

**Town of Charlotte Comparative Budget Report
for Selectboard Review November 23, 2015**

General Fund Line - Invasive Plant Management

Budget FY- 2015	Actual FY-2015	Budget FY-2016	Actual FY-2016 (As of Sept 28, 2016)	Budget FY-2017
1,000	662.50	950	875	1,000

Summary:

Primary focus species: Phragmites, Secondary focus species: Parsnip, knotweed

8 sites treated/retreated in 2014, 2015, 6 sites new/untreated

Wetland permits are sought where needed.

We are working closely with VDEC regulatory, technical advisors and adjacent property owners.

FYE 2016 expenses to date are \$875 from Habitat Restoration Solutions at 17.5 hrs at \$50/hr.

Estimated expenses between now and July 1 will deplete remaining funds of \$575 -- \$75 from general fund and \$500 from an unanticipated donation held by town in special account.

Volunteer hrs, estimated- 60

FYE 2017

Treat 6 new sites, revisit and retreat 8 sites where necessary.

Work with Town of Charlotte, VT DEC Wetlands, VTrans/AAFMs and LCBP to establish a mutually agreeable management plan and MOA for the Route 7 corridor currently with two pre-identified phragmites infestation sites. CHIC is currently unable to access and do control work in the Rte 7 corridor.

Volunteer hrs, estimated- 100

Cc: Town of Charlotte Conservation Commission
Lewis Creek Association