



# Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) and Comprehensive Plan Update



Town Meeting - November 17<sup>th</sup> 2016

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# Presentation Outline

- Welcome and Review of Meeting Agenda
- Some Background: Projects Completed/Underway and Grants
- What's this all about:
  - Update 2002 Comprehensive Plan (town-led)
  - Create a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program LWRP (town-led)
  - Route 9W Corridor Management Plan (Ulster County-led 2017)
- Overview of Objectives of Plan and LWRP
- Review of Draft Vision Statement and Goals
- Preliminary Inventory and Analysis
- Discussion Tables: Issues and Opportunities
- Report Back
- Next Steps



# Grants and Funding - 2016

Purpose	Source	Amount
<b>Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan</b>	NYS DOS	\$135,000
<b>Natural Gas Extension</b>	Central Hudson and Ulster County HD	\$250,000
<b>Rt 9W Corridor Study</b>	UC Planning and Federal Highway Funding	\$101,000
<b>Master Plan Update</b>	Greenway	\$7,500
<b>Milton Landing Trail</b>	Greenway	\$4,000
<b>Structural Evaluation of Milton Landing South Pier</b>	DEC Estuary Program	\$40,000
<b>Milton Waterfront Parks Master Landscaping Plan</b>	NYS Parks and Recreation - Remaining funds from 2009 grant.	\$50,000
<b>Safe Routes to Schools Study</b>	UC Planning - Federal Highway Administration	—
<b>Milton Train Station Exterior Improvements</b>	Senator Larkin – State Municipal Facilities Program Grant	\$150,000



# Prior Plans and Studies

- Town of Marlborough Comprehensive Plan – 2002
- Marlboro Hamlet Master Plan - 2010
- Town of Marlborough Recreational Needs Analysis – 2009
- Marlboro Hamlet Area Transportation Plan – 2008
- Marlboro Hamlet Enhancements Design Report – 2015
- Safe Routes to School Action Plan - 2016



## Comprehensive Plan

- Update to ensure the plan's compatibility with changes in the town
- Goals, policies and objectives for future growth
- Guide for future land uses and code changes

## LWRP

- Waterfront as a catalyst for development and growth
- Clear direction and community consensus
- Technical assistance
- Financial assistance



## Marlborough's LWRP will:

- Present a unified community vision for the enhancement of its Hudson River waterfront;
- Identify unique opportunities and challenges for the community;



# Project Area and Vision Statement

*Marlborough is a unique riverfront town that offers a diverse range of housing options, cultural attractions and business opportunities set in a beautiful Hudson Valley landscape where agriculture is a highly-valued element of our community and our small town quality of life is the centerpiece of multi-generation living and civic endeavors.*





# Preliminary Plan Elements

- Land Use, Community Character and Zoning
- Agriculture, Agritourism and Working Forests
- Economic Development and Hamlet Revitalization
- Housing and Community Services
- Transportation, Trails and Transit



# Preliminary Goals and Objectives

- Strengthen community connections with the Hudson River
- Revitalize Milton and Marlboro hamlets
- Initiate a plan for NYS Route 9W Corridor Improvements
- Celebrate and protect natural and cultural resources
- Enhance agricultural uses





# Strengthen Connections with the River

- The river is an amenity
- Physical Connections – improve public access points
- Visual Connections – improve points of visual access





# Hamlet Revitalization and 9W Corridor Improvements

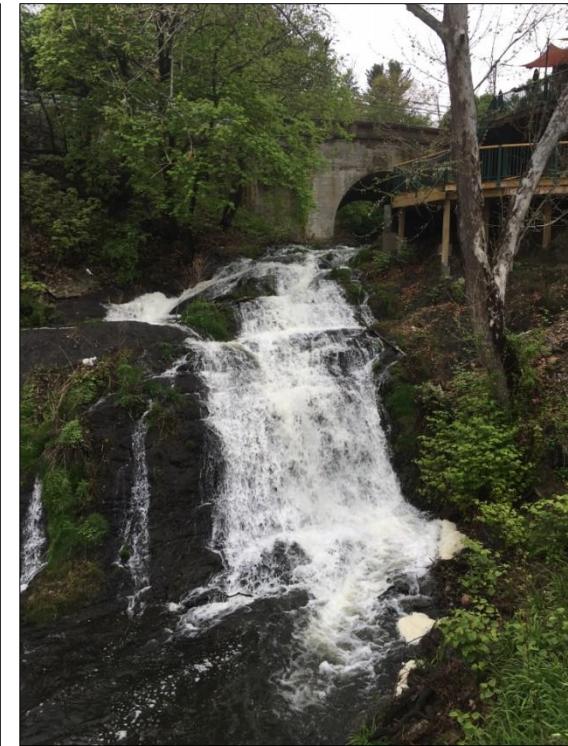
- *Main Streets* approach
- commercial, social and cultural centers
- Improve walkability
- Traffic Calming
- Design Guidelines
- Bike Lanes
- Gateways for hamlets





