# Master FGRR Project List

## 1. Projects accomplished by FGRR from 1990 to July 2001

- Commenced conversations with The Nature Conservancy -1990
- Contacted and researched Vermont Housing and Conservation funding for Natural Area Projects – 1991
- Conversations with ANR Lakes and Ponds Recreation
   Management Program 1992
- FGRR "organized" in May 1995
  - We are a small group of concerned paddlers/campers who have been visiting the GRR since 1970
  - Monitor progress of negotiations between the State of Vermont and the Village of Morrisville
  - o Monitor use patterns at the GRR
    - Camping
    - Access
    - Vehicular traffic
  - o Monitor forestry, erosion issues, wildlife issues
- Conversations with the Hyde Park Planning Commission re: Legacy Program – 1995
- Surveyed and mapped campsite locations, size and features 1994/1995/1996
- Surveyed physical impact and documented changes to campsites
   1994/1995/1996
- Surveyed use activity at the GRR ie: # vehicles/#users 1996/1997/1998/1999
- Gathered 1,000 + names on petitions supporting the State of Vermont purchase of the GRR from MW&L
- The Village of Morrisville votes to sell the GRR to the State of Vermont on Monday, August 24, 1998
- FGRR adopted by-laws and incorporated on December 16, 1998 as a 501( c)(3)
- Four members (Don, Chuck, Bill, Milford) of the FGRR are active members of the GRRSP Public Planning Advisory Group July 1999- 2001
- Worked with DFPR/Nature Conservancy on GRR Conservation Easement documents - 1999
- Reviewed Manosh easement documents 1999
- FGRR board members offered two opinions on the location of the gate to the GRRPAC – 1999

 Dedication of the GRRSP occurred Monday, June 21, 1999 at the GRRSP with Howard Dean and Susan Bartlett among the attending dignitaries.

## 2. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2001 – June 2002

- Student ranger funding in 2001
- 2 way radio funding for 2002
- Blueberry Island Restoration Plan 2002
- FGRR Brochure in 2001 and 2002
- Plans for developing the Forest Bird Monitoring site
- Worked on the View-shed Project
- Remained diligent with regards to Barry Singer
- Participated in the annual Green-up Day activities
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge situation
- Assisting the Dept of Forest, Parks and Recreation with planning and permitting the middle parking lot, the ADA board walk
- Assisting the DFP&R with planning for the future ranger cabin and the associated preliminary soils testing for the septic disposal area
- Assisting the DFP&R with details of the Shoreline Encroachment Permit at the boat and canoe landing
- Assisting the DFP&R long range planning process by sponsoring the continuing life of the Green River Reservoir State Park Public Planning Advisory Group. A meeting was held on April 22, 2002 with another planned for the late fall of 2002.
- Assisting the DFP&R with the 2002 Work and Operations Plan

#### 3. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2002 – June 2003

- 2 way radio funding for 2002
- Blueberry Island Restoration–Phase III 2003
- Published the FGRR Brochure in 2001, 2002, 2003
- Funded binoculars for use by the GRRSP staff
- Published two FGRR Newsletters
- Plans for developing the Forest Bird Monitoring site
- Participated in the Aquatic Nuisance Plant Program
- Worked on the View-shed Project
- Applied for and received an \$1,800 grant to assist in the graphic publishing of the View shed project
- Remained diligent with regards to the Barry Singer property
- Participated in the annual Green-up Day activities
- Participated as volunteer rangers in evening campsite monitoring
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge situation

- Assisting the Dept of Forest, Parks and Recreation with planning, permitting and the construction of the middle parking lot (completed Sept 2002)
- Assisting the DFP&R with planning and design for the ADA trail and landing
- Assisting the DFP&R with details and construction of the boat and canoe landing as approved by a Shoreline Encroachment Permit (completed Sept 2002)
- Assisting the DFP&R long range planning process by sponsoring the continuing life of the Green River Reservoir State Park Public Planning Advisory Group. A meeting was held in October of 2002.
- Assisting the DFP&R with the 2003 Work and Operations Plan

