### Hall Pool Stoneham Improvement Project PROJECT UPDATE BRIEFING







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### DCR MISSION

To protect, promote and enhance our common wealth of natural, cultural and recreational resources for the well-being of all.



## Meeting Logistics

- Two ways to ask questions during the meeting
  - Use chat feature
  - Raise your hand using the Zoom function, and you will be given permissions to unmute and speak.
- Please note that this public meeting will be recorded; the recording will be a public record.

## Agenda

- Background & Goals
- Existing Conditions
- Proposed Improvements
- Next Steps



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## **Background & Goals**



**Improve Universal Accessibility** by adding a ramp into the pool



**Improve Circulation & Access** with the addition of two stairways into the pool



**Expand Recreation and Use** by lengthening to competitive 50-meter length



**Improve Water Quality** with new pool shell, perimeter, and deck drains



**Build Resilience** by implementing a Low-impact and Climate Resilient Design



**Balance** the project goals and needs of community and users.





## **Existing Conditions - Project Area**







## **Existing Conditions - Pool**







## **Existing Conditions - Accessibility**



Limited access into pool (ladders only) and bathhouse floor is a step above the concrete deck.





## **Existing Conditions – Drainage and Water Quality**



- Aging concrete surfaces with water leaks from old skimmer drains and piping.
- **Pool deck drainage is non-compliant with** surface run-off into pool.





### **Accessibility** $\bullet$

- New universal access ramp into pool (ADA, MA AAB compliant)  $\bullet$
- New stairs into pool  $\bullet$
- Improved bathhouse access to pool with new deck at bathhouse floor level
- **Expand Recreation and Use** 
  - Competitive 50-meter length, with ends at 3'6" and 4'0" for flip turns
  - New shade shelters on pool deck
- Water Quality
  - New pool drainage system to eliminate leaks for improved filtration
  - New deck drainage to improve pool water quality and meet code compliance



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### **Proposed Hall Pool Improvements**





## **Proposed Hall Pool Improvements – Pool Entry Ramp**







### Example from Latta Pool - Somerville

## **Proposed Hall Pool Improvements – Pool Entry Stairs**







Example from Latta Pool - Somerville

## **Proposed Hall Pool Improvements – Drains, Shade, Stairs**







Example from Magazine Beach Pool - Cambridge

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Examples from Magazine Beach Pool - Cambridge





## **Next Steps & Schedule**

Winter 2025	Spring 2025	Summer 2025
<ul> <li>Preliminary</li> <li>Design</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Public Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Incorporate Permits into Final</li> </ul>
DCR Initial	<ul> <li>Complete Final Design Plans</li> </ul>	Construction Documents
<ul> <li>Review</li> <li>Meet with Elected Officials &amp; Stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Permitting with local</li> <li>Conservation</li> <li>Commission</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Construction Procurement (bidding)</li> </ul>









## **Next Steps & Schedule**





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# Summer 2026

New Pool Opens



March 2025 – Project Briefing for Elected Officials & Stakeholders

May 2025 – Public Meeting & Permitting

June 2025 – Finalize Design & Chapter 30 contract bid package

June-July 2025 – Bidding/Construction Procurement

August 2025 – Award of construction

August-September 2025 – Review of construction submittals

September 2025 to May 2026 – Construction Period

June 2026 – New Pool Opens for Season



### May 2025

### **Benefits**

- Improved Universal Access and Code Compliance
- Improved Accessibility into Pool by All Users
- Expands Recreational Use and Functionality
- Improved Water Quality



### May 2025

## Hall Pool Improvements Project - Q&A



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### Additional Information

- Recording, chat and tonight's slide deck will be available at:
  - www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings
- If you have comments on this project:
  - Submit online: www.mass.gov/dcr/public-comment
  - Deadline: Wednesday, June 4th, 2025

Please note: the contents of comments submitted to DCR, including your name, town and zip code, will be posted on DCR's website. Additional contact information provided, notably email address, will only be used for outreach on future updates to the subject project or property.

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