



VERMONT RIVER CONSERVANCY

Conserving Shorelands and Access

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VRC Legislative Testimony - Vermont Housing and Conservation Coalition Day

Floodplain Restoration and Conservation Project: Hancock, Vermont 2014 – 2019

- 5.5 acre active floodplain parcel adjacent to the White River in Hancock village
- Parcel had been a licensed junkyard since the mid 1960's
- Severe flooding and erosion during Tropical Storm Irene in 2011
- Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission administers CDBG funding for hazardous materials clean-up and "buyout" of the property.
- VHCB funding secured to provide critical "match" of CDBG funds.
- Vermont Riverlands, LLC acquires property in July 2019 with Vermont River Conservancy and VHCB co-holding permanent conservation and public access easement to White River for paddlers and anglers