### **Designation of**

## **Public Rights-of-Way**

to The Tidal Areas of The State



### PROGRESS REPORT FOR

July 2024 through June 2025

**Submitted by** 

THE COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL Subcommittee on Rights-of-Ways

CRMC Progress Report on Public Rights-of-Way Designations
July 2024 through June 2025

#### **SUMMARY**

During the report period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and in accordance with its legislative mandate at RIGL 46-23-17, the Coastal Resources Management Council (CRMC) has continued to address the discovery and designation of public rights-of-ways to the tidal areas of the state.

The General Assembly has mandated the CRMC with the continuing task of discovering and designating public rights-of-ways to the shore. In response CRMC established the Rights-of-Way (ROW) Subcommittee in 1978.

Any decision resulting in a public right-of-way designation by the Council is permanently recorded with the Secretary of State. The cumulative efforts of the CRMC and its ROW subcommittee are as follows. Please note that the potential ROWs listed in this report are compiled in an appendix. They are subject to legal review by CRMC counsel should new information be discovered that might change their current status. Any changes in the status of these potential ROWs will be reflected in subsequent CRMC annual ROW reports.

| Total Number of Potential ROWs Reviewed:          | 353 |
|---|-----|
| Sites Designated as Public ROWs:                  | 234 |
| Sites with Insufficient Evidence for Designation: | 67  |
| Sites that are Not Resolved:                      | 33  |
| Sites Under Review:                               | 22  |
| *Sites that are On Appeal:                        | 0   |

<sup>\*</sup>Sites that are on Appeal are not included in the Total Number of Potential ROWs Reviewed

#### **GOAL**

The goal of the CRMC is to designate at least one (1) public right-of-way for each mile of shoreline. With 234 sites designated as public, and with 420 miles of Rhode Island shoreline, the CRMC is better than half-way to reaching its goal.

#### **ACTIVITIES OF THE CRMC**

Significant previous accomplishments and new activities conducted during this report period by the CRMC staff and ROW Subcommittee follow:

1) Starting in November of 2021, the CRMC began the process of hearing litigation in response to the proposed affirmation and designation of the extension of Spring Avenue in Westerly, now known as Spray Rock Road, to the Ocean ("Spring Avenue Extension" or the "right of way") as an official CRMC-recognized public right-of-way to the Westerly waterfront. The CRMC received support from the Attorney General's Office on this designation but was quickly met with a legal case posed by the Weekapaug Fire District contesting that this Spring Avenue Extension was owned and operated by the Fire District and did not constitute an official ROW designation. A contested hearing requires CRMC to follow the provisions of the APA and necessitates a hearing with the parties to the matter, while other interested parties may intervene. The Weekapaug Fire District and the Town of Westerly worked to establish stipulated facts and

joint exhibits to enter into this procedure. The legal proceedings and proceedings continued through the end of 2024 and into 2025, eliminating the possibility of designation of any new Rights of Ways as this matter was litigated.

