

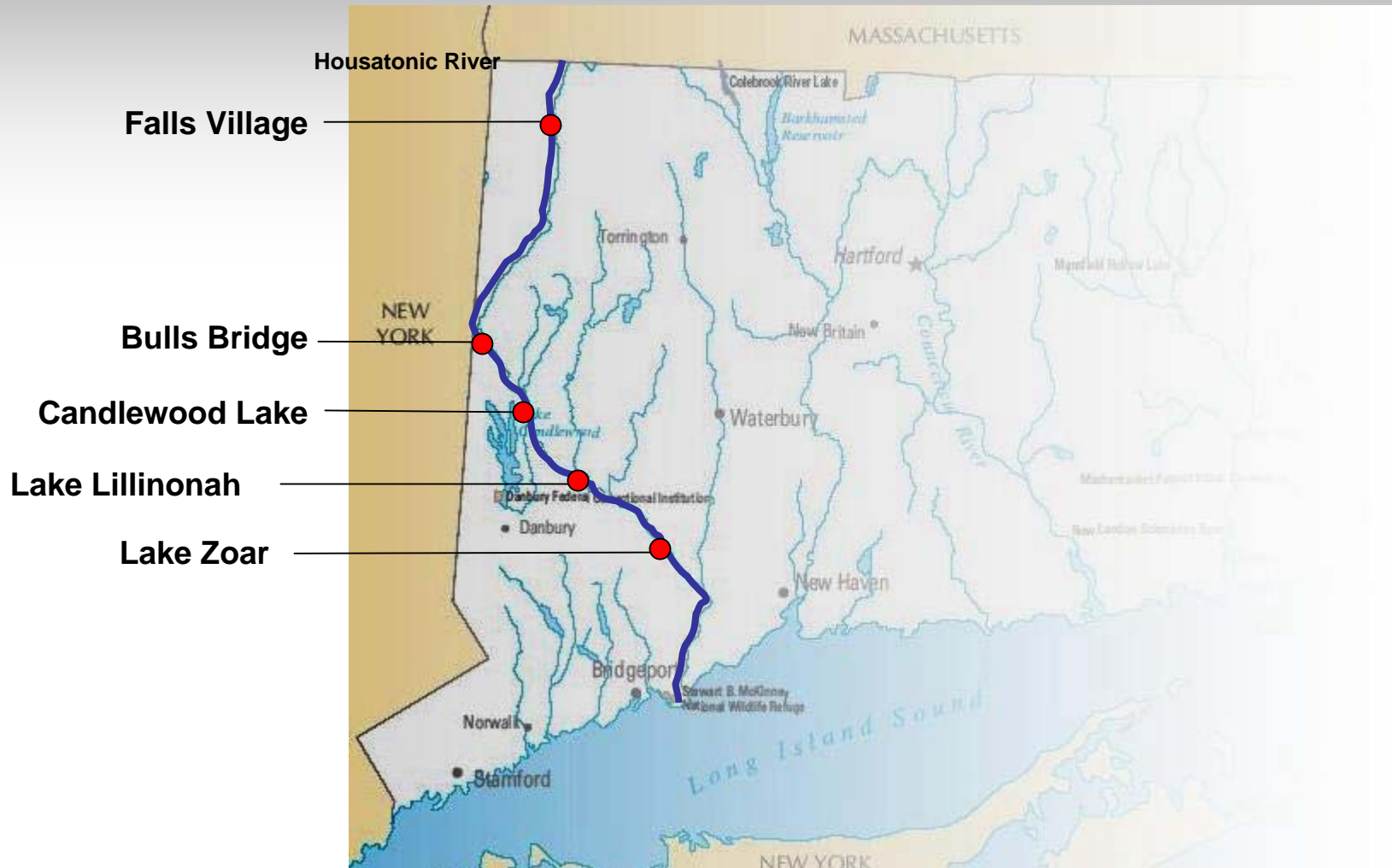
Developing a Shoreline Management Plan for the Housatonic River Project



