

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**  
**COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**  
Oliver Stedman Government Center  
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**Notice of Hearing Time Change**  
**Notice of Additional Hearing Date, If Necessary**

The Coastal Resources Management Council, in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of the "Administrative Procedures Act" (Section 42-35-3 of the General Laws of Rhode Island) and the Rule and Regulations of the Coastal Resources Management Council, gave notice signed and dated May 28, 2010 to change the management plans, policies, procedures and regulations of the agency regarding planning and management of the coastal resources of the State relative to Chapter 46-23 of the State of Rhode Island and specifically in regard to the development and adoption of an **Ocean Special Area Management Plan: Chapter 4 - Cultural and Historical Resources; Chapter 5 - Fisheries Resources and Uses; Chapter 8 - Renewable Energy; and, Chapter 9 - Other Future Uses.**

Public workshops on these proposed changes remain as initially scheduled and advertised for June 9, 2010 (Chapters 5 and 8) and June 18, 2010 (Chapters 4 and 9). Each workshop is to be held at 1:00pm at the University of Rhode Island's Bay Campus, Corliss Auditorium, South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI.

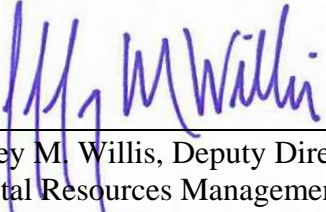
A public hearing has been scheduled for these proposed changes to be held in Conference Room A, Administration Building, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI, on Tuesday, July 13, 2010.

This Notice is being published to advertise that **the July 13, 2010 public hearing start time has been changed to 5:00 pm** at the same location - Conference Room A, Administration Building, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI – and that **should it be necessary to continue the public hearing for these chapters, a second hearing has been scheduled** to be held in Conference Room A, Administration Building, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI, on Wednesday, July 14, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

Therefore, as originally posted, parties interested in or concerned with the above proposed changes are invited to **submit written comments** by June 26, 2010. All such comments should be directed to Grover J. Fugate, Executive Director, at the above agency address.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Coastal Resources Management Council offices at 783-3370.

Signed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2010.

  
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Jeffrey M. Willis, Deputy Director  
Coastal Resources Management Council

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In accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of the "Administrative Procedures Act" (Section 42-35-3 of the General Laws of Rhode Island) and the Rule and Regulations of the Coastal Resources Management Council, notice is hereby given of the intention of the Coastal Resources Management Council to change the management plans, policies, procedures and regulations of the agency regarding planning and management of the coastal resources of the State relative to Chapter 46-23 of the State of Rhode Island.

The following change is proposed:

**RI Coastal Resources Management Program:**

**Ocean Special Area Management Plan**

The Rhode Island Ocean SAMP, or Ocean Special Area Management Plan, is working to define use zones for Rhode Island's ocean waters through a research and planning process that integrates the best available science with open public input and involvement.

As the state's coastal zone management agency, the Coastal Resources Management Council (CRMC) is leading this project and is cooperatively managing research projects undertaken by URI scientists to provide the essential scientific basis for Ocean SAMP policy development.

The following OSAMP chapters are proposed:

Chapter 4 - Cultural and Historical Resources

The purpose of the Rhode Island Ocean SAMP Cultural and Historical Resources Chapter is to inventory some of these key offshore resources, especially as they relate to pre-contact tribal landscapes and historic shipwrecks, in order to more fully describe their critical value to Rhode Island and its marine ecosystem, and to provide important information for the evaluation of future offshore renewable energy development proposals.

Chapter 5 - Fisheries Resources and Uses

The purposes of the Rhode Island Ocean SAMP Fisheries Resources and Uses Chapter are to summarize existing information about current commercial and recreational fisheries resources and activities within the Ocean SAMP area; highlight the economic, social, cultural, and historic value of these activities to Rhode Island; and outline policies for managing these activities within the context of other existing and future uses. Accordingly, this chapter focuses primarily on commercially and recreationally important species that are targeted within the SAMP area by Rhode Island fishermen, and on current baseline conditions based on the best available existing data and information.

Chapter 8 - Renewable Energy

The purpose of the Rhode Island Ocean SAMP Renewable Energy Chapter is to address potential sites

in Rhode Island state and federal waters for the location of offshore renewable energy resources projects, and to describe the potential effects that renewable energy development may have on the economics of Rhode Island, natural resources, and existing uses of the SAMP area.

#### Chapter 9 - Other Future Uses

The purpose of the Rhode Island Ocean SAMP Future Uses Chapter is to explore opportunities for the future uses of the SAMP ocean area—the inner shelf—of Block Island and Rhode Island Sounds, and discuss the potentials of these to help develop further Rhode Island's ocean and green economies.

Please go to the CRMC's website [www.crmc.ri.gov](http://www.crmc.ri.gov) or the Ocean SAMP website <http://seagrant.gso.uri.edu/oceansamp/> to download in their entirety each chapter for review. Also see the Ocean SAMP websites at [www.crmc.ri.gov/samp\\_ocean.html](http://www.crmc.ri.gov/samp_ocean.html) and <http://seagrant.gso.uri.edu/oceansamp/> for detailed information regarding the SAMP's development.

The Council has complied with the requirements of R.I. Gen. Laws Section 42-35-3 by considering alternative approaches to the proposed regulation(s) and has determined that there is/are no alternative approach(es) that would be as effective and less burdensome. The Council has also determined that the proposed regulation(s) do(es) not overlap or duplicate any other state regulation. The Council has complied with the requirements of R.I. Gen. Laws Section 42-35-3.3 by submitting copies of the proposed regulation(s) to the Governor's Office and the Economic Development Corporation (EDC).

#### Public workshops on these proposed changes are scheduled as follows:

**Wednesday June 9, 2010** at 1:00pm at the University of Rhode Island's Bay Campus, Corliss Auditorium, South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI:

- Chapter 5 - Fisheries Resources and Uses, and
- Chapter 8 - Renewable Energy

**Friday June 18, 2010** at 1:00pm at the University of Rhode Island's Bay Campus, Corliss Auditorium, South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI:

- Chapter 4 - Cultural and Historical Resources, and
- Chapter 9 - Other Future Uses

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A public hearing has been scheduled for these proposed changes to be held in Conference Room A, Administration Building, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI, on Tuesday, July 13, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.

Copies of the proposed regulations are also available from the Coastal Resources Management Council offices and its website – [www.crmc.ri.gov](http://www.crmc.ri.gov).

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Council office at 783-3370, 72 hours in advance of the hearing date.

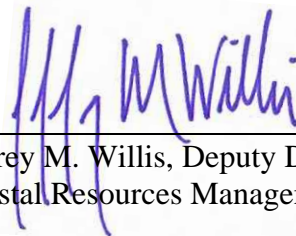
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**NOTICE**

These changes are considered to be routine program changes to the federally approved Coastal Resources Management Program of Rhode Island. The CRMC will be requesting that the federal Office of Ocean and Coastal Resources Management concur with this determination when it seeks inclusion of such in the federally approved program. Persons who disagree that these are routine modifications to the federally approved program may submit such written comments within three weeks of the date of the issuance of this notice to:

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Coastal Management Specialist  
NOAA/NOS/OCRM  
Coastal Programs Division  
1305 East-West Highway, SSMC4  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Signed this 28th day of May, 2010.



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Coastal Resources Management Council