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Executive Office of Environmental Affairs

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ENF Environmental Notification Form

The information requested on this form must be completed to begin MEPA Review in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, 301 CMR 11.00.

Project Name: Hyannis Terminal Slip Reconstruction		
Street: 71 South Street		
Municipality: Hyannis	Watershed: Nantucket Sound	
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude: 41-39-10 N Longitude: 70-16-20 W	
Estimated commencement date: Jan. 2008	Estimated completion date: Jan. 2009	
Approximate cost: \$3,000,000	Status of project design: 40	%complete
Proponent: Woods Hole, Martha's Vineyard & Nantucket Steamship Authority		
Street: P.O. Box 284 Railroad Avenue		
Municipality: Woods Hole	State: MA	Zip Code: 02543
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained: William Cloutier		
Firm/Agency: The Steamship Authority	Street: P. O. Box 284	
Municipality: Woods Hole	State: MA	Zip Code: 02543
Phone: 508-548-5011x276	Fax: 508-457-5886	E-mail: bcloutier@steamshipauthority.co

- Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory EIR threshold (see 301 CMR 11.03)?
 Yes X No
- Has this project been filed with MEPA before?
 Yes (EOEA No. _____) X No
- Has any project on this site been filed with MEPA before?
 X Yes (EOEA No. 8892) No
- Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) requesting:
- a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8)) Yes X No
 - a Special Review Procedure? (see 301 CMR 11.09) Yes X No
 - a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11) Yes X No
 - a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11) Yes X No

Identify any financial assistance or land transfer from an agency of the Commonwealth, including the agency name and the amount of funding or land area (in acres): No financial assistance identified at this time.

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?
 X Yes (Specify local Con Com, MA DEP USACE) No

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals:
US Army Corps of Engineers – Chapter 91 Application
MA Wetlands Protection Act – Notice of Intent
MA Waterways – Chapter 91 Application

Which ENF or EIR review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Land | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rare Species | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetlands, Waterways, & Tidelands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> Air | <input type="checkbox"/> Solid & Hazardous Waste |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACEC | <input type="checkbox"/> Regulations | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical & Archaeological Resources |

Summary of Project Size & Environmental Impacts	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits & Approvals
LAND				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Order of Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Superseding Order of Conditions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter 91 License <input type="checkbox"/> 401 Water Quality Certification <input type="checkbox"/> MHD or MDC Access Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Water Management Act Permit <input type="checkbox"/> New Source Approval <input type="checkbox"/> DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Other Permits (including Legislative Approvals) – Specify:
Total site acreage	4.33			
New acres of land altered		0		
Acres of impervious area	2.86	0	2.86	
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		2380		
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		2000		
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		0		
STRUCTURES				
Gross square footage	7569	720	8289	
Number of housing units	0	0	0	
Maximum height (in feet)	32	16	32	
TRANSPORTATION				
Vehicle trips per day				
Parking spaces	172	-25	147	
WATER/WASTEWATER				
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	40	0	40	
GPD water withdrawal		0		
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment		0		
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	.012 Mi	0	0123Mi	

CONSERVATION LAND: Will the project involve the conversion of public parkland or other Article 97 public natural resources to any purpose not in accordance with Article 97?

Yes (Specify _____) No

Will it involve the release of any conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction, or watershed preservation restriction?

Yes (Specify _____) No

RARE SPECIES: Does the project site include Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?

X Yes (Specify: Winter Flounder _____) No

HISTORICAL /ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Does the project site include any structure, site or district listed in the State Register of Historic Place or the inventory of Historic and Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth?

Yes (Specify _____) X No

If yes, does the project involve any demolition or destruction of any listed or inventoried historic or archaeological resources?

Yes (Specify _____) X No

AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN: Is the project in or adjacent to an Area of Critical Environmental Concern?

Yes (Specify _____) X No

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project description should include (a) a description of the project site, (b) a description of both on-site and off-site alternatives and the impacts associated with each alternative, and (c) potential on-site and off-site mitigation measures for each alternative (*You may attach one additional page, if necessary.*)

The project site is the Woods Hole, Martha's Vineyard & Nantucket Steamship Authority (SSA) terminal at 71 South Street in Hyannis, MA. The site covers 4.33 acres that includes a terminal building, 172 parking spaces and a vehicle staging area. There are two slips with transfer bridges for loading and unloading vehicles on and off the ferry vessels, and a night berth for the fast ferry in the Southwest corner of the property. This Southwest corner of the SSA property is also developed as a public park for the Town's terminus for the "Walkway to The Sea".

The project consist of the reconstruction of Slip #2 and installing a floating pier to load and unload fast ferry passengers. Slip #2 is currently is in dire need of major repairs. The proposed alternative would realign the slip nearly parallel to Slip #1; thereby allowing space for a floating pier to dock the fast ferry with passenger services. A deck will be constructed over the rip rap coastal bank with a ticket kiosk, secure passenger waiting area, passenger gangways, and a baggage pick-up and drop-off area. Currently the fast ferry passenger service is over the transfer bridges of both slips, but this interferes with the operating schedule of the vehicle ferries forcing them to operate when it would not be necessary. There is an additional safety factor with a dedicated fast ferry dock. The pedestrian traffic walking in the vehicle staging area will be greatly reduced.

The work scope of the proposed project includes demolition of Slip # 2 timber dolphins and two slip #1 dolphins that interfere with the realignment of Slip #2. A new 50 foot transfer bridge will be installed and eleven new steel and concrete dolphins will be erected over the water. These dolphins will be covered with timbers to match the existing dolphins in Slip # 1. A floating pier will be constructed for the fast ferry, and a 20' x 190' decked wharf will be built over the coastal bank in the Northwest corner as a passenger waiting area. A 12' x 60' open security pavilion will be built on the wharf for security screening prior to loading passengers.

Parking lot changes to the western parking lot are proposed to allow space for vehicles to pick-up and drop-off passengers. The parking spaces in this area shall be reduced by 25 spaces. Vehicles shall enter what is now the parking lot exit. As mitigation for these changes the Steamship Authority is proposing to build a public sidewalk on its property adjacent to Pleasant Street. This public walkway will provide better access to the town's public park at the end of Pleasant Street which is part of the "Walkway to The Sea".

The only alternative to the above plan would be to reconstruct Slip #2 as is in the same configuration. This would preclude the operational benefit SSA would achieve with a dedicated dock for the fast ferry service, and the Town would lose the improved harbor views for the public park area.

The Authority believes that development and maintenance of the public park area over the years as part of the Town's "Walkway to The Sea" mitigates the changes to the coastal bank in the Northwest corner of the terminal.

The proposed project will not affect the storm water management plan at the terminal.