

Q. Why did the water cross the road?

A. To get to the river's side.

Seven years ago, Hurricane Irene came through our region and tested the resilience of communities: our infrastructure and relationships. What lessons did we learn? Are we now more prepared now for a similar event?

Let's talk about it at the –

*****First Annual Sharon Community Resilience Day*****

Date: Saturday, September 15th

Time: 10 AM

Location: Sharon Firehouse (5808 VT-14)

Program Agenda

Morning (10 AM): Gather, Converse, Plan (children welcome)

- Talk by Frank Rogers (Road Foreman, Town of Sharon)
 - Culvert awareness, observation, and maintenance
 - The Road Crew's role in maintaining our physical connectivity
- Guided discussion with Sharon Town Nurse and other Town leaders
 - Emergency experiences and basic preparedness
 - Being a resilient neighbor
- **Fresh donuts and coffee/tea provided** – BYO mug (but we will have cups)
- **Free raffle for an Emergency Preparedness Kit** and a portable **Radio/Light/Power Source**

Afternoon: *On your own.* Individual (or group) "Personal Works" project

Examples:

- Go for a walk to inspect the road culverts you depend on
- Clean up that tree that is hanging over the road
- Test your generator
- Preserve some food for the winter. You get the idea...

The Community Resilience Organization of Hartford (CROH) and the Upper Valley Adaptation Workgroup (UVAW) are sponsoring Community Resilience Day to commemorate the anniversary of Tropical Storm Irene and to celebrate the incredible community connections we have here in the Upper Valley. This event is being organized by the Sharon Energy Committee.