

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

AUGUST 12, 2025

WASTEWATER PROJECT UPDATES

In an effort to keep Dennis residents informed and up to date, the Town of Dennis will update this *News and Announcements* post as soon as new information comes in.

encourage you to visit the Wastewater page link <https://www.town.dennis.ma.us/356/Wastewater> for additional information regarding the Wastewater Program.

UPDATE AUGUST 7, 2025

RJV Construction Corp. started work in late June for Contract No. 4. Robert B. Our Co., Inc. started work for Contract No. 2 in early July. Dig It Construction LLC started work for Contract No. 3 in mid-July. Work is currently scheduled as outlined below.

Work for the week of August 11 – August 15:

Contract No. 2:

- Continued sewer work on Eastover, Riverdale N and Riverdale S. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents. Some road closures with local traffic only, detours will be in place.

Contract No. 3:

- Commencement of sewer work on Winchester Drive. Local traffic only, detour will be in place. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents.

Contract No. 4:

- Completion of sewer work on Cove Road (S. Dennis). Mid-week commencement of sewer work on Farm Lane. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents. Limited access on weekdays between 7 AM and 5 PM will impact users of Cove Landing North boat landing.

Two Week Look Ahead (8/18 – 8/22):

Contract No. 2:

- Continued sewer work on Eastover, Riverdale N and Riverdale S. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents. Some road closures with local traffic only, detours will be in place.

Contract No. 3:

- Continued sewer work on Winchester Drive. Local traffic only, detour will be in place. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents.

Contract No. 4:

- Continued sewer work on Farm Lane. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents.

Three Week Look Ahead (8/25 – 8/29):

Contract No. 2:

- Continued sewer work on Eastover, Riverdale N and Riverdale S. Commencement of sewer work on Trotting Park Road. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents. Some road closures with local traffic only, detours will be in place.

Contract No. 3:

- Continued sewer work on Winchester Drive. Commencement of sewer work on Cedar Lane. Local traffic only, detour will be in place. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents.

Contract No. 4:

- Continued sewer work on Farm Lane. Police detail(s) will be on-site and signage in place to assist residents.
- Please note that this is a projected schedule and will be adjusted accordingly based on the Contractors' actual progress and the weather.
- Roads will be passable at the end of each day. Police Details and Contractors will work with residents and businesses to ensure their needs for access are addressed.
- Police Details and signage will be in-place to assist motorists in reaching their destination.
- Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday to Friday, weather permitting, unless otherwise noted.

Wastewater Project Updates are being posted to the Town's website at <http://www.town.dennis.ma.us> under "NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS" where you can also sign up for email notifications of updates. We encourage you to visit the Wastewater page link <https://www.town.dennis.ma.us/356/Wastewater> for additional information regarding the Wastewater Program.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this important project to restore and protect our environment.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – PLOVER UPDATE

Plover update Crowes Pasture had 5 successful nests this year. A total of 15 chicks have fledged so far. We are still awaiting one brood of chicks to fly. This brood is keeping the east access closed to the aquaculture grant holders. We anticipate this to re-open mid-August. Once the birds fly, we will also be able to reopen the beach to dogs. The recreational ORV access was reopened on August 1st .

South Village Landing had one successful nest with 3 chicks fledged this year. Chapin Beach had a total of 3 successful nests this year with 8 chicks fledged.

Cold Storage Beach had one successful nest this year with 4 chicks fledged.

West Dennis Beach had 4 successful nests this year. A total of 4 chicks have fledged so far. We are still awaiting two broods of chicks to fly. These broods are requiring that the barricades and silt fencing remain in place. The silt fencing was required to be installed, last minute on July 16th, along the entire length of the bulkhead in order to protect the broods from entering the parking lot area. We anticipate these broods to fly mid-August

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAYS

2025 SCHEDULE DENNIS

Non-residents visit website for registration info.
Proof of residency required.



9am to 1pm
Tony Kent Arena
8 South Gages Way



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DID YOU KNOW

SOME HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS ARE TOO TOXIC TO TRASH?

Disposal of:
Pesticides and Lawn Chemicals
Cleaners and Disinfectants
Arts & Crafts Hobby Supplies
Auto and Boat Fluids
Pool Chemicals
Paints, Polishes, and Stains
(no latex or acrylics)

Complete list of disposal items available at website.

When conditions present a danger to staff or participants, collection officials maintain the right to cancel the event.

2025



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

HHW Collections for Residents of
DENNIS

*Small Business disposal accepted.
See inside panel for info.

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"Love your local water. It's a Cape Cod Thing." is a campaign of Barnstable County Government and Cape Cod Cooperative Extension to protect our drinking water.

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Anthony Gerace, HazMat Environmental Specialist
1-800-319-2783
Barnstable County Hazardous Materials Program

HHW Collections are funded by the Dennis Water District, Town of Dennis, and Barnstable County's Cape Cod Cooperative Extension.

