

PROJECT LOCATION

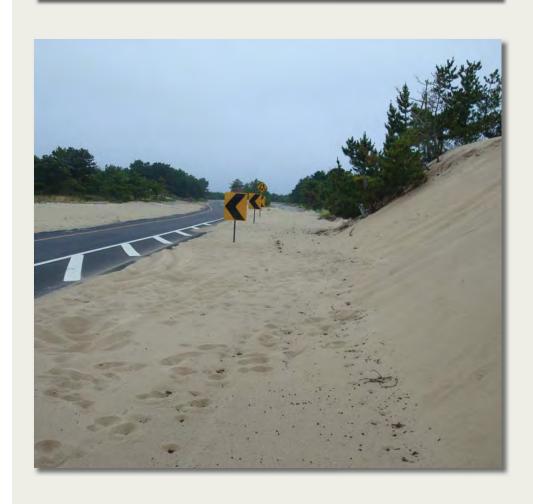




ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS

WHAT IS NEPA?

The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) sets American environmental policy, goals, and processes for carrying out its principles. NEPA encourages productive and enjoyable harmony between humans and the environment, promotes efforts to eliminate environmental damage and stimulate the health and welfare of the public, and enriches the understanding of nationally important ecological systems and natural and cultural resources. NEPA processes ensure that federal agencies act in good faith during federal undertakings. Understanding public concerns and opinions regarding projects is critical to the NEPA process. NPS is using public scoping and a report called an Environmental Assessment to gather comments, identify alternatives, and gauge public opinion on the Moors Road project.



ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT / ASSESSMENT OF EFFECT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT STEPS

PUBLIC PROVIDES COMMENTS DURING 30-DAY PUBLIC SCOPING PERIOD AND OPEN HOUSE

NPS:
REVIEWS PUBLIC SCOPING COMMENTS
DEVELOPS RANGE OF ALTERNATIVES
IDENTIFIES PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE
PREPARES ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT / ASSESSMENT OF EFFECT

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT / ASSESSMENT OF EFFECT DISTRIBUTED FOR MINIMUM 30-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

NPS DECISION DOCUMENT



WHAT IS NHPA?

The National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) sets national policy for historic perservation issues. Section 106 of NHPA requires federal agencies to determine how their actions may affect historic properties included in or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, a list of important places in American history and prehistory. The NPS is combining the public involvement processes for the Moors Road project by using its NEPA document to collect public opinion for NHPA. The combined document is called an Environmental Assessment/Assessment of Effect.



PURPOSE AND NEED







The National Park Service (NPS) and Cape Cod National Seashore (the National Seashore) are proposing the reconstruction of a 2-mile stretch of Moors Road (US Highway 6A) in Provincetown to improve the road to withstand increasing heavy vehicle use and to enhance bicycle and pedestrian access to Herring Cove Beach and the Province Lands Bike Trail from Provincetown.

These improvements are intended to:

• Reduce Congestion

- Moors Road is heavily used during the visitor season by passenger vehicles, buses, contractor equipment, delivery trucks, bicyclists, and pedestrians.
- A two-day traffic count totaled 2,530 vehicles (August 2007).

• Increase Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Vehicular Safety

- During summer months, as many as 800 bicyclists per day ride their bicycles along Moors Road and through parking areas to access bicycle parking for Herring Cove Beach.
- There were 14 bicycle/vehicle accidents on Moors Road in 2007.
- Increase in use by delivery and construction vehicles has led to the roadway crumbling due to excessive loading.

• Protect Natural Resources of the National Seashore

- The proposed multi-use enhancements should provide environmentally sensitive and safe access to public use areas, including a link between Province Lands Bike Trail and Herring Cove Beach.
- A bicycle facility should direct bicyclists to designated areas to prevent intrusion into the fragile dunes of the National Seashore.

• Encourage Alternative Forms of Transportation

- These improvements support the intermodal transportation goals of the Cape Cod Commission's Long Range Transportation Plan.
- The proposed multi-use enhancements should make connections to the regional transit system easier.
- Roadway and bicycle improvements should encourage visitors and local residents to leave their cars and directly experience the resources of the National Seashore.

HOW TO COMMENT

How To Comment Today...

Complete a comment form and place it in the comment box or provide it to NPS staff at the meeting.



	Cape Cod National Seashore
	Comment Form
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	nade available for public review. Individuals may request that the NPS requests will be honored to the extent allowable by law.
Please print so we can accurately record your comment.	Thank you.
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Please provide your thoughts and comments of	on the proposed project.
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How To Comment Later...

Comments can be submitted by October 26, 2009 in the following ways:

- ✓ Complete comment forms and mail to Superintendent at address below
- ✓ Mail a letter
- ✓ Comment electronically via the NPS
 Planning, Environment, and Public
 Comment (PEPC) website:

http://parkplanning.nps.gov/CACO

Mail comments to:
Superintendent
Cape Cod National Seashore
99 Marconi Site Road
Wellfleet, MA 02667

Please include your name, email address, and mailing address with all comments.



RESOURCES AND VALUES



Impacts on resources and values must be considered in development of proposed alternatives.



- Public safety
- Sensitive plant and animal species and habitats
- Wetlands and water quality
- Dynamic dune environment
- Access to beaches and recreational facilities
- Access to transportation routes (i.e. Route 6, Flex system)





