



Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee

Date: November 29, 2011

Time: 7:00 PM

**Location: Plymouth State University, Boyd Hall,
Room 001 (Small Auditorium)**

(Use entrance nearest Highland St.)

Town: Plymouth, NH

11/22/11 **AGENDA**

7:00-7:05 Minutes

Review and approve minutes of the October 25, 2011 meeting

7:05-7:20 Northern Pass

Several members have suggested PRLAC take a public position on the current Northern Pass proposal. Discuss.

7:20-7:30 PRLAC Funds Position

Review of funds received from communities and current balance. Discuss the need for follow up by local representatives.

7:30-8:50 Management Plan

- Status report of data collection for the Resources section of the Management Plan Update (D. Jeffers).
- This past year saw dramatic changes to both the funding of environmental programs and the language (strength) of water protection rules. Similar changes could occur at any time over the next ten years. Items impacting PRLAC's program such as the DES budget, Shoreland Protection rules (now SWQPA) and wetlands rules could be modified by the Legislature at any time.
- Explore how to ensure that the Management Plan takes a long-term view yet is able to set out practical Action Items that can respond to the various changes made by the legislature. Some ideas to discuss include:
 - o Protect a multi-town segment of the river with common local rules (similar to the CSPA). Towns would join in together with common goals. There may be some enforcement and resources issues.
 - o Organize collaborative public relations & outreach efforts with other organizations.
 - o Lobbying legislators – Group-sponsored rule proposals or a group position on what's being proposed.
 - o Work for acknowledgement in local master plans and follow up with identification and implementation of local steps.

8:50- Other

- Water & Watershed Conference, Friday March 23, 2012, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, PSU's Hartman Union Bldg.