



FLOOD RECOVERY UPDATES

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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

- Rehabilitation of City Hall, Public Safety Building, and Wheelock Building contracts to be awarded at the September 19, 2023 Council Meeting
 - RFPs were due Thursday, September 7, City staff are evaluating bids that were submitted by 2 potential contractors
- The City submitted project worksheets to FEMA for 2 flood recovery projects
 - Portland Street demolition and Oswald Street landslide remediation
 - \$181,138 – projects will be 100% reimbursable as emergency protective measures
 - As a reminder, over 55 projects identified
 - 4 emergency protective measures, 8 culverts, 8 road repairs, 6 landslides and many others
- Nearly all flood repair paving is completed or underway
 - Cliff Street, Jefferson, and North Main Street completed
 - Berlin Street underway
 - Washington Street culvert patches next



DEBRIS/WASTE DISPOSAL OPPORTUNITIES

Bulky Waste Disposal

DATE: Saturday, September 16

TIME: 9AM – 3PM

LOCATION: Auditorium Hill (BOR parking lot)

RESTRICTIONS:

Residential waste only, must be a City of Barre resident (**proof required**)

- ✓ Mattresses/ box springs
- ✓ Couches/chairs
- ✓ Yard toys
- ✓ Bicycles
- ✓ Small household appliances

NO yard waste

NO household hazardous waste

NO refrigerators, freezers, A/Cs

Tire Waste Disposal

DATE: Saturday, September 16

TIME: 9AM – 3PM

LOCATION: Auditorium Hill (BOR parking lot)

RESTRICTIONS:

Residential waste only, must be a City of Barre resident (**proof required**)

- ✓ Passenger car
- ✓ Light truck
- ✓ Motorcycle
- ✓ Bicycle and lawn tractor

NO Commercial tires

NO Rims

Wheels for Warmth Tire Disposal Event

DATE: Saturday, September 16

TIME: 8AM – 4PM

LOCATION: Granite Museum

RESTRICTIONS:

None

- ✓ Commercial tires accepted
- ✓ Open to non-City residents

Yard Waste Disposal

DATE: October 7 - 31

TIME:

Saturdays 8AM – 4PM

Sundays 12PM – 4PM

Tuesdays 10AM – 3PM

Thursdays 10AM – 3PM

LOCATION: Town of Barre Yard Waste Disposal Site, Upper Holden Road

RESTRICTIONS:

- ✓ Leaves, brush, grass
- ✓ Tree branches larger than 5' in firewood pile

NO metal

NO animal waste, cat litter

NO Bulky trash

NO Construction waste



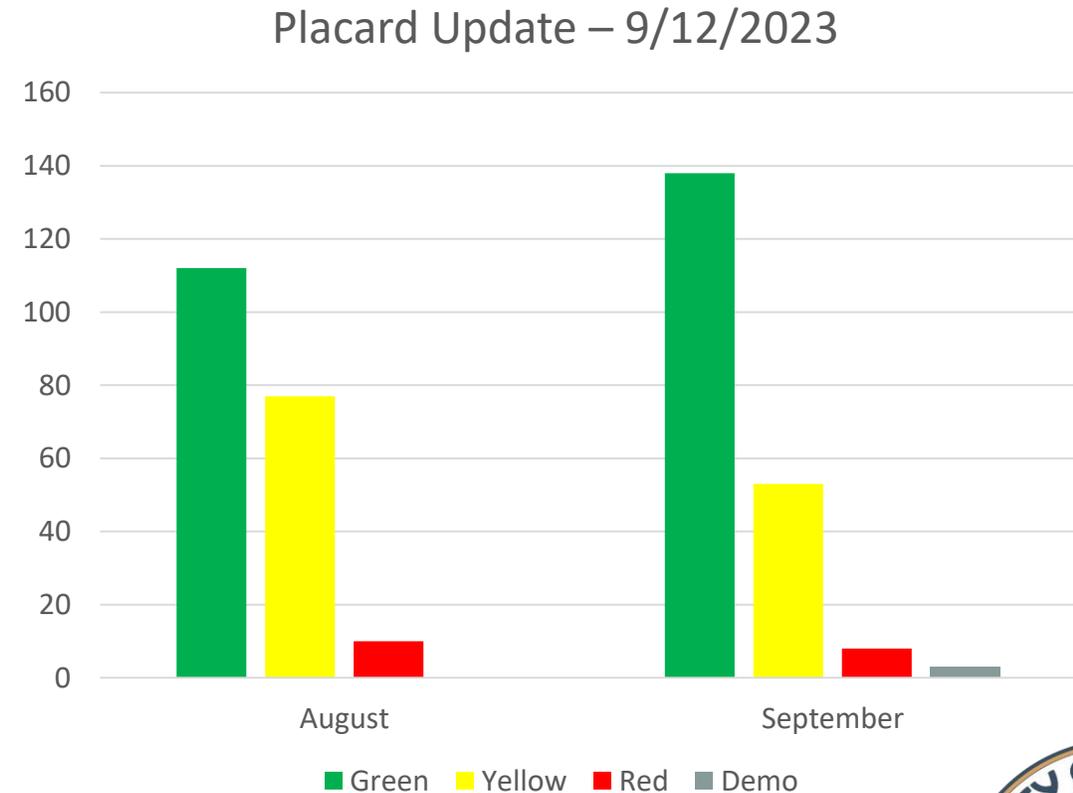
LANDSLIDES

- City and State are engaging on the process to buyout two homes affected by landslides (36 and 44 Pike Street)
 - State Geologist has issued imminent risk memo for this site.
 - City contracted Sanborn Head to conduct deep-dive analysis, due in ~4 weeks
 - Desktop analysis subsurface exploration, slope stability modeling, report
 - State expected to cover the non-FEMA match for the buyouts. City assessing risk of owning the land and any near- or long-term mitigation that may be required at the site
 - Up next: 106 Currier Street – State has also issued imminent risk memo at this site.



