## **WATER RESOURCES Management Update**

Barnstable Town Council June 26, 2025

Town of Barnstable Department of Public Works







### **Watershed Permit**

#### **Draft permit has advanced to Public Notice / Public Comment**

Public Notice was issued in the June 11, 2025, edition of the MEPA Office's regulatory publication, *The Environmental Monitor.* 

Public comments are due within 60 days of public notice (August 11, 2025)

Public comments must be submitted to MassDEP directly via Maggie Leary, Environmental Analyst, Bureau of Water Resources, Water Pollution Control for the Cape & Islands at maggie.leary@mass.gov

A copy of the Public Notice in English, Spanish, and Portuguese is available on Barnstable Water Resources at: <a href="mailto:barnstable-watershed-permit-application/">barnstable-watershed-permit-application/</a>

Should a favorable determination be made, the Town of Barnstable would be the first community in the Commonwealth to receive a Watershed Permit under the new 2023 regulations.





## **CWMP Regulatory Compliance**

#### **Five-Year Adaptive Management Plan Update**

Draft narrative in progress, Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan Ad Hoc Committee continues to meet monthly.

- Next Ad Hoc Committee Meeting: Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 6:00PM
- Resources, agendas, and meeting recordings available at: <u>barnstablewaterresources.com/ad-hoc-committee/</u>

#### **CWMP Annual Report**

Draft narrative and data compilation in progress.

- Final report to be shared with Town leadership and published for public viewing on Barnstable Water Resources at: barnstablewaterresources.com/reports-documents
- Final report required to be shared with Cape Cod Commission, in accordance with 208 Plan Consistency Determination
- Annual Water Quality Data provided under separate cover, to be aggreated into the Commission's Cape Cod Water Quality Data Portal



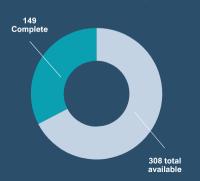
## **Phase 1 Efforts to Protect Barnstable's Water Resources**

(FY25) July 2024 - June 2025



48%

149 of the 308 eligible properties have connected to the newly expanded municipal sewer system.



#### **CWMP Projects Publicly Bid**



#### **Construction Contracts**

Route 28 West Sewer Expansion Project Nitrogen Removal and Headworks Upgrade 268 Stevens Street Sewer Pump Station

#### **Design RFP**

Phinney's Lane Neighborhoods Sewer Expansion Project

## Total Appropriated Funds to Support FY26 CWMP Projects

Including construction funds for the Phinney's Lane Neighborhoods and Centerville Village - South Phase Sewer Expansion Projects.

\$66,075,000



\$959,752

#### **EPA Community Grant**

Grant funds available for Centerville Village - North Phase construction.



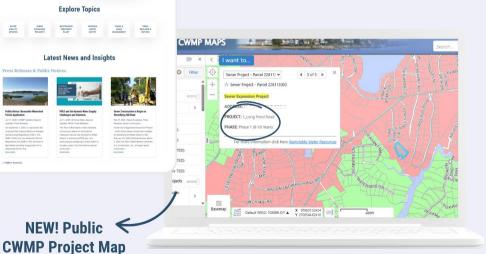
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# **Centerville Village Sewer Expansion Project North Phase** ROUTE 6

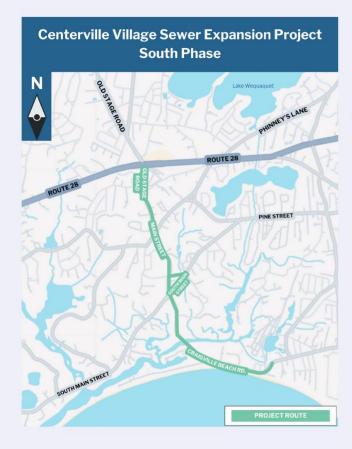
## **Centerville Village Sewer Expansion North Phase**

Status: Construction

**Substantial Completion: Spring 2027** 

- Work has paused for the summer season; contractor has demobilized from the project route.
- Activity is anticipated to begin in September, following the Labor Day holiday.
- Contractor anticipates having two crews available this Fall to continue sewer construction on Shootflying Hill Road and to initiate work within the vicintity of Mother's Park.





