MAP 12: NH REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS

New Hampshire's Regional Planning Commissions were formally established by the NH Legislature state enabling law in 1969 though the enactment of RSA 36. The statute specifies that regional planning commissions are advisory bodies voluntarily formed by the member communities in their planning regions. The primary role of a Regional Planning Commission is to provide support and technical assistance to its member communities in the areas of planning and community development. This includes but is not limited to assistance in developing local land use ordinances and providing support to municipal boards, assisting with the preparation of local master plans and hazard mitigation plans, and helping to secure funding for transportation and other infrastructure projects.

