



The Green Valley Institute
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 Brooklyn, CT 06234

Advanced Approaches: Addressing Community Growth



Advanced Approaches to Addressing Community Growth using innovative techniques

What's this about?

This workshop series is designed for communities in The Last Green Valley who are interested in learning more about innovative zoning techniques and wastewater treatment alternatives that can be used to promote smart development strategies and minimize sprawling development patterns.

Workshop 1: May 8, 2008 Smart Zoning Techniques – The Tale of Two Grotons

Groton, Connecticut and Groton, Massachusetts are both implementing innovative zoning techniques to promote smart development patterns. Many of our communities do not allow alternatives to large lot development anywhere in town. As a result, it is often impossible to recreate or expand the New England village centers that we cherish throughout our region. Come see what these communities and others are doing to promote more compact, mixed use development in areas that work for them.

Workshop 2: May 21, 2008 Wastewater Treatment Alternatives & Smart Growth

One of the most limiting factors to implementing smart development patterns in rural areas is a lack of public water and sewer systems. Until recently individual septic systems have been our only wastewater treatment option, even in historic village centers. Rhode Island is using alternative treatment systems to allow more compact development and to address failing systems in village centers. Come learn about RI's experiences and see what alternatives are available to Connecticut towns.

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Advanced Approaches to Addressing Community Growth

Thursday
May 8th
6-8:30 pm

Workshop 1: *A Tale of Two Grotons* *Zoning Techniques that Promote Smart Development*

Michael Murphy, AICP is Director of Planning and Development and Matt Davis, AICP is Manager of Planning Services with the Town of Groton, CT. In November 2007, Groton adopted smart zoning regulations designed to encourage mixed-use development in areas where it makes sense. The regulations will “encourage affordable housing, reduce dependency on the automobile and recapture some sense of place.” Come learn from Groton’s experiences adopting and implementing these new regulations.

Peter Flinker, ASLA, AICP is a principal with Dodson Associates, Ashfield, MA. Peter has worked with numerous communities to help them identify innovative strategies such as form-based zoning and mixed use overlays districts to promote smarter development. Most recently he’s been working with Groton, MA to help them redevelop their town center. Peter will share his experiences working with small towns who are considering completely new forms of zoning.

Workshop 2: *Wastewater Treatment Alternatives* *Options for Promoting Smarter Growth Patterns*

Wednesday
May 21st
6-8:30 pm

George Loomis is with the University of RI Cooperative Extension and is Director of the New England Onsite Wastewater Training Center. Lorraine Joubert is with the RI NEMO (non-point education for municipal officials) program. George and Lorraine will share their experiences addressing wastewater treatment issues in small towns and rural areas. They will let us know how alternative systems can play a role in revitalizing Main Street or rebuilding an historic village center.

Dennis Greci from CT Department of Environmental Protection will present the alternatives that are currently available for addressing wastewater treatment issues in rural CT. He will let us know the pros and cons of different approaches and how CT DEP is working with towns to address these issues in rural areas.

Registration will begin at 5:45 p.m. We will make every effort to begin and end sessions on time!

A light dinner will be served and take-home literature provided.

The Green Valley Institute
is a cooperative venture among the Quinebaug-Shetucket National Heritage Corridor, the UConn College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, UMass Extension, The Nature Conservancy and numerous other partners. It is dedicated to: improving the knowledge base from which land use and natural resource decisions are made, and building local capacity to protect and manage natural resources as our region grows.



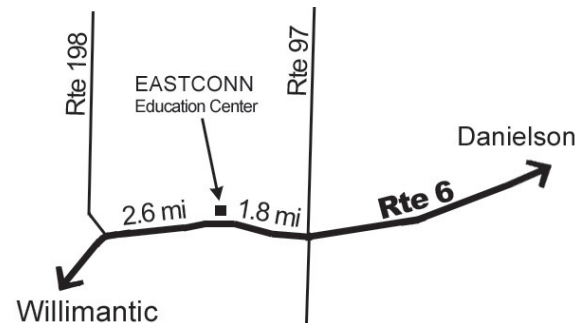
Eastern Connecticut Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D)
is a program of the United States Department of Agriculture, led by local volunteer councils that help people care for and protect their natural resources in a way that improves the local economy, environment and living standards.

Location and Info

Both workshops will be held at the EASTCONN's Education Center, Rte 6, Hampton, CT

DIRECTIONS: From the west, follow Rte 6 for 2.6 miles past the intersection of Rte 198, EASTCONN's Center will be on your left.

From the east, follow Route 6 for 1.8 miles past the intersection of Rte 97, EASTCONN's Center will be on your right



Questions?
Contact GVI at 1-860-774-9600
or email susan.westa@uconn.edu

Registration

Advanced Approaches to Addressing Community Growth

- May 8th 6-8:30pm Workshop 1
- May 21st 6-8:00pm Workshop 2

\$15 per workshop
including a light dinner

We can provide light dinner and handouts only to those who have registered and paid one week in advance. Space is limited and registrations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

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