CAPE COD
REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES | PUBLIC HEARING
January 2, 2019

2014 SUBREGIONAL HEARINGS

2014 HOMEOWNER SURVEY

2017 SECOND HOMEOWNER SURVEY

2018 RPP SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

2018 PUBLIC PROCESS

ADDRESS HOUSING NEEDS

PROMOTE REGIONAL CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

EASE LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

PROTECT NATURAL RESOURCES

PRESERVE CHARACTER
REVIEW PROCESS

**SEPT 20** | CCC Vote to Begin 60-day Public Comment Period on Draft Plan

**DEC 13** | CCC Unanimous Vote to Forward Plan to AOD

**DEC 19** | RFP Delivered to AOD; Starts 45 Days

**JAN 2** | AOD Public Hearing on RFP

2018 REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

1. The Cape Cod Region
2. Evolution of the Regional Policy Plan
3. A Regional Vision for Cape Cod
4. Cape Cod Systems
5. Key Challenges Facing the Region
6. Goals and Objectives
7. Coordinated Regional and Local Planning
8. Cape Cod Prototypes
9. Regional Regulatory Review
10. Regional Performance Measures
11. Recommended Actions
GROWTH POLICY

"Growth should be focused in centers of activity and areas supported by adequate infrastructure and guided away from areas that must be protected for ecological, historical or other reasons. Development should be responsive to context allowing for the restoration, preservation and protection of the Cape's unique resources while promoting economic and community resilience."
Cape Cod Systems

The Cape Cod report explores the importance of understanding and preserving natural systems, built systems, and community systems. These systems are critical to the region's sustainability and quality of life.

NATURAL SYSTEMS

To protect and restore the quality and function of the region's natural environment that provides the clean water and healthy ecosystems upon which life depends.

BUILT SYSTEMS

To protect and enhance the built environment and infrastructure necessary to support the region and healthy activity centers.

COMMUNITY SYSTEMS

To protect and enhance the linkages between society, the natural environment, and history vital to the way of life on Cape Cod by supporting development of amenities and life opportunities necessary to support vibrant and diverse communities.
### Natural Systems

**Water Resources**
- Protect and preserve ground and surface waters.
- Preserve and restore riparian zones, wetlands, and coastal areas.
- Increase the efficiency of wastewater treatment and water reuse.
- Promote the recycling of water.

**Ocean Resources**
- Protect and preserve marine areas, including coastal and offshore areas.
- Promote the sustainable use of ocean resources.
- Protect and restore marine habitats.

**Wildland Resources**
- Protect and preserve wildlands, including forests, parks, and wildlife habitats.
- Promote the sustainable use of wildland resources.
- Protect and restore wildland habitats.

**Vegetation and Plant Habitats**
- Protect and preserve native vegetation and plant communities.
- Promote the sustainable use of vegetation and plant communities.
- Protect and restore vegetation and plant communities.

### Built Systems

**Community Design**
- Promote walkable and mixed-use neighborhoods.
- Enhance public spaces and parks.
- Promote sustainable transportation systems.
- Promote the efficient use of energy.

**Coastal Resilience**
- Protect and preserve coastal areas.
- Promote the efficient use of coastal areas.
- Protect and restore coastal habitats.

**Capital Facilities & Infrastructure**
- Protect and preserve critical infrastructure.
- Promote the efficient use of critical infrastructure.
- Protect and restore critical infrastructure.

**Transportation**
- Protect and preserve transportation infrastructure.
- Promote the efficient use of transportation infrastructure.
- Protect and restore transportation infrastructure.

**Energy**
- Protect and preserve energy resources.
- Promote the efficient use of energy resources.
- Protect and restore energy resources.

**Waste Management**
- Protect and preserve waste management systems.
- Promote the efficient use of waste management systems.
- Protect and restore waste management systems.

### Copy Space

- Promote biodiversity and conservation.
- Protect and restore natural, cultural, and recreational resources.
- Protect and preserve open space.
- Protect and preserve parks and open space.
- Promote the efficient use of open space.
- Protect and restore recreational resources.
- Protect and preserve cultural resources.
NATURAL AREAS

The vision for Natural Areas is to minimize adverse development impacts to sensitive resource areas, to preserve lands that define Cape Cod's natural landscape and contribute to its scenic character, and to improve the Cape's resilience to severe storms and the effects of climate change.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTERS

The vision for these areas is to accommodate mixed-use and multifamily residential development in a walkable, vibrant area, preserve historic buildings, and to provide diverse services, shopping, recreation, civic spaces, housing, and job opportunities at a scale of growth and development desired by the community, with adequate infrastructure and pedestrian amenities to support development.
INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY CENTERS

The vision for Industrial Activity Centers is to support their development as significant employment centers with adequate infrastructure.

STREAMLINED REGULATORY APPROACH

GOAL

OBJECTIVES

TECHNICAL GUIDANCE

PLACETYPES + RESOURCE AREAS
PERFORMANCE MEASURES

PROTECTED HABITAT
DRINKING WATER
SIDEWALK NETWORK
COASTAL WATER
HISTORIC RESOURCES

ACTIVITY CENTERS
HIGH WAGE JOBS
HOUSING AFFORDABILITY
FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

REGIONAL HOUSING STRATEGY
REGIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING
STREAMLINED LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING
CLIMATE RESILIENCY PLANNING
THRESHOLD RELIEF EVALUATION