

**Community:** North Providence

**When Was Your Comprehensive Plan Approved?** 2013

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**Comprehensive Plan Narrative Report:**

### **Natural Resources**

**Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Natural Resources planning.**

The Town Land Trust has purchased 2.5 acres of moderately undisturbed land along the Woonasquatucket River. The location of this is significant as it is up river of the superfund site so it is able to be utilized for recreation. This is also North Providences only public access to the river. The Land Trust has teamed up with the Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council to clean up the property and host volunteer events to get the community actively participating in the conservation project. The Town has purchased many other significant pieces of property adding to its inventory of recreation and conservation area. 58 parcels were purchased were part of Colletti Farm. This property is planned to become a multi use field is will service the east side of the Town The Town also purchased Pates farm, a 3.13 acre property centrally located in town, which is proposed to be another multi use athletic field.

### **Open Space and Recreation**

**Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Open Space and Recreation planning.**

The Town has also purchased 58 lots over the last 2 years. many of which were part of Colletti Farm which used to be a pig farm. The plan is to create a large multipurpose recreation field as well as bleachers, concessions and parking. 18 acres of Camp Meehan was purchased to create a park which was then connected with the existing Governor Notte Park. The next goal for the Town is to purchase roughly 10 acres directly north of Camp Meehan from Lincoln to join with the newly acquired property. 58 parcels were purchased that was part of Colletti Farm. This property is planned to become a multi use field is will service the east side of the Town The Town also purchased Pates farm, a 3.13 acre property centrally located in town, which is proposed to be another multi use athletic field.

### **Historic and Cultural Resources**

**Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Historical and Cultural Resources planning.**

The town is currently formulating a plan to renovate the old Town Hall building located on Mineral Spring Avenue. We have engineer level plans created and are seeking funds to complete the renovations. The chimney is in the process of being re-pointed and fully refurbished currently. The Town has put a halt on the illegal renovation of the Stephen Olney House, one of North Providences most historically significant properties. There is currently a battle to have the

inappropriate vinyl windows replaced with historically appropriate windows.

### **Housing**

#### **Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Housing planning.**

The Town provided a tax incentive to the developer of the Lyman Lofts to create smaller more affordable units as part of his repurposing of the Lyman Mill into residential use. The Town also sold off the Brayton School to a residential developer to create micro loft which target lower income residents a density increase was permitted for this project to increase the number of smaller affordable units.

As part of the Complete Zoning Ordinance Re-write a proposed inclusionary Zoning ordinance is being proposed to increase the density developers are permitted as long as a percentage of the units over the regular density are deeded as affordable housing.

The Town is actively pursuing small cities program grants through HUD. We have also been actively using HUD awarded money to replace Lead water lines in low income neighborhoods around the Town. This year we accomplished 14 replacements alone.

Some impediments with the housing plan is that North Providence does not have a lot of open space to convert into affordable housing and the current housing stock is relatively maxed out with no empty homes that are able to be converted to affordable housing.

### **Economic Development**

#### **Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Economic Development planning.**

The town is working on a large scale revitalization for the village of Centre Dale. The hope is that a no traffic plan for the town and an increase in parking in addition to revamped pedestrian spaces will make this a more accessible and utilized area of Town. At the turn of the century this was a thriving village with abundant economic activity. Over the years it has fallen into decay. The Town believes this is a result of confusing and inconvenient traffic patterns as well as a lack of parking causing the businesses in the heart of Centre Dale to become in accessible.

The impediments for the economic development section of our comprehensive plan is the lack of staff and boards to work on the business retention program, work as a neighborhood council or connect businesses with the Department of Labor and training.

### **Services and Facilities**

#### **Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Services and Facilities planning.**

The Town has a training officer on the Fire Department Staff who runs a program with the state fire academy to get the supporting staff properly trained. This lessens the cost of training overall and allows us to exchange ideas with the state fire academy officials.

