

Climate Change Preparedness Listening Session #2

Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 6:30PM

Town Hall, Selectboard Meeting Room

YOU ARE INVITED!

The Town of South Hadley's Planning and Conservation Department will host a second listening session on Wednesday, January 15th at 6:30PM to discuss municipal vulnerabilities and preparedness related to climate change. This forum will focus on the condition of rivers and ponds in South Hadley, including Titus Pond, Black Stevens Pond, Newton Smith Brook, BATTERY Brook, Judd Brook, and Stony Brook. We are particularly interested in hearing about issues residents experience associated with these water resources (flooding, odors, unpleasant aesthetics, etc.). Many of these issues may be exacerbated due to the effects of climate change. Information gathered at this workshop may assist the Town in seeking future grants to address some of these issues.

The listening session will feature a presentation on the findings from the Community Resilience Building Workshop, held on September 19th. The workshop focused on identifying the potential natural hazards that could occur in South Hadley due to climate change, and prioritizing actions South Hadley can take to prepare for the identified hazards. The workshop was attended by a core team of local stakeholders including representatives from emergency response agencies, utilities, educational institutions, municipal staff, the regional planning agency, and the Town's project consultant Fuss & O'Neill, Inc.

The Summary of Findings from the September 19th Community Resilience Building Workshop can be viewed here:

<https://www.southhadley.org/DocumentCenter/View/6007/Community-Resilience-Building-Workshop--Summary-of-Findings-December-2019>

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