## 4. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2003 – June 2004

- Published the FGRR 2004 Spring Summer Fall Brochure for information about the GRRSP and for recruiting membership. (started in 2001)
- Established an email address
- Co published with the DFP&R a map of the Green River Reservoir to be used for the 2004 and 2005 operating seasons. The FGRR have funded this project with sales proceeds (\$1.00/map) to return the GRRSP
- Produced FGRR tee shirts and baseball hats
- Blueberry Island Restoration–Phase IV 2004
- Published FGRR Newsletters in January 2004 and May 2004
- Initiated and developed the Forest Bird Monitoring site
- Worked with George Fearing and the Hyde Park DRB on a view shed analysis of George's wind tower application.
- Monitor development and construction adjacent to the GRR.
- Participated in discussions regarding the Water Quality Management Typing for the GRR.
- Participated in the Aquatic Nuisance Plant Program education training, signage
- Worked on the View-shed Project and met with the Hyde Park Planning Commission and two members of the Hyde Park Select Board regarding view shed protection of the GRRSP and reservoir.
- Participated in the annual Green-up Day activities
- Participated as volunteer rangers in evening campsite monitoring
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge situation
- Continued to monitor the Barry Singer situation

- Assisted the DFP&R with the planning and design for the ADA trail and landing
- Initiated the planning for the interpretative and educational component of the proposed ADA trail. Prof John Wrazen will involve JSC students in the 2004 and 2005 semesters.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the long range planning process
- Assisted the DFP&R with evaluation of the 2003 Work and Operations Plan
- Assisted the DFP&R with establishing goals for the 2004 Work and Operations Plan
- Assisted the DFP&R with locating a temporary contact station
- Assisting the DFP&R with locating a land line telephone pedestal for direct management and operation communications, security and safety
- Assisted the DFP&R with the Hyde Park Development Review Board's periodic permit review

#### 5. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2004 – June 2005

- Published the FGRR 2005 Spring Summer Fall Brochure for information about the GRRSP and for recruiting membership. (started in 2001)
- Co published with the DFP&R a map of the Green River Reservoir to be used for the 2004 and 2005 operating seasons. The FGRR have funded this project with sales proceeds (\$1.00/map) to return the GRRSP
- Produced FGRR tee shirts and baseball hats
- Blueberry Island Restoration–Phase V 2005
- Published FGRR Newsletters dated November 4, 2004 and May 2, 2005
- Monitored the Forest Bird Monitoring site (established in 2004) and developed a proper list of birds likely to be found at the GRRSP
- Monitor development and construction adjacent to the GRR.
- Participated in discussions regarding the Water Quality Management Typing for the GRR
- Researched the control of GRR high water level in the spring/early summer in reference to loon egg protection
- Received a \$740 grant from Boating USA to help pay for aquatic nuisance signage
- Continued participation in a milfoil survey at the GRR.

- Completed a final report to the New England Grass Roots Fund Grant regarding the FGRR use of the \$1,500 grant for the viewshed protection
- Coordinated the availability of the VYCC to work at the GRRSP for 1 week
- Received on July 8, 2005 a \$600 check from the Concept 2 Inc.
   Fund with The Vermont Community Foundation for general support.
- Worked on the recovery of the LCPC mapping data from 2001
- Worked extensively on the Viewshed Project. Met with the Hyde Park Planning Commission and GRR landowners regarding view shed protection of the GRR. Produced visual impact studies of the GRRSP west ridge. Produced visual guides for clarification and the understanding of the proposed GRRVOD zoning standards.
- Participated in the annual Green-up Day activities
- Participated as volunteer rangers in evening campsite monitoring
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge situation
- Continued to monitor the Barry Singer situation
- Assisted the DFP&R with the planning and design for the ADA trail and landing (on hold until 2006)
- Assisted the DFP&R with the Long Range Management Plan including: meeting with Susan Bulmer, Jonathan Wood, letter writing campaign, attendance at the LRMP public hearing
- Assisted the DFP&R with evaluation of the 2004 Work and Operations Plan
- Assisted the DFP&R with establishing goals for the 2005 Work and Operations Plan
- Assisted the DFP&R with locating and improving the temporary contact station
- Assisting the DFP&R with locating a land line telephone pedestal for direct management and operation communications, security and safety.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the Hyde Park Development Review Board's periodic permit review
- Reviewed the GRRSP conservation easement with Doug Molde specifically regarding ATV use on the lands of the GRRSP
- Investigating the possibility of acquiring land along the Dam Access Road as a donation from the Sanbar Corporation.

## 6. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2005 - June 2006

 Worked extensively on the GRR Viewshed Protection Project. Met with the Hyde Park Planning Commission and GRR landowners regarding view shed protection of the GRR. With public input revised visual guides and exterior color guides for clarification and the understanding of the proposed GRRVOD zoning standards.

