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Sandwich Becomes 11th Cape Town with Certified LCP

The Local Comprehensive Plan (LCP) of the Town of Sandwich is the eleventh town plan to be certified as consistent with the Cape Cod Regional Policy Plan. By unanimous vote on June 25, 2009, the Cape Cod Commission certified the Sandwich LCP.

Several Commission members and town officials praised not only the plan but the process for the plan's development and certification. Governor's Appointee and Commission Planning Committee Chair Herbert Olsen called the moment "an historic event." Brewster representative Elizabeth Taylor expressed both praise and chagrin, noting "now the pressure is really on Brewster" for its own LCP.

The Sandwich Local Planning Committee approved a draft of the plan in October 2008. In January

2009, the Cape Cod Commission's Planning Committee gave the plan preliminary certification. In May 2009, Sandwich Town Meeting adopted the LCP.

Several selectmen from the Town of Sandwich hailed the certification achievement. Board Chair John Kennan noted that the Commission's decision to certify the plan will help the town in "embracing the future while retaining the past," and Linell Grundman said she was "most pleased about the collaboration between the town and the Cape Cod Commission."

Sandwich Director of Planning and Development Greg Smith and Commission Senior Community Design Planner Phil Dascombe presented the plan and the draft decision.

Smith noted the plan provides a vision for the community for 10 years, indicates where development should occur, and attempts to balance economic development and conservation. It focuses on four strategic planning areas in which to "channel and intensify development," namely the Sandwich Marina area, the downtown historic village area, the Route 130 industrial park area, and the South Sandwich village center on Cotuit Road. According to Smith, the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board have chosen the latter as their top priority area for intensified development.

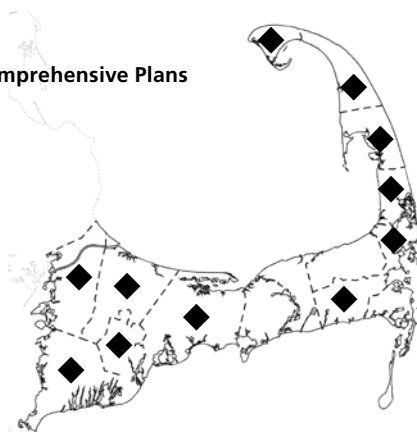
The document includes an implementation plan, organized in nine issue areas. Smith said additional town planning initiatives will include a market analysis for the South Sandwich village center, continued work on a comprehensive wastewater management plan, and a comprehensive review and rewrite of town zoning bylaws.

Dascombe noted two conditions on the certification: the need for a narrative on "shared resources," and the appointment of an "action plan manager" for the plan's implementation.

The Sandwich LCP is available on the town's web site:
www.sandwichmass.org

Cape Cod Towns with Certified Local Comprehensive Plans

Town	Date First Certified by CCC
Truro.....	March 1995
Wellfleet.....	July 1995
Eastham.....	December 1996
Barnstable.....	February 1998
Falmouth.....	July 1998
Mashpee.....	July 1998
Provincetown.....	July 2000
Harwich.....	July 2000
Orleans.....	July 2001
Bourne.....	November 2007
Sandwich.....	June 2009



Economic Development, Phase 3: Priority Project Implementation

In late June, the Barnstable County Commissioners voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Cape Cod Economic Development Council (EDC) to grant \$350,000 each year for the next three years to support implementation of the region's new Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).

The CEDS five-year update received unanimous approval from both the EDC and the Cape Cod Commission as the region's economic development work plan for the next five years. The EDC-Commission funding collaboration will support two interrelated approaches: implementation of the CEDS-identified regional priority projects, and targeted technical and planning assistance to Cape towns as they develop economic and village centers reflective of the growth policy of the 2009 Cape Cod Regional Policy Plan.

This year's CEDS update is described by all involved as a more-inclusive economic development planning process than ever in the past. Sixteen projects were identified as region-wide economic development priorities by a cross-section of nearly 100 public and private economic, business, and government leaders on Cape Cod. The Commission finalized the CEDS document and submitted it to the US Economic Development Administration (EDA) at the end of June.

