

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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George Price Superintendent Cape Cod National Seashore 99 Marconi Site Road Wellfleet, Massachusetts 02667

RE: Cape Cod National Seashore – North Beach Island Structure Removal; Chatham

Dear Superintendent Price:

The Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management (CZM) has received your package of information for the proposed removal of structures from the Cape Cod National Seashore North Beach Island, located in Chatham. This project involves the removal of five dune cottages and one shed. The cottages are identified as the Bloomer, Carroll, Crowell, Dubis, and Lumpkin cottages. A small National Park Service shed on the eastern shore of the island may also be removed.

Although the activities associated with this project are located within the defined Massachusetts Coastal Zone, based upon our review of the information provided, they fall below the thresholds that CZM generally uses to require review under our federal consistency provisions. Consequently, a formal decision from this office regarding consistency with our enforceable program policies is not necessary.

All Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs agencies are mandated to implement the CZM policies through their licensing and permitting programs. Therefore, upon receipt of any other required state environmental authorizations, if required, consistency with CZM policies can be presumed. If the above-referenced project is modified in any manner, including any changes resulting from permit, license or certification revisions, including those ensuing from an appeal, or the project is noted to be having effects on coastal resources or uses that are different than originally proposed, it is incumbent upon the proponent to notify CZM and submit an explanation of the nature of the change pursuant to 15 CFR 930. CZM will use this information to determine if further federal consistency review is required.



Thank you for submitting the information to CZM. If you have any questions regarding our review process, feel free to call me at (617) 626-1050.

Sincerely,

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