Celebrated the unanimous Hyde Park Selectboard vote to accept the GRRVOD By-laws as written by the HPPC.

- Wrote a thank you letter to the New England Grass Roots Fund Grant regarding the FGRR use of the \$1,500 grant for the viewshed protection.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the planning and design for the ADA trail, landing and dock and two accessible campsites.(Construction in 2007). We met with Craig Myotte of MW&L to gain approval from MW&L for the construction of these accessible public facilities.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the Long Range Management Plan including: meeting with Susan Bulmer, Jonathan Wood, regarding the use of "wilderness-like".
- Monitor development and construction adjacent to the GRR as part of the FGRR commitment to the GRRVOD.
- Monitored the Forest Bird Monitoring site (established in 2004) and installed bird nesting boxes on Sunday, March 19, 2006 (the last possible sledding day of the winter).
- Published the FGRR 2006 Spring Summer Fall Brochure for information about the GRRSP and for recruiting membership. (started in 2001)
- Accepted donated land from the Sanbar Corporation and resold to Duff Robitelle for the FGRR actual costs. The land will be preserved in its undeveloped state.
- Still selling the FGRR tee shirts and baseball hats inventory.
- Published FGRR Newsletters dated November 2005 and Spring 2006
- Monitored the control of GRR high water level in the spring/early summer in reference to loon egg protection
- Returned the \$740 grant from Boating USA to help pay for aquatic nuisance signage
- Continued participation in a milfoil survey at the GRR.
- Participated in the annual Green-up Day activities
- Participated as volunteer rangers in evening campsite monitoring
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge situation
- Continued to monitor the Barry Singer situation
- Assisted the DFP&R with evaluation of the 2005 Work and Operations Plan

- Assisted the DFP&R with establishing goals for the 2006 Work and Operations Plan.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the Hyde Park Development Review Board's periodic permit review.

## 7. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2006 - June 2008

- Revised the FGRR Mission Statement to better reflect our Mission.
- Established FGRR Vision priorities for the next 10 15 years.
- Launched the FGRR web site Summer 2008
- Designed in collaboration with the DFP&R a new Contact Station, paid for the construction labor and oversaw the construction phase (fall 2007).
- Designed in collaboration with the DFP&R an accessible ramp for the Contact Station, contributed to the cost of construction of the ramp and donated a wooden flag pole for the Contact station.
- Designed and published in cooperation with the DFP&R a 2008 edition of the Map of the Green River Reservoir & State Park.
- Sponsored and published <u>Nature Field Guide Green River</u> <u>Reservoir State Park</u> by Danielle Owczarski a Johnson State College student in Environmental Studies and a seasonal Park Ranger at the GRRSP.
- Met with the Park Staff in June 2008 to introduce ourselves and to offer support for the important work of educating visitors about the unique qualities and sensitivities of the Reservoir and the Park.
- Sponsored a public presentation on Loons by Eric Hanson. The event was held at Lamiolle Union High School and was attended by 63 people in May 2008.
- Sponsored the first International Migratory Bird Day at the GRRSP on Saturday, May 24th.
- Worked with several landowners within the GRRVOD to assist with their understanding of how to comply with the view shed by-laws. This also involves meeting with the Hyde Park DRB regarding view shed protection of the GRR.
- Continued to assist the DFP&R with the planning and design for the ADA trail to the Reservoir. We met also with personnel from the Army Corp of Engineers on new wetland impact permitting for the project. Construction started in the fall of 2007 and will be complete in 2008.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the Long Range Management Plan including: meeting with Susan Bulmer, Jonathan Wood, regarding

- the use of "wilderness-like". The LRMP was signed by the Commissioner of the DFP&R on November 28, 2006.
- Monitor development and construction adjacent to the GRR as part of the FGRR commitment to the GRRVOD.
- Monitored and improved trail access to the Forest Bird Monitoring site (established in 2004).
- Published the FGRR 2007 and 2008 Spring Summer Fall Brochure for information about the GRRSP and for recruiting membership. (started in 2001)
- Re-designed the FGRR logo and made new hats and tee shirts for sale to our members
- Published FGRR Newsletters in Fall 2006, Spring and Fall 2007 and Spring 2008.
- Monitored the control of GRR high water level in the spring/early summer in reference to loon egg protection
- Continued participation in a milfoil survey at the GRR.
- Participated in the annual Green-up Day activities
- Participated as volunteer rangers in evening campsite monitoring
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge
- Continued to monitor the Barry Singer property
- Assisted the DFP&R with evaluation of the 2006, 2007 and 2008
   Work and Operations Plan
- Assisted the DFP&R with establishing goals for the 2006, 2007 and 2008 Work and Operations Plan.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the Hyde Park Development Review Board's periodic permit review.

