

# Climate Resilient Carlisle

## Community Forum

February 15, 2024, 6-8 pm



# Welcome!

This event is being recorded and broadcast by Minute Man Media, and the video will be posted to the Town website.

<https://www.carlislema.gov/1162/Municipal-Vulnerability-Preparedness>



# Zoom Logistics

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- If you have any technical difficulties, please let us know:
  - Zoom chat, or
  - Email: [nrae@horsleywitten.com](mailto:nrae@horsleywitten.com)

# Introductions - Staff

## Town Staff Involved in Project:

- Julie Mercier (me!), Town Planner
- Ryan McLane, Town Administrator
- Sylvia Willard, Conservation Administrator
- Linda Fantasia, Health Agent
- Jon Metivier, Building Commissioner
- Sarah Wasserman, Land Use & Sustainability Coordinator
- Bryan Sorrows, Fire Chief
- David Newman, Fire Lieutenant
- Jim Hall, DPW Superintendent
- Carol Grueneich, Council on Aging and Human Services Director

# Introductions - Volunteers

## Town Volunteers Involved in Project:

- Kate Reid, Select Board, ARPA Cmte, and Housing Trust
- Christina Christodoulopoulos, Environmental Sustainability Committee
- Eric Balles, Environmental Sustainability Committee
- Steve Hinton, Municipal Facilities Committee, Carlisle Conservation Foundation
- [Insert your name here] !!

# Question for You:

## What brought you here tonight?

- Mailing
- Social Media
- Town Newsletter
- Mosquito
- The Buzz
- Principal Weekly Email
- Poster
- Project Webpage
- Word on the street...

# A few details...

- This is a grant-funded project
- Grantor: Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs (EOEEA)
- Program: Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP)
- Grant award: \$93,740 + \$10,000 ARPA match + many hours of staff time
- Consultant: Horsley Witten Group
- Timeframe: through June 2025

# Purpose of Grant

Staff from many town departments will work together, with the consultant, and volunteers, to update local policies, bylaws, and regulations to incorporate measures that will make the town more climate resilient in the future.

We can't stop storms from happening, but we can take measures to help protect us from the impacts of flooding, power outages, heat waves, and other weather events.

# What am I talking about?

## Big Local Issue / Priority

- Flooding
- Power Outages
- Heat Waves
- Tree Debris/Damage
- Embodied Carbon
- Decarbonization / Electrification
- Waste/Trash Reduction

## Potential Adaptation Strategy

- Nature-Based / Flood Storage Capacity
- Micro-grids / Energy Storage
- Energy Reduction / Cooling Locations
- Town-wide Tree Protection Policy
- Demolition Delay
- Muni Commitment / EV Fleet Policy
- Local Composting

# Why this project?

## Strategically ties together:

- MVP Report recommendations
- Master Plan recommendations
- ESC Work Plan recommendations
- Staff ideas for local bylaws & regulations

## Encourages teamwork!

## Builds institutional capacity toward a shared vision

