



**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION
100 CAMBRIDGE STREET, BOSTON MA 02114**

**Schedule for Preparation of Water Needs Forecasts
for Public Water Suppliers with Water Management Act Permits
in the Cape Cod Basin**

Public water suppliers and communities that plan to either renew existing Water Management Act (WMA) permits or submit new permit applications to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) must include a 20-year forecast of water needs with their permit applications. Public water suppliers and communities should obtain such forecasts from the Water Resources Commission. Staff in the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), Office of Water Resources, prepare these forecasts in accordance with the *Policy for Developing Water Needs Forecasts for Public Water Suppliers and Communities and Methodology for Implementation* (May 1, 2009), available at the web site of the Water Resources Commission.¹

Forecasts are being developed in coordination with MassDEP's WMA permit renewal schedule and deadlines. The existing WMA permits for public water supply systems (PWS) in the **Cape Cod Basin** will expire on **November 30, 2015**.

For the Cape Cod Basin, DCR is currently developing forecasts for the following public water supply systems; the target date for draft forecasts is November 1, 2014:

Brewster Water Department
Centerville Osterville Water Department
Dennis Water District
Falmouth Water Department
Hyannis Water System
Yarmouth Water Department

INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL IN DEVELOPING DRAFT FORECASTS SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO DCR NO LATER THAN **October 24, 2014**.

For details on individual forecasts or to provide comments, please contact:

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¹Available at <http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/eea/wrc/090501-waterneedsforcast-policymethod.pdf>