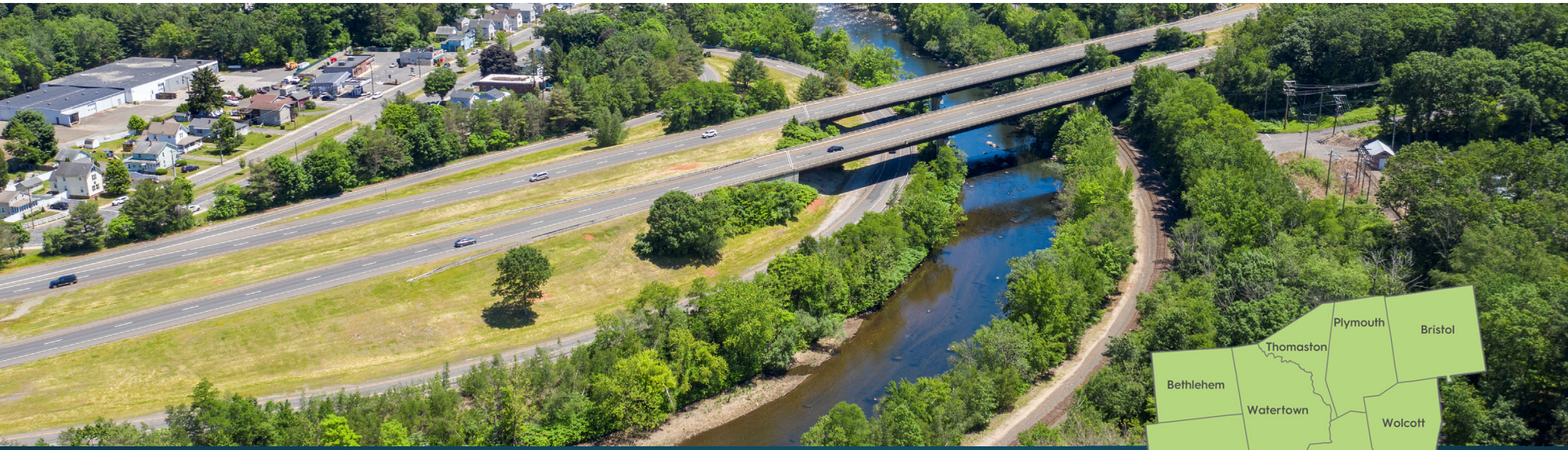


P&Z Commission Meetings – NAUGATUCK

NVCOG
Regional Plan of Conservation and Development
2023

Why are we here?

NVCOG Regional Plan of Conservation and Development (RPOCD)

1. **Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments** – Who we are, what we do
2. **RPOCD Purpose -** Why plan regionally?
3. **RPOCD Primer -** What is it? How is it used?
4. **Some Regional Trends**
5. **Questions for You**
6. **Next Steps**

What is NVCOG?

- **Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments**
- Offices in Waterbury
- **Voluntary** association of 19 municipalities
- **Municipal CEO's - NVCOG Board**
- State designated **Regional Planning Organization (RPO)**
- Federally designated **Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) -** Transportation
- **Staff of professionals**
- **Regional Planning Commission**

Why Plan Regionally?

- **Interdependence** of municipalities
- Many issues and goals **cross municipal boundaries**
- **Local impact** of regional issues
- **Maximizes benefits** and **minimizes costs**

Regional Issues with Local Impact

- New Technology and Industries
- Attracting and retaining younger residents
- Supporting an aging population
- Support existing small business and attract new economic investment
- Protect and connect natural resources

What is an RPOCD?

- **Visionary** and **Advisory** policy document
- **Planning tool** (CGS Section 8-35a)
- Identifies **issues** and **opportunities** that cross municipal boundaries
- **Cohesive regional vision**
- **Respects the identities** of each municipality

What is an RPOCD?

- **Broad Brush Perspective**
- **Based on**:
  - Municipal and State POCD, Data, and Public Input
  - Patterns and Trends
  - **Preferred land use**
  - **Best Practices**
- **Who Uses It?** – NVCOG, Muni's
- **Who Adopts it?** - NVCOG Board – **municipal CEO's**

Key Components of the NVCOG RPOCD

1. **Existing Conditions Report**
   - Where have we come from? Regional History
   - Where are we now? Conditions & Trends
   - Identify **Key Issues and Opportunities**

2. **Regional Goals and Strategies**
   - Shared Visions and Values
   - **Recommendations** to address key issues and opportunities

3. **Regional Land Use Map Suite**
   - Areas preferred for **conservation**, **development** or **both**
   - Thematic maps – future land use, demographic, social, economic, natural resources