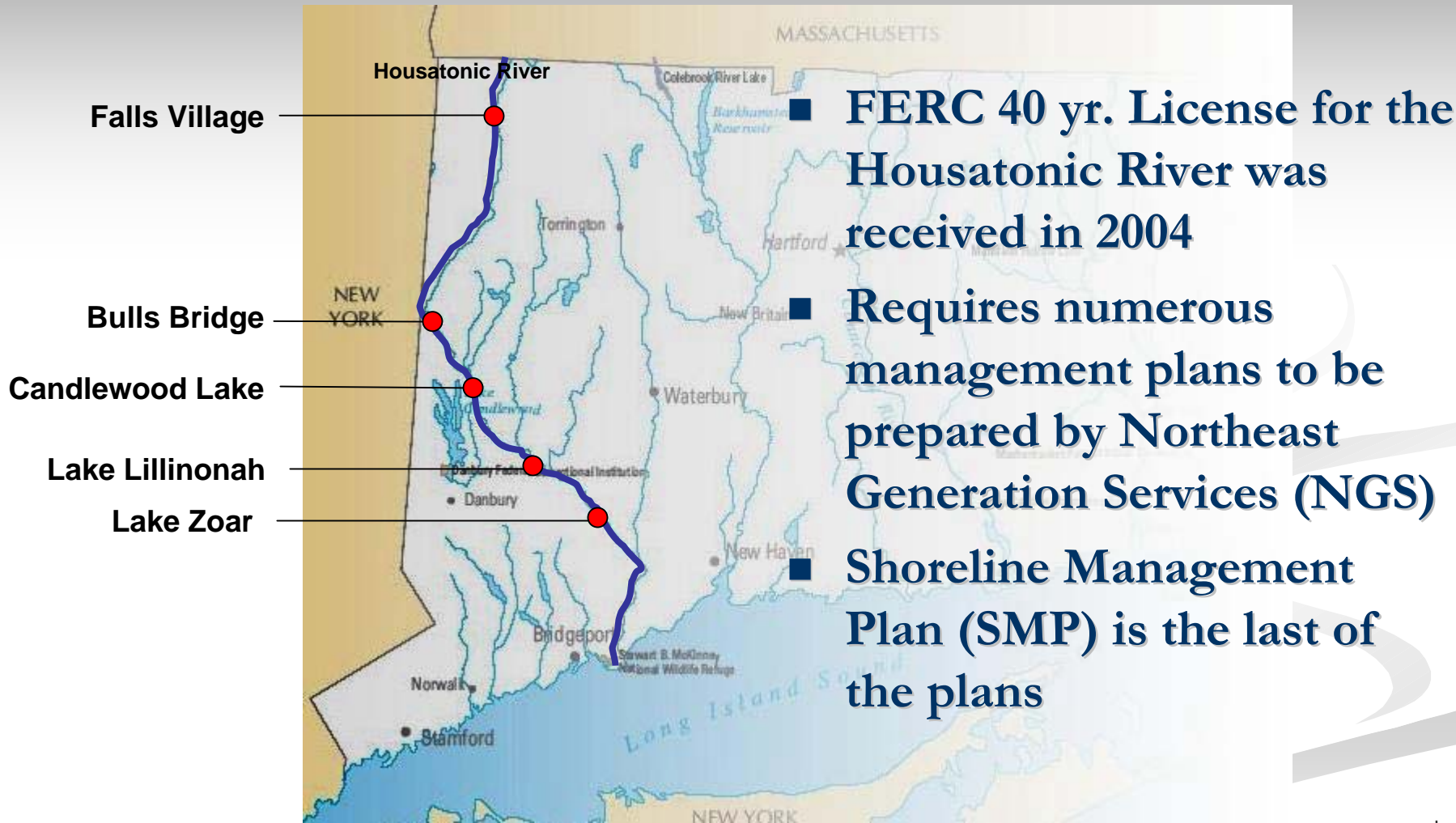
Public Forum

October 21, 2005

Housatonic River Project

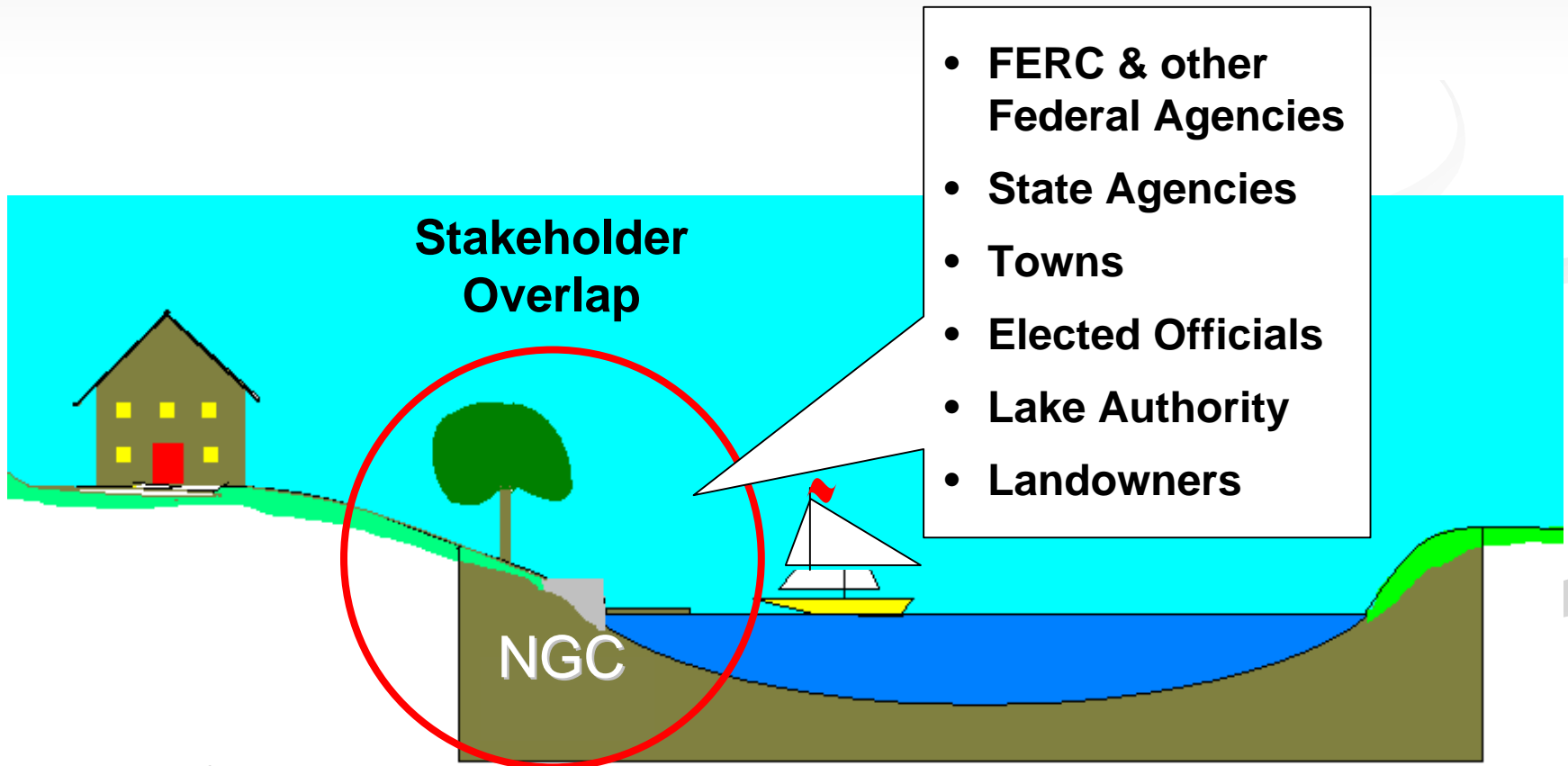


License Order Requirements



Shoreline Management Plan

A set of procedures that are developed through public consultation and used by the Licensee to manage land and water uses within the FERC project boundaries



Existing Licensing Program

- Prior to 1988 – lease program
- Land use licensing program per FERC initiated in 1988
- Regulates shoreline facilities (docks, seawalls, etc.)
- Required for new construction and renovations

The Shoreline Management Plan Shall Provide:

1. Safe public access to shoreline and riverfront lands and waters
2. Conservation of important resource and environmental qualities surrounding the project's shorelines and riverfront lands
3. Development of shoreline and riverfront areas and facilities that are consistent with both project and non-project needs and demands.

