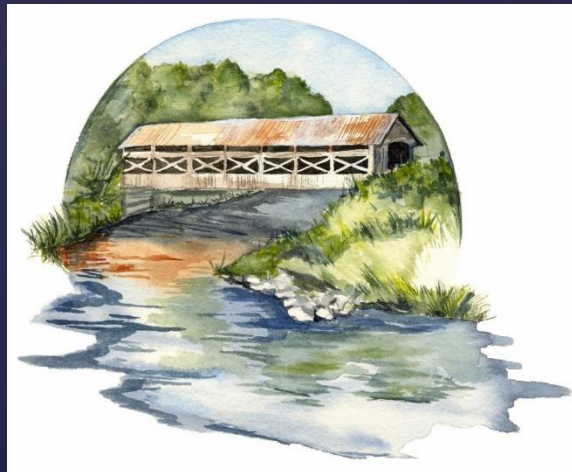
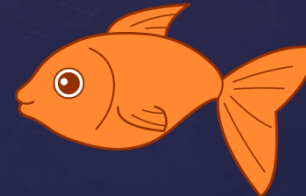
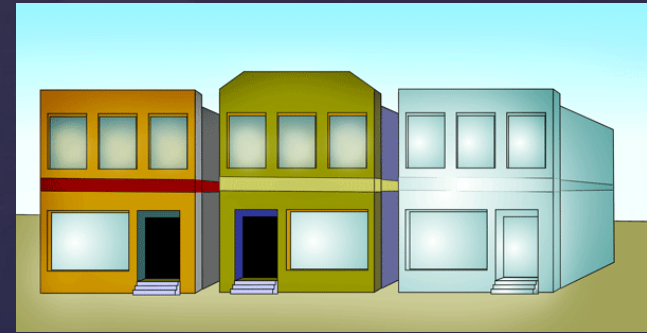


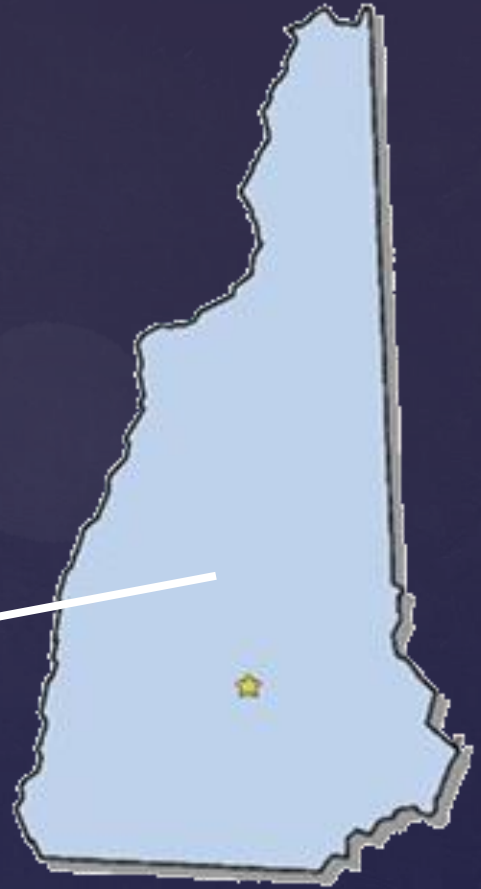
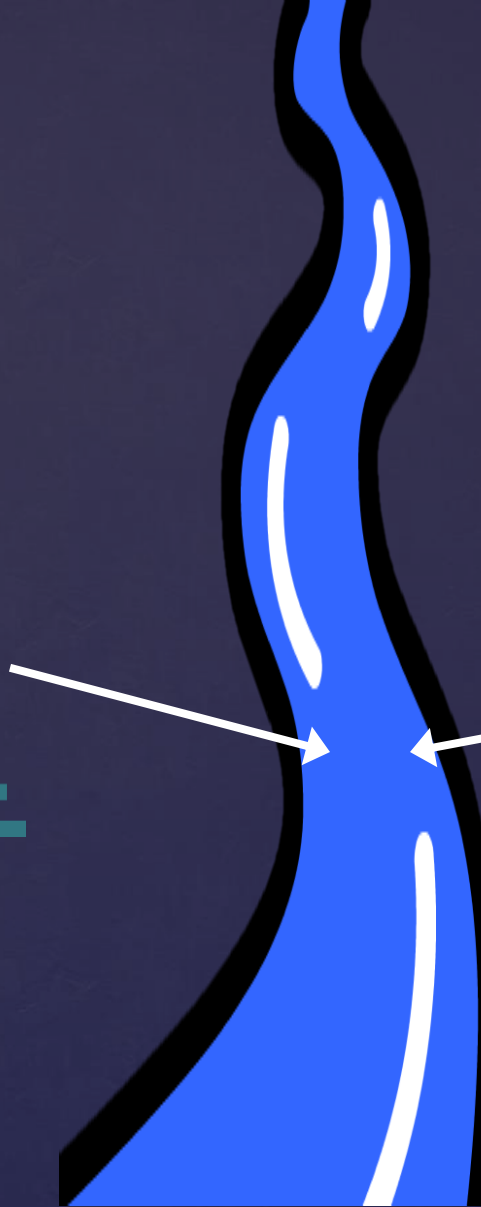
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# Competing Interests