Anticipated Timeline for NVCOG RPOCD

Identify Problems Issues, Concerns, Studies	Develop Plan Goals, Strategies and Policies	Draft Regional Plan	Plan Review and Adoption, Track progress
Summer 2022 - Fall 2022	**Fall 2022 - Winter 2023**	**Spring 2023 - Summer 2023**	**Summer 2023 – Fall 2023**

Meetings RPC Working Group for RPOCD, RPC Input

- Municipal Land Use Depts meetings
- P & Zoning Commissions meetings
- Two Online Surveys

- **Final Existing Conditions Report**
- Regional Thematic Meetings
- Online Comment
- **Draft Goals and Strategies**
- **Draft Map Suite**

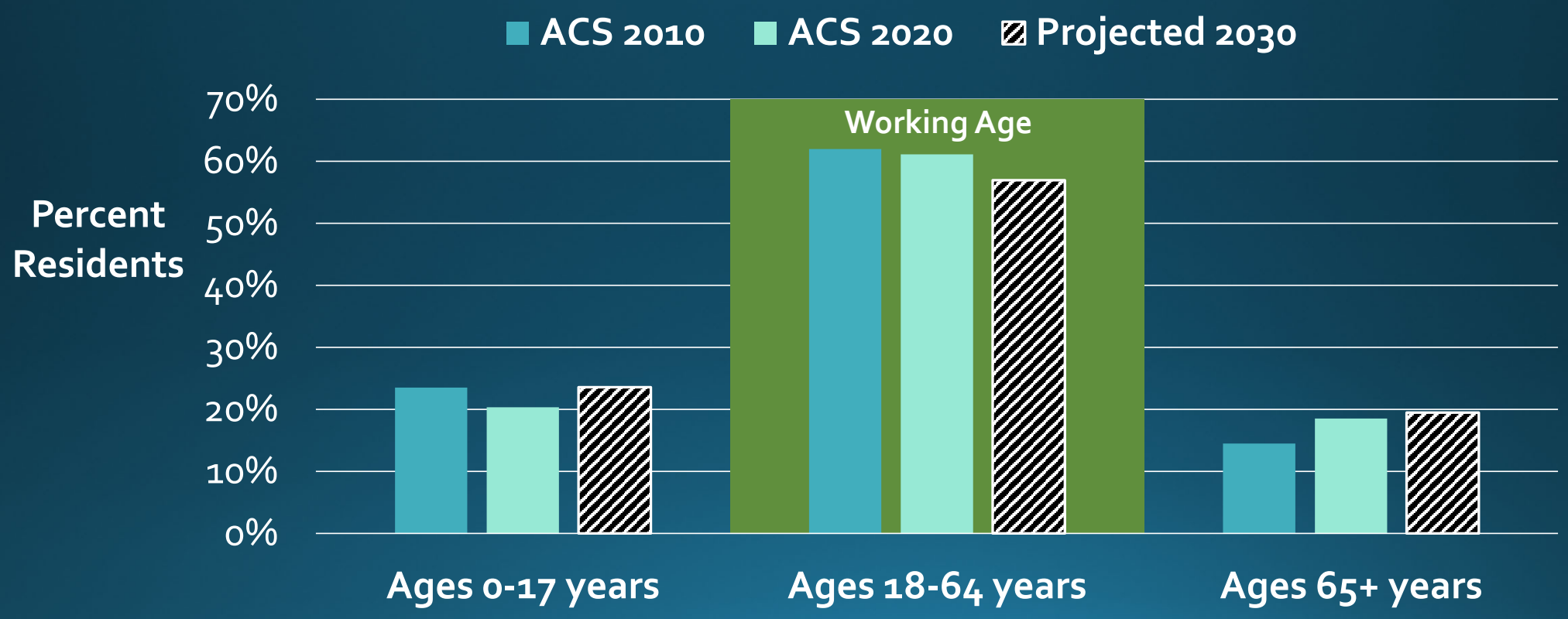
- RPC review
- Public Comment
- **Final Draft Plan**
- **Online Interactive Maps**

- P&Z Commissions Review
- Public Comment
- NVCOG Adoption meeting
- **Publish Final Plan**