Our Process for Developing the Shoreline Management Plan

Shoreline Management Plan Development

- Open collaborative process
- Multiple venues for input
 - Organization meetings
 - Stakeholder Workshops
 - Public Forum
 - Website – www.essexpartnership.com/HRP.asp

Phase 1

Scoping and Issue Identification

Jul

Aug

Sep

Background
Information

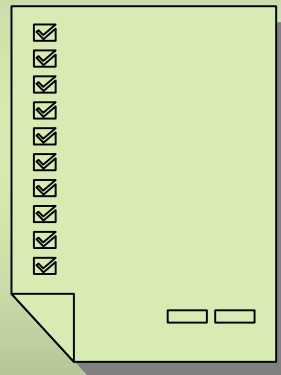
Issues List

External
Communication

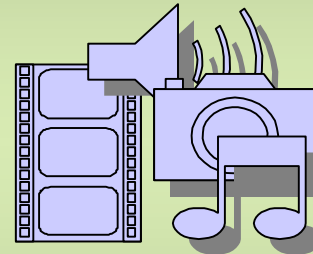
Brainstorming
Workshops

License
Orders

Relicensing
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Website
News Release



Falls Village
Bulls Bridge

Lillinonah/Zoar

Candlewood

Stakeholder Outreach



Phase 2 SMP Development & Submittal

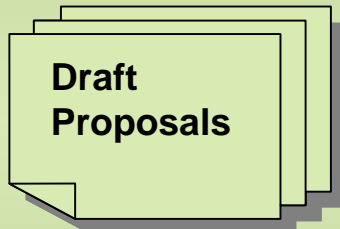
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Develop Draft SMP