Towns & State Work Together

# DESIGNATED RIVERS of NEW HAMPSHIRE

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### Designated Rivers

1. Ammonoosuc River 8/10/07 & 9/13/09
2. Ashuelot River 6/07/93
3. Cocheco River 7/21/09
4. Cold River 7/20/99
5. Connecticut River 7/14/92
6. Contoocook and North Branch Rivers 6/28/91
7. Exeter and Squamscott Rivers 8/11/95 & 5/31/11
8. Isinglass River 6/30/02
9. Lamprey River 6/26/90 & 6/7/11
  - A. Lamprey River
  - B. North Branch River
  - C. Pawtuckaway River
  - D. North River
  - E. Little River
  - F. Piscassic River
10. Mascoma River 5/9/11
11. Merrimack River (Lower) 6/26/90
12. Merrimack River (Upper) 6/26/90
13. Oyster River 6/2/11
14. Pemigewasset River 6/28/91
15. Piscataquog River 7/16/93
16. Saco River 6/26/90
17. Souhegan River 5/28/00
18. Swift River 6/26/90

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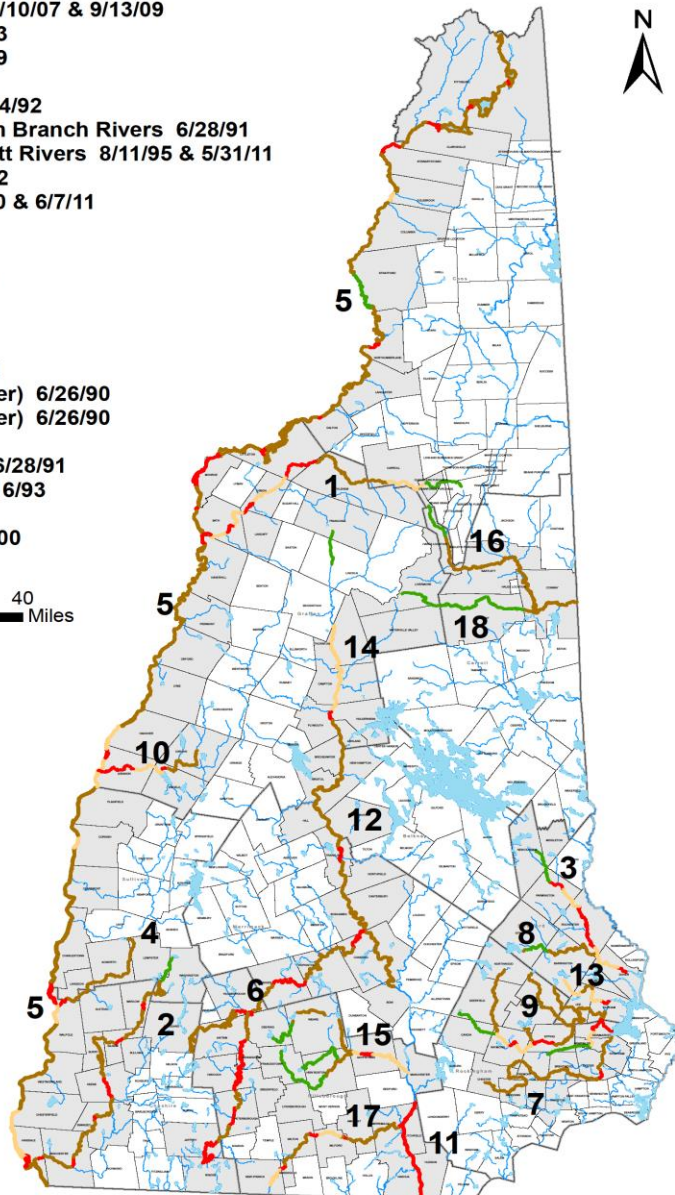
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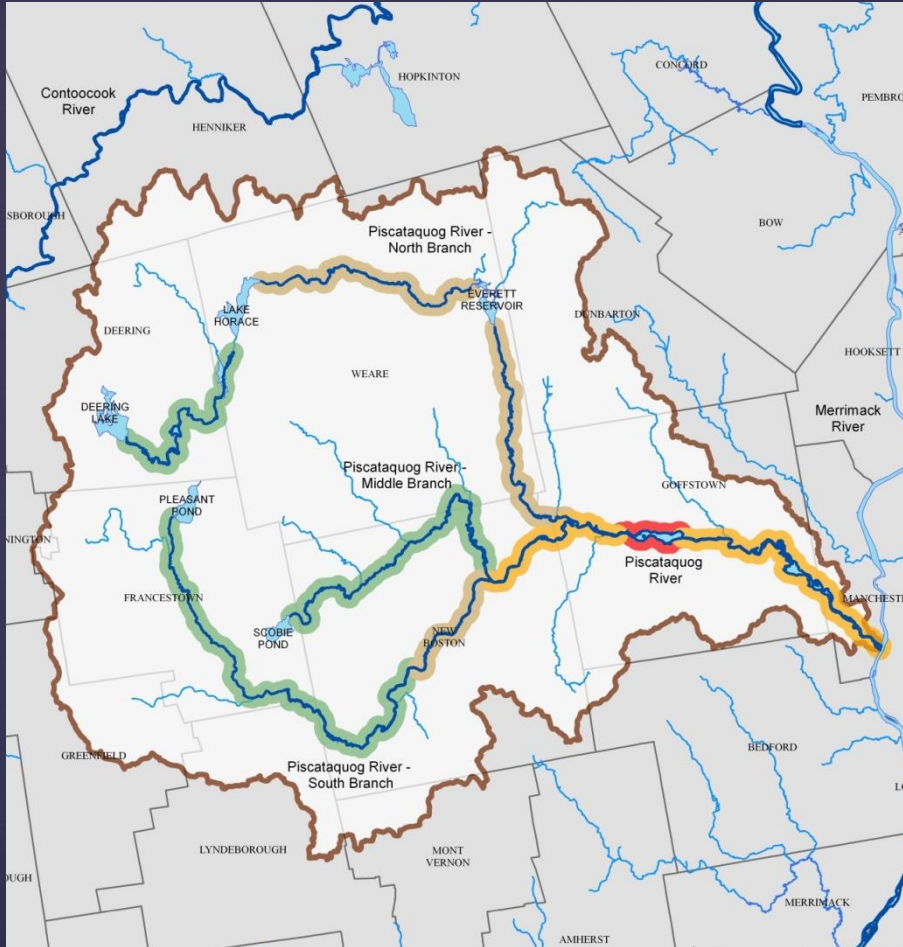
##### Class

