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SECOND SMARTERCAPE SOLD OUT

## A View from the Summit

Spending a day and a half near the beach in North Falmouth, Massachusetts, would be appealing to anyone. Combining that setting with a chance to add one's opinion and suggestions about how Cape Cod could become a smarter community, "an exceptional place to live, work, and visit," proved irresistible to several hundred participants tuned into technology and the promise it holds for improving the already-popular Cape Cod.

Organized collaboratively by the Cape Cod Commission, the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce, the Cape Cod Economic Development Council, the Cape Cod Technology Council, and the OpenCape Corporation, the SmarterCape Summit took place May 14 and 15 at the Sea Crest Beach Hotel at Old Silver Beach (on Buzzards Bay). The summit offered four plenary sessions with notable speakers (including CCC Executive Director Paul Niedzwiecki) and

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## "Living Streets" Project along Route 6A

The Cape Cod Commission and partner Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) District 5 launched a "Living Streets" study of Route 6A between Brewster and Orleans last month. The Living Streets concept accommodates bicyclists, pedestrians, disabled patrons, and automobiles while also helping to keep air and water clean.

The 1.7-mile portion of Route 6A to be studied connects Nickerson State Park and the adjacent Cape Cod Rail Trail with shopping, banking, and services in the village center of Orleans. With public input, Commission staff will create initial designs for a retrofit that improves safety, provides amenities, and increases connections between different modes of transportation.

The pilot study will continue through the summer and wrap up in September 2012. For more information, visit the web site [www.capecodcommission.org/departments/planning/design/sustainablesites](http://www.capecodcommission.org/departments/planning/design/sustainablesites) and look for the link to the Living Streets project.



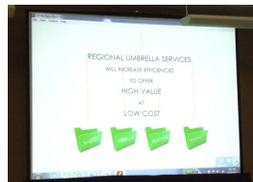
21 'breakout' sessions that explored smart and smarter solutions to meet present and future challenges in the categories of economy, education, environment, development, government, healthcare, and transportation. For more information, visit: [www.smartercapesummit.com](http://www.smartercapesummit.com)



SCENES FROM THE SUMMIT:

ABOVE: CCC Executive Director Paul Niedzwiecki opened SmarterCape Summit II with a presentation that offered a vision of Cape Cod in 2025.

BELOW: Ed Senteio, finance analyst with the Town of Yarmouth (left), and Dan Gallagher, CEO of OpenCape Corporation (right), discussed components of a Regional Umbrella Services System (center), including municipal e-permitting services, during a breakout session on smarter government.



Lynne Pleffner

Mark Harding

## CCC Board Vacancies

In April, Cape Cod Commission members and staff extended thanks to Lynne Pleffner for her service as Chatham's representative since April 2009 and to Mark Harding for his service as Barnstable County's Native American representative since January 2003.

The Chatham Board of Selectmen has yet to name a replacement for Pleffner, and the Board of Barnstable County Commissioners has yet to name a replacement for Harding. In addition, the Falmouth representative slot remains unfilled.

## CCC Receives ECO Award



The Cape Cod Commission/Barnstable County received a "Leadership Award" from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation during its ECO Awards ceremony in Boston earlier this spring. The ECO Awards "recognize excellence in commuter options." Senior Transportation Engineer Lev Malakhoff accepted the award on behalf of the Commission. He has been instrumental in promoting alternatives to single-occupant vehicle use on Cape Cod for many years. For information, visit: [www.commute.com/employers/ecoawards](http://www.commute.com/employers/ecoawards)

## Regional Policy Plan Amendments Head to Assembly

On May 10, the Cape Cod Commission approved several proposed amendments to the 2009 Regional Policy Plan (RPP), recommending that the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates consider and approve them as county ordinance. The amendments will fill regulatory gaps for ocean management, specifically the offshore development potential for sand and gravel mining and cable and pipeline installation in the state waters surrounding Cape Cod. By June, the Commission will submit a proposed new Marine Resources section and changes to the existing Coastal Resources, Historic Preservation/Community Character, and Definitions sections of the RPP to the Barnstable County Commissioners and the Assembly. The proposed changes are on the web site: [www.capecodcommission.org/RPP](http://www.capecodcommission.org/RPP)