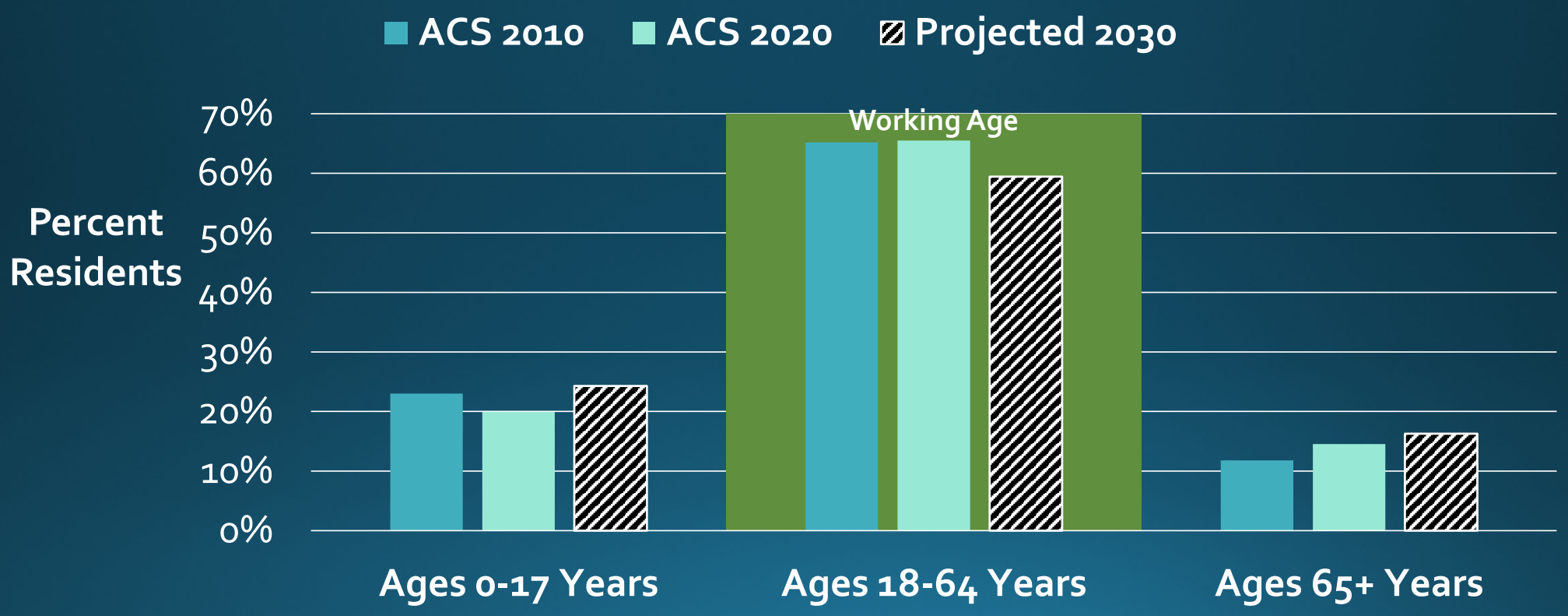
Some regional trends:

