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Dual Meeting of the Board of Health and the CWMP Ad Hoc Committee

MEETING AGENDA

Special Workshop and Public Hearing
Monday, March 16, 2026, 3:00 PM
James H. Crocker Jr. Hearing Room, Town Hall
367 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Hyannis, MA

1. **Proposed Regulation(s):**
   Proposal from the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP) Ad Hoc Committee Which Requests the Board of Health to Require the Installation of Best Available Innovative Alternative (I/A) Sewage Disposal Technology at Properties Located Within 1,000 Feet of Nitrogen Sensitive Area Waterbodies and Within 1,000 Feet of Surface Waters that Feed into Nitrogen Sensitive Areas (Other Than at Locations Identified Within Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the CWMP Sewer Plan).

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Recommendations of the
Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP) Ad Hoc Committee
on the Implementation of Innovative/Alternative Septic Systems

1. The Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP) Ad Hoc Committee recommends:
   WHEREAS all Property owners whose property has any or all parts of its boundary line
   WITHIN one thousand (1,000) feet of a nitrogen sensitive waterbody[1] OR
   WITHIN one thousand (1,000) feet of surface water that feeds into a nitrogen sensitive waterbody[1] OR
   IS located on Little Island, Osterville OR
   IS located on Grand Island, Osterville
   AND whose property is not identified to receive municipal sewer as part of Phase 1 or Phase 2 of the Town of Barnstable's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan
   SHALL, upon needing to replace their property's septic system due to failure of the existing system[2], be required to replace the existing septic system with the best available technology[3].
   OR SHALL, upon property change or expansion[4] OR transfer of property ownership[4], be required to replace the existing septic system with the best available technology[3] within two (2) years from the date of inspection.
   ADDITIONALLY any property within the aforementioned area which does not meet the above criteria for replacing their septic system must upgrade their septic system to the best available technology[3] within twenty (20) years of the approval of this policy

2. The Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP) Ad Hoc Committee recommends:
   THAT the Town of Barnstable Board of Health (BOH) and the Town of Barnstable Department of Public Works (DPW) collaborate and create a list of the best available technology for onsite wastewater treatment and disposal systems.
   AND that this list should be reviewed at least annually by an elected or appointed group of people with understanding of these technologies and an understanding of public health.

[1] As defined by the State of Massachusetts Title 5 Regulations (310 CMR 15.214.1.B)
[2] As defined by the State of Massachusetts Title 5 Regulations (310 CMR 15.303 and 15.304)
[3] As defined by the Barnstable Health Division in consultation with the Barnstable Department of Public Works
[4] As defined by the State of Massachusetts Title 5 Regulations (310 CMR 15.301)