-  Natural
-  Rural
-  Rural-Community
-  Community

-  Waterbodies
-  County Boundary
-  Town Boundary
-  Participating Designated River Communities







## Four Classifications:

& **Natural**

& **Rural**

& **Rural-Community**

& **Community**

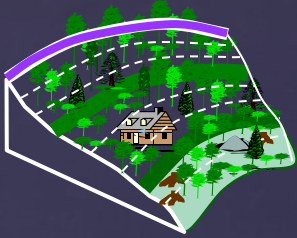
# River Classifications



**Benefits: Recognition**



No new dams on Natural, Rural or Rural Community designated rivers.



Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act applies to all designated rivers.



No motor boats on Natural rivers.



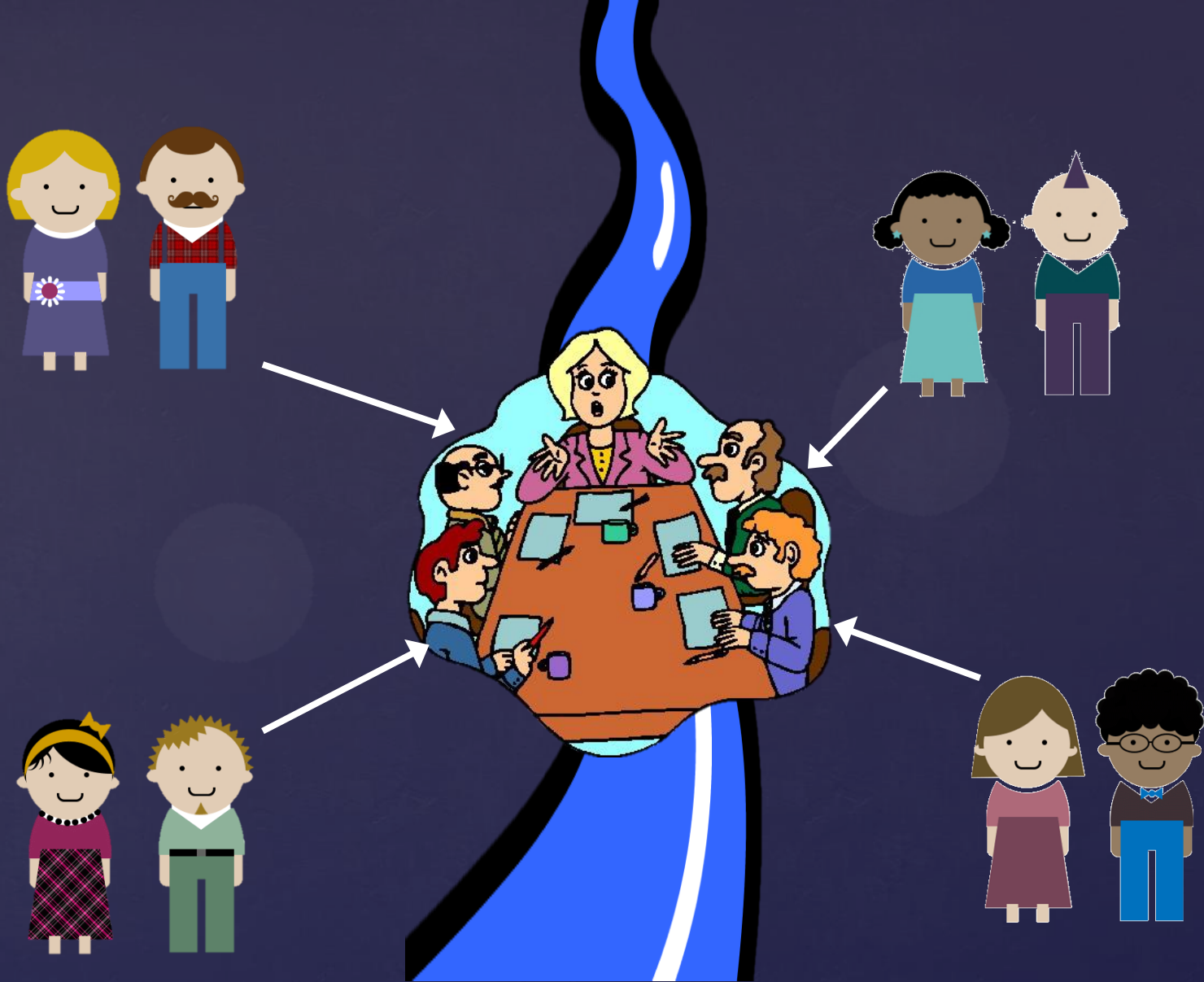
Instream Flow protections on all designated rivers.



Restrictions on new and expanded waste facilities near designated rivers.

# Benefits: Extra Protections





# Benefits: Advisory Committee





## Oyster River Management 2014

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By the  
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with Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Funding Source:



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# Benefits: Planning & Permitting

