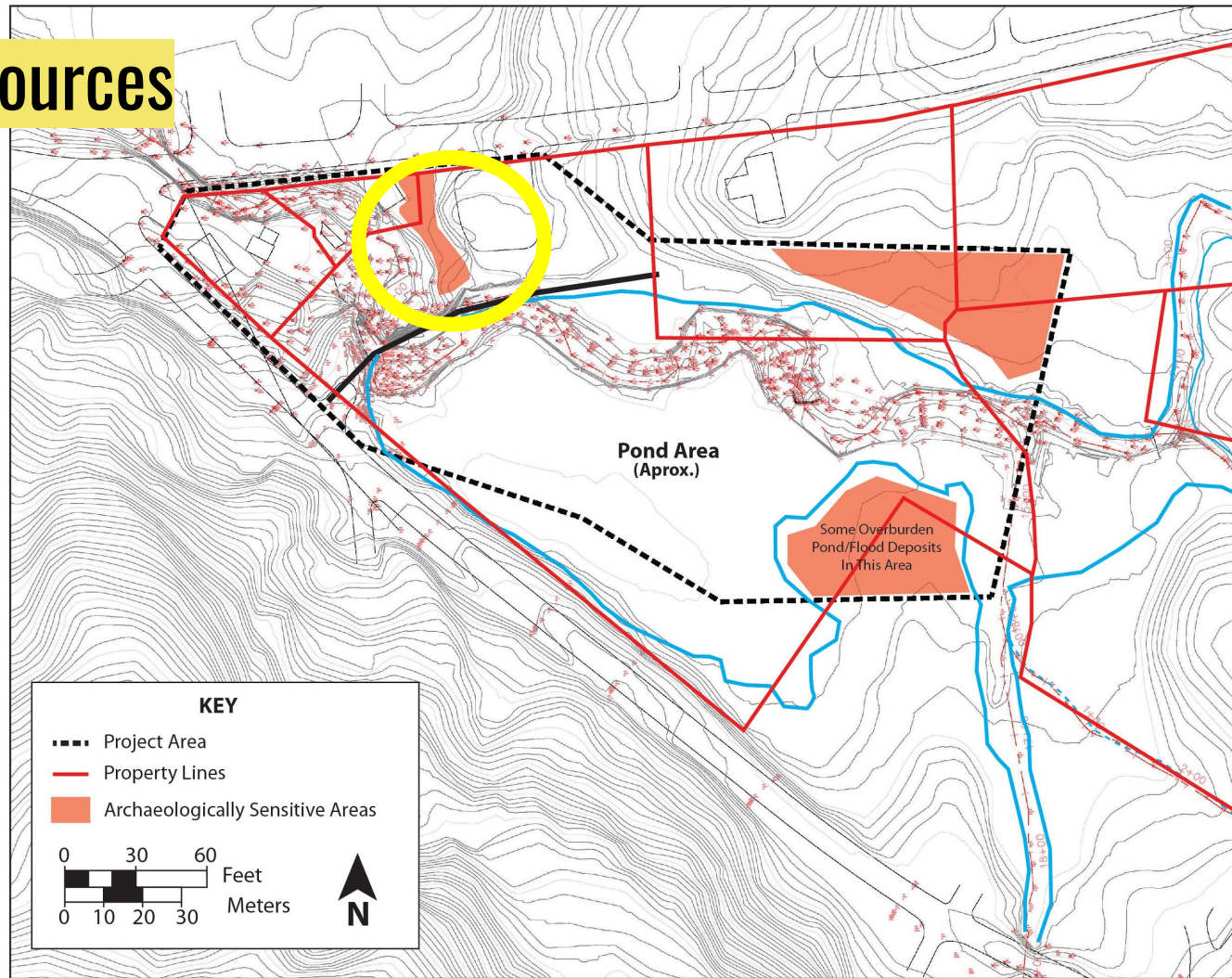
Geotechnical Report, Sediment Characterization and Dump Sites

MOST OF EXCAVATION MATERIAL =
FINE/COARSE SAND, SMALL TRACES OF SILT.
POSSIBLE ROAD WINTER MAINTENANCE
VALUE.
DUMP SITES: NO WETLANDS CONCERNS (?),
NOT SENSITIVE FOR ARCHEOLOGICAL OR
HISTORIC CONCERNS



Archeological Resources

- PEACH AREAS: SENSITIVE FOR PRE-CONTACT NATIVE AMERICAN SITES. YELLOW CIRCLE INDICATES AREA WITH UNAVOIDABLE IMPACTS. RECOMMENDED FOR STEP 1 TESTING → BUDGETED IN "PHASE 2-100% DESIGN"
- NO AREAS SENSITIVE FOR HISTORICAL ARCHEOLOGICAL REMAINS.



