



Martha's Vineyard Commission

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Dear Aquinnah, Chilmark & West Tisbury Town Boards:

As you know, the Vineyard towns were included in the short-term rental tax bill mandate to establish a Cape Cod and Islands water protection fund. The island towns were not made members of the fund, which is financed through a 2.75% separate levy on short-term rentals. Rather the island towns were given the option to join pending completion of a Section 208 plan or an equivalent plan. The Department of Environmental Protection has formulated an outline for island towns to use in developing an equivalent water quality plan, should they choose to do so.

We have scheduled a meeting for July 10, 2019 at the West Tisbury Library at 10:30 am to discuss this, and the Cape and Islands wastewater program in general, with the environmental leadership of the up island communities.

Please RSVP to myself or Lucy Morrison should you be able to attend this meeting.

Thank you,
Adam Turner