

**Final Watershed Plan and
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for the

Cape Cod Water Resources Restoration Project

Barnstable County, Massachusetts

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Abstract:

The purposes of the Cape Cod Water Resources Restoration Project are watershed protection and fish and wildlife development. The Sponsors' objectives are to (1) improve water quality for shellfish beds, (2) restore degraded salt marshes, and (3) restore anadromous fish passages. Alternatives under consideration to reach these objectives include, but are not limited to:

Objective 1: Constructed wetlands, infiltration basins or trenches, dry wells, and sand filters.

Objective 2: Enlarging existing culverts to restore marsh hydrology to pre-restriction conditions.

Objective 3: Water level control structures, fish ladders, and obstruction removals.

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