#### 8. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2008 – June 2010

- Revised the FGRR Mission Statement to better reflect our Mission.
- Revised the FGRR Vision priorities for the next 10 15 years.
- Regular up-dates to the FGRR web site.
- Continued to assist the DFP&R with the planning, design, construction and dedication of the ADA trail at the Reservoir. This project was conceived the spring of 2000 and was completed and dedicated in June 2009.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the location of the photo-voltaic collector located at the north east end of the middle parking lot and assisted with the route of the buried electrical lines connecting the collector to the contact station.
- Designed in collaboration with the DFP&R a battery and battery equipment shed on the north side of the Contact Station
- Designed in collaboration with the DFP&R a timber framed informational kiosk located by the ADA parking spaces adjacent

- to the canoe and kayak drop off area. We oversaw the construction phase of the kiosk which was completed spring of 2010.
- Designed in collaboration with the DFP&R an accessible ramp for the Contact Station, contributed to the cost of construction of the ramp and donated a wooden flag pole for the Contact station.
- Met with the Park Staff in June 2009 and 2010 to re-introduce ourselves and to offer support for the important work of educating visitors about the unique qualities and sensitivities of the Reservoir and the Park.
- Sponsored a public presentation on wildflowers given by Danielle Owczarski on May 7, 2009 at Lamoille Union High School.
- Worked with several landowners within the GRRVOD to assist with their understanding of how to comply with the viewshed bylaws. This also involves meeting with the Hyde Park DRB regarding view shed protection of the GRR.
- Monitor private development and construction adjacent to the GRR as part of the FGRR commitment to the GRRVOD.
- Monitored and improved trail access to the Forest Bird Monitoring site (established in 2004).
- Published the FGRR 2009 and 2010 Spring Summer Fall Brochure for information about the GRRSP and for recruiting membership. (started in 2001)
- Re-designed the FGRR logo and made new hats and tee shirts for sale to our members
- Published FGRR Newsletters in Fall 2008, Spring and Fall 2009 and 2010 and Spring 2011.
- Monitored the control of GRR high water level in the spring/early summer in reference to loon egg protection
- Participated in the annual Green-up Day activities
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge
- Continued to monitor the Barry Singer property
- Assisted the DFP&R with evaluation of the 2008, 2009 and 2010
   Work and Operations Plan
- Assisted the DFP&R with establishing goals for the 2008, 2009 and 2010 Work and Operations Plan.
- Assisted the DFP&R with the Hyde Park Development Review Board's periodic permit review.

#### 9. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2010 - June 2012

- Revised the FGRR Mission Statement to better reflect our Mission.
- Revised the FGRR Vision priorities for the next 10 15 years.
- Regular up-dates to the FGRR web site.

- Continued to assist the DFP&R with the planning, the award winning privy design, permitting and construction of two composting toilet privies near the lower parking lot. These will replace the seasonal port-a-lets This project was conceived in the spring of 2007 and will completed and dedicated in late June 2012.
- Designed in collaboration with the DFP&R a canoe and kayak to be located near the ADA boat launch area.
- Are in the process of designing the Kiosk informational displays.
- Met with the Park Staff in June 2011 and 2012 to re-introduce ourselves and to offer support for the important work of educating visitors about the unique qualities and sensitivities of the Reservoir and the Park.
- Sponsored a public presentation in Nov 2011 at Lamoille Union High School with the dual topic of "Staying Connected Initiative" by Neahga Leonard and The Health of Fish and Wildlife at GRRSP by Tom Jones.
- Worked with the Town of Hyde Park DRB and Zoning Administrator regarding view shed protection of the GRR.
- Monitor private development and construction adjacent to the GRR as part of the FGRR commitment to the GRRVOD.