# Except for application of SWQPA (RSA 483-B) to designated 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> order rivers...

483:2 Program Established; Intent.

Pending  
HB 1595

“... **notwithstanding the provisions of RSA 483-B**, that nothing in this chapter shall be interpreted to preempt any land and zoning authority granted to municipal bodies under RSA title LXIV.” (Planning and Zoning)

483:8-a Local River Management Advisory Committees; Duties.

“No such [local river corridor management] plan shall have any regulatory effect unless implemented through properly adopted ordinances.”

## Local Authority Acknowledged

Fall

- Create Nominating Committee
- Determine Level of Local Support

Spring

- Fill Out Nomination Form
- Acquire Letters of Support

June 1

- Submit Nomination Form
- Staff & RMAC Review Commences

Fall

- Public Hearing
- Submit Legislative Service Request

Spring

- Legislative Consideration and Approval

# Nomination Timeframe



## Establish Local Advisory Committee

## Begin River Corridor Management Plan



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# After Designation





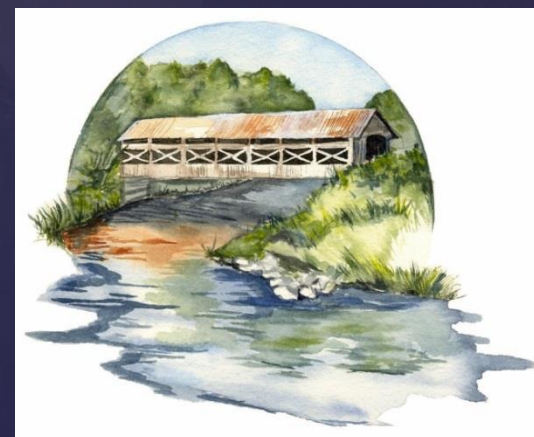
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