



NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

SOUHEGAN RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Annual Report 2003

The Souhegan River Local Advisory Committee was going through a transitional/growth period in 2003. Not only is the LAC developing a Souhegan River Watershed Management Plan but the Committee also gained three new members from New Ipswich and Greenville. These towns have not had representation on the LAC for several years, so this was a big achievement. The LAC now has representatives from every town in the Corridor that attend regular meetings. Long-time members have begun to attend the meetings regularly again as well. In addition to fulfilling statutory duties defined under RSA 483:8-a, the SoRLAC accomplished the following:

- Review site specific and dredge and fill permit applications. The LAC submitted comments on many of these projects including: Barrett parcel/proposed golf course in Milford, two-lot subdivision in Wilton (which gave the Wilton Conservation Commission an easement for a walking trail and the Shoreland Protection Area delineated on the plans), proposed gas stations in New Ipswich and Wilton,
- Identified and followed up on wetland and Shoreland Protection violations including: Intervale Road in Wilton, road sand issues in Merrimack, clearing within the Shoreland Protection area in Merrimack.
- Recruited new members from Greenville and New Ipswich. The LAC is now holding meetings in these towns now!
- Developed a workplan and outline for the Souhegan River Watershed Management Plan
- Invited Deb Hinman and Jeff Porter to talk about developing a Corridor/Watershed Management Plan
- Began organizing for a State of the Watershed meeting for May 2004
- Conducted several site walks - Intervale Road in Wilton, Golf Course in Milford, Shoreland Protection violation in Wilton.
- Nominated several representatives for the Instream Flow Water Management Planning Advisory Committee.
- Met with a representative from Monadnock Water to discuss proposed golf course