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PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING:

Brewster/Orleans “Living Streets” Pilot Project

Tuesday, October 16, 2012
6:00 p.m.
Orleans Town Hall, Nauset Room

BARNSTABLE COUNTY, MA – On October 16, the Cape Cod Commission will host a meeting about the “Living Streets” pilot project for a section of Route 6A between Brewster and Orleans.

Living streets is a concept for improving transportation corridors for better safety, better accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians, and better management of stormwater. The Brewster/Orleans project encompasses the 1.7 miles of Route 6A that connect Nickerson State Park with the Skaket Corner intersection in Orleans.

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The project has been under way since April 2012. During the summer, the project team mapped, analyzed, and ranked site attributes of that portion of the historic roadway and considered various designs and recommendations. For the October 16th meeting, Commission staff members will:

- identify a preferred alternative for the project;
- make a presentation of street design “best management practices” and conceptual design plans; and
- address public comment and take feedback on traffic safety, pedestrian access, and bicycle access.

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), the annual work plan of the Cape Cod Commission’s transportation function, identified the Living Streets pilot project as one of the planning activities to be pursued this year. The UPWP is certified annually by the Cape Cod Metropolitan Planning Organization, which includes representatives of regional, state, and federal agencies and Cape Cod towns.

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ABOUT THE CAPE COD COMMISSION:

Cape Cod Commission is the regional land use planning, economic development, and regulatory agency created in 1990 to serve the citizens and 15 towns that comprise Barnstable County, Massachusetts, better known as Cape Cod. The Commission works toward maintaining a healthy balance between economic progress and environmental vitality. "Keeping a special place special" describes the agency’s mission to protect the region’s unique qualities. The 19-member volunteer Cape Cod Commission board represents a wide spectrum of the community and provides oversight for a staff of 35 professionals. The Commission is responsible for regional planning, policy, and regulations to help manage growth, and the agency supports the Cape’s 15 towns with cost-effective planning and technical services. For more information, visit: www.capecodcommission.org