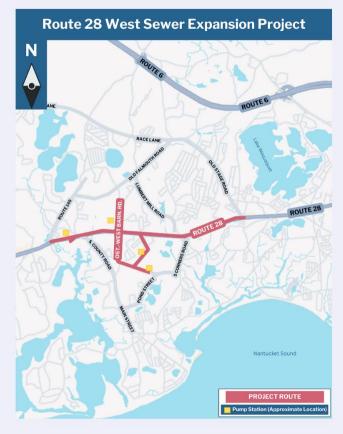
## **Centerville Village Sewer Expansion South Phase**

Status: In Design

**Anticipated Construction: Fall 2026** 

- Anticipate 90% design plans to be completed this summer.
- \$16M construction CIP funding request approved by Town Council on April 17, 2025
- Project is listed for full financing on the SRF 2025 Final Clean Water Intended Use Plan (IUP)
- Construction contract must be awarded by June 30, 2026, for the project to remain eligible for principal subsidy





### **Route 28 West Sewer Expansion**

**Status: In Procurement** 

**Anticipated Construction: Fall 2025** 

Public bid submissions due June 25, 2025

#### **Project Objectives**

- To install critical infrastructure serving as the backbone of the sewer program
- To decommission and connect the existing Marstons Mills Wastewater Treatment Plant (MMWTP) to the newly expanded municipal collection system
- Without the infrastructure to be installed as part of this project, the Town could not achieve the regulatory requirements per the CWMP

#### **Public Outreach**

- Project outreach began in January 2025
- Public Information Meeting held on Wednesday, February 5, 2025
- Recording available via Barnstable Government Access and on Barnstable Water Resources:
   barnstablewaterresources.com/route-28-west-sewer-expansion-project
- Will schedule Public Information Meeting and coordinate Certified Mail Project Notifications to all identified property owners upon bid award





## **Additional Sewer Expansion Projects** in Design

#### Phinney's Lane Neighborhoods Project

Construction Anticpated: Fall 2026

\$45.6M construction CIP funding request approved on April 17, 2025

Anticipate next round of private road utility easement takings to be presented this Fall

#### Long Beach Area Project

Construction Anticipated: 2027 Preliminary design complete

#### **Long Pond Area Project**

Construction Anticipated: 2027
Preliminary design complete

\$750k final design CIP funding request approved on April 17, 2025

#### **Great Marsh Road/Shootflying Hill Road Neighborhoods Project**

Construction Anticipated: 2028 30% sewer design completed

\$2.25M design and permitting CIP funding request approved on April 17, 2025

#### **Old Yarmouth Road Project**

Construction Anticipated: 2028 30% sewer design completed

#### **Old Craigville Road Project**

Construction Anticipated: 2030

Survey complete; preliminary design on-going



### **Water Pollution Control Facility**

## Nitrogen Removal and Headworks Improvements Project Status: With Procurement

- Public bid submissions due July 8, 2025
- SRF Loan Application submitted
- Targeting construction bid award for late Summer
- #1 ranked project in 2024 State Revolving Fund Clean Water Intended Use Plan (IUP)

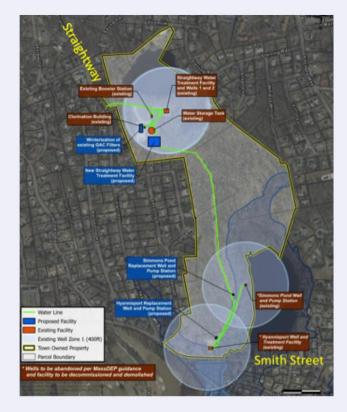
## Effluent Disposal Evaluation Status: Analysis On-going

- · Water Reuse and Disposal Alternatives analysis continues with consultant, CDM Smith
- Continued monthly meetings with MassDEP

## **Bearses Way Sewer Extension and Vacuum Sewer Removal Project Status: Construction**

- · Coordinated in collaboration with MassDOT Bearses Way Shared Use Path Project
- Remaining in-road sewer work includes final tie-in to newly constructed sewer main, service tie-ins, and abandonment of vacuum sewer
- Work has paused for the summer season; anticipate remobilization this Fall, following the Labor Day holiday.





