



VERMONT: Resources & Technical Assistance

Resources

A comprehensive list of resources – including information on planning, mapping and inventory tools, data, and more – can be found in *Community Strategies for Vermont's Forests and Wildlife: A Guide for Local Action* on page 78 or online at: <http://vnrc.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Resources.pdf>.

Mapping Assistance

- **How to Find Your Town's Parcel Map:** Check ANR's online Natural Resources Atlas (<http://anrmaps.vermont.gov/websites/anra/>) to find your town's digital parcel map.¹ If your town's map is not listed in the Atlas, then call or visit your Town Office to request a map.
- **How To Map Wildlife Data in Your Town:** If you are in the *Adirondacks to Green Mountains* or *Northern Green Mountains* linkages, please contact **Paul Marangelo** at The Nature Conservancy (802-229-4425, pmarangelo@tnc.org). If you are in the *Worcesters to Kingdom* linkage, please contact **Jens Hilke** at the VT Fish & Wildlife Dept. (802-879-5644, Jens.Hilke@state.vt.us).

Land Protection Assistance

- **Land Trusts and Conservation Organizations:** The following land trusts can help with the development of a conservation easement, a fee sale to a public agency, or with estate planning. If an individual is listed, please contact this person first – he or she works at the land trust and is also a member of the Staying Connected Initiative.

Statewide

- **The Conservation Fund** (www.conservationfund.org/): Nancy Bell (802-492-3368, nancy_bell@vermontel.net).
- **The Nature Conservancy** (<http://www.nature.org/>): Jon Binhammer (802-229-4425 x110, jbinhammer@tnc.org).
- **Northeast Wilderness Trust** (<http://www.newildernesstrust.org/>)
- **The Trust for Public Land** (www.tpl.org): Kate Wanner (802-223-1373 x27, kate.wanner@tpl.org).

¹ Go to "Show Map Layers," click on "ANR Basemap Data" (beneath the heading "ANR Atlas Layers"), and check the box next to "Parcels (where available)."

- **The Vermont Land Trust** (www.vlt.org): Siobhan Smith (802-262-1217, Siobhan@vlt.org).
- **Vermont Rivers Conservancy** (<http://www.vermontriverconservancy.org/>)

Worcesters to Kingdom Linkage

- **Greensboro Land Trust** (<http://www.greensborolandtrust.org/>)
- **Passumpsic Valley Land Trust** (<http://www.pvlt.org/>)

Northern Greens Linkage

- **Northern Rivers Land Trust** (<http://www.northernriverslandtrust.org/>)
- **Stowe Land Trust** (<http://www.stowelandtrust.org/>)

- **County Foresters:** For more information about the Use Value Appraisal (“Current Use”) program, contact your county forester. County forester information can be found online at http://www.vtfpr.org/resource/for_forres_countfor.cfm or by calling the Vermont Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation (802-828-1531).

Land Use Planning Assistance

- **Regional Planning Commissions:** Your town is a member of a regional planning commission (RPC), which assists municipalities with land use planning and has a staff that is trained in approaches for sustaining habitat connectivity for wildlife. To find your RPC’s contact information, go to: www.vapda.org.
- **Additional Technical Assistance:** If you have questions about your town plan, zoning bylaws, or subdivision regulations and how to improve them for wildlife, please contact:
 - **Jens Hilke** (Jens.Hilke@state.vt.us) at the VT Fish & Wildlife Dept., 802-879-5644.
 - **Kate McCarthy, AICP** (kmccarthy@vnrc.org), **Jamey Fidel** (jfidel@vnrc.org), and **Emma Zavez** (ezavez@vnrc.org) at the Vermont Natural Resources Council, 802-223-2328.

Transportation Assistance

- **How to Find Wildlife Related Traffic Accidents Data For Your Town/Region:** The transportation planner at your RPC should be able to find this data for you and map it. For contact information, please see “**Regional Planning Commission**” (above).
- **How to Identify Priority Wildlife Crossings in Your Town/Region:** Please contact the Staying Connected Initiative for further assistance; contact information is listed under “**How To Map Wildlife Data in Your Town**” (above.)
- **Additional Technical Assistance:** If you have questions about transportation solutions for wildlife, please contact the following Staying Connected Initiative members:
 - **Jens Hilke** (Jens.Hilke@state.vt.us) at the VT Fish & Wildlife Dept., 802-879-5644.
 - **James Brady** (james.brady@state.vt.us) at the VT Agency of Transportation (VTrans), 802-828-3978.