

Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee

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ARLAC MISSION STATEMENT

The Ashuelot River and its corridor continue to experience pressure for increased development, recreation and other uses of its natural and cultural resources. This trend will likely continue in the future. It is essential to have a management approach that ensures a balance between protection of legitimate community interests and the rights of property owners along the river, in order to protect and improve the existing resource values of the River and its corridor.

The Ashuelot River Corridor Management Plan proposes a management approach with the mission of protecting plentiful clean water, thriving riparian and aquatic habitat for wild plants and animals, providing balance for continued development of land use and water uses, recreation, and other public needs.

The Ashuelot LAC presents the Ashuelot River Corridor Plan to local officials for consideration in the conventional local planning process, asking Planning Boards to review the Plan and adopt it as an adjunct to the local Master Plan. Planning Boards are encouraged to integrate recommendations from the Plan into local land use planning as they deem appropriate.