1. Aging Population
2. Residents who Live and Work in the Same Community Decreasing

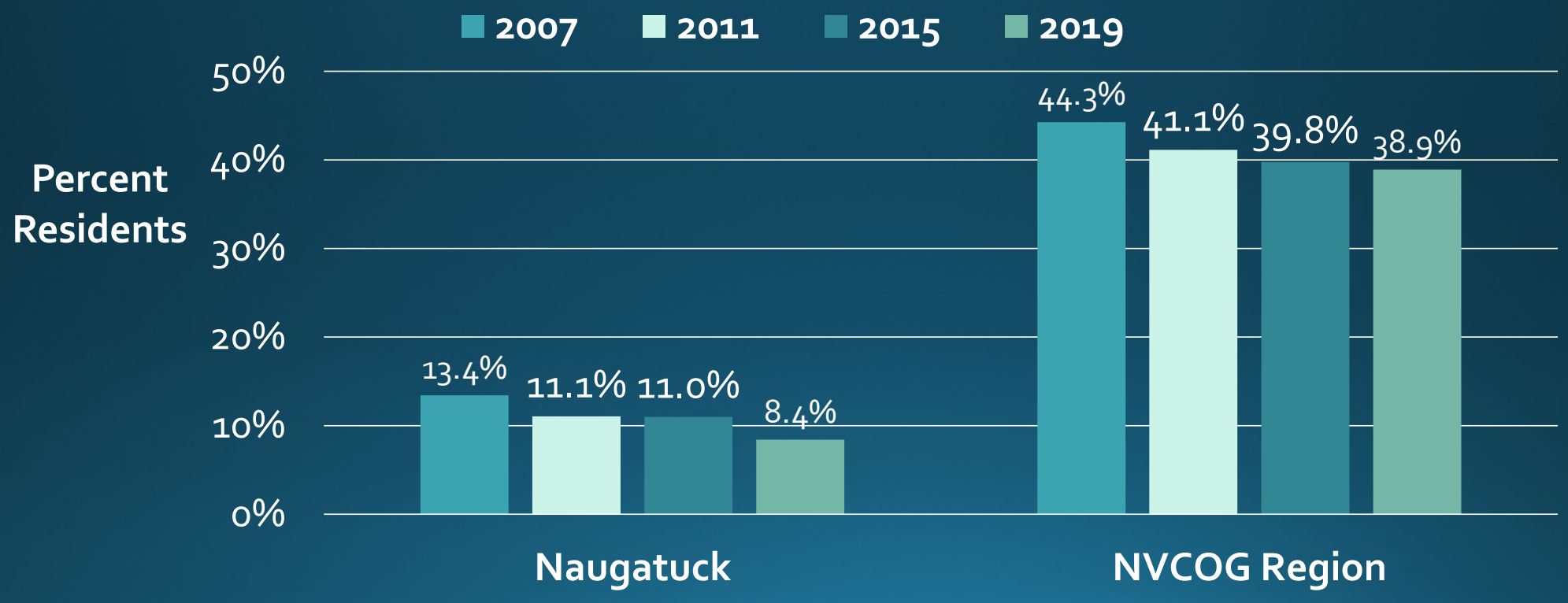
Aging Population - Regional



Aging Population - Naugatuck



Live and Work in Same Community



Questions for you - Let's Discuss!

1. What do you see as your community's role in the region?
2. What challenges does your community face which would be easier to address working regionally or with neighboring communities?
3. What do we do well in our region? What don't we do well?
4. What is your vision for the NVCOG region?

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What don't we do well?

4. What is your vision for the NVCOG region?

RPOCD 2023 Online Survey

- Please share your thoughts about how you **live, work, learn and play** in the **Naugatuck Valley Region!**
- Helps NVCOG identify strategies and best practices to achieve land use goals
- **Survey open to December 31, 2022**
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Share your thoughts!

Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050)

- **Long-term** vision for Transportation in the NV Region
- **All aspects** of transportation system
- Guides **federal spending** and **project prioritization**
- **Quadrennial** update to be adopted in **2023**
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Share your thoughts!

Next Steps…

- **Participate** in the online surveys!
- Questions? – Contact us!

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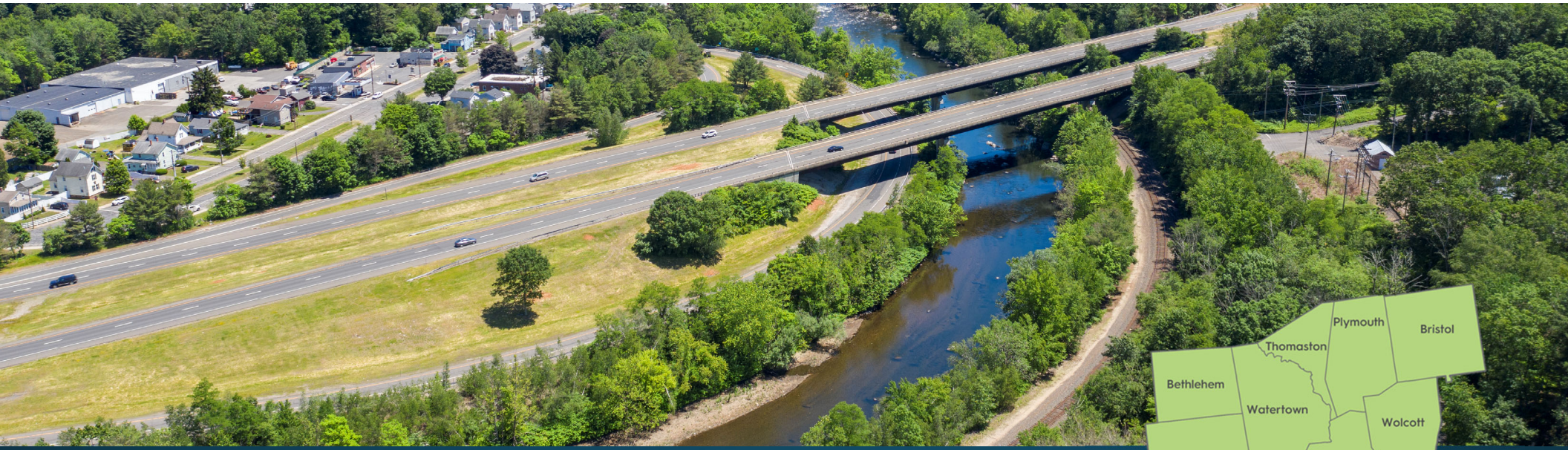
- Existing Conditions Report
  - December 2022



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