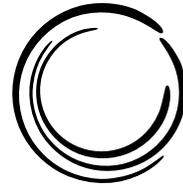




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Regional Transportation Plan Workshops

On behalf of the Cape Cod Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), the Cape Cod Commission's transportation staff conducted a series of four workshops in June and July, gathering ideas from the public and interested stakeholders that will help the MPO to update the long-range transportation plan for Cape Cod. The workshops focused on different modes of transportation (bicycling and pedestrian; public transportation; rail, air, and ferry; and roadways and the environment) and featured panelists representing local transportation agencies, advocacy groups, and experts on the topics. According to Commission Transportation Engineer Lev Malakhoff, one of the workshop organizers, the sessions were designed to help attendees learn how the Regional Transportation Plan leads to funding for projects in their communities. "The workshops are an important part of the public participation process for the 2011 update of the plan," he explains, noting that the general message that came out of the workshops was "high enthusiasm for coordination of modes." Written comments are still encouraged. Future meetings will be held as the draft plan makes progress. Details and an online questionnaire are available on the web site: www.gocapecod.org/rtp

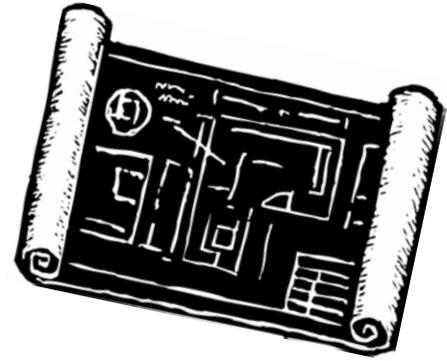
Route 6A Corridor Management Plan Updated

The Cape Cod Commission planning and transportation staff have completed an update to the award-winning 1995 Route 6A Corridor Management Plan (CMP). The Commission prepared the original CMP with a main focus of resource protection while addressing traffic and safety needs along the corridor—34 miles of state highway roughly paralleling the Cape Cod Bay shoreline through seven towns, beginning in the village of Sagamore in Bourne and ending at the Route 6 rotary at the Eastham/Orleans town border. The 1995 CMP also was intended to inform the policy of the Massachusetts Highway Department (now Department of Transportation, MassDOT) on management of scenic roads and help the state develop its Scenic Byways program. In 2009, the Commission embarked on an update of the plan to incorporate current data. The Commission completed the update in June; it is now available (as a 29.5 MB PDF file) from the web site: www.capecodcommission.org/planning/plansstudies.htm



CCC DRI Decision

This newsletter publishes summaries of decisions on projects reviewed by the Cape Cod Commission as Developments of Regional Impact (DRIs). To download PDF versions of the DRI decisions, visit the Regulatory section of the Commission's web site: www.capecodcommission.org/regulatory



BARNSTABLE:

Barnstable Municipal Airport Terminal Access and Egress Design – Project #MOD10001 (Major Modification)

On June 24, 2010, the Cape Cod Commission with 13 voting members present voted 11-2-0 to approve with conditions the application of the Barnstable Municipal Airport Commission for a major modification to the Development of Regional Impact (DRI) decision for the Barnstable Municipal Airport Improvements project dated January 25, 2007, as amended on July 6, 2009, March 16, 2010, April 12, 2010, and May 24, 2010 through minor modifications.

The original decision allowed for the construction of a new passenger terminal with a 42,000-square-foot footprint, construction of two new entrances to the airport, construction of a new signalized entrance from the airport to Route 132, closure of the two existing airport entrances from the Airport Rotary, construction of a new access road connecting the terminal to Attucks Way, and construction of parking lots, a fuel-storage facility and ramp, and relocation of two taxiways. The July 2009 modification reduced the size of the terminal to 28,000 square feet and made other building changes. The March 2010 modification extended the time for the airport commission to enter into a development agreement with the Cape Cod Commission. The April 2010 modification allowed for the demolition of the existing air traffic control tower and the construction of a new tower. The modification in May 2010 addressed changes to portions of the tower. A new minor modification in July addressed technical corrections.

