

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Coastal Resources Management Council (CRMC) is in receipt of a federal consistency certification furnished by the Rhode Island Airport Corporation (RIAC) to the CRMC. The RIAC is seeking a federal Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) as part of the proposed T.F. Green Airport expansion project within the City of Warwick. The project is described in extensive detail within the T.F. Green Airport Improvement Program Final Environmental Impact Statement dated July 2011 and available online at: <http://www.vhb.com/pvd/eis/>.

The project is located within a coastal community, the City of Warwick, but does not involve any work within tidal waters of the state or on a coastal shoreline feature or its 200-foot contiguous area. Accordingly, the CRMC will not be issuing a state permit in this matter. A portion of the project, however, is located within the Greenwich Bay Special Area Management Plan (SAMP). The proposed T.F. Green Airport expansion project is subject to CRMC Federal Consistency review authority pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), 16 USC §§ 1451-1464, and the CZMA's implementing regulations at 15 CFR Part 930 Subpart D.

The federal consistency certification was filed by RIAC with the ACOE and a copy furnished to the CRMC as required pursuant to 15 CFR § 930 Subpart D. The CRMC as the State's authorized coastal zone management agency must make a determination that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the enforceable policies of the coastal program. In addition, RIAC must demonstrate adequate consideration of policies which are in the nature of recommendations pursuant to 15 CFR § 930 Subpart D. In this matter, there are two applicable provisions within the Greenwich Bay SAMP, specifically Sections 390.5B.5 and 470.5B.17.

The consistency certification has been assigned the file number **2012-01-027**. The file containing the RIAC consistency certification letter and supporting information can be viewed at the CRMC's offices during regular office hours (Monday-Friday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm) and on the CRMC website at [www.crmc.ri.gov](http://www.crmc.ri.gov).

The CRMC is providing public notice on the consistency certification filed by RIAC, but is not required to hold a public hearing pursuant to 15 CFR § 930 Subpart D. Therefore, the CRMC will not be holding a public hearing on this matter and will accept written comments

only. Parties interested in or concerned with the above matter are requested to provide written comments on or before **Wednesday, February 29, 2012** to James Boyd, CRMC Coastal Policy Analyst, at the above address. Interested parties are directed to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Record of Decision for T.F. Green Airport Improvement Program concerning the FAA findings of project consistency with the coastal zone management program. The FAA document is accessible online at: <http://www.vhb.com/pvd/eis/>. **Comments must be specifically directed to the issue as to whether the proposed project is consistent with the enforceable policies of the Rhode Island coastal resources management program.** The CRMC cannot consider comments that are not relevant to this issue for making its consistency determination.

Further information may be obtained by contacting James Boyd at the Coastal Resources Management Council offices at 783-3370.

Signed this 24th day of January 2012.



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