# Celebrate and protect natural and cultural resources

*Document, Maintain, Protect, Utilize*

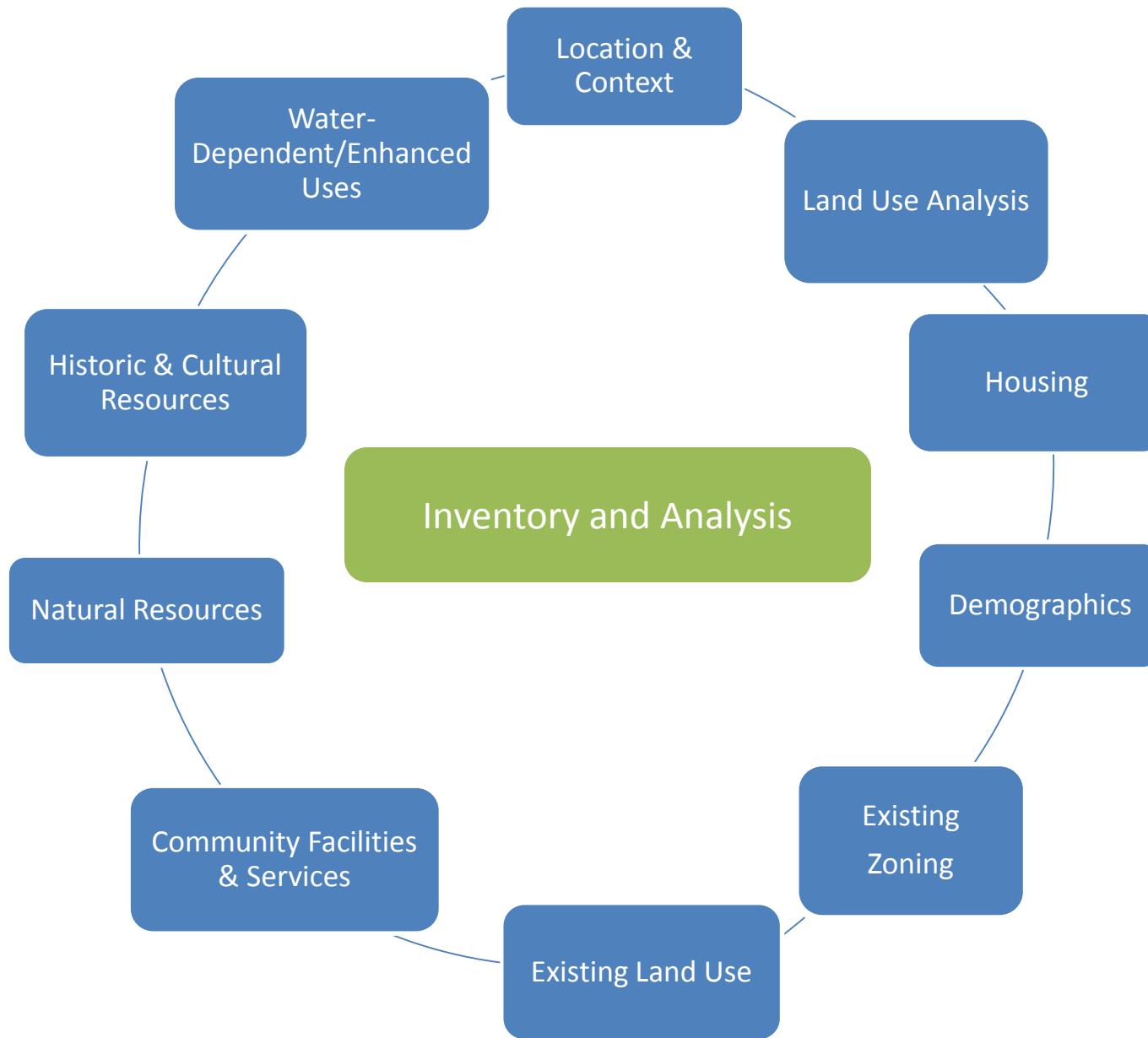




# Enhance Agricultural Uses

- Advance and promote agriculture and agritourism in Marlborough

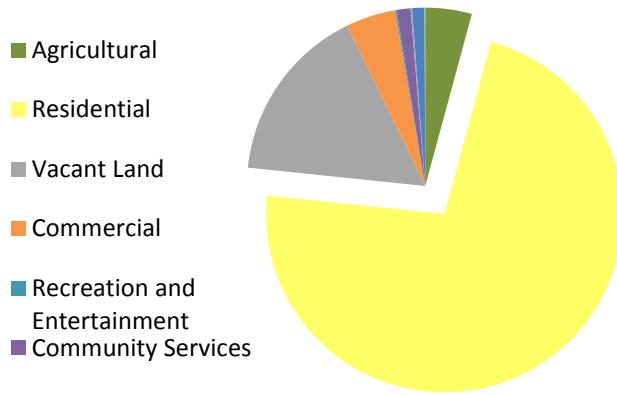




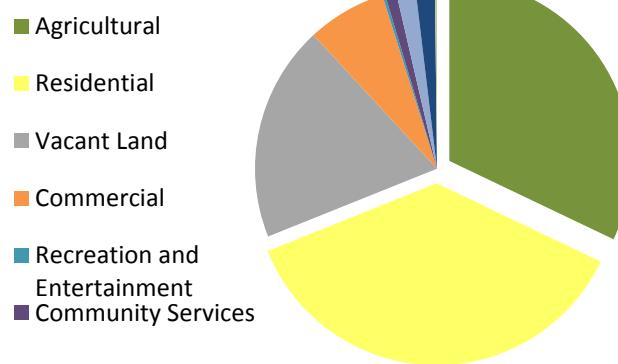