Finalize SMP

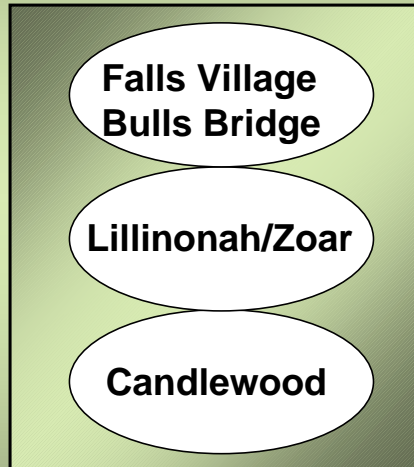


Draft Proposals



Public Issues Forum

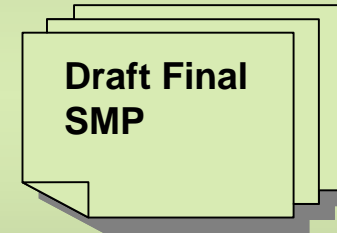
SMP Refinement Workshops



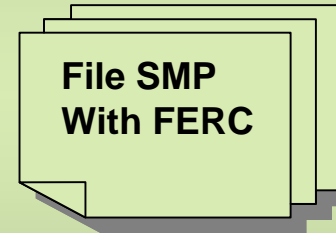
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Draft Final SMP



File SMP With FERC

Stakeholder Involvement



Stakeholder Workgroups to Date

■ Participation includes:

- Lake Authorities
- Towns
- State Agencies
- Federal Agencies
- Regional Planning Councils
- Non-governmental Organizations
- Lake Residents

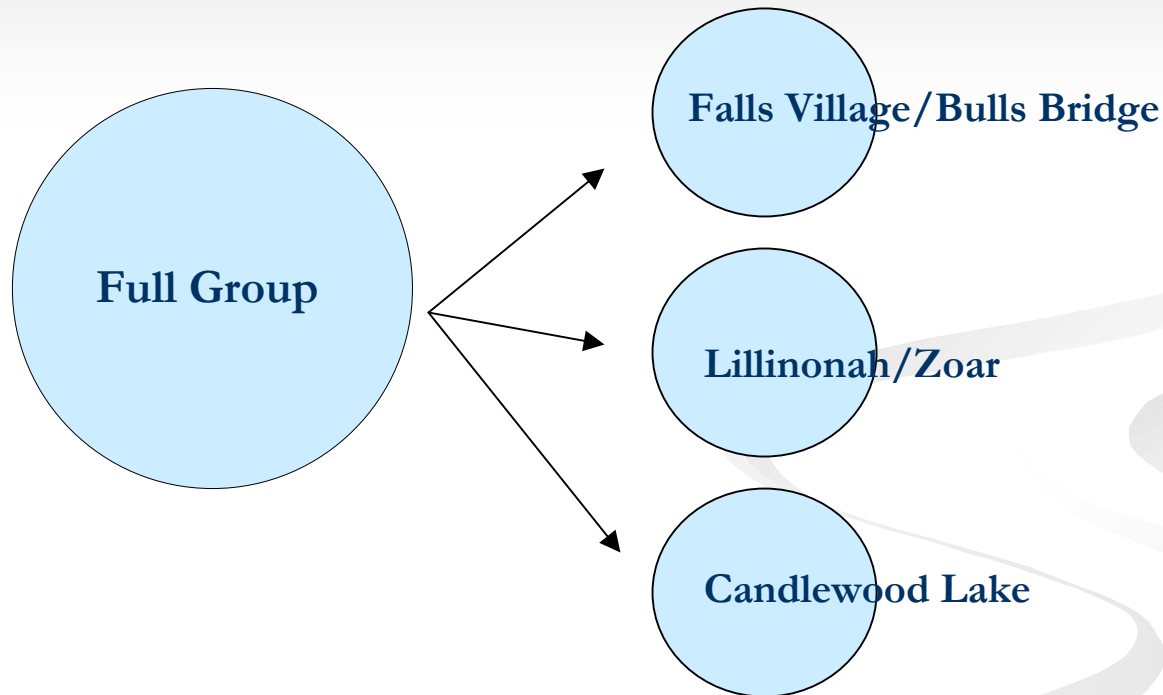
■ Roles

- Serve as representatives (point of contact)
- Provide information
- Assist in crafting SMP
- Advise the process

Today's Meeting Format

1. Overview

2. Issue Identification



Breakout Sessions

3 Breakout Groups with Facilitators

Objective:

To get your input on shoreline issue

Instructions:

- Listen and respect others' opinions
- Stay focused on the issues
- Leave baggage (old disputes) at the door

Questions?

