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Dear Friend of the Nantasket Beach Reservation:

I am delighted to present to you the Nantasket Beach Reservation Master Plan.

Nantasket Beach Reservation, on the Atlantic Ocean in Hull, is owned and operated by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). The 26-acre Reservation encompasses 1.3 miles of beachfront, adjacent visitor amenities, associated parking areas, and an operations and maintenance facility.

In 2005, in conjunction with a project for seawall and beach accessway repairs at Nantasket Beach, the DCR initiated this Master Plan. On October 12, 2006 we held the first Nantasket Beach Reservation Master Plan Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting. That meeting marked the start of a long effort to develop this plan. The Master Plan was guided by a public process that included a series of eight Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and three large public meetings. The CAC and the public provided significant input into the development of the Plan, reviewing and commenting on analysis and recommendations.

The overarching goal for this Master Plan is to provide an enhanced natural and recreational experience at Nantasket Beach, with:

- Attractive amenities to support a wide range of recreational, commercial, and entertainment activities;
- Safe and convenient access for pedestrians, cyclists, transit and boat passengers and automobile users;
- Connections to adjacent bicycle paths and parking areas; and
- Increased amenities for high-tide and shoulder-season visitors.

Thanks to your efforts, positive change is happening at Nantasket Beach. Over sixteen million dollars have been invested by DCR to date at the Reservation, including seawall improvements, including new railing; new sidewalks, ramps and stairs; reconstruction of Bernie King Pavilion; shade structures and playground at the Mary Jeanette Murray Bath House; and interior improvements at Mary Jeanette Murray Bath House, Tivoli Bath House and Cook Comfort Station.

As funding becomes available DCR will seek to implement the individual projects recommended within the Master Plan. If you wish to receive updates on the progress of the Master Plan implementation, or wish to participate in future design meetings, please do not hesitate to contact Mike Galvin (Mike.Galvin@state.ma.us) or Rick Corsi (Richard.Corsi@state.ma.us).

The Nantasket Beach Reservation Master Plan is available at the Hull Public library.

Thanks again for your help. I am looking forward to continuing our partnership. Your ideas have made this Master Plan possible. Your continuing support will make it a reality.

Sincerely,

Leo P. Roy
Commissioner