This modification (#MOD10001) proposes to eliminate the previously approved signalized entrance to Route 132 near the Airport Rotary (across from Nightingale Lane), construct a raised median on Route 132 from the rotary to past Hinckley Road, maintain an 'exit-only' branch from the airport to the Airport Rotary, and realign the access road. Rather than construct a new road link from airport property to the intersection of Attucks Lane and Independence Drive, the project will connect the access road to Airport Road.

The airport commission submitted these proposed modifications to airport access/egress plans on March 8, 2010. The next week, the Cape Cod Commission's Regulatory Committee determined that the proposed changes constituted a major modification but limited the scope of review to transportation issues only. The Cape Cod Commission deemed the application complete on March 30, and a subcommittee held public hearings and meetings beginning in early May.

On June 24, the full Cape Cod Commission determined that the project decision addressed all DRI minimum performance standards for transportation, encompassing safety, congestion, and trip-reduction issues.



Keeping a Special Place Special

20 Years Ago This Month...

Members of the "Governor's Committee" met with the Cape Cod Commission, relaying the message that then-

Governor Michael Dukakis believed that the Cape Cod Commission Act "was a major achievement," that all of his cabinet members supported the legislation, and that state government would do whatever it could "to make the Cape Cod Commission a success." Speakers included John DeVillars, then-secretary of environmental affairs; Amy Anthony, then-secretary of communities and development; Alden Raine, then-secretary of economic affairs; and Paul Eustace, then-secretary of labor.

CCC Regulatory Status Report

■ DRI Project Reviews:

BARNSTABLE

- **Barnstable Municipal Airport Terminal Access and Egress Design**—proposed major modification to access and egress. The scope of CCC review was limited to transportation issues. The CCC voted to approve the DRI with conditions on 6/24/10.

BOURNE

- **New Generation Wind Joint Venture**—proposed construction of seven commercial wind energy turbines and access roadways on multiple parcels.

BREWSTER

- **Windrift Acres**—resubmittal of a proposed 22-lot subdivision on 55 acres in West Brewster.

FALMOUTH

- **Falmouth Ice Arena**—proposed redevelopment of an existing 6.9-acre vacant commercial site to construct a new 59,251-sq.ft. (floor area) ice arena for public use.
- **The Golf Club at Cape Cod/Ballymeade**—proposed construction of an 18-hole golf course on approximately 183.41 acres within Ballymeade Estates. Extension agreement to 9/29/13.

MASHPEE

- **Cape Cod Coop Bank Preliminary Plan**—proposed subdivision of 48 acres.
- **Mashpee Watershed Plan**—proposed watershed nitrogen management plan.

PROVINCETOWN

- ✓ ● **Waste Treatment Telecommunications Monopole**—proposed construction of a wireless telecommunications facility in a 40x40-ft. compound.

SANDWICH

- ✓ ● **Forestdale Village**—resubmittal of a proposed 100,000-sq.ft. commercial development on Route 130.

YARMOUTH

- **Cape Wind Energy Project**—proposed wind energy facility in Nantucket Sound, with 130 wind towers transmitting power via an underground cable with a proposed Yarmouth landfall. Joint MEPA/CCC review. MEPA issued FEIR certificate on 3/29/07. CCC denied the project without prejudice on procedural grounds on 10/18/07. Cape Wind Associates petitioned the state Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB) for a "Certificate of Environmental Impact and Public Interest" on 11/21/07. EFSB held a hearing in mid November 2008 and granted the certificate on 5/27/09. CCC filed a petition to appeal that decision on 6/12/09. The matter is before the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court.
- **Simpkins Residences**—proposed renovation and 39,366-sq.ft. addition to an existing 41,834-sq.ft. 1930 school building to create 65 units of housing on 4.1 acres in South Yarmouth.

