

**Weir River Estuary Park Committee  
Activities 2010**

**Protect Land**

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
1.	Land Protection Plan Purpose: Land acquisition for access to water and fundraising	- Cohasset's and Hingham OSP still in progress	- To be resubmitted - Reprint LP and send to Hull Cons Com	Faith Burbank Dick Avery Judith	2010
2. *	Hull: Support the Hull Land Conservation Trust: A legal entity holding property as gateway to Weir River Woods	- TTOR uses their funds and have paid off HIS mortgage - Conservation restrictions completed - Make the Match leaves 41K to go.	- Fund raising continues push to finish in 2010	Judeth Van Hamm, Scott Plympton	2010
3.	Hingham: Noonan Property, LPP- Parcel #178	On hold	Funding via CPC on hold	Faith Burbank	2011
4.	Access to Strait's Pond	Clarify Right of way to Eastman property paper road	To be a topic for the Forum	Judeth	2011
4A	Lofchie Property acquisition at Straits Pond	Create a Open Space plan for Straits Pond	Effort may start after completion of Chatham St gateway effort. Ideal is to have the Cons Com take the lead.	Judeth HLCT Hull Cons Com	2011
5	Land Fill Plan	Met w Planning Bd. Conducted site visit 02/10	Activate the plan when the Land Fill is closed		2012
6A	Boyle property at Quarry Pond (parcel #18). Development threat to estuary	- Proposed large house construction in ACEC seeking permits from Hingham. - Scott sends concerns in letter to Hingham	-Monitor the developer and escalate concern -Seek conservation alternatives	Faith, Bill	2012

6B	Proposed development on estuary marsh near WRW on parcel #71	- Proposed house construction in ACEC	-Monitor the developer and escalate concerns -Seek conservation alternatives	Judith, Scott	2012
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## Improve / Restore Habitat

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7	Hingham: Rockland Street-- Restore and improve water drainage & storm drains to comply with recommended ACEC practices, Storm-water Policy Phase 11	Effort must start over. Unfunded / removed from TIP	Regroup. Get on the same page. Work with Hingham selectmen	Faith Burbank Bill Sarni Judeth	2015
8	Hull: Show Boat property Rest Area by Hingham Hull Rotary president's project	- \$8400 raised	- Monitor progress - Support Rotary - Keep in touch with Chief Billings	Dick Avery	TBD
9	Hingham: Foundry Pond Fish count and Spawning Ladder	Dredging planned Sam Woods leads effort to remove the dam	- Open discussion - Dredging is pending funding - Faith to check with selectmen	Faith, Bill Sarni	TBD
10	Hull: GW Blvd Culverts	- Culverts assessed. - Include in Project Needs form	Judith to check to see if culverts are included in part of design process	Judeth	June 2010

## Recreation supportive of habitat

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
11	Monthly Weir River activities	Monthly walks w/ HLCT at Weir River Woods	- Geology walk and nature walks are successful	WRWA HLCT	
12	Hingham: Kayak access under Rockland St. bridge	Design completed	Waiting for construction	Faith Burbank Bill Sarni	On Hold
13	Hingham-Hull: Use sidewalks along roads & bike lanes as paths in Access Policy (GWB Only)	- Fultz prepares Project Needs form	Tri-town project  Submit to Mass Highway - Insure that it is on project needs form	Judeth Van Hamm, Faith, Bill Sarni	July 2010
14	Hingham-Hull: No Wake Zone	- Hingham has new bylaws on wakes and water skiing restrictions	- Contact Harbormasters - Propose a sign on WR Woods by waters edge	Scott Faith	Spring 2010
15	Eagle Scout Project: Signs and points of interest on Straits Pond	- Eagle candidate selected	- Monitor and support	Dick	2010

## Education

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
16	Forum for Weir River Estuary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Content discussions</li> <li>- Building a list of partners</li> <li>- Invitations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review the ACEC Resource Mgmt Plan guidelines for forum content suggestions</li> <li>- Proposed date for Forum 3/19/11</li> </ul>	WRWA HLCT SPWA WREP All parties with estuary relationship	

## General / All

No.	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People	Target Date
17	Town Reports	2010 Annual reports completed for Hingham and Cohasset	Yearly effort	Faith, Dick	2011
18	Town Web-site updates		Links / Updates as required	Faith, Dick, Judeth	2010

### Postponed Projects

No.	Goal	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People
18.	Hull: Kayak access / portage at West Corner culvert design	Town now owns Abbadessa from back taxes	Risk of access loss from development	Scott Plympton, Lawry Reid Dick Avery	Closed
10.	Hingham: Foundry Pond Footbridge	On Hold until Foundry Pond is dredged			Summer '10
26.	Bird Counts at Windmill	- Not done - there is no fence. - Discussed w/ Mass Audubon	- Get access permission - What is study protocol? - Meet w S.S. Birders and Mass Audubon	Dick Avery David Clinton	Spring
27.	CELCP Grant	Research the program	We will not pursue at this time. No willing seller No		Judeth / Jason
28.	Town of Hull WREP Actions / Capital Plan	Completed our goals for comprehensive capital plan to improve/maintain natural resources to Hull. Approved  Went to town's Goal Setting	Waiting for responses from Selectmen  Not happening	Judeth	
29.	ACEC Boundary Clarification	Lisa Engler is reviewing all Mass ACEC boundaries	The danger of opening up the ACEC process is not worth it	Judeth, Lisa	
30.**	Hull: Land Fill Plan	Clarify landfill parcels for Conservation. Part of OSP	Meet w representative for DPW	Judeth	
31.	Estuary Clean-up for GWB using Community Service assistance from Plymouth Court system	Follow up with contacts	Write a thank you letter to Youth Services		