ASSESSMENTS OF RESIDENTIAL DAMAGE

- ~363 structures containing 517 units sustained some level of damage
- ~17 homes Substantially Damaged, ~14 additional homes anticipated to also be determined to be Substantially Damaged
- Placards moving in the right direction
 - Green 112 → 138
 - Yellow 77 → 53
 - Red 10 → 8
 - Demo 0 → 3



COMMUNITY FORUM TOMORROW



Barre Up!
Community Flood
Recovery Discussion

Wednesday
Sept 13
5:30-9 pm
@ Barre
Opera House
6 N. Main St

Come together for a community gathering to connect with fellow residents, listen, share, and form early thoughts about next steps and ideas for the future of Barre.

ALL are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Can't join in person? Watch the 6pm Community Discussion via Zoom and/or join a separate Zoom forum at 7-8 pm. Find the link to join at vtural.org/Barre-Up.

 Childcare will be provided at the Barre Congregational Church, 35 Church Street

For detailed accessibility info, see vtural.org/Barre-Up.

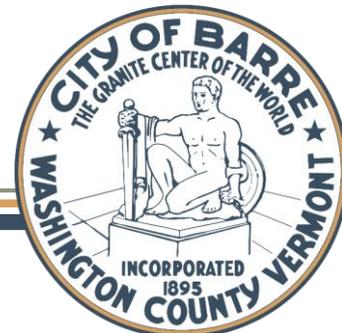
Reasonable accommodations available by request. Contact 802-234-1646 or laura@vtural.org by Sept 8th. 

 Transportation is available. Please check vtural.org/Barre-Up for updated information.

Breakout Topics

- Housing
- Recovery Resources
- Helping Efforts
- Individual and Youth Wellness
- Long-Term Recovery and Resilience
- Natural Resources and Climate

Come at 5:30PM for FREE PIZZA!



FLOOD IMPACT ON CITY BUDGET

- Staff analysis of expected budget impacts to be presented to Council September 19.
- Initial impacts
 - 35 applications for abatement (total taxes paid = \$180K for municipal + education)
 - \$2.7 million of FEMA projects identified – City will have a local share
 - Too early to estimate cost as some projects may or may not be eligible for full FEMA reimbursement
 - 52 water bill abatements costing \$52K



WATER SYSTEM DISRUPTION

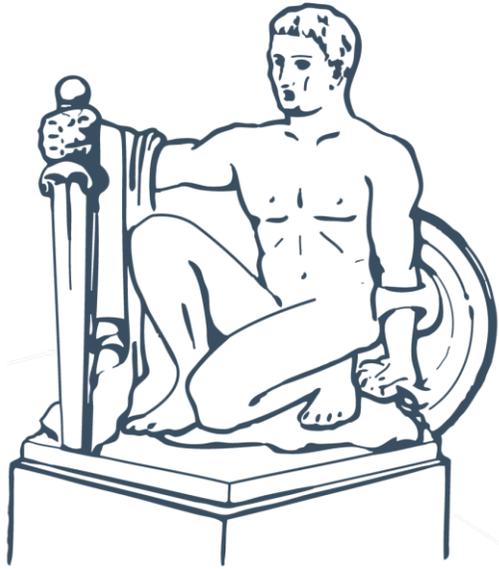
- A few water system customers continue to experience discoloration of drinking water caused by water main breaks that occurred during the flood and extensive system disruption causing unusual flow patterns.
- We have escalated interventions as needed, including a system-wide flushing, draining and filling the Pierce Road tank, monitoring chlorination, and expanding sample testing.
- Sampling conducted so far indicates the water is safe for consumption.
 - Absence of coliform bacteria and waterborne pathogens
 - Adequate chlorine residual
 - 120 samples tested on Friday, September 8 → all samples tested safe
 - Samples tested for iron, manganese, phosphate, free and total chlorine, color, turbidity, and heterotrophic plate count.
 - Samples also collected for independent testing at a lab → results this week
- State has been engaged and has said we have taken appropriate steps.



ODDS AND ENDS

- Application deadline for FEMA Individual Assistance extended to **October 12**
- FEMA Disaster Recovery Center will remain staged in the Auditorium basement until **October 11**
 - Monday - Saturday a week, 8AM to 6PM
- City will resume permit and fee collections on **October 12, 2023**
 - Building, electrical and flood hazard permit fees, including recording fees
 - Researching and copies of land records, tax bills, lister cards, and tax maps needed for FEMA and SBA applications
- Soft opening of the old Police Department tomorrow. Besides final details, space is ready to be occupied by service providers.





THANK YOU

QUESTIONS/DISCUSSION?

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