# Regulatory Status Report

Listed below are Developments of Regional Impact (DRIs) and other major proposals whose applications either have been recently decided or are currently under review by the Cape Cod Commission. Details about these activities may be found online in the Regulatory Department of the Commission's web site: [www.capecodcommission.org/departments/regulatory](http://www.capecodcommission.org/departments/regulatory)

## ■ DRI Project Reviews:

### BOURNE

- **New Generation Wind Joint Venture**—proposed construction of commercial wind energy-generation project with four turbines expected to generate 9.5 megawatts (MW) of power, on multiple parcels west of the Cape Cod Canal. CCC voted to deny the project without prejudice on 2/16/12. The decision has been appealed in court.

### BREWSTER

- **MP Renaissance LLC**—proposed facility off Route 124 with one 131,877-sq.ft. building having two two-story wings connected by a central common core, with a total of 132 units (66 memory-care units, 65 assisted-living units, and one manager's unit). The proposal also includes access, parking, utilities, stormwater management systems, and landscaping. CCC accepted the applicant's withdrawal of an earlier proposal on 1/5/12. The applicant resubmitted the revised proposal on 1/12/12.

### CHATHAM

- **DuPont Residence/3 Main Street**—proposed substantial alteration of a single-family dwelling listed as a contributing structure in a National Historic Register District.

### SANDWICH

- **Sagamore Line Reinforcement Project (Western Segment)**—proposed installation of 11,000 ft. of 20-inch-diameter gas pipeline along Service Road between Route 130 and Quaker Meetinghouse Road.

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

- **Barnstable Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan**—proposed Town of Barnstable Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP)/Environmental Notification Form (ENF) to summarize progress completed to date and to identify the evaluations and environmental review process that the town will complete to produce the Draft and Final CWMP/Environmental Impact Report (EIR) documents. The CWMP will assess the wastewater needs, evaluate mitigation measures, and develop a recommended plan.
- **South Coast Watersheds Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (Falmouth)**—proposed Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan to address water quality problems of Little, Great, Green, Bournes, and Eel ponds, and Waquoit Bay.

- **Holland Mills Well and Pumping Station (Mashpee)**—proposed installation of new water supply well/pump station.
- **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 (Wellfleet and Truro)**—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.

## ■ Growth Incentive Zone (GIZ):

- **Buzzards Bay Downtown GIZ**—On April 26, 2012, the Cape Cod Commission approved an application by the Town of Bourne for a "Growth Incentive Zone" (GIZ) designation for downtown Buzzards Bay. The Commission received the application from the Bourne Planning Board with approval from the Bourne Board of Selectmen in late March. The area is within a designated Economic Center on Bourne's portion of the Regional Land Use Vision Map, includes existing development and infrastructure, and is characterized by a compact mix of uses including civic and institutional uses, pedestrian- and transit-oriented development, and a range of housing types. The town requested a cumulative cap/threshold for development and redevelopment of properties within the GIZ that may proceed without mandatory DRI review by the Cape Cod Commission (with some exceptions) until the total amount of development within the GIZ reaches the cap/threshold. The town requested a phased-growth approach consistent with offsets and infrastructure, as follows: **Phase 1** - 128 residential units and 265,000 sq.ft. of commercial development potential (Phase 1 development may not exceed remaining wastewater allocation and/or remaining water supply capacity); **Phase 2** - 122 additional residential units (up to 250 units total for Phases 1 and 2), contingent upon an additional offset of approximately 30 acres in a District of Critical Planning Concern (DCPC), or other approvable offsets and additional infrastructure; **Phase 3** - 110 additional residential units (up to 360 units total for all three phases), and 385,000 sq.ft. of additional commercial development potential, both contingent upon additional offsets and infrastructure. The Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates must now approve the threshold modification request.

