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Subject: Revised RPC Scope for Planning provisions S. 230
Attachments: RPC Budget for S. 230 Scope revised 3-25-16.xlsx

Good Morning,

Per your request yesterday, I have modified the spreadsheet that outlines the tasks and proposed task budget splits based on conversations held yesterday. Negotiations with DPS will ultimately refine these tasks.

There are two important changes to the version.

One is an explicit inclusion of VLCT as a key partner in the development of criteria to be used in certifying municipal energy chapters and in assisting in statewide education.

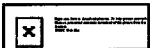
The second change is a shift of funds from regional planning and other tasks to the hands-on assistance to municipalities in crafting chapters that contain the data and directive language necessary for certification and PSB use.

I believe these changes acknowledge the role of others, and properly shift the RPC effort more heavily toward directly assisting our municipalities.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Investments Needed for RPCs to Implement Planning Provisions in S. 230 (Revised 3/25/16)			
Tasks	FY 17	FY18	FY 19
Coordination with Department of Public Service (DPS) <i>Tasks completed by September 30, 2016</i> Work with DPS to develop scope of work, contracts with Regional Planning Commissions Work with DPS, VLCT to develop inventory criteria, goals, policies, objectives for inclusion in Town and Regional Plans Work with DPS, VLCT and other groups to develop town and regional plan review criteria Work with DPS, VLCT and other groups to develop checklist of municipal plan conformity Work with DPS to develop a checklist for DPS review of Regional Plans.	\$ 10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Initial Outreach Statewide <i>Tasks completed by December 31, 2016</i> RPCs will schedule regional meetings to inform public and communities on S. 230 RPCs, with assistance from DPS and VLCT, will provide an overview of the new legislation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New role of local and regional plans in 248 hearings 2. Discuss requirements for towns and regions to have a greater role in process 3. Discuss process to obtain substantial deference by RPC and Town 4. Discuss review and conformation requirements for the certification of Town Plans 5. Discuss review requirement for certification of Regional Plans by DPS 	\$ 20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Direct Town Planning and Education Work by RPCs	\$ 190,000.00	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 220,000.00
RPCs and Towns will determine stakeholders for inclusion in energy planning process RPC and Towns will hold meetings to discuss requirements of new laws RPCs and Towns will discuss planning goals of the new law and the planning guidance as developed by DPS , RPCs and VT planning community RPCs and Towns will hold public discussions with elected officials, local boards and residents regarding local energy policies Town begins mapping and inventory work on assets, development constraints, preferred locations, etc Town begins drafting based upon public input, inventory and guidance documents Town holds public hearings on draft energy chapter Town begins hearing process to adopt energy chapter Town adopts energy chapter RPC with checklist developed with assistance from DPS reviews Energy chapter for conformity RPC certifies Energy Chapter			
Regional Planning	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,000.00
Ongoing maintenance of newly revised Regional Plan Chapter *assumes RPCs have amended energy element using other DPS funding RPCs will seek certification of Energy Chapter by DPS RPCs will review and comment on Section 248 application as deemed necessary (minor projects will not be addressed by RPC) RPCs will participate in Section 248 hearings RPCs will provide assistance to towns and landowners wishing to participate in Section 248 RPCs will work with applicants on potential issues associated with their application RPCs will work cooperatively with DPS and State Agencies in reviewing applications			
TOTAL	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00