- 2) The CRMC and the RI Attorney General's Office continue to implement a Memorandum in support of a ROW Protection Initiative to memorialize a partnership by which each agency agrees to coordinate and support their common interest in preserving shoreline public access at CRMC designated ROWs. A key element of this Initiative is the establishment of a two-tiered approach to enforcing RIGL 46-23-7.4 *Penalty for blocking or posting of rights-of-way* which provides penalties of up to a fine not exceeding \$500 dollars or imprisonment for not more than three months or both. As such, should a party served a Notice of Violation by CRMC Enforcement staff relative to RIGL 46-23-7.4 fail to respond within a given timeframe, the RI Attorney General's office will notify said party that it may take an action against them in Superior Court without further notice for their failure to correct the obstruction.
- 3) Seven (7) ROW Subcommittee meetings were held during the report period June 1, 2024-July 30, 2025 during which potential ROWs received from various municipalities and reviewed by staff during the previous reporting period were considered and discussed. These potential ROWs include those in Buttonwoods (Warwick), Spring Avenue Extension (Westerly), and Everett Avenue (Westerly).
- 4) On January 23, 2024, the CRMC ROW Subcommittee held a meeting regarding the Spring Avenue Extension ROW in Westerly and the Buttonwoods ROW in Warwick respectively. Mr. Farside for the Weekapaug Fire District stated that all parties are moving forward with compiling depositions, expert reports, and rebuttal reports in advancement of the adopted schedule. Mr. Farside stated that some deadlines have not been met due to the nature and breadth of the matter but assured the Council and interested parties that a pending lawsuit that commenced by the Weekapaug Fire District seeking to acquire title to the Spring Avenue Extension parcel is intended to bring the matter to an efficient and final resolution. Ms. Carney of the Attorney General's office stated that the AG's office has submitted a motion to dismiss the lawsuit in Superior Court. Mr. DeSisto stated that the lawsuit would not impair the current course of actions of the Subcommittee and that the Subcommittee should continue in its ordinary course of business.
- 5) In May 2025, the Federal government cancelled the Inflation Reduction Act grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) the CRMC applied for and was granted to work to improve equitable shoreline access in Rhode Island and help foster partnerships and collaboration to further Right-of-Way identification and designation. The CRMC and its partners previously conducted a needs assessment to gather information and listen to a wide array of citizens, coastal residents and visitors about the real needs and wants for shoreline public access in their communities. This work was to be followed by a stakeholder process, with the long-term goal of developing a five-year management plan to address these issues and implement solutions that would have been funded by the IRA grant funds.
- 6) The CRMC continues its partnership with Save The Bay and the Coastal Institute to update the CRMC's ArcGIS Online ROW map. CRMC staff photographed every ROW as part of this project, and they are available to STB as they contribute toward updating the map. Former CRMC Coastal Geologist Janet Freedman and Coastal Institute Assistant Director Nate Vinhateiro have contributed integral map updates for the effort. The ArcGIS Online ROW map can be accessed via the following link: <a href="http://www.crmc.ri.gov/maps.html">http://www.crmc.ri.gov/maps.html</a>
- 7) The CRMC continues its cooperative program with the municipalities to accelerate the discovery process of potential rights-of-way to the shore through the Harbor Management Planning process. The proposed ROWs mentioned above in the Towns of North Kingstown, Portsmouth, and Warren were all identified via this process.

- 8) On September 21, 2023, the CRMC and partner organizations Rhode Island Sea Grant and Clean Ocean Access hosted a walking tour along Atlantic Avenue in Westerly to demonstrate some Westerly CRMC-designated Rights of Ways. RI State Representative Terri Cortvriend attended and contributed to discussions on proposed lateral access legislation and other shoreline access issues.
- 9) The CRMC has created numerous public access opportunities via assent stipulations under section 1.3.6 "Protection and enhancement of public access to the shore" (formerly § 335) of the RI Coastal Resources Management Program regulations. Section 1.3.6 stipulates that a public access plan must be prepared when the following activities are proposed: 1) Commercial and industrial development and redevelopment projects as defined in section 1.3.1 (C) "Residential, commercial, industrial, and recreational structures"; 2) New and significant expansions to marinas as defined in section 1.3.1 (D) "Recreational Boating Facilities"; and, 3) Activities which involve the filling of tidal waters as defined in section 1.3.1 (G) "Filling in tidal waters"), other than those considered as maintenance as defined in section 1.3.1 (G) "Construction of shoreline protection facilities". The following cumulative list (as shown in the table on page 5) includes various types of public access created under section 1.3.6 such as boardwalks, parking facilities, shoreline access paths, and others:

| Projects with Section 1.3.6 Stipulated Public Access Plan          | C:4/T :         |
|--|-----------------|
| See file # listed with each project for public access plan details | City/Town       |
| Stone Harbour Condominiums: file# 2002-08-031                      | Bristol         |
| Thames Street Landing: file# 2001-04-033                           | Bristol         |
| Weetamoe Farms: file # 1986-05-008                                 | Bristol         |
| Sakonnet Point Club: file # 2002-05-083                            | Little Compton  |
| Spring Wharf Marine Holdings, LLC file # 1997-01-003               | Newport         |
| Newport Onshore: file # 1994-04-33                                 | Newport         |
| Spring Wharf Marine file # 1997-01-003                             | Newport         |
| The Inn at Long Wharf (Marina) file # 2003-04-122                  | Newport         |
| West Wind Marina: file # 2001-11-029                               | Newport         |
| Public Dinghy Dock: file # 2018-04-057                             | New Shoreham    |
| Block Island Landfill: file # 2016-02-090                          | New Shoreham    |
| Blue Beach (EDC): file # 2002-10-045                               | North Kingstown |
| Compass Rose Beach: file # 2002-10-045                             | North Kingstown |
| Jamestown Bridge (RIDOT) file # 1991-11-21                         | North Kingstown |
| Keifer Park: file # 2002-10-045                                    | North Kingstown |
| North Kingstown Town Marina: file # 2000-06-082                    | North Kingstown |
| Quonset Development Corporation: file # 2002-10-045                | North Kingstown |
| Calf Pasture Point: file # 2002-10-045                             | North Kingstown |
| Maritime Way Conservation Area: file # 2002-10-045                 | North Kingstown |
| Spink's Neck Beach file # 2004-09-045                              | North Kingstown |
| Wickford Shipyard file # 2008-03-128                               | North Kingstown |
| Carnegie Abbey file # 2001-10-086                                  | Portsmouth      |
| Sakonnet Point Club: file # 2002-05-083                            | Portsmouth      |
| Collier Point Park (Narragansett Electric) file # 1991-12-011      | Providence      |