The EDC served as the strategy committee for the CEDS process and was a catalyst for the newly funded collaboration with the Cape Cod Commission. Commission Executive Director Paul Niedzwiecki has asked the EDC to continue to be an active advisory board for the implementation phase.

"By pooling resources—that is, the talent and tools of the Cape Cod Commission and the expertise and grant funding of the EDC—we will better coordinate the annual update to the region's economic development strategy, devote more services to towns, and decrease

county administrative costs," Niedzwiecki says. The EDC-Commission collaboration will also help provide better data, research, and public outreach.

Niedzwiecki adds, "The success of the collaboration should be reflected in the future by an increase in year-round jobs, an increase in private investment in the region, and stronger infrastructure capacity."

The Commission will match the \$350,000 EDC funding with more than \$188,000 per year for three years. EDC will continue to retain the ability to make other grants from its Cape and Islands license plate fund.



Federal Funding Grant Workshop

With Matthew Suchodolski, from the
US Economic Development Administration (EDA) – Philadelphia Regional Office

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and the Barnstable County Resource Development Office

DATE:	Tuesday, July 28, 2009
LOCATION:	Hyannis Transportation Center, Community Room
TOPICS:	The application process for EDA funding
MAIN OBJECTIVE:	Understanding EDA grant priorities and procedures for obtaining EDA funding
AUDIENCE:	Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) project stakeholders, towns, and other organizations interested in learning about EDA funding opportunities
COST:	Free
ACTION:	Respond by Thursday, July 24. Seating is limited. Anyone interested in attending should contact Cape Cod Commission Special Projects Coordinator Elizabeth Hude at 508-744-1249 or ehude@capecodcommission.org.

For agency information, check the EDA web site: www.eda.gov

Cape Cod Commission • DRI Status Report

Developments of Regional Impact (DRIs) currently under consideration by the Cape Cod Commission are listed below. 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 those activities are listed in the calendar on the back cover and as notices in the regulatory section of the Web site: www.capecodcommission.org

DRI Projects in the CCC Regulatory Queue

BARNSTABLE

- ✓ • **Dalby ANR**—proposed division of land in excess of 30 acres to split an existing lot into two lots.
- ✓ • **Haseotes Addition**—proposed construction of a 2,900-sq.ft. three-bedroom addition to a dwelling within the Craigville Beach/Centerville Village Center DCPC.
- **Mystic River Realty Trust**—proposed Approval Not Required (ANR) plan dividing a 60-acre tract of land into two lots (one 49 acres and one 11 acres).

BREWSTER

- ✓ • **Brewster VFW Pavilion**—proposed construction of a steel-framed roof over an existing picnic area on a 4.28-acre site within the Brewster Water Protection District of Critical Planning Concern (DCPC).

CHATHAM

- **Chatham Wastewater Plan**—wastewater study and implementation plan. Joint MEPA/CCC review. Extension agreement to 6/18/10.

FALMOUTH

- **South Coast Watersheds Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan**—proposed Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan to address water quality problems of Little, Great, Green, Bournes, and Eel ponds, and Waquoit Bay. Joint MEPA/CCC review.
- **The Golf Club at Cape Cod/Ballmeade**—proposed construction of an 18-hole golf course on approximately 183.41 acres within Ballymeade Estates. Extension agreement to 9/29/13.

MASHPEE

- **Holland Mills Well and Pumping Station**—proposed installation of new public water supply well/pump station. Joint MEPA/CCC review.
- **Mashpee Commons**—proposed master plan. Extension agreement to 2/1/10.
- **Mashpee Watershed Plan**—proposed watershed nitrogen management plan.
- **Mashpee Woods ANR Plan**—proposed Approval Not Required (ANR) subdivision plan with two commercial lots and seven industrial lots. Extension agreement to 9/18/09.

ORLEANS

- **Daniels C&D Facility Expansion**—proposed expansion of a construction and demolition debris-processing facility. Formal withdrawal anticipated.
- **Orleans Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan**—proposed draft Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan that identifies and evaluates three alternative plans for wastewater treatment and disposal. Joint MEPA/CCC review.

