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Meeting Minutes January 12, 2026  
Franklin, NH

*Present: Steve Landry (At Large), Barbara Griffin (Bow), Krista Crowell (Bow), Adrienne Hutchinson (Canterbury), Claire Lund (Concord), Wayne Ives (Franklin), Ted Nemetz (Franklin), Dave Pollak (Northfield)*

*Remotely Attending: Michele Tremblay (At Large) Absent: Mike Hansen (Bow)*

Steve opened the meeting at 7:00pm. Steve motioned to remove items A, B, and C from the consent agenda and asked members to review minutes, notably the AI generated summary pieces for review, as well as reminded committee members to confirm with their municipalities that the annual report was received and slated for inclusion in town reports, and made a correction to the February meeting location in Northfield.

Steve conveyed that Franklin Wastewater Treatment Plant plans to welcome the committee for a tour in April or May.

**LAC-relative legislation:** Relative to state action, LAC's and CC's: concerns over verbiage "or" directing applicants to notify one entity or another, but not clearly indicating that both a CC and LAC in a municipality need to be notified, and have opportunity to comment. UMRLAC can provide suggested wording to provide clarity. Krysta moved to provide a letter suggesting bill text changes to encourage notice to both LAC's and CC's; Barbara seconded, motion passed. Steve will use discussion points from tonight to compose a letter, with further input provided directly from committee members to Steve.

Barabara and Krysta shared with no movement on the BAC or Bow/Concord Project, this can moved to "inactive status."

**River Management Plan:** Barbara began work on the revision within Excel, and can make changes- however is having issues being recognized as "New User" and anticipates issues with revisions by "user".

**FERC updates** were provided by Wayne, including persistent drought conditions and resulting concerns, and can be viewed in detail at <https://www.merrimackriver.org/upper-merrimack-river-local-advisory-committee/other-documents/>

**Permit Review:** The committee reviewed a communication regarding a 2021 permit for a solar array proposal in Franklin which was withdrawn in 2022. The committee appreciates the update that this project is being revised, and looks forward to reviewing the new application with any new calculations and substantive changes in their entirety in accordance with the RSA.

UMWA completed their annual meeting, UMMP will be hosting the first Bug Night event of 2026 on Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> at DES. Steve shared a DOT project on the Blackwater River. The meeting was adjourned at 8:26pm.

### Summary of Assignments

Michele	Prepare February UMRLAC meeting agenda. Compose email Re: Mojalaiki AOT revival
Steve	Compose bill text proposed revision to address clarity issues and provide electronically
Barbara	Continue data-entry process and assessment/suggested revision of newly completed plan sections.
Claire	Continue work to revise categorical response letters to incorporate rule revisions
Adrienne	Prepare January meeting minutes.
Wayne	Track FERC dam licensing activities Further research light pollution topic for a future presentation
Dave	Contact Northfield Town Office to secure meeting space for February
All	Membership outreach and potential presenters.