## Completed Projects

No.	Goal	Activities	Current Status	Actions / Next Steps	Lead People
13	Brochures	Printed / Available	Distribution as appropriate. Business / towns	Amy / Faith	N/A
17	Estuary Center improvements (Funding)	- Recvd \$155 grant for sun roof pipe	Green roof delayed Solar electric planned	WREP WRWA Hull Light Sam Woods	2010
21.**	Brochure Re-Print	Adds are final; Checks must be cashed! Edits in progress	Complete edits and print	Judeth Courtney	July 4
7.	Hull: Restoration project--West Corner culvert and tide gate	Construction starts in summer '09	State & DPW schedule work	Hull DPW Hull Town Mgr	2011
4. *	Hingham: Work with Hingham Open Space Acquisition Com. and DCR on Hingham unprotected habitat	a) Amonte property has informal annual maintainance plan: Concom & Bill Sarni assist, oversite b)GWB 21 E site 'old quincy gas station' is in DEP's final stage of clean up	a)Signage in progress b) Land transferred to Town	Faith Burban k Bill Sarni	June- Sept.
5. *	Hull: HLCT- Eagle Scout Project: Parking improvements at Chatham property, kiosk/sign, trail markers and spur trail to scenic overlook in Weir River Woods	Tucker Oddleifson presented proposal to Rockaway annex neighbors; approved & work started	Completed Project: Placement of Kiosk & enlarge Parking Lot.	Dick Avery (mentor ) Scott Plympton,	Sept.
1.	<b>Recreation</b> supportive of habitat	Weir River Watershed activities	Judeth met with harbor-to-harbor trail group re Foundry Pond rail bridge trail		WRWA
2.	<b>Protect land</b>	Winsor Property	Transfer completed 11/10 Bills paid CR recorded		Dick Avery

3	Create Estuary Center for stewardship <b>education</b>	Hull Garden Club beautification	Completed new flower beds with eco timbers 11/5		Scott Plympton Judy Dorner Sam Woods
4	Create Estuary Center for stewardship <b>education</b>	Estuary Center Fund Raiser March 30 <sup>th</sup> at Clarion Hotel	Huge Success!! Grossed over \$15,000		WRWA Courtney Muller
5	<b>Recreation</b> supportive of habitat	Create Sustainable Transportation Committee thru Estuary	Workshop on GWB and Sustainable Transportation 4/26, was big success	Request needs assessment from Mass Highways	Judeth
6.	Create Estuary Center for stewardship <b>education</b>	Eagle Scout project by Jake Augenstern: Kiosk and path at Estuary Center	Project completed Brass plaque prepared Ceremony completed Publication noted		Scott Plympton Judeth
7.	As step toward land management plan, adopt policy for representation on WREP and for how voting works	Organizational Policy completed			Faith Burbank Judeth Van Hamm David Clinton Lawry, Scott
8.	Support the Hull Community Preservation Act	Consensus building	• Video interview with D. Blackall.	Judeth, Scott, Dennis Blackall	Nov
9.	Secure funding for West Corner culvert and tide gate	Expanding the project to be under the Highway Dept. agreed to funding.	Waiting for public meetings to review 25% design	SPWA	
10.	Estuary Center Open House	NE. Sustainable Energy Assn. Open House (Cplt)	Done	Judeth	Oct 6
11.	Hull Garden Club Rain Gardens	Rain Garden completed	Judy Dorner to receive award from WRWA in Nov	Judy Dorner Sam Woods	Nov
12.	Committee member reappointments	All Approved	Prepare to send letters to new Hull Selectmen.	Judeth Van Hamm Scott, Courtney	Cplt 08/08

13.	Low Impact Development (LID)	Circulate DVD among WREP Committee members.	Hired a knowledgeable planner	Dick, Lawry Faith Burbank Samantha Woods	Cplt May 08
14.	(New) Cohasset Storm Water Committee	- Cohasset Storm Water Committee completed / dissolved	\$200K for Rain gardens for Little Harbor	Lawry Reid	Cplt Jun 08
15.	Estuary Center improvements (Electricity / Wiring)	Wiring in Heating in	Painting party 9/27	Estuary Center subcommittee	
16.	Estuary Center floor map	Painted	completed		March
17.	Grand Opening	Coordination	Opportunity to recruit new members		3/21
18.	Estuary Center Improvements (water & plumbing)	Water is in building Reverse osmosis filter needed	Completed	Dick Avery David Clinton	June
19.	Estuary Center improvements (insulation/Heating)	Solar panels in Performance process in place & being monitored	Completed	WRWA Building Committee/Sam Woods, Rob Gilman	June
20.	Wind Turbine	Repaired		“ “ “ “	

### Create Estuary Center for stewardship education (Completed)

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13**	General use	Open House Grand Opening Event- a success - any group can have general use of the facility for \$100 / yr.	Joint WRWA & WREP planning meeting	Judeth	Sept.