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To: Coastal Conservation Commissions

Date: March 30, 2018

Subject: Emergency Declaration Extension until May 2, 2018

Dear Coastal Conservation Commissions:

Due to the significant damage incurred as a result of Winter Storm Riley, please be advised that the duration of the attached Emergency Declaration issued by Commissioner Martin Suuberg pursuant to Chapter 238 of the Acts of 2012 – Section 50 on March 2, 2018 has been extended until **May 2, 2018** subject to the following conditions:

- This extension is limited to those activities for which a notice of work is provided to MassDEP by close of business April 2, 2018 and a signed acknowledgement is issued by MassDEP
<https://www.mass.gov/doc/acknowledgement-of-emergency-repairs-following-2018-winter-storm-riley> ;
- All proposed activities comply with the terms of the Emergency Declaration (3/2/2018)
<https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/03/02/Emergency%20Declaration%20FINAL-%20March%202018%20Nor%27easter%5B4%5D.pdf> ; and
- All work conforms to the terms of the MassDEP Guidance For Cities and Towns on Emergency Repairs Following Winter Storm Riley, 2018 (3/5/2018) <https://www.mass.gov/doc/massdep-guidance-for-cities-and-towns-on-emergency-repairs-following-winter-storm-riley-2018>
- The Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program of the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife) must be notified in writing of any work proposed in Priority and Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, as indicated in the Massachusetts Natural Heritage Atlas (14th Edition; <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/regulatory-maps-priority-estimated-habitats>). Please note that additional review and approval by MassWildlife

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may be required pursuant to the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act and its emergency provisions (321 CMR 10.15). Unless otherwise approved by MassWildlife, a qualified shorebird monitor must survey the work area to determine if state-listed coastal birds are present, and provide regular monitoring to ensure ongoing protection of state-listed coastal birds. Suitable, occupied nesting habitats must be protected with symbolic fencing (as directed by the qualified shorebird monitor), avoided during all work, and restored to conditions existing as of March 2, 2018 (prior to the storm). MassWildlife is committed to providing expedited feedback and guidance; please contact us at natural.heritage@state.ma.us for more information.

- All work must be completed by May 2, 2018. After that time, all work must be conducted in accordance with the Wetlands Regulations, 310 CMR 10.00.

This Emergency Declaration extension is effective immediately.

Questions may be directed to the MassDEP Northeast Regional Office Main Line at (978) 694-3200 or the MassDEP Southeast Regional Office Main Line at (508) 946-2714.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew S. G." with a stylized flourish at the end.