# Preliminary Inventory and Analysis – Land Use

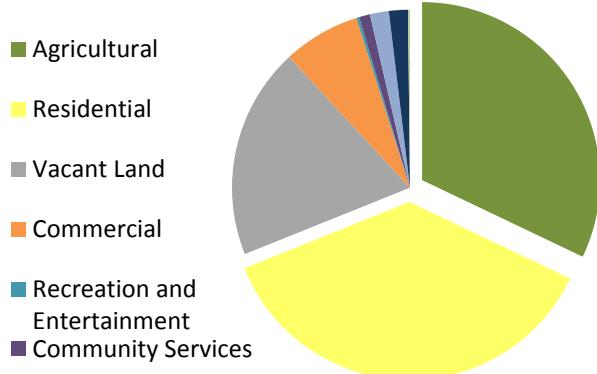
## Land Use by # of Parcels



## Land Use by Acres



## Land Use by % of Land Area

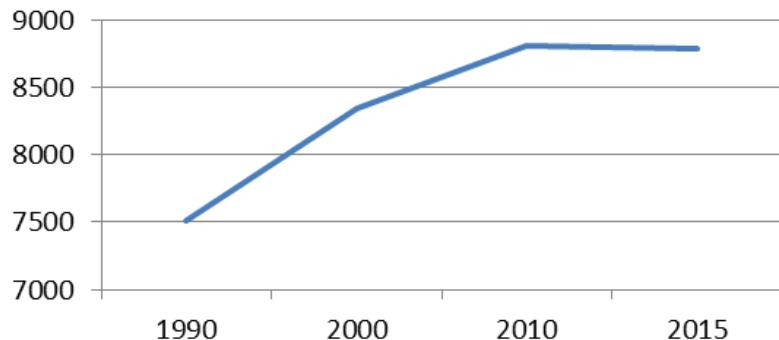


Residential	Agriculture	Vacant
2,766 parcels	161 parcels	617 parcels
5,484 acres	4,777 acres	2,859 acres
37%	32%	19%