## **Straightway & Hyannisport Water Treatment Facilities Improvements**

Status: Preparing to Award Construction Contract Anticipated Construction: Fall 2025

 Supplemental appropriation order request for \$11.5 million in additional funds to complete construction; first read is anticipated at this week's Town Council (June 26, 2025)

#### **Project Objectives**

- Maximize the permitted capacity of the Hyannis Water System
- Restore the amount of water that the wells can supply to permitted capacity
- Allow the water treatment facility to operate year-round
- Improve the water treatment process to further improve water quality
- · Protect the wells and buildings from flooding
- Improve overall system resiliency

#### **Project Materials**

- Project page available on Town of Barnstable website:
   townofbarnstable.us/Departments/watersupply/Straightway-Water-Treatment-Plant.asp
- Project page being incorporated on Barnstable Water Resources; anticipated publishing this week



### **PFAS & The Hyannis Water Supply: Challenges and Solutions**



#### Public Information Meeting held on Wednesday, June 18, 2025

- Discussion led by James F. Begley, Principal of MT Environmental Restoration and Licensed Site Professional (LSP) in Massachusetts as part of the Town's Technical Assistance Grant (TAG)
- Presenters included representatives from Barnstable County, Cape Cod Gateway Airport, and Silent Spring
- Meeting was recorded and available for streaming via Barnstable
   Government Access (<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sDU7Hhjqc81">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sDU7Hhjqc81</a>)
   and BarnstableWaterResources.com

#### **County Resources**

 PFAS Mitigation planning, status reports and recorded meetings available via Barnstable County at: <a href="https://www.capecod.gov/pfas-mitigation/recorded-public-meetings/">https://www.capecod.gov/pfas-mitigation/recorded-public-meetings/</a>

#### **Next Steps**

- Public feedback included the desire for more communication and a dedicated landing place for education, updates, and health resources
- Drinking Water (Hyannis Water System) section being developed on BarnstableWaterResources.com
  - To include PFAS portal with pertinent information related to the Hyannis Water System's history of treatment, water quality reports, and more
  - Anticipate page(s) will be live this week
  - o Will include link to new PFAS page(s) in direct email to all attendees + all Water Resources subscribers
  - Intend to promote on Town social media and myBarnstable mobile app





### **Water Quality Monitoring**

## **Cyanobacteria Monitoring Status: In Progress**

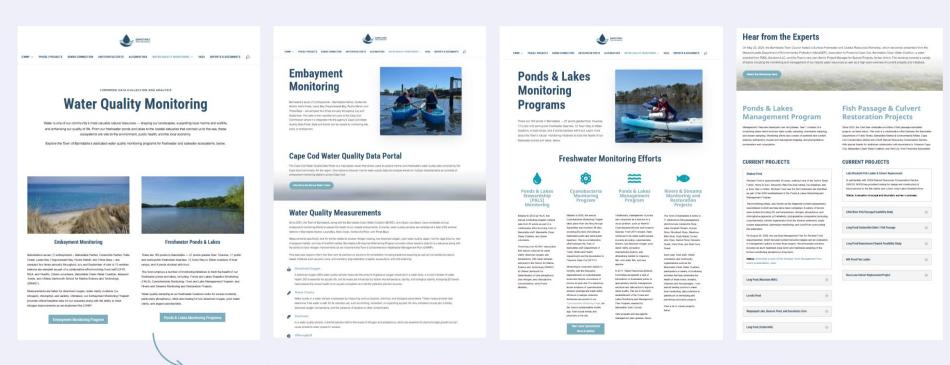
- 38 sites covering 28 ponds, including all freshwater public and semi-public beaches
- Collaborative effort between Town of Barnstable staff (Department of Public Works and Health Department) and the Association to Preserve Cape Cod (APCC)
- Monitoring is conducted weekly to monthly, with the frequency dependendent on cyanobacteria levels and historic occurrence of blooms at each site
- Advisories are posted on Barnstable Water Resources, via the Town's myBarnstable mobile app,
   Town social media, and physically at the site

## **Embayment Monitoring Status: Commences in July**

- (7) embayments Barnstable Harbor, Centerville Harbor, Halls Creek, Lewis Bay, Popponessett Bay, Rushy Marsh, and Three Bays – are sampled four times annually throughout July and September
- Measurements include excess nitrogen loading, low dissolved oxygen, poor water quality, algae / harmfu algal blooms, loss of eelgrass habitat, and loss of shellfish habitat
- Provides a critical baseline data for our estuaries along with the ability to track nitrogen improvements as we implement the Town's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP)



### **Learn More About Water Quality Monitoring in Barnstable**



barnstablewaterresources.com/water-quality-monitoring-programs



