

## Weir River Estuary Park Committee Activities 2008

### Protect Land

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
1.	Land Protection Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Include LPP in Open Space Planning.</li> </ul> Cohasset's Open Space Plan has expired	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Get on town's websites via link to Hull website</li> <li>- Send to Mass Div of Cons. Svcs. w/ request to append to Town's Open Space Plan.</li> <li>- Follow up w/ Planning Bd to get their endorsement.</li> <li>- Request they send a letter to DCS to support appending LPP to OSP.</li> </ul>	Judeth Van Hamm Faith Burbank Dick Avery Scott	High Priority For 2008
2.	Support the Hull Land Conservation Trust	A legal entity holding property as gateway to Weir River Woods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rockaway Annex land abutters have concerns.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fund raising activities</li> <li>- Donations are welcome</li> </ul>	Judeth Van Hamm, Scott Plympton	April 08
3.	HLCT: Eagle Scout Project	Planning for trail maint. at Weir River Woods, parking improvements, kiosk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Scout has not yet taken lead role on this.</li> <li>- Follow up on progress</li> </ul>	Scott Plympton, Chris Chaney (scout)	June 08
4.	Work with Trust for Public Lands, Hingham Land Trust, Hingham Open Space Acquisition Com. and DCR on Hingham unprotected habitat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 21 E site is moving thru DCR</li> <li>- Close to a price to acquire Amonte land via CPC funds / Open Space</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ready a presentation for town warrant.</li> <li>- Funding this spring</li> </ul>	Faith Burbank Bill Sarni	On going
5.	Committee member reappointments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Letters prepared</li> </ul>	Pending action by Hull Selectmen.	Judeth Van Hamm Scott, Courtney	TBD

6.	ACEC Boundary Clarification	Lisa Engler is reviewing all Mass ACEC boudaries	Lisa will contact us when she gets to Hull	Judeth, Lisa	Apr
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## Improve / Restore Habitat

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
7.	Input to design of West Corner culvert and tide gate	- Now on TIP list for funding in 08	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coordinate our plans for bike/ped/kayak access</li> <li>- Monitor progress.</li> <li>- Permitting next, then bid.</li> <li>- Starting in May 08, traffic closes in fall</li> </ul>	Lawry Reid	May 08
8.	Rockland Street--Restore and improve water drainage & storm drains to comply with recommended ACEC practices, Storm-water Policy Phase 11 (activity is part of #6 & #18)	Mass Hwy incorporated into 75% design plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Push to include in state budget</li> <li>- Monthly follow-up</li> <li>- Attend S.S. Coalition meetings</li> </ul>	Faith Burbank Bill Sarni	09
9.	New: Show Boat property	WREP site visit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Document Ideas</li> <li>- Remove fence</li> <li>- Restore habitat</li> <li>- Landscape</li> </ul>		Feb
10.	Foundry Pond Footbridge	Concept is favorable	Taking preliminary action toward proposal	WRWA	
11.	Bird Counts at Windmill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not done - there is no fence.</li> <li>- Discussed w/ Mass Audubon</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Get access permission</li> <li>- What is study protocol?</li> <li>- Meet w S.S. Birders and Mass Audubon</li> </ul>	Dick Avery David Clinton	Spring
12.	GW Blvd Culverts	Maintenance Plan drafted Culverts assessed. On hold until Open Space Plan updated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Work on maintenance plan for Lagoon</li> <li>- Get Nantasket Place, DPW and Cons Com to talk</li> </ul>	Judeth, Margot	July
13.	Low Impact Development (LID)	Circulate DVD among WREP Committee members.	Get to Planning Bd	Dick, Lawry Faith Burbank	March

				Samantha Woods	
14.	Foundry Pond Fish Ladder	Hingham planning to fix spawning area	Smelt habitat restoration via Div. of Marine Fishery	Faith	Spring 08

## Create Estuary Center for stewardship education

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
15.	Estuary Center Improvements (Water / Plumbing)	- Water is in the building	- Test the water - Bring in water filtration system and install - Badger & Co. are donating this service	Dick Avery David Clinton	Spring
16.	Estuary Center improvements (Insulation / Heating)	Clean up / Demolition completed 9/2	Insulation / Heating / Restroom	WRWA Building Committee	
17.	Estuary Center improvements (Electricity / Wiring)	Electric contractor contacted	Wiring the building	Estuary Center subcommittee	
18.	Estuary Center improvements (Funding)	Hull Wind 2 Estuary Fund (Light Plant). \$3000 has been made available - More funding available next year	Sam to list sustainable items to set moneys and priorities—insulation, solar, green roof, water, solar hot water, heat pump Get list	WREP WRWA Hull Light Sam Woods	
19.	Estuary Center signage	Submit design to Hull Design Review. Sign is pending rock selection	Identify the rock to be moved to Gratta. Remind Kirk Shilts.	David Clinton James Hardison	

