# Monthly news & updates



## August 2023

# **Household Hazardous Waste Collections**



There are TWO Household Hazardous Waste Collections coming up in August in TWO different locations:

> Saturday, August 5th 8:00am - 12:00pm 25 Crown Street, Nashua

> > AND

Saturday, August 26th Pelham Highway Dept., 33 Newcomb Field Parkway, Pelham

Learn more at nashuarpc.org/hhw

Saturday Aug. 26, 8am - 12pm in Pelham

# 2023 Household Hazardous Waste Collections

Saturday April 22, 8am - 12pm in Nashua-

Thursday June 1, 3pm 7pm in Nashua

Saturday Aug. 5, 8am - 12pm in Nashua

**Oil-based** Paint

Oil-based Stains

Polyurethane

Solvents

Thinners

Gasoline

Antifreeze

Brake fluid

Fertilizers

Lead Paint

Saturday Nov. 4, 8am - 12pm in Nashua

Saturday Oct. 7, 8am - 12pm in Nashua

Nashua City Park & Ride 25 Crown Street, Nashua all dates EXCEPT August 26



Accepted Household Hazardous Waste:

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Not Accepted:

**NO Latex Paint** 

**NO Electronics** 

NO Medication

**NO Fire Extinguishers** 

**NO Smoke Detectors** NO Used Oil

**NO Car Batteries** 

Pelham Highway Department 33 Newcomb Field Pkwy, Pelham August 26 ONLY

For residents of: Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, Nashua, Pelham & Windham

Household Cleaners

Fluorescent Bulbs

Pool Products

Photo chemicals





Pesticides

Insecticides

Mercury

Adhesive

Sealers

Acids

SERVICES

Cost: \$15 per vehicle

• Covers up to 10 gallons or 20 pounds of waste. Carpooling is encouraged.

 Additional charges: \$1/gallon above 10 gallons 50¢/pound above 20lbs

• Cash or check.

• Checks payable to NRSWMD.

nashuarpc.org/hhw | 603-417-6570



**Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)** 

## 2023 Update

The Regional Economic Development Center (REDC) has recently released the 2023 update to the

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The CEDS is a plan that outlines a region's economic development needs and goals. It emerges from a continuous planning process developed with a broad based and diverse community participation that addresses the economic potential of an area.

View the CEDS at www.redc.com/ceds.

# **Municipal Roadway Soils**

The NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) has released a new fact sheet: Management of Municipal Roadway Soils (SW-38).

Municipal roadway soils, a subset of soils with contamination, are soils and sediments generated during roadway maintenance activities such as street sweeping, ditch reestablishment (ditching), catch basin cleaning, and removal of storm-generated sediment. Municipalities should plan the

characterization, storage and transportation of roadway soils prior to sweeping, removal, digging up, or otherwise generating the soils. This will allow municipalities to protect public health, safety and the environment by ensuring compliance with applicable hazardous and solid waste rules.

You can find all official NHDES fact sheets on their website: Fact Sheets | NH Department of **Environmental Services.** 

# **2023 Regional Housing Needs Assessment**

The 2023 Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) was recently released by NRPC.

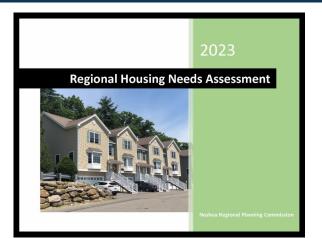
The RHNA provides a comprehensive overview of population trends, existing housing characteristics and conditions, market trends, and future housing needs.

View the 2023 Regional Housing Needs Assessment here.



See what's happening this month.

August 5, 2023, 8:00am - 12:00pm, Household Hazardous Waste Collection 25 Crown Street, Nashua Contact: Emma Rearick







August 9, 2023, at 12:00pm, <u>Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)</u> Contact: <u>Matt Waitkins</u>

August 10, 2023, at 1:00pm, <u>Lower Merrimack Valley Stormwater Coalition</u> Contact: <u>Sara Siskavich</u>

August 16, 2023, at 6:00pm, <u>Executive Committee</u> Contact: <u>Jay Minkarah</u>

August 24, 2023, at 10:00am, <u>Greater Nashua Regional Coordination Council for</u> <u>Community Transportation (RCC7)</u> Contact: <u>Donna Marceau</u>

August 26, 2023, 8:00am - 12:00pm, <u>Household Hazardous Waste Collection</u> Pelham Highway Department, 33 Newcomb Field Parkway, Pelham Contact: <u>Emma Rearick</u>

## Looking to stay informed about NRPC?

Attend our meetings! Agendas are posted approximately five days in advance on the NRPC online calendar, or reach out to staff contacts to be added to group email lists. Unless otherwise noted, meetings will be held at: 30 Temple Street, Suite 310, Nashua, NH.



## NH Dept. of Environmental Services Grant Opportunities

## **NEW PROGRAM - Granite State Clean Fleets**

The <u>NH Granite State Clean Fleets Grant Program</u> is a competitive program for replacing municipally-owned heavy duty vehicles and equipment with newer and/or electric models.



Approximately \$10,000,000 is available to support local government entities only (municipalities, school districts, transit agencies) for approved projects to reduce emissions from qualifying diesel vehicles and equipment by replacing them with electric alternatives and new diesel models. This competitive program is funded by New Hampshire's Volkswagen Mitigation Trust (VW Trust).

- 80% funding for replacing old diesel vehicles with new diesel vehicles.
- 95% funding for replacing old diesel vehicles with electric vehicles (including the charger, infrastructure, and installation!)
- June 30 Webinar and Q&A
- Granite State Clean Fleets Request for Proposals

Proposals due October 13, 2023.