The Fire Department runs a community interaction program which brings emergency workers into schools to do presentations about drug abuse, crime prevention and fire safety.

Instead of creating a equipment replacement program the Town has instead opted to replace equipment as needed which has been working well so far.

Annually the School department evaluates the effectiveness of programs and student/teacher ratios to ensure proper education to students. They have created a system to charge for public and private use of the school facilities and other public buildings to bring in income to the town and offer these facilities to the public for functions. All school department policies can currently be found on the school department website and are updated regularly, which accomplishes one of the

goals of the comprehensive plan. The link to that website is as follows. <http://nprovschools.org/district-policies>

The library recently finished a stair case with signage between North Providence High School and the Public Library allowing for utilization of each facility as overflow parking for the other and interconnectivity between the facilities. The library has also redesigned their website to make it easier to use for an aging audience and even have included pain management and other education programs for seniors. The library has been furnished with new steel doors and has had much needed repairs to its front entryway and handicap ramp. The town completed an HVAC replacement to the library in 2021 to improve energy efficiency.

The funding for expansion for the library is the major factor preventing the Town from accomplishing this. The Town is actively searching for public facilities grants which could be used to meet this goal.

### **Transportation/Circulation**

#### **Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Transportation planning**

The Town has hired an engineer to perform a traffic study on the entire village of Centre Dale. The plan is to team up with DOT to convert all one way traffic patterns into 2 way as part of an overall Centre Dale revitalization project. Other aspects of this plan are to improve the streetscape to improve pedestrian access as well as increase the amount of parking which has been a significant problem for businesses in this area

The Town is working on abandoning some of the intersecting roads with Mineral Spring and consolidating entrances to reduce the number of curb cuts on Mineral Spring for the purpose of increasing traffic flow.

### **Natural Hazards**

#### **Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Natural Hazards planning.**

In 2017 the Town hired CDR McGuire to write the Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan was approved and has been active since 2018.

The Town is actively seeking grants to write a new plan since this plan's 5 year lifespan will be over in 2023.

### **Land Use**

#### **Please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Land Use planning.**

The Town has completed several Future Land Use map revisions and Zoning map revisions along Mineral Spring Avenue with the goal of keeping residential uses out of the commercial corridor. The Town is actively adding to its open space by purchasing Camp Meehan in order to connect it to Governor Notte Park as well as the purchase of Westcott Park, Colletti Farm and, Pates farm to preserve any open space that is remaining to be utilized for passive recreation.

### **Agriculture**

#### **In one paragraph, please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Agriculture planning.**

The Town has not accomplished much as far as agricultural implementation. There is extremely limited land for agricultural use in the Town which limits activity that can occur.

### **Water Supply**

**In one paragraph, please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Water Supply planning.**

The Town has not yet implemented any Water Supply planning goals

### **Energy**

**In one paragraph, please summarize implementation accomplishments and impediments for Energy planning.**

The town has taken steps to lessen their energy consumption including replacing all light bulbs in every public building with high efficiency LED lights. They have also recently upgraded the Library HVAC system to a high efficiency system and installed a geothermal system on the Town Hall.

In 2019 the Town of North Providence launched a 2.6-megawatt (MW) solar system with more than 6,700 panels on its closed landfill.

The Town is currently looking into large scale battery packs as both an opportunity for revenue but also to make the grid in north providence more resilient to natural disasters.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

The Comprehensive Planning Act requires that plans include an Implementation Program “which defines and schedules the specific public actions to be undertaken in order to achieve the goals and objectives of each component of the comprehensive plan”. The following table provides the implementation program for this plan.









