Tim Carroll

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Sent: Tuesday, September 27, 2011 10:49 AM

To: Tim Carroll

Cc: Assistant Exec Sec; Brian Howes

Subject: Re: MEP in the Town of Chilmark

Hi Tim,

Thought I would re-send the email below in case it ended up in your spam folder or somehow got lost in the ether. We are starting to plan out the completion of the MEP and which systems remain for MEP analysis and do not want to see the Town of Chilmark lose the opportunity for match from the Commonwealth for MEP analyses. Please be in touch with guidance on how you would like to proceed.

Respectfully,

Roland Samimy

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Sent: Saturday, September 17, 2011 5:45:17 PM
Subject: Re: MEP in the Town of Chilmark

Hi Tim,

I wanted to take a moment to update you on the status of the MEP in the Town of Chilmark.

There are a total of three estuarine systems in the Town of Chilmark.

Tisbury Great Pond (split between Chilmark and West Tisbury). Total MEP Budget = \$82,500, \$41,250 per Town. Both Towns have contributed their full share of match and this estuary is being scheduled for modeling and reporting.

Chilmark Pond (entirely Town of Chilmark). Total MEP Budget = \$74,500 of which Chilmark Pond Association has already contributed 20K towards the hydrodynamic model task of the overall scope. Remaining Town match to be garnered = \$54,500. We are holding a slot for State match, but need to finalize to lock up.

Menemsha/Squibnocket Pond (split between Tribe, Aquinnah, Chilmark). Total MEP Budget = \$91,533 split three ways between the Tribe, and Towns of Aquinnah and Chilmark. The tribe has

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contributed its match and the Town of Aquinnah has contributed 15K towards its share of the match. Chilmarks share of the match = \$31,767. We are holding a slot for State match, but need to finalize to lock up.

That being said, the Tisbury Great Pond report will be the first of the three to be completed. This past August we received the required landuse analysis of the TGP watershed from Bill Wilcox before he retired. That enables us to move into building the nitrogen loading model. We have already begun writing chapters and over the next months we will begin building the hydrodynamic model. The plan being that we submit the draft TGP report to DEP by the end of the calendar year or early 2012.

With regard to Chilmark Pond and Menemsha/Squibnocket systems, both are partially matched out as mentioned above, however, in order to complete the MEP analysis on both these estuaries it will be necessary to round out the Town of Chilmark match amount. As the MEP is approaching its inevitable end date (possibly as early as June 30, 2013), we would like to discuss how the Town of Chilmark would like to proceed. The window of opportunity for capturing match from the Commonwealth is nearly closed after which time, the cost for completing the MEP analysis will likely have to be bourne entirely by the Town, unless we can secure a new line of State funds (which right now is questionable).

Things looking really good right now to lock up the present state matching funds and to finish these within the next 20 months. We are always available to discuss how you would like to proceed. Please contact me at your convenience. Cell (508) 951-6795 or via email.

Have a great day.

Respectfully,

Roland