Cape Cod Cooperative Extension
www.capecod.gov/extension



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Weir Creek Restoration Project Public Meeting



Wednesday, August 20th

6:00 - 7:30 pm

Dennis Police Station

(90 Bob Crowell Rd, South Dennis, MA)

In an effort to restore ecological function and reduce flooding risks to the surrounding community, the town of Dennis and partners are working to improve the tidal hydrology in the Weir Creek salt marsh by enlarging the culverts under Lower County Road. The team will share an online mapping viewer showing flooding extents under existing and proposed conditions. **Feedback received at the public meeting will be used to guide the next phases of design and implementation.**

Join us to share your insights!

To sign up for email updates and for more information, visit:

www.apcc.org/weir-creek

If you cannot join the meeting in person, please join virtually using the QR code to access the Zoom link.



COMMUNITY MEETING LONG-TERM RESILIENCY PLANNING FOR HAIGIS BEACH



Join the Town of Dennis and Woods Hole Group to learn about the Haigis Beach Resiliency Project - a planning initiative to evaluate alternatives to improve the long-term resilience of Haigis Beach to storms and erosion while preserving beach access.

Over the years, coastal storms have damaged the rock revetment at Haigis Beach, creating safety hazards and making it harder for people to access the beach. Emergency permits allowed Town staff to make temporary repairs, however, the Town recognizes that the revetment is reaching the end of its lifespan and is proactively exploring alternatives to improve the resilience of the site.

At this meeting, the project team will:

- Discuss the goals of the project
- Introduce the process for developing and evaluating alternatives
- Solicit feedback on existing site use, known vulnerabilities, and the community's vision for the site.

IN PERSON:

DENNIS PUBLIC LIBRARY
5 HALL STREET
DENNIS PORT, MA

DATE:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025

TIME:

6 - 7:30 PM

DIRECT QUESTIONS TO:

DUSTIN PINEAU
DPINEAU@TOWN.DENNIS.MA.US



Childcare Subsidy Program



The Town of Dennis Childcare Subsidy Program was funded to provide financial assistance for 50 local families with children who are under five years old as of August 31, 2025, for the program period September 1, 2025 -August 31, 2026.

A subsidy in the form of direct payment of \$200 per month to State licensed childcare providers for up to 50 full time, year-round residents of Dennis (maximum of \$2,400 per household) will be provided for one eligible child and meets a threshold of 81% to 150% Average Median Income parameter. Child must be enrolled a minimum of two days per week for eligibility.

The enrollment for the program period September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2026 begins on August 15, 2025 and completed applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until the limit of 50 families is reached. Incomplete applications will be placed on hold, allowing for other applications to be approved, until all requested additional information is received.

Applications and required documents must be completed fully and returned to:

Dennis Town Hall

Attention: Childcare Subsidy Program

685 Route 134

South Dennis, MA 02660

Or may be scanned and emailed to DennisCSP@town.dennis.ma.us with the subject line "CSP."

Applications and other info: [Childcare Subsidy Program Overview](#), an [Application Form](#), Applicant Packet and a [Required Documents List](#).

FY 2026	HOUSEHOLD SIZE							
INCOME CATEGORY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LOW								
80% Income Limit	\$76,550	\$87,500	\$98,450	\$109,350	\$118,100	\$126,850	\$135,600	\$144,350
81% Income Limit (DENNIS MINIMUM)	\$77,507	\$88,594	\$99,680	\$110,717	\$119,576	\$128,436	\$137,295	\$146,154
AVERAGE MEDIAN								
100% Income Limit	\$88,700	\$101,350	\$114,000	\$126,650	\$136,800	\$146,950	\$157,050	\$167,200
150% AVERAGE MEDIAN 150 % Income limit (DENNIS MAXIMUM)	\$143,550	\$164,100	\$184,575	\$205,050	\$221,475	\$237,900	\$254,325	\$270,675

NEXT MEETING DATES OF THE DENNIS SELECT BOARD

The Dennis Select Board will meet on August 26, 2025 for regularly scheduled business. Upcoming meeting dates of the Select Board can be found on the [Town of Dennis website here](#).

All are welcome to attend and participate in our open and public meetings. The agenda for each meeting is posted 48 business hours prior to the scheduled meeting time and can be accessed through the Select Board's webpage or the Town calendar webpage.

Attend in-person at the Town Hall, Stone Meeting Room. Or for alternative public access join the meeting online via zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8780036813> or participate by phone by dialing 1-646-558-8656 and entering Conference ID: 878-003-6813

NEW TEAM MEMBERS

I am pleased to share some updates on recruitments with everyone:

Terri Adamsons -DNR Principal Office Assistant 07/28/2025

Pat Gonsalves – DCAL Office Assistant 07/09/20205

Congratulations and welcome to our new Town of Dennis team members!

JOIN THE TEAM! THE TOWN OF DENNIS IS HIRING

The [Town of Dennis](#) has several full and part-time positions available.

Apply and view current job openings [here](#).

Thank you and be well, everyone!

Elizabeth C. Sullivan, Town Administrator