R E F	ACTION	TIMEFRAME				RESPO NSIB LE	
		6mo	6mo - 2yrs	2yrs - 5yrs	On- going		
<b>LU</b>	<b>LAND USE</b>						
LU1	Expand the number of residential districts to reflect changes in residential development trends while relating development to environmental constraints.	☹				Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU2	Zone institutional properties and open space lands as such. Develop applicable standards.	☹				Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU3	Develop revitalization schemes for the older commercial districts.			☹		Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU4	Create additional business zoning districts that control growth within the variety of existing business areas found in the town.	☹				Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU5	Establish Professional Office Zone to buffer residential areas and general commercial zones.	☹				Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU6	Develop landscaping and signage standards for future commercial developments.	☹				Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU7	Develop design and development standards for both residential and commercial areas to ensure quality, visually appealing development throughout town.			☹		Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓

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			Ⓔ				✓
LU9	Rezone industrial land in residential areas to prevent development and/or expansion of incompatible uses. Identify existing non-conforming industrial uses in residential zones and develop policies to restrict their expansion.		Ⓔ			Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU10	Establish Redevelopment Overlay Districts to revitalize deteriorating residential and nonresidential areas of town. Use a Redevelopment Authority to implement Redevelopment Plans associated with Overlay Districts.		Ⓔ			Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU11	Conduct a corridor study for the area between Central Avenue and the village of Centredale to determine the best future land uses and development standards for the area.		Ⓔ			Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU12	Evaluate and adjust commercial zoning district boundaries along Mineral Spring Avenue to ensure properties that abut the roadway are developable with minimal dimensional variances.	Ⓔ				Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
LU13	Manage and retrofit existing stormwater management systems to reduce adverse effects on the environment.				Ⓔ	Stormwater Coordinator, Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council, Mayor's Office	✓
LU14	Develop stormwater policy consistent with the General Permit Rhode Island Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Storm Water Discharge from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems and from Industrial Activity at Eligible Facilities Operated by Regulated Small MS4s.	Ⓔ				Stormwater Coordinator, Planning Director, Planning Board, Mayor's Office, Town Council	✓
LU15	Revise Land Development and Subdivision Regulations to take into consideration environmental and topographic conditions, development potential, and the need for future space for growth. The revised regulations should incorporate stormwater best management practices, including low impact design techniques, and should require as-built drawings for all developments after completion.	Ⓔ				Planning Director, Planning Board, Mayor's Office, Town Council	✓





















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<b>H</b>	<b>HOUSING</b>						
	Encourage new construction of affordable units by establishing new residential zoning districts that provide for a diversity of residential lot sizes other than 8,000 square feet.		Ⓢ			Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
H2	Revise the subdivision regulations to include incentives for construction of affordable housing as infill development on new lots created by combining existing substandard lots.		Ⓢ			Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
H3	Establish minimum requirements for inclusion of affordable housing in multi-family adaptive reuse projects and provide incentives in the review process for projects that meet or exceed those requirements.	Ⓢ				Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
H4	Seek to utilize the large number of vacant existing housing units in North Providence to help meet the Town's future housing needs. The town should attempt to use a combination of enforcement, negotiation with mortgage holders/property owners, tax incentives, and other incentives to convert existing vacant housing stock into affordable family housing. The Town should also aggressively pursue additional Housing Choice Vouchers from HUD, while utilizing other housing programs to expand its stock of affordable housing units.				Ⓢ	Planning Director, Planning Board, Housing Authority	✓
H5	Expand enforcement authority within the minimum housing function. Pursue legislative approval to expand the Town's Municipal Court function to include the prosecution of minimum housing		Ⓢ			Housing Authority, Planning Director	✓
H6	Pursue future Small Cities Program grants through HUD.				Ⓢ	Housing Authority, Planning	✓
H7	Build public-private partnerships with representatives from the government, churches, businesses (including bankers), and the community at large to form a North Providence Community Housing Resources Board to oversee and facilitate affordable housing activities in North Providence.		Ⓢ			Housing Authority	✓











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H8	Continue to provide low cost financial assistance for housing rehabilitation and explore ways to expand existing rehabilitation programs.		Ⓔ			Housing Authority	
							