## NH Clean Diesel Grant Program

The <u>New Hampshire Clean Diesel Grant Program</u> is a competitive program funded by EPA through the Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) with additional funding from the New Hampshire VW Mitigation Trust. The program is managed by the Air Resources/Technical Services Bureau of NHDES. The goal of this grant program is to reduce the emissions from diesel engines in the state.

Grant funding requires a match by the grantee; the match requirement depends on the project (i.e. replacing a diesel vehicle with an electric vehicle requires a 55% match; replacing an old diesel vehicle with a newer, cleaner diesel vehicle requires a 75% match; etc.). While this program's funding level is lower than the Granite State Clean Fleets Grant (most often 25%),

the array of eligible vehicles, engines, equipment, and technologies that qualify is broader. It's also open to government entities **and** businesses.

## Proposals due September 15, 2023.

# **Other Events & Training Opportunities**



August 17, 2023, 12PM - 1PM It's Zoning Amendment Time.....Again! (2023 Version)

#### Planning Lunches at Noon Monthly Webinar Series

Join Stephanie N. Verdile, Principal Planner at the Office of Planning and Development (OPD) and C. Christine Johnston, Attorney at Drummond Woodsum Attorneys at Law, for an overview and introduction to the regulation amendment process for zoning and historic ordinances as well as building and fire codes. Stephanie and Christine will also offer best practices and tips for board members and planning staff on how to prepare and get through the amendment process.



#### September 12, 2023, 8AM - 4PM 2023 New Hampshire Environmental Regulatory Conference

The 2023 NH Environmental Regulatory Conference combines BIA's NH Air & Water Regulatory Conference with BIA's NH Hazardous Waste and Contaminated Sites Conference into one annual event that addresses all three air, water, and

waste topics. The conference will include a wide variety of concurrent sessions for attendees to choose from where they will hear directly from NHDES experts on highly relevant environmental topics.

This conference is ideal for consultants, municipal officials, attorneys, and environmental compliance officers. We will focus on key development challenges facing New Hampshire and the region and look at what stakeholders can expect the regulatory environment to look like in the future.



#### September 26, 2023 The Hotel Concord, Concord, NH Plan NH Fall Conference: Unlocking Possibilities

The 2023 program, *Unlocking Possibilities: Community Change for the Better*, will focus on how the critical community needs of today dovetail with the built environment. From housing and workforce to childcare and community connectivity, our speakers will explore innovative approaches to tackling these crucial issues. Hear more about their creative partnerships and the important role municipalities play in meeting the needs of today and tomorrow for New Hampshire communities.



#### Save the Date: October 14, 2023, 9AM - 3PM Registration to open in August Land Use Law Conference (Planning Board)

This track is for new planning board members and alternates, as well as veterans, who want a refresher course on the basics. Topics for discussion include what is a completed application, the timeline for planning board review, conducting meetings and public

hearings, the use of third-party consultants, the zoning amendment process, scattered and premature development, off-site exactions, conflicts of interests, the Right-to-Know law and more.

Attendees will learn about planning board organization, rules of procedure, application process, purpose and need for checklists and waivers, site walks, third party review, technical review committee, zoning amendments, board member responsibilities. This track will also explore the hot topics presented to NHMA attorneys during the past two years – reviewing issues bedeviling Planning Board's across the State with recommendations for appropriate action by NHMA attorneys. In addition, there will be panel discussion by municipal planners and land use administrators on all matters related to managing the operations of the Planning Board; subdivision and site plan applications, conditional use permitting, master planning, zoning amendments.



#### Save the Date: October 21, 2023, 9AM - 3PM Registration to open in August Land Use Law Conference (ZBA)

This track will provide a detailed look at the statutory responsibilities of the ZBA including appeals of administrative decisions, special exceptions, and variances. This session will

also provide an in-depth discussion of how the case law interprets the five variance criteria. Time will be devoted to participant questions.

There will be a track on the ZBA Decision0Making Process as well as a track that will explore the hot topics presented to NHMA attorneys during the past two years – reviewing issues bedeviling ZBA's across the State with recommendations for appropriate action by NHMA attorneys. In addition, a panel discussion by local code enforcement officials/building inspectors/municipal planners/land use administrators on all matters related to interpreting and enforcing local zoning ordinances and managing decision making on building permit applications and administering applications for zoning relief submitted to the ZBA.



## October 15 - 18, 2023 2023 Fall NEARC Conference

The 2023 Fall NEARC Conference will be held Sunday, October 15 - Wednesday, October 18 at the Omni New Haven at Yale in New Haven, Connecticut.

NEARC is not just for the GIS faithful. Yes, NEARC is for GIS practitioners, but NEARC is for anyone who wants to see the value GIS technology brings to their own environment and the world. This conference is very valuable for new users as well as those who have

been using GIS for many years. If you are going to attend NEARC this fall, you might consider also bringing along your Supervisor, Town Manager, DPW Director, IT Director, and your Finance Manager; anyone who would benefit from seeing the value of GIS first hand. You will absolutely walk away saying "NEARC is worth every penny!"



## November 6 - 8, 2023 2023 NNECAPA Planning Conference

The Northern New England Chapter of the American Planning Association (NNECAPA) is pleased to host its 2023 Conference from Monday, November 6th thru Wednesday, November 8th at Wentworth by the Sea in New Castle, New Hampshire. We are planning

this multi-day conference to provide opportunities for engagement, collaboration, and (re)establishing partnerships with your colleagues, new and old, throughout New England.



SBDC's webinars focus on the needs of small businesses all around the state of New Hampshire. Topics of webinars range from starting a business to growing a business, including; financial matters, marketing, cyber, DEI, and many more.

SBDC webinars are free, offered live, and include a Q&A session.View upcoming webinars here.

Have an event or workshop you'd like highlighted? Let us know!

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