#### 10. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2012 – June 2013

- Revised the FGRR Mission Statement to better reflect our Mission.
- Revised the FGRR Vision priorities for the next 10 15 years.
- Regular up-dates to the FGRR web site.
- Continued to assist the DFP&R with the planning, the award winning privy design, permitting and construction of two composting toilet privies near the lower parking lot. This project was conceived in the spring of 2007.
- Designed, assisted with construction coordination and in collaboration with the DFP&R a canoe and kayak located near the ADA boat launch area.
- Are in the process of designing the Kiosk informational displays.
- Met with the Park Staff in June 2012 to re-introduce ourselves and to offer support for the important work of educating visitors about the unique qualities and sensitivities of the Reservoir and the Park.
- Worked with the Town of Hyde Park DRB and Zoning Administrator regarding view shed protection of the GRR.
- Monitor private development and construction adjacent to the GRR as part of the FGRR commitment to the GRRVOD.
- Monitored and improved trail access to the Forest Bird Monitoring site (established in 2004).

- Guided Liz Lackey, ornithologist, to the FBM site June 2013
- Published the FGRR 2013 Spring Summer Fall Brochure for information about the GRRSP and for recruiting membership. (started in 2001)
- Published FGRR Newsletters in Fall 2012 & Spring 2013
- Monitored the control of GRR high water level in the spring/early summer in reference to loon egg protection
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge
- Continued to monitor the Barry Singer property
- Assisted the DFP&R with evaluation of the 2012 and 2013 Work and Operations Plan
- Assisted the DFP&R with establishing goals for the 2012 and 2013 Work and Operations Plan.
- Sponsored for the 2012 and 2013 operating season a full time Park Steward position with the goal of increasing visitor education and the soft management of Zack Woods Pond area.
- Grew the FGRR membership from 101 to 159 members gaining much needed support for the work of the FGRR.
- Assisted the Friends of Zack Woods Pond, the Trust for Public Land, the Dept of Forest, Parks and Recreation with support regarding the preservation and acquisition by the State of VT, the Zack Woods Pond area.
- Sally joined Vermont Housing and Conservation Board's 25<sup>th</sup>
   Anniversary Celebration held at Shelburne Farms on June 11, 2013.
- Met with Friends of Bolton Valley to share knowledge and experience of collaborating with DFP&R.

## 11. Projects accomplished by FGRR July 2013 – June 2014

- Revised the FGRR Mission Statement to better reflect our Mission.
- Revised the FGRR Vision priorities for the next 10 15 years.
- Regular up-dates to the FGRR web site.
- Continued to assist the DFP&R with planning, infrastructure upkeep (re-supporting sections of the ADA ramp that have been vulnerable to winter heaving).
- Are in the process of designing the Kiosk informational displays.
- Met with the Park Staff in June 2013 to re-introduce ourselves and to offer support for the important work of educating visitors about the unique qualities and sensitivities of the Reservoir and the Park.
- Being available to work with the Town of Hyde Park DRB and Zoning Administrator regarding view shed protection of the GRR.

- Monitor private development and construction adjacent to the GRR as part of the FGRR commitment to the GRRVOD.
- Monitored and improved trail access to the Forest Bird Monitoring site (established in 2004).
- Guided Liz Lackey, ornithologist, to the FBM site June 2014 (2X)
- Published the FGRR 2014 Spring Summer Fall Brochure for information about the GRRSP and for recruiting membership. (started in 2001)
- Assisted the DFP&R with the GRRSP Map by paying for and coordinating with Sally Stetson on the design of the map.
- Published FGRR Newsletters in Fall 2013 & Spring 2014
- Monitored the control of GRR high water level in the spring/early summer in reference to loon egg protection
- Continued to monitor the Manosh Bridge
- Continued to monitor the Barry Singer property
- Meeting with MW&L regarding the re-licensing of the dam
- Assisted the DFP&R with evaluation of the 2013 and 2014 Work and Operations Plan
- Assisted the DFP&R with establishing goals for the 2013 and 2014 Work and Operations Plan.
- Sponsored for the 2013 and 2014 operating season a full time Park Steward position with the goal of increasing visitor education and the soft management of Zack Woods Pond area.
- Grew the FGRR membership from 159 to 200 members gaining much needed support for the work of the FGRR.
- Assisted the Friends of Zack Woods Pond, the Trust for Public Land, the Dept. of Forest, Parks and Recreation with support regarding the preservation and acquisition by the State of VT, the Zack Woods Pond area.
- Met with Friends of Bolton Valley to share knowledge and experience of collaborating with DFP&R.
- As part of our educational priority, we have made arrangements with Charlie Browne to present "The Behavior of Birds Common to the Green River Reservoir Area" at a public speaking event on October 24<sup>th</sup> 2014.