

Public Comment: Core Principles of Community Engagement

State of Vermont, Agency of Natural Resources

Notice of Public Meetings and Opportunity for Public Comment

Public Comment Period: May 1, 2024 – June 14, 2024

Proposed Core Principles of Community Engagement

Notice is hereby given that the Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) is hosting two public meetings and providing an opportunity for comment on the proposed [Core Principles of Community Engagement](#) (the Principles).

The Principles were developed as part of the implementation of [the Vermont Environmental Justice Law \(or Act 154 of 2022\)](#). These Principles will guide the development and implementation of community engagement plans by Vermont State agencies covered by the Vermont Environmental Justice Law. The audience for these Principles is State agency staff tasked with developing community engagement plans under the Vermont Environmental Justice Law.

These Principles were developed by the [Interagency Environmental Justice Committee](#) in close consultation with the [Environmental Justice Advisory Council](#) and the Agency of Natural Resources. These Principles are not an exhaustive list, and they build upon prior innovative community engagement work in Vermont and across the United States.

The Principles and [related documents](#) can be found online. To request a hardcopy, please use the contact information listed below.

The ANR will host two public meetings, one hybrid and one virtual:

- **Friday, May 17 from 4 pm – 5 pm EST**

In-person location:

Fletcher Free Library – Pickering Room
234 College Street
Burlington, VT 05401

Virtual location:

Microsoft Teams

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 291 649 690 748

Passcode: 4Rgctxb

Dial-in by phone

[+1 802-828-7667, 138349442#](#) United States, Montpelier

- **Wednesday, May 22 from 12 pm – 1 pm EST**

Virtual Location:

Microsoft Teams

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 269 178 141 110

Passcode: LYEx6A

Dial-in by phone

[+1 802-828-7667,,299446378#](#) United States, Montpelier

Written comments on Core Principles of Community Engagement can be submitted by in writing on the [Public Comment: Core Principles of Community Engagement Microsoft Form](#). Public comments must be received by June 14, 2024 at 5:00 pm EST. Attendance at the public meetings is not necessary to submit written comments.

Requests for accommodations by the person in need must be received five days prior to the date of the in-person public meeting and can be made by either calling 802-636-7827 or emailing ANR.EJCoordinator@vermont.gov.

Resources:

- [The Core Principles of Community Engagement](#) (Draft 4 open for public comment)
- [The Core Principles of Community Engagement Factsheet](#)
- [Press Release](#)
- [Meeting Flyer](#)
- Visit the [Environmental Justice Online Resource Library](#) to learn about the drafting process

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