ST JOHNSBURY VULNERABILITY AUDIT

This information is being collected as part of updating St J's Hazard Mitigation Plan, but also to spark your own thinking about preparation for future disaster events. There will be public meetings we hope you will attend October 2 and December 4 to provide feedback for the plan. We will meet with the Selectboard, Planning Commission, Road Crew, Emergency and Fire Dept on town buildings, roads and public facilities, but want your feedback on the following to help measure the need for public information. Please use the back of the pages for more space. Please return to the Town Clerk or Atheneum for us to pick up.

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People, Homes and Business
1. Do you know who takes charge of emergency action in St Johnsbury? Who would take charge of support outreach, such as food, beds and clothing? Who is likely to come forward to pull the community together in a major disaster event?
2. Post-Irene, do you have low (), medium() or high () expectations that the community will come together to meet people's needs as well as possible?
3. Do you have ideas on how communication can be handled with people displaced from their homes, landline phones and businesses? How can contact information be collected and where should it be posted?
4. Where are the shelters, available to provide heat, power and food during an emergency?
5. How self-reliant are you – do you have resources sufficient to provide critical food and heat for several days if your house or neighborhood is cut off?
6. Do you have or know someone who has equipment you can use, like a generator, to help you and/or your neighborhood get thru several days of no power? ()Yes () No () Don't Know What equipment do you think you might need?
7. Does the town have strategies in place to prevent or reduce buildings and storage being placed in risky locations in the future? ()Yes () No () Don't Know
8. Do you have a checklist for what you need to have on hand if power or your water supply is lost? ()Yes () No Do you have important items, such as prescriptions, computer back-up or key personal documents, in a location where you can collect and take them with you in a hurry? ()Yes () No () Don't Know
Has answering this survey triggered thoughts about preparations you and your community can make to be better prepared for future disaster events? () Yes () No

Thank you for taking the time to fill this out, and to return it. Please join us for a public meeting on Oct 2, 2014 at pm.