PROVINCETOWN

- **Provincetown Airport Capital Improvements Plan**—proposed safety and facility improvements to the Provincetown Municipal Airport. Joint MEPA/CCC review.

SANDWICH

- **Sandwich Beach Nourishment and Dredging**—proposed beach nourishment and maintenance dredging. Joint MEPA/CCC review.

WELLFLEET

- **Herring River Tidal Restoration Project**—proposed reestablishment of tidal flow to the 1,100-acre Herring River estuary and floodplain. Joint MEPA/CCC review.

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 issued a final decision to grant the certificate on 5/27/09. CCC filed a petition to appeal that decision to the MA Supreme Judicial Court on 6/12/09.
- **Parker's River Marine Park**—proposed marine park on the 22-acre site of the former Yarmouth drive-in theater. Joint MEPA/CCC review.

BOURNE, DENNIS, EASTHAM, HARWICH, AND TRURO

No DRI projects at this time.

CCC Personnel Notes

■ Sandwich Rep Resigns

In late June, Alan Trebat, representative to the Cape Cod Commission from the Town of Sandwich, resigned to accept the position of coordinator of the Regional Network to End Homelessness. Trebat became a member of the Commission in July 2008, serving on the Planning and Executive committees. At the time this newsletter issue went to press, the Sandwich Board of Selectmen had not yet appointed his replacement.

Trebat had also been elected by the Cape Cod Commission to serve in the capacity of Secretary for Fiscal Year 2010. With his resignation, Commission Chair John D. Harris appointed Elizabeth Taylor, representative from the Town of Brewster, to fill that officer's post.

■ Niedzwiecki Named to MA Climate Change Panel

Cape Cod Commission Executive Director Paul Niedzwiecki has been named by the Patrick Administration to a new Climate Change Adaptation Advisory Committee. The panel will advise the state on strategies for adapting to sea-level rise, warming temperatures, increased incidence of flood and drought, and other predicted effects of climate change.

Through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, the panel will report its findings to the state legislature by December 31, 2009.

The panel includes representatives from the following sectors: transportation and built infrastructure; commercial, industrial, and manufacturing activities; low-income consumers; energy generation and distribution; land conservation; water supply and quality; recreation; ecosystem dynamics; coastal zone and ocean; rivers and wetlands; and local government.

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.

Standing Committees

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

Monday, July 20
Monday, August 3

Full Commission Meetings

Held at the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates Chamber at 3 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, July 23
Thursday, August 6

Regulatory Calendar

- **July 16:** HEARING: Brewster VFW Pavilion, 6:30 p.m., Brewster Town Hall. Meeting to follow immediately thereafter.
- **July 23:** CCC MEETING: 3 p.m., Assembly of Delegates Chamber, Barnstable:
 - Haseotes Addition (Barnstable project)
 - Dalby ANR (Barnstable project)
- **August 6 and August 20:** CCC MEETINGS: 3 p.m., Assembly of Delegates Chamber, Barnstable. Agendas tentative; please call to confirm.

Other Events

- **Cape Cod Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Meeting:** Monday, July 20, beginning at 1 p.m. at CCC.
- **Yarmouth Road Corridor Study Public Meeting:** Thursday, July 23, beginning at 6 p.m. at Barnstable Town Hall. To receive feedback on four proposed alternatives for improvements. For details, visit the web site: www.gocapecod.org/yarmouthroad
- **Economic Development Administration (EDA) Federal Funding Grant Workshop:** Tuesday, July 28, 2009, at the Community Room of the Hyannis Transportation Center. See story on page 2. Seating is limited; please respond by Thursday, July 24, to Elizabeth Hude, 508-744-1249, ehude@capecodcommission.org.
- **Cape Cod Joint Transportation Committee (CCJTC) Meeting:** Friday, August 7, beginning at 8:30 a.m., at CCC.
- **Cape Cod Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Meeting:** Monday, August 24, beginning at 1 p.m. at CCC.



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