## New in the Resource Center

Check out these recent additions to the web site  
[www.capecodcommission.org/resourcecenter](http://www.capecodcommission.org/resourcecenter):



- » Cape Cod Pathways - Cape Walk 2012 - Brochure and Schedule  
[Resource Center](#) → [Type](#) → [Brochures](#)
- » Overview of Chapter 40B Fundamentals - The Next Chapter of 40B: A Training on the Latest Developments in the Affordable Housing Law  
[Resource Center](#) → [Topic](#) → [Chapter 40B](#)
- » Coastal Resources Guide for Pleasant Bay and Chatham Harbor  
[Resource Center](#) → [Town](#) → [Chatham \(or Brewster, Harwich, or Orleans\)](#)
- » Technical Bulletin 12-001: Visual Impact Assessment (VIA) Methodology for Offshore Development  
[Resource Center](#) → [Type](#) → [Technical Bulletins](#)

# Cape Cod Commission Meetings and Events

Cape Cod Commission (CCC) meetings and hearings are open to the public. Call 508-362-3828 or check the web site for last-minute changes: [www.capecodcommission.org/calendar](http://www.capecodcommission.org/calendar)

## Regulatory Calendar

- **May 24:** CCC MEETING: Cancelled.
- **June 4:** MEPA/CCC HEARING & SCOPING SESSION: Barnstable Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, 7 p.m., Barnstable Department of Public Works, 382 Falmouth Road, Hyannis.

## Standing Committees

Planning, Regulatory, and Executive committee meetings are generally held at the CCC office (3225 Main Street/Route 6A, Barnstable) on the Mondays of the weeks in which full CCC Meetings occur (see above). Times vary. Please check the online calendar.

## Other Events

- **Cape Walk 2012:** A nine-day walk across Cape Cod, from Provincetown to Bourne. Beginning Saturday, June 2, and continuing through Sunday, June 10. Sponsored by Cape Cod Pathways. For details, check the calendar: [www.capecodcommission.org/calendar](http://www.capecodcommission.org/calendar)
- **Cape Cod Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Meeting:** Monday, May 21, 2012, beginning at 1 p.m. at CCC.
- **Cape Cod Joint Transportation Committee Meeting:** Friday, June 8, 2012, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at CCC.

■ **Saturday Community Conversations on Wastewater:** Cape Cod Commission Executive Director Paul Niedzwiecki will visit each Cape Cod town on Saturdays this spring and early summer (the first two were held on May 5, in Wellfleet and Eastham; two more were held on May 12, in Yarmouth and Barnstable) to encourage community discussion of wastewater management issues. The remaining sessions are:

- Saturday, May 19, at the Sandwich Public Library from 10 a.m. to 12 noon
- Saturday, May 19, at the Mashpee Public Library from 2 to 4 p.m.
- Saturday, June 2, at the Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies from 10 a.m. to 12 noon
- Saturday, June 2, at the Truro Public Library from 2 to 4 p.m.
- Saturday, June 9, at the Chatham/El-dredge Public Library from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Saturday, June 9, at the Brewster Ladies Library from 2 to 4 p.m.
- Saturday, June 16, at the Dennis Public Library, 10:00–12:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 16, at the Harwich/Brooks Free Library from 2 to 3:30 p.m.
- Saturday, June 23, at the Orleans/Snow Library from 10:30 to 12:30 p.m.
- Saturday, July 14, at the Falmouth Public Library from 10 a.m. to 12 noon
- Saturday, July 14, at the Bourne Public Library from 2 to 4 p.m.

## All Wastewater, All the Time

The Cape Cod Commission offers several online options for the public to monitor progress on wastewater management planning across the region:



Web: [www.capecodcommission.org/initiatives/wastewater](http://www.capecodcommission.org/initiatives/wastewater)



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