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## ABOUT

Liz has experience in the fields of planning, natural resources, and sustainability in the public, non-profit, and private sectors. She is the owner and principal of EF | Design & Planning, LLC, a community and environmental planning and design consulting business in New Hampshire. The foundation of her practice is building resiliency and improving quality of life. Liz aspires to increase the use of visual communication methods and art to enhance projects, public outreach, and community spaces. Collaboration, transparency, quality, and commitment are core aspects of her work. Liz was awarded Planner of the Year by the New Hampshire Planners Association in 2020.

## AREAS OF PLANNING EXPERTISE

- Local Land Use Planning & Zoning
- Municipal Master Plans
- Outreach & Education
- Climate Adaptation & Resiliency
- Land Conservation
- Watershed & Water Resource Planning
- Hazard Mitigation
- Facilitation & Engagement
- Workgroup Coordination
- Graphic Design & Multimedia
- GIS Mapping and StoryMaps
- Project Management
- Climate Risk Assessment
- Environmental Impact Statement

## SOFTWARE SKILLS

Microsoft Office Suite	●●●●●●●●
Adobe Creative Suite	●●●●●●○○
ArcGIS Mapping	●●●●●○○○
ESRI StoryMap	●●●●●●●●
Website Design	●●●●●○○○
Social Media	●●●●●●●●

## EDUCATION

- M.U.P. Regional Planning & Physical Design, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2011
- M.S. Natural Resources & Environment - Sustainable Systems, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2011
- B.S. Environmental Conservation, University of New Hampshire College of Life Science & Agriculture, Durham, NH, 2006

## MEMBER

American Institute of Certified Planners  
American Planning Association Northern New England Chapter  
New Hampshire Planners Association  
New Hampshire Coastal Adaptation Workgroup

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### EF | Design & Planning, LLC - Owner & Principal

Durham, NH, 2017- Present

Manages and implements a range of local and regional planning projects:

- Town of Madbury, NH Contract Town Planner
- City of Rochester, NH Natural & Water Resources Master Plan
- Town of Madbury, NH Housing & Demographics Chapter
- Town of Northwood, NH Fire and Police Facilities Planning
- Hampton Coastal Hazards & Adaptation Team (CHAT) Coordinator
- CHAT Engagement Strategy outreach plan and implementation
- Hampton-Seabrook Estuary Collaborative Coordinator
- Town of Northwood, NH Master Plan update
- National League of Cities Path to Resilience Project Contractor, Hampton, Dover, Portsmouth, Newmarket, Rye, New Castle, Climate factsheet
- City of Dover, NH Central Business District Street Tree Plan and inventory
- Town of Kennebunkport, ME Comprehensive Plan update
- Hampton Beach Area Commission Symposium Coordinator
- Interim Contract City Planner, City of Rochester
- Great Bay Shoreline Project Roadmap organization and layout
- Planting Guide for Tidal Shoreline Erosion Management in NH layout
- Municipal land use and plan Audit of Hampton, Hampton Falls, and Seabrook
- Regulatory audit and outreach for North Hampton Village District plan
- City of Saco, ME Zoning Ordinance revision and regulations assistance
- Moose Mountains Regional Greenways land conservation consultant
- Acton Wakefield Watershed Alliance Strategic Plan

### AECOM - Environmental Planner, Chelmsford, MA, 2017

- Planning assistance for local and international water resource management and climate adaptation projects including: population and drinking water demand projections, USAID Green Infrastructure Guide, EPA Financial Capability Assessments; USAID Climate Risk Management; MA State Hazard Mitigation & Climate Adaptation Plan; MA Municipal Vulnerability Assessment Program; NEPA Environmental Impact Statement; Stormwater ordinance updates

### Strafford Regional Planning Commission - Senior Regional Planner

Rochester, NH, 2014-2017

- Prepared and formatted multiple sections of the Regional Master Plan
- Secured and managed contracts, budgets, reports, and subcontractors
- Developed master plans (Durham, Newmarket, Barrington, NH), zoning ordinances, and build out analyses
- Prepared Hazard Mitigation Plans
- Engaged the public via visioning sessions, surveys, and workshops
- Represented SRPC at regional public health network
- Co-managed SRPC Brownfields Program
- Served as the Interim Planning Director for the Town of Farmington, NH and supported Planning Board and Zoning Board

### MI Coastal Zone Management Program & Sea Grant - NOAA Coastal Management Fellow, Lansing, MI and Traverse City, MI, 2011-2013

- Analyzed waterfront land use, social and economic value of waterfront land use, provided state and local recommendations for preservation of working waterfronts

### Urban Ecology Institute & Americorps VISTA - Sustainable Cities Program Assistant, Boston, MA 2007-2008

- Planned and implemented Grow Boston Greener tree canopy initiative programs