■ DRI Reviews Pending Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) Certificates:

- **South Coast Watersheds Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan/Falmouth**—proposed Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan to address water quality problems of Little, Great, Green, Bourne, and Eel ponds, and Waquoit Bay.
- **Holland Mills Well and Pumping Station/Mashpee**—proposed installation of new public water supply well/pump station.
- **Orleans Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan**—proposed draft Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan that identifies and evaluates three alternative plans for wastewater treatment and disposal.
- **Provincetown Airport Capital Improvements Plan**—proposed safety and facility improvements to the Provincetown Municipal Airport.
- **Sandwich Beach Nourishment & Dredging**—proposed beach nourishment/maintenance dredging.
- **Herring River Tidal Restoration Project**—proposed reestablishment of tidal flow to the 1,100-acre Herring River estuary and floodplain.
- **Parker's River Marine Park/Yarmouth**—proposed marine park on the 22-acre site of the former Yarmouth drive-in theater.

■ Proposals with Approved "Notices of Intent to File a Development Agreement":

Dates shown are deadlines for anticipated filings.

- **Red Jacket Resorts Development/Yarmouth** – 8/20/10
- ✓ ● **The Village at Barnstable/Barnstable** – 12/17/10
- **Mashpee Commons Master Plan/Mashpee** – 2/18/11

Developments of Regional Impact (DRIs) and other regulatory matters currently under review by the Cape Cod Commission are listed here. A check mark (✓) in front of a project's name indicates that Commission regulatory activity is scheduled for that project in the next month. Details about activities listed here and in the calendar on the back cover may be found online in the Regulatory section of the web site: www.capecodcommission.org

■ Active Districts of Critical Planning Concern (DCPCs):

● **Craigville Beach DCPC/Barnstable**—The Town of Barnstable prepared draft "implementing regulations" for the district. On 4/1/10, the Barnstable Town Council voted to send the regulations to CCC for review. On 6/10/10, CCC found that the implementing regulations submitted for Commission review by the Town of Barnstable conform to the DCPC guidelines set forth in Barnstable County Ordinance 09-12. CCC also found that the district could be strengthened by additional regulations and actions. The Town Council now will consider adoption of the implementing regulations.

- ✓ ● **Ocean Management Planning DCPC/Capewide**—The Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates voted unanimously to designate the district by regional ordinance on 4/21/10. Implementing regulations must be adopted by 5/5/11. On behalf of the County Commissioners, the Cape Cod Commission is organizing a technical work group to focus on natural resources, visual issues, and renewable energy, and a policy committee to oversee the process and distill the recommendations of the technical work group, a stakeholder group, and the general public. The first meeting of the policy committee is scheduled for 7/29/10. Information is available online at www.capecodcommission.org/oceanplanning

Commission Meetings and Events

Cape Cod Commission meetings and hearings are open to the public. Call (508) 362-3828 to confirm times and check for last-minute changes.

Regulatory Calendar

■ **August 2:** HEARING OFFICER: Waste Treatment Telecommunications Monopole (Provincetown project), 6 p.m., Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies.

■ **August 5:** CCC MEETING: 3 p.m., Assembly of Delegates Chamber, Barnstable. Agenda tentative; please call to confirm:

– Proposed amendment to Chapter G, Growth Incentive Zone Regulations

– 2009 Regional Policy Plan proposed amendment to Energy section

– 2009 Regional Policy Plan technical corrections to Ordinance 10-07

■ **August 10:** CONTINUED HEARING: Waste Treatment Telecommunications Monopole (Provincetown project), 6 p.m., Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies.

■ **August 19:** CCC MEETING: 3 p.m., Assembly of Delegates Chamber, Barnstable. Agenda tentative; please call to confirm.

Standing Committees

Regulatory, Planning, and Executive committee meetings held at the Commission offices. Call for times.

Monday, August 2

Monday, August 16

Other Events

■ **Cape Cod Joint Transportation Committee (CCJTC) Meeting:** Friday, August 13, 2010, at 8:30 a.m. at CCC.

■ **Cape Cod Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Meeting:** Monday, August 16, 2010, at CCC; time to be determined.

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