<b>ED</b>	<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>						
ED1	Develop master plans for commercial village centers and the Mineral Spring Avenue corridor to include implementation strategies that foster economic redevelopment.		Ⓔ			Planning Director, Planning Board	
ED2	Create neighborhood resident and business councils in each commercial village center and the Mineral Spring Avenue Corridor to participate in the planning, development and implementation of economic master plans.		Ⓔ			Planning Director, Town Council	
ED3	Establish a business retention program geared to working on a regular base with existing industry and commerce. Every effort should be made to work with the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, leading employers, Small Business Association, universities and colleges,	Ⓔ				Planning Director, Town Council, Mayor's Office	
ED4	Develop local strategies that can increase exposure of residents and businesses to RI Department of Labor and Training's job training and employment initiatives.				Ⓔ	Planning Director, Mayor's Office	
ED5	Pursue a landscaping program along major commercial thoroughfares.		Ⓔ			Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council, Environmental Commission	
ED6	Develop a sign control ordinance for new construction and consider providing limited short term tax incentives to eliminate nonconforming signs.	Ⓔ				Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	







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ED7	Pursue funding for a "Streetscape" program that enhances the village commercial districts.			☹		Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
ED8	Pursue the establishment of a storefront improvement program with design controls.		☹			Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	✓
<b>FS</b>	<b>FACILITIES AND SERVICES</b>						
FS1	Assign a training officer with supporting staff and budget to manage an expanded training program for the Fire Department	☹				Public Safety Officials, Fire Department	✓
FS2	Coordinate with other fire departments to share the cost of purchasing training programs or exchanging ideas with regard to new firefighting and/or training methods.				☹	Public Safety Officials, Fire Department	✓
FS3	Develop a full Community Interaction Program to provide assistance to local residents relative to increasing public safety in the town. This program should expand efforts such as fire safety, neighborhood crime watch, elderly awareness, and drug abuse		☹			Public Safety Officials, Police & Fire Chiefs	✓
FS4	Develop a replacement or equipment update program for fire apparatus, based on a 20-year cycle.	☹				Public Safety Officials, Fire Chief	✓
FS5	Determine the appropriate level of funding required for future school years so that funding to the School Department can be increase and meet minimum funding needs.	☹				School Committee, Superintendent, Mayor, Town	✓
FS6	Assess student/teacher ratios at all grade levels and strive for higher utilization rates that may enable staff adjustments.	☹				School Department Administration, School	✓
FS7	Evaluate the need for and cost effectiveness of program offerings such as full day kindergarten, middle school sports, and certain aspects of the response to intervention (RTI) program to see if cost reductions can be achieved.	☹				School Department Administration, School Committee	✓

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FS8	Develop a system to charge for public and private use of school buildings and facilities.	dg				Mayor, Superintendent of Schools, School Committee, PTA, PTD	
FS9	Review and update all School Department policies and make updated policy documents available in all libraries and/or online.	dg				School Committee	
FS10	Improve parking and accessibility by improving signage and connection between the North Providence High School parking area and the library.	dg				Public Works, Library Board, Director of Library Services	
FS11	Expand library holdings and adjust them to adapt to the changing demographics of the community, particularly an aging population and increase in ethnic diversity.				dg	Library Board, Director of Library Services	
FS12	Promptly replace deteriorated steel doors at the library building.	dg				Mayor, Library Board, Director of Library Services	
FS13	Improve handicapped access by repairing handicapped ramp soon.	dg				Mayor, Library Board, Director of Library Services	
FS14	Immediately replace HVAC system to ensure continued operation and improve energy efficiency.	dg				Mayor, Library Board, Director of Library Services	
FS15	Study options to increase collection space by making structural improvements, adjusting underutilized public spaces, and/or expanding northward into the portico space.			dg		Mayor, Library Board, Director of Library Services	
FS16	As the first phase of creating a Facilities Needs Program, develop an Infrastructure Needs Assessment summarizing current and future needs combined with a detailed implementation program.	dg				Mayor, Director of Planning and Development, Public Works Director, Utility Agencies	

