

#### 4. ENVIRONMENT

- Preserve corridors for wildlife and recreation. Zoning doesn't do it – it's transitory.
- Pollution due to congestion.
- Bringing Lake Champlain water to Williston influenced growth; the need for more wastewater treatment is limiting growth. (others concur)
- Champlain Valley west slope under appreciated wildlife habitat. Stage Road.
- SUVs should be discouraged (health, conservation, pollution, dependency on foreign oil, etc.)
- Air quality will be compromised without Circ (free-flowing traffic)
- Exhaust gases from vehicles – fewer with new roadway improvements. Move people through the area.
- Brennan Woods Resident: Concerned about noise, air, light pollution
- Comprehensive wildlife issues need to be considered.
- Williston resident : Preserve natural areas
- Concerned over impacts to deer yarding.
- South Burlington resident: Eastern area – bear habitat, undeveloped land – could be threatened by Circ
- Need to break out wetlands, forest blocks, natural communities, deer wintering yards, and bear habitat on separate maps.
- Williston Residents: Concern that mitigation such as noises barriers wont be implemented
- Noise barriers
- Increased population encroaches on the environment.
  - Concerns of noise and pollution relative to Circ
  - Air quality/water quality impacts (salt and other pollutants)
- Richmond resident: Concerned about habitat loss
- Fragmentation of habitats, wildlife corridors; green ways.
- The Circ plan would create a barrier for non-vehicular travel (e.g.; wildlife and pedestrians)
- Resident of Williston: Habitat fragmentation – open space habitat already fragmented. Wildlife corridors/natural systems [should] not be further impacted by the project.
  - Archaeology – see UVM.