Historic Resources

- THE DAM:
RECOMMENDED FOR
INCLUSION ON
NATIONAL REGISTRY.
WILL REQUIRE FULL
PHOTOGRAPHIC
DOCUMENTATION ->
BUDGETED IN "PHASE
2-100% DESIGN"
- THE HOUSE: BUILT C.1840.
NOT RECOMMENDED FOR
NATIONAL REGISTER
GIVEN CURRENT
CONDITION



Budget Estimates (DRAFT)

Phase 2 - 100% / Final Design		Phase 3 - Dam Removal, Streambank and Floodplain Restoration	
Engineering		Engineering	
Environmental Assessment	\$11,000.00	Environmental Assessment	\$11,000
100% plans - drawings and construction specifications, update cost and benefit estimates, draft O&M agreement	\$33,636.00	Survey layout	\$4,000
Archeological/Historical		Bid and construction phase services (6%)	\$20,583
1 day phase 1 testing - archeological (need to confirm with SHPO)	\$4,796.00	Archeological/Historical	
Photo documentation - historical work (need to confirm with SHPO)	\$2,173.00	(Need to confirm with UVM)	
Legal		Legal	
Permit and filing expenses (need stakeholder input)	\$5,000.00	Permit and filing expenses	\$5,000
Project Coordination	\$11,910.50	Construction	\$441,970
SUBTOTAL	\$68,515.50	Tree Planting/3 years monitoring	\$9,200
5% admin - Town of Washington loan paperwork and processing	\$3,425.78	Project Coordination	\$32,038
TOTAL	\$71,941.28	TOTAL	\$523,840
less VTFW SWG grant dollars	-11000	FEMA Request Max (75%)	\$392,880
CWSRF Loan Amount Request	\$60,941.28	Match Minimum/Fundraising target (25%)	\$130,960

Projected Permits and Filing Fees

Possible Permits/Filings	Fee estimates?
DEC-Floodplains	
DEC - Stream Alteration	Waived b/c >500,000 cubic feet?
DEC - Wetlands	
DEC - Stormwater CGP?	\$200
DEC - Dam Safety Dam Order	x% of construction cost? \$40,000?
Section 401 WQ Certification	
IWMEA - Waste Disposal	
Act 250	x% of construction cost?
Section 106 Review	
US Army Corps of Engineers	
National Flood Insurance: LOMR/CLOMR	\$5,000 (as-built topo, an updated hydraulic model and redelineation of the Zone AE. Perhaps 2-3 days of engineering work)

FEMA Application Updates (due Jan 6th)

- NEEDS FROM PARTNERS: LETTERS AND TIMELY RETURN - WILL SEND TEMPLATES AROUND. NEED EXPEDITED SHPO REVIEW
- BCA DRAFT POSTED ONLINE: CURRENTLY VALUE IS 2.32, WILL FINALIZE WITH CLEARER COST ESTIMATES
- HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN COMPLETED? DAM FAILURE IDED AS ONE OF THE COMMUNITY'S WORST THREATS

Closeout Next Steps

- FINAL REPORT FOR PHASE 1 - SUMMARIZES STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK. PLEASE SUBMIT ANY FINAL WRITTEN COMMENTS BY DECEMBER 31.
- PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT - VISUAL RENDERING, NEED TO WORK WITH TOWN
- MATCH ESTIMATES FROM PARTNERS (SEE EXCEL) - NEED YOUR HELP!
- CWSRF LOAN APPLICATION:
 - LOAN COST APPROVAL LETTER
 - MOA BETWEEN TOWN AND WNRCD
 - LOAN APPLICATION PAPERWORK
- FUNDRAISING FOR 25% MATCH TO FEMA: 131K TARGET SET

Steps for CWSRF Application

1. **Gabe** will finish **EID** and **PER** during Phase 1 and submit to **Gianna and Karen**
2. **Gabe and Catherine** will summarize what's needed to be done from an engineering and historical/archeological perspective during Phase 2 and provide cost estimates. **Karen and Todd** encouraged to provide comments if there are any red flags at this stage.
3. Gianna will take cost estimates from Gabe and Catherine and add in cost estimates for Winooski NRCD time/ legal/ etc and have a formal estimate of full Phase 2 amount.
4. Gianna will release an **RFQ** for the diff phase 2 tasks if costs estimates trigger bidding in our procurement standards. **Tom will help review RFQ draft**
5. Gianna will present selected subcontractors and full phase 2 cost amounts to **Karen and Todd** for eligibility determination.
6. **Karen and Todd** will review, approve, and send to **Tom** for a **cost approval letter**
7. Gianna will work with Town to draft an **application** for the loan amount which is equal to the full phase 2 costs minus VTSWG money from Will. **Carol** will gather application attachments (i.e. town financial paperwork).
8. Gianna will work with the **Town** to draft MOA and get LOS from USFW to submit along with other loan paperwork.
9. **Town** will submit an application, cost approval letter, MOA and LOS from USFW and then wait to determine if the loan was approved. Once the loan has been submitted, **Tom** will send a formal letter acknowledging receipt and listing any missing items.
10. If the loan denies the 50% forgiveness we scratch all this and don't sign the loan. If the town gets the 50% forgiveness then the town signs the loan paperwork, subcontracts to Winooski NRCD, Winooski NRCD sign our subcontracts and we all get Phase 2 moving forward.