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FS17	As part of a Facilities Needs Program, develop a Pavement Management Program to address roadway cutting for subsurface utility work.	dg				Mayor, Director of Planning and Development, Public Works Director, Utility Agencies	
FS18	Outline funding required to support the Facilities Needs Program on a five year cycle.	dg				Mayor, Director of Planning and Development, Public Works Director, Utility Agencies	
FS19	Implement a Water Conservation Program to reduce water use and waste water volumes.	dg				Mayor, Finance Director, Planning & Development Director, Utilities	
FS20	Undertake an infiltration and inflow (I/I) program in conjunction with the NBC as a major element of the Facilities Improvement Plan.	dg				Mayor, Public Works Director, Department of Inspections, NBC	
FS21	Work with water districts to improve water service and available pressure and to eliminate dead ends to create water loops in the system.				dg	Planning and Development Director, Water Districts	
FS22	Develop a written drought management response strategy in cooperation with water suppliers.		dg			Public Works Director	
FS23	In support of the Facilities Needs Program, inventory, evaluate, and prioritize local roads to determine the order of need for improvement.	dg				Director of Planning and Development, Public Works Director	
FS24	Continue to comply with the Stormwater Management Plan by inventorying and monitoring stormwater outfalls and reporting compliance to the RIPDES program.				dg	Mayor, Public Works, RIDOT	
FS25	Undertake additional energy saving projects to reduce energy consumption for municipal buildings and public infrastructure.				dg	Mayor, Public Works, Town Council	









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FS26	Implement recycling in the North Providence public school system.	dg				School Department, Public Works, Recycling Coordinator	
FS27	Develop a town-wide composting program and determine if the former town landfill site can be utilized as a central composting facility	dg				Mayor, Public Works Director	
FS28	Implement a town program for corrugated cardboard baling and recycling to include design, permitting, construction and operation of a baling facility at the former landfill site.	dg				Mayor, Public Works Director, Recycling Coordinator	
FS29	Use funds from solid waste program fees to develop and carry out an enhanced program of public education and advertising to encourage increased waste reduction, reuse, and recycling by local residents.				dg	Mayor, Recycling Coordinator	
FS30	Investigate and implement parking improvement options for the Town Hall, such as re-design, acquisition, or leasing and incorporate these elements into the Centredale Master Plan.		dg			Planning and Development Director	
FS31	Develop a plan to address anticipated increases in demand for senior services, provide additional parking at the Senior Center, and ensure adequate funding levels as demand for services increases.			dg		Senior Services Director, Mayor, Town Council	
<b>NR</b>	<b>NATURAL RESOURCES</b>						
NR1	Revise land development regulations to require the use of Low Impact Development techniques to reduce impacts of stormwater discharges on receiving waters.	dg				Planning Director, Town Council	
NR2	Control by purchase, easement or other legal means, properties of natural areas and other significant vacant lands such as prime farm lands, open space areas, and lands adjacent to major wetland systems including acquisition of the former camp Meehan property adjacent to Governor Notte Park as soon as is practicable.				dg	Land Trust, Town Council	



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<b>CR</b>	<b>CULTURAL RESOURCES</b>						
CR1	Designate an individual to assist the Town Historian in preservation efforts, including the development of grant applications, or the use of student interns.	dg				Planning Director, Town Council, Town Historian	
CR2	Establish a Historic Pathway through the Town as an educational and recreational resource tied into the Town-wide park system.		dg			Planning Director, Town Council, Town Historian, Recreation Director, Public Works Director	
CR3	Include Town History as a part of the K-6 curriculum.		dg			Town Historian, School Department	
CR4	Inventory historic records and store them in a climate controlled location.			dg		Planning Director, Town Council, Town Historian, Director of Library Services, Town Clerk	
CR5	Amend the subdivision regulations to require that land development proposals include an evaluation of impacts on cultural resources and provide mitigation for identified adverse impacts on cultural resources.	dg				Planning Director, Town Council	
<b>OSR</b>	<b>OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION</b>						
OSR1	Explore and implement alternative means for obtaining and preserving recreation, conservation and open space besides outright purchase, including changing development regulations to provide for transfer of development rights, conservation easements, innovative zoning approaches, and other changes to the regulations for land development and/or the requirement that payments in lieu of open space dedication be made to the Town.	dg				Planning Director, Land Trust, Town Council, Recreation Director, Public Works Director	

