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Hardwick Planning Commission Hardwick Select Board Hardwick Conservation Commission Flood Safety Act in Our Community Presentation

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at 6:00 pm By Zoom and In-person on the 3rd Floor of the Memorial Building

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Please note that this presentation will be conducted virtually and in-person. To join the Zoom hearing, sign up for a free Zoom account anytime (zoom.us), then at 6:00 pm on June 18, 2025 go to Zoom and click on: join a meeting. The meeting number is 868 5055 8962. The passcode is 115009. You may phone into the Zoom meeting at: 301-715-8592 (this is not a toll free number).

To join the Meeting by Zoom:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86850558962?pwd=IYvBsDxaraMB2UDbbudinPSgwnnCW6.1

The Flood Safety Act (Act 121), passed by the Vermont Legislature in 2024, takes a comprehensive approach to reducing flood risk across the state. The legislation strengthens protection of river corridors, promotes the strategic removal of derelict dams, and supports the restoration of wetlands to absorb and store excess floodwater. Most importantly, it represents a critical step in safeguarding lives and property from future storm events.

In anticipation of new statewide river corridor protection standards, Lake Champlain Sea Grant and The Nature Conservancy are partnering, at the request of the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), to conduct outreach with municipalities. The goal is to help communities understand the details, implications, and timeline for implementing these protections and to answer any questions related to the Flood Safety Act.

This presentation is open to all community members.

Please call Kristen Leahy, Zoning and Floodplain Administrator, at 802-472-1686 or email at zoning.administrator@hardwickvt.gov if you have any questions or concerns.