

Implementing a Regional Management Approach for the Eastern Shoreline of Cape Cod Bay

Thursday, June 16th, from 1:00 – 2:00 pm

Virtual Presentation

The towns of Provincetown, Truro, Wellfleet, and Eastham, along with the Center for Coastal Studies will host a presentation summarizing on-going efforts of a multi-year Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Resiliency Grant, entitled *Increasing Coastal Resiliency Through Intermunicipal Shoreline Management*. This grant project represents one of the first efforts in the Commonwealth to implement a program of regional shoreline management to help local communities confront the increasing challenges presented by a changing climate, rising sea levels, and coastal storm flooding.

The impetus for the project began in 2017 with discussions between the project team, consisting of Hillary Lemos, Conservation and Health Agent for the town of Wellfleet; Shana Brogan, Projects Coordinator and former Conservation Agent for the town of Eastham; Emily Beebe, Conservation and Health Agent for the town of Truro; Tim Famulare, Environmental Planner and Conservation Agent for the town of Provincetown; Rex McKinsey, Emergency Manager and former Harbormaster for the town of Provincetown; Steve Mckenna, CZM Cape & Islands Regional Coordinator; and staff from the Center For Coastal Studies in Provincetown. Recognizing that the characteristics contributing to the resiliency and ability of shorelines to respond naturally to coastal hazards operate independently of municipal boundaries, these discussions focused on pursuing the benefits of a regional approach that could increase coastal resiliency by promoting uniform, science-based management measures that treat the Cape Cod Bay shorelines of each community as one shoreline system.

As part of the presentation, Center for Coastal Studies staff will discuss major features of this work, including the ongoing development of a uniform shoreline management framework and a public data portal that when complete (in Phase 3) will serve as an intermunicipal management tool that facilitates access to and sharing of shoreline management data while also fostering open collaboration between the town partnership, other organizations, and the public. The presentation will conclude with thoughts from project team members on present and future benefits of the regional approach to the Outer Cape communities.

The online presentation is open to the public and can be viewed at the following link:

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