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OSR2	Develop a town-wide park system for North Providence that includes recreation facilities, open space areas, historic sites, districts, etc.		⌘			Planning Director, Land Trust, Town Council, Recreation Director, Public Works Director	
OSR3	Adopt an Environmental Overlay Zone and Open Space/Conservation Zone to ensure their future protection of recreation and open space areas.	⌘				Planning Director, Town Council	
OSR4	Acquire the former Camp Meehan property for recreational and open spaces uses and acquire property or development rights for other properties where practicable to preserve open space areas.	⌘				Planning Director, Land Trust, Town Council	
OSR5	Preserve lands along the Woonasquatucket River, Canada Pond, and other water bodies for conservation and preservation of natural open spaces through acquisition of tax properties and rights-of-way to the river and through conservation		⌘			Land Trust, Town Council	
OSR6	Use existing town parks to develop needed playgrounds/playlots in all areas of Town.		⌘			Town Council, Planning Director, Recreation Director	
OSR7	Invest in studies to find ways that can improve water quality at Governor Notte Park.	⌘				Town Council, Planning Director, Recreation Director	
OSR8	Assess recreational development alternatives for the Peter Randall Reservation and adjacent capped landfill.		⌘			Town Council, Planning Director, Recreation Director, Public Works Director	
<b>C</b>	<b>CIRCULATION</b>						
C1	Obtain a "Pavement Management Program", populate the program with data on both highway and pedestrian facilities, and apply the program to assure optimal use of limited paving budgets.		⌘			Director of Public Works	



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C2	Develop a Town wide pedestrian access plan linking residential and commercial areas , seamlessly connecting roadside sidewalks with walking trails, and interfacing effectively with public transit stops.			☺		Planning Director Director of Public Works	
C3	Amend the Town's land development ordinances to reduce the minimum required roadway width in residential areas and minimize requirements for impervious parking surfaces.		☺			Planning Director, Planning Board, Town Council	
C4	Re-evaluate parking demand in Centredale as part of any private or public proposal for future development/improvements to the village.	☺				Director of Public Works, Planning Director	
C5	Investigate the potential to acquire future parking areas in Centredale for municipal uses.		☺			Director of Public Works, Planning Director	
C6	Improve pedestrian safety through a pedestrian network improvement and maintenance program.		☺			Director of Public Works, Planning Director	
C7	Request reviews of signalization at state-owned signals to assure they are functioning safely, especially for pedestrians.		☺			Director of Public Works	
C8	Develop a town-wide access management plan with strategies appropriate for North Providence.			☺		Director of Public Works, Planning Director	
C9	Develop a priority listing of necessary improvement and repair projects on state roads and on roads on the state-aid system in North Providence. Petition the State to list the highest priority projects on the TIP. Advocate for funding priority, design and construction of those projects.				☺	Mayor, Director of Public Works, Town Council	

<sup>i</sup> New York Times: March 14, 1993 THE BLIZZARD OF '93: The Overview; STORM PARALYZES EAST COAST; SNOW COVERS SOUTH; 33 KILLED

<sup>ii</sup> [http://www.wpri.com/dpp/on\\_air/green\\_team/taunton-lack-of-rainfall-pushing-southern-new-england-into-a-drought](http://www.wpri.com/dpp/on_air/green_team/taunton-lack-of-rainfall-pushing-southern-new-england-into-a-drought)