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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), under its authority pursuant to Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 91, § 18, will hold two public hearing in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30A on proposed regulatory amendments to 310 CMR 9.00 *The Massachusetts Waterways Regulation*. These amendments would require license and permit applications filed pursuant to M.G.L. c. 91 and 310 CMR 9.00 to consider the effects of climate change in certain respects. The proposed revisions are consistent with proposed revisions to the Massachusetts Wetland Regulations at 310 CMR 10.00.

The proposed regulatory text and a background document 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 two virtual public hearings via Zoom at the following dates and times to receive comments on the proposed changes. **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.

### Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 1:00 PM

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

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkcOitqj4tE9Wbznc5DgvLRdxYrORyAln>

### Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM

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

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcrceiuqDkrEtBLWHRN2EvTYptCgWZ1dqfp>

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.waterways@mass.gov](mailto:dep.waterways@mass.gov) and must include *Waterways Resilience Comments* in the subject line. In lieu of electronic submittal, paper comments may be mailed to Daniel Padien, Attn: *Waterways Resilience Comments*, MassDEP-BWR, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114.

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