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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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Notice is hereby given that the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), under its authority pursuant to M.G.L. c. 131, § 40, is proposing amendments to its regulations at 310 CMR 10.00, *Wetlands Protection*, and under its authority pursuant to M.G.L. c. 21, §§ 26 - 53, is proposing amendments to its regulations at 314 CMR 9.00: *401 Water Quality Certification for Discharges of Dredged or Fill Material, Dredging, and Dredged Material Disposal in Waters of the United States Within the Commonwealth*. MassDEP is proposing these amendments to accomplish key climate resilience and environmental goals including updates related to precipitation estimates and stormwater management, and new provisions for Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (LSCSF).

The proposed regulatory text and a notice to reviewers are available with a copy of this Public Hearing Notice on MassDEP's website at: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/massdep-public-hearings-comment-opportunities>

MassDEP will hold three virtual public hearings under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30A on the following dates to receive comments on the proposed changes. The hearings will be conducted virtually via Zoom and **advance registration is required**. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with the information needed to join the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone or to dial in using your phone.

### Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 1:00 PM

Please use this link to register in advance for this hearing:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMvcuirqDwvGdRitloQan70koiTgaA\\_Pt9](https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMvcuirqDwvGdRitloQan70koiTgaA_Pt9)

### Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 6:00 PM

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkduuqpjovHdAzJ539pqn-lQalZ9izohxA>

### Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 1:00 PM

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Testimony may be presented orally at the public hearing. Written comments will be accepted through 5:00pm on **March 1, 2024**. The Department encourages electronic submission by email to [dep.wetlands@mass.gov](mailto:dep.wetlands@mass.gov) and must include *Wetlands-401 Resilience Comments* in the subject line. In lieu of electronic submittal, paper comments may be mailed to Lisa Rhodes, Attn: *Wetlands-401 Resilience Comments*, MassDEP – BWR, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114.

For special accommodations for these hearings, please call the MassDEP Diversity Office at 617-292-5751. TTY# MassRelay Service 1-800-439-2370. This information is available in alternate format upon request. MassDEP provides language access interpreter/translation services to limited English proficient individuals free of charge. If you need an interpreter to participate in this meeting, translation services can be found at the following link: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massdep-language-translation-assistance>.

By Order of the Department of Environmental Protection  
Bonnie Heiple, Commissioner