



Metropolitan Beaches Commission
The State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

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Commissioner,

Hope you are well.

We reached out to the legislative members of the Metropolitan Beaches Commission and asked them to identify their highest priority infrastructure projects for their beach.

Here's the list from North to South, by community. Some of them are ready to go, while others are in various stages of the planning process.

Thanks for reaching out to us about this. Please feel free to give either Bruce or me a call with any questions.

All the best,

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Metropolitan Beaches Commission Infrastructure Priorities

Lynn and Nahant

- Beach walkway improvement and repair near Ward Bathhouse
- Handrails along Lynn Shore Drive: a segment was replaced last year at a cost of about \$430,000. Due to the age and exposure to significant ocean spray and salt in the air, a good portion of the handrail still needs to be replaced and we are requesting another \$400,000 to do so.
- Funds to assist with the open space design of the landfill cap located at the Lynnway along Lynn's waterfront. This space would be accessible by all in Lynn and the surrounding area and will help the City of Lynn achieve its vision of creating a significant presence on the waterfront, and spur future economic activity within the community at large. Working on some language and dollar amounts for this as we speak.

Revere

Repairs to the seawall and sidewalks along Revere Beach Boulevard

Winthrop

Improved handicap access and ramp to Winthrop Beach

East Boston

Kayak launch, boat shed and float at Constitution Beach

South Boston

Repair and restore the "Pickle Barrel" adjacent to the McCormack Bathhouse, so that it can be used for program space and storage to support free youth and beach programs.

Dorchester

Redesign and repair the parking and play space at Tenean Beach so that it is more resilient to coastal storms and sea level rise.

Quincy

- **Squantum Point Park Ferry Terminal:** Major work is necessary on piers, floats and infrastructure related to creating a fully operational ferry terminal at Squantum Point Park. Currently, the terminal hosts a limited ferry service in a partnership between the

City of Quincy and the Town of Winthrop. Necessary upgrades would allow for larger boats and an increase in ridership capacity. \$1 million to \$5 million project.

- **Quincy Bay Dredging:** The boating channel and bay in the Wollaston Beach and surrounding area is in desperate need of dredging. The amount of sediment build-up throughout the bay has made recreational boating difficult for several years. A good deal of permitting work has been done on this, but no capital funds allocated. \$5 to \$10 million project.

Hull

- \$12 million – Pt Allerton Seawall: rebuild failed section of DCR seawall and restore the natural point. This project is an urgent need project to prevent further degradation of the seawall, protect the public and private property and to protect utility infrastructure (water, sewer, gas, electric). DCR Engineers have been working on a design build and it should be close to being ready to permit.
- \$500,000 – Mary Jeanette Murray Bath House: Repair external walls, roof and flashing to weatherize against storm damage. This is a high need project to finish weatherizing this iconic and well used public building to protect the investments already made and to ensure generations to come get to enjoy this wonderful public space. This project is designed and waiting funding.

Two additional projects from the Nantasket Beach Reservation's Landside-use Master Plan are also designed and awaiting funding.

- \$250,000 – Nantasket Green Space: Funding final design to change a small impervious parking lot between the Mary Jeanette Murray Bath House and the Bernie King Pavillion into green space. This is an important project to promote public enjoyment and give a green space for the public to retreat to when the high tide comes into the seawall. This is also an important resilience project.
- \$250,000 – Nantasket Boardwalk: Funding for final design for repairs and improvements to the mile-long boardwalk and to create a bike lane to separate walkers and bikers. This is an important project to promote year-round public enjoyment for the public.

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