**\*\* ALL Estuary Center Activities on hold until Spring**

## Recreation supportive of habitat

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
20.	Monthly Weir River activities		- Spring Clean Up: Apr 10 - HLCT to define a calendar of events	WRWA HLCT	
21.	Promote kayak access / portage at West Corner culvert design	Work on obtaining Abbadessa land (in court for back taxes)	Risk of access loss from development	Scott Plympton, Lawry Reid Dick Avery	
22.	Promote kayak access under Rockland St. bridge (see #9)	Wait till work on bridge design starts – No change	Waiting for grant on-going Bridge design	Faith Burbank Bill Sarni	On Going
23.	Use sidewalks along roads & bike lanes as paths in Access Policy (See #1)	- Hingham Safety Comm and Hull selectmen adopted bicycle and walking summary plan - Letters sent to ask for study funding	Get the design study of the GWB on the TIP.	Judeth Van Hamm, Faith Burbank	Mar.
24.	Brochure Re-Print	Courtney working with local merchants soliciting advertising - In progress	Finalize ads, proofing and printing	Judeth Courtney	Mar
25.	No Wake Zone	- Letter to selectmen was written to ask for more buoys Hingham said they would do it -No action in 2007	Next year	Scott David Faith	Apr
26.	Land Fill Plan	Clarify landfill parcels for Conservation	Meet w representative for DPW (no Fournier)	Judeth	July

## Recreation supportive of habitat (cont)

27.	Estuary Clean-up for GWB using Community Service assistance from Plymouth Court system	Follow up with contacts		Phil & Karen Delano Lawry, Nancy Kramer, Courtney	On going
28.	(New) Cohasset Storm Water Committee	- Cohasset Storm Water Committee formed. 319 grant for Rain Gardens funded at \$150k	By-laws and regs ready for spring town meeting - Cons Com will be permit authority - Rain gardens for Little Harbor	Lawry Reid	On going

## General / All

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
29.	Town Reports	All committees must make an annual report	Prepare a summary of activities for each town	Faith, Dick and Scott	Feb

## Postponed Projects

No.	Goal	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People
30.	Protect <b>land</b>	No Discharge Area	Jason has outlined process	Meet with Jason	Jason, Faith
31.	CELCP Grant	Research the program	We will not pursue at this time. No willing seller No		Judeth / Jason

### Postponed Projects

32.	Town of Hull WREP Actions / Capital Plan	<p>Completed our goals for comprehensive capital plan to improve/maintain natural resources to Hull. Approved</p> <p>Went to town's Goal Setting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Waiting for responses from Selectmen</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Not happening</p>	Judeth	
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### Completed Projects

No.	Goal	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People
33.	<b>Recreation</b> supportive of habitat	Weir River Watershed activities	Judeth met with harbor-to-harbor trail group re Foundry Pond rail bridge trail		WRWA
1	<b>Protect land</b>	Winsor Property	Transfer completed 11/10 Bills paid CR recorded		Dick Avery
2	Create Estuary Center for stewardship <b>education</b>	Hull Garden Club beautification	Completed new flower beds with eco timbers 11/5		Scott Plympton Judy Dorner Sam Woods
3	Create Estuary Center for stewardship <b>education</b>	Estuary Center Fund Raiser March 30 <sup>th</sup> at Clarion Hotel	Huge Success!! Grossed over \$15,000		WRWA Courtney Muller
34.	<b>Recreation</b> supportive of habitat	Create Sustainable Transportation Committee thru Estuary	Workshop on GWB and Sustainable Transportation 4/26, was big success	Request needs assessment from Mass Highways	Judeth

35.	Create Estuary Center for stewardship <b>education</b>	Eagle Scout project by Jake Augenstern: Kiosk and path at Estuary Center	Project completed Brass plaque prepared Ceremony completed Publication noted		Scott Plympton Judeth
36.	As step toward land management plan, adopt policy for representation on WREP and for how voting works	Organizational Policy completed			Faith Burbank Judeth Van Hamm David Clinton Lawry, Scott
37.	Support the Hull Community Preservation Act	Consensus building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Video interview with D. Blackall.</li> </ul>	Judeth, Scott, Dennis Blackall	Nov
38.	Secure funding for West Corner culvert and tide gate	Expanding the project to be under the Highway Dept. agreed to funding.	Waiting for public meetings to review 25% design	SPWA	
39.	Estuary Center Open House	NE. Sustainable Energy Assn. Open House (Cplt)	Done	Judeth	Oct 6
40.	Hull Garden Club Rain Gardens	Rain Garden completed	Judy Dorner to receive award from WRWA in Nov	Judy Dorner Sam Woods	Nov