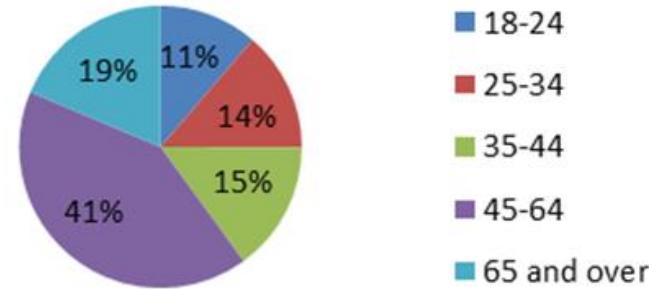


## Preliminary Inventory and Analysis – Demographics

### Population Change in Marlborough 1990 - 2015

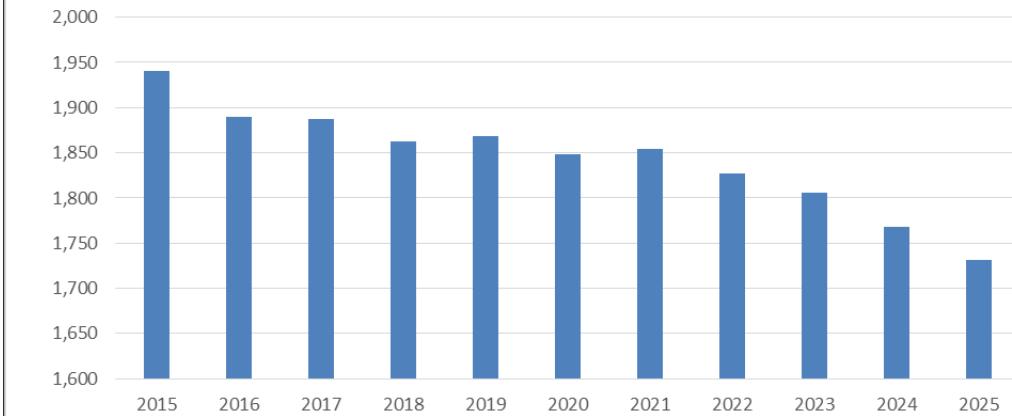


### Age Distribution by Percentage



Source: American Community Survey 2010-2014 5yr Estimate

Total K - 12





## Preliminary Inventory and Analysis – River Access

Historically important  
to the town



Limited physical and  
visual access

Continue to work to  
increase public access

Maintain upland  
views, ID potential  
points of access

Rail line can be  
dangerous/ limits  
access

Improve crossing and  
signals at rail line



## Preliminary Inventory and Analysis – Hamlets

Pedestrian accommodations are lacking

Desire to attract new businesses

Need to slow/improve traffic flow



Establish hamlets as social/commercial centers

Plan for strategic investments to attract new businesses

9W Corridor Study



## Preliminary Inventory and Analysis – Historic and Cultural Resources

Robust History

Explore historic  
district potential

Identify

Create Inventory

History as a tourist  
attraction

Opportunity for  
interpretive learning





## Preliminary Inventory and Analysis – Agriculture

Important economic  
driver

Farmer's markets &  
direct retail

Land devoted to ag. is  
decreasing

Conservation  
easements/ Transfer  
of development rights

Agritourism is  
increasing

Farmland Protection  
Plan



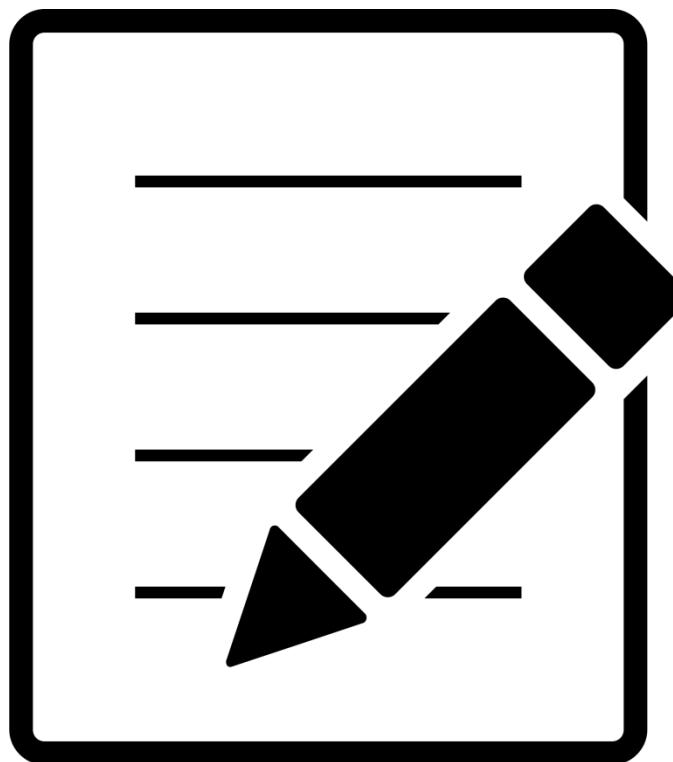
# Discussion Tables

- Issues and Opportunities – 40 minutes





# Report Back





# Next Steps

- Community Forums
  - Economic Development, Hamlet Revitalization, and Waterfront Access - December 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Housing and Community Services – December 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Land Use, Transportation and Community Character – January 2017
  - Agriculture and Agritourism – January 2017



# Thank You!



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