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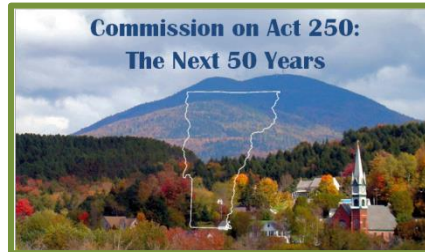
Bienvenue ■■■ Bienvenido

Please find an available seat.

We will begin the forum promptly at 6:05 p.m.

Thank you for your attendance!

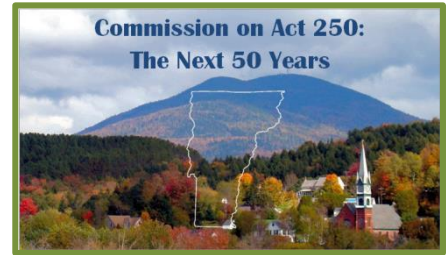
Act 250: The Next 50 Years



The Legislative Commission on Act 250

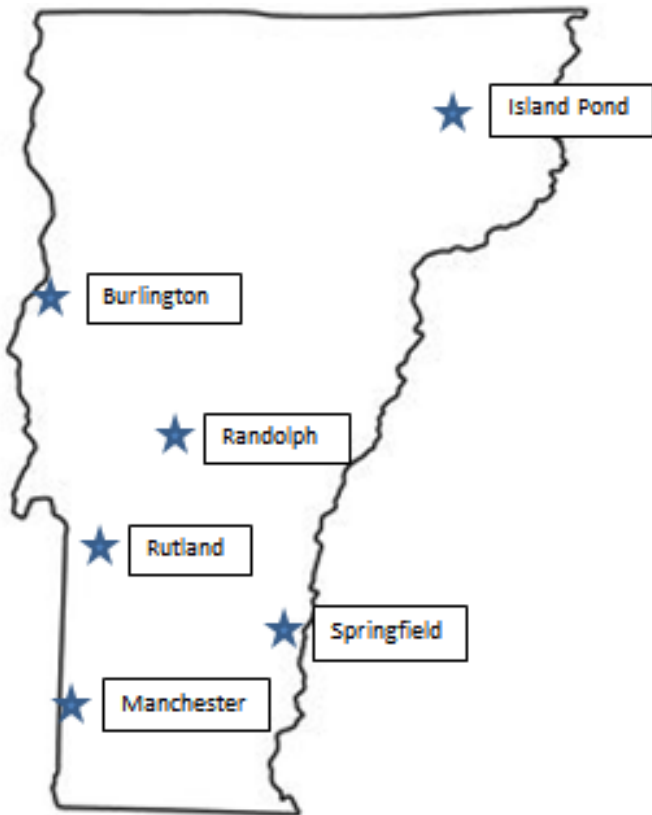
VERMONT PUBLIC FORUM

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WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

PURPOSE OF THE FORUMS



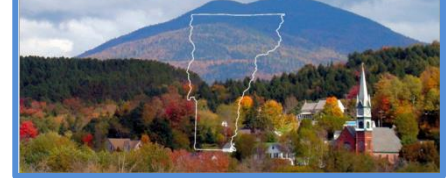
- Since the deliberation of Act 250 in the Spring of 1970, this land-use law has provided development regulations to preserve Vermont's landscape.
- Through its almost fifty-year history, Act 250 has received alterations and varying press.
- The Legislative Commission is seeking citizen input to better meet the needs of the State for the next fifty years.

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ACT 250 ESSENTIALS

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**GATHERING COMMUNITY
INPUT:
*The Big Deal™***

*The Big Deal*TM: Public Policy Decision Making

- Using four packs of cards, citizens will provide input about what matters most to them.
- Facilitators will help groups set priorities using consensus.
- Groups will also provide input as to the fairness of the Act 250 process.
- Questions will be gathered at the end of the discussion. Some answers will be provided at each forum.



Sample Cards

WATER POLLUTION



WA 1

WATER & AIR

BLUE CARD

WATER POLLUTION

- No undue water pollution
- *Undue* defined: The nature and amount of pollution, as well as impacts of health
- Water pollution can be generated by a sewage treatment plant, construction project, clearing out dirty land near wetlands, and golf course management plans

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WATER & AIR

BLUE CARD

EROSION AND CAPACITY OF SOIL TO HOLD WATER

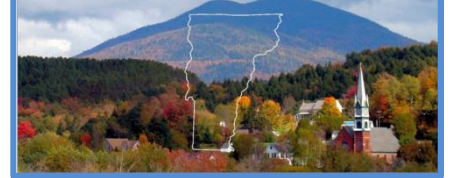


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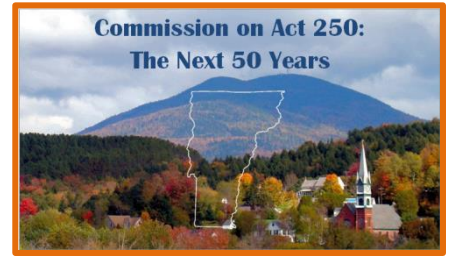
PURPLE CARD

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Let's Deal!

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Rules of Fair Process

Is It Fair?

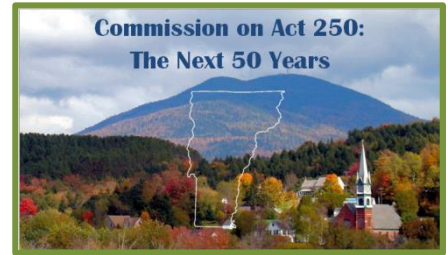
- For a process to be fair, it needs to be measured against six questions.
- Your Facilitator will ask your group these six questions one at a time.
- A note taker will record your answers.



Rules of Fair Process

1. **Voice** – Do citizens have a chance to express their opinions?
2. **Correctability** – Can citizens request an appeal when a procedure seems to have worked ineffectively?
3. **Consistency** – Are procedures consistent across people and time?
4. **Bias Suppression** – Are procedures neutral and unbiased?
5. **Representativeness** – Do procedures consider the needs of all groups?
6. **Accuracy** – Are procedures based on accurate information?

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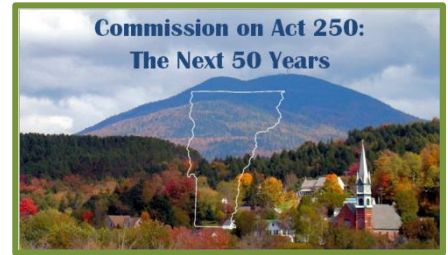


QUESTIONS?

Full Group Discussion

- Results of *The Big Deal*TM
- Comments on fair process
- Questions and Answers
- Next Steps

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Thank You!