| Point Street Landing file # 1995-12-11                    | Providence      |
|---|-----------------|
| Providence Place Mall file # 1995-07-345                  | Providence      |
| India Point Association (RIDEM property) file # 1987-8-50 | Providence      |
| Gotham Greens file # 2018-05-099                          | Providence      |
| Matunuck Beach Trailer Association file # 2010-02-050     | South Kingstown |
| Village at Mount Hope Bay (Starwood) file # 2001-04-109   | Tiverton        |
| Sakonnet River Bridge (RIDOT) file # 2012-01-052          | Tiverton        |
| Wharf Tavern file # 1982-11-4                             | Warren          |
| 279 Water Street (Restaurant) file # 1982-11-4            | Warren          |
| American Tourister file # 2015-05-016                     | Warren          |
| Dickerson's Marina file # 2002-05-097                     | Warwick         |
| Harbor Lights Marina file # 2013-11-069                   | Warwick         |
| Greenwich Bay Marina file # 1999-12-037                   | Warwick         |

**10)** The CRMC has established an Adopt-An-Access Program by which public/private partnerships preserve, protect, and enhance public access at CRMC ROWs. The Program is implemented via MOUs that stipulate each partner's role and responsibilities. There are 43 adopted ROWs in the state as shown in the table below.

### (See table on following page)

| CRMC ROW (Designation #)       | Municipality | Adopting Entity      | Year of Adoption |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|------------------|
| "Daunis"/Nyatt Road (P-2)      | Barrington   | RI Saltwater Anglers |                  |
|                                |              | Assoc.               |                  |
| Gibson Road (S-2)              | Bristol      | B. Highlands Improv. |                  |
|                                |              | Assoc.               |                  |
| Constitution Street (S-4)      | Bristol      | Save Bristol Harbor  |                  |
| Union Street (S-5)             | Bristol      | Save Bristol Harbor  |                  |
| Walley Street (S-6)            | Bristol      | Save Bristol Harbor  |                  |
| Poppasquash Road (S-19)        | Bristol      | Save Bristol Harbor  |                  |
| Oliver Street (S-22)           | Bristol      | Save Bristol Harbor  |                  |
| Tuckerman Avenue (Y-1)         | Middletown   | Middletown Coastal   | 2025             |
|                                |              | Access Alliance      |                  |
| Shore Drive (Y-3)              | Middletown   | Middletown Coastal   | 2025             |
|                                |              | Access Alliance      |                  |
| S.E. end esplanade & Shore Dr. | Middletown   | Middletown Coastal   | 2025             |
| (Y-5)                          |              | Access Alliance      |                  |
| Taggerts Ferry Road (Y-6)      | Middletown   | Middletown Coastal   | 2025             |
|                                |              | Access Alliance      |                  |
| Kingfisher Avenue (Y-7)        | Middletown   | Middletown Coastal   | 2025             |
| _ ` ,                          |              | Access Alliance      |                  |
| Western end of Purgatory Road  | Middletown   | Middletown Coastal   | 2025             |

| (V 0)                          |              | Access Alliance           |      |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|------|
| (Y-9)                          | M: 1.11 - 4  |                           | 2025 |
| Shore Drive, opposite Lot 107  | Middletown   | Middletown Coastal        | 2025 |
| (Y-10)                         |              | Access Alliance           |      |
| Tuckerman Avenue (Y-11)        | Middletown   | RI Saltwater Anglers      | 2023 |
|                                |              | Assoc & Clambake Club     |      |
| Bass Rock Road (C-6)           | Narragansett | Coastal Society URI       | 2021 |
|                                |              | Chapter                   |      |
| Conant Avenue (C-7)            | Narragansett | Narragansett Surfcasters  | 2021 |
| Knowlesway Extension (C-1)     | Narragansett | Narragansett Con.         | 2020 |
|                                |              | Comm.                     |      |
| Calef at Louise Pole 8 (C-3)   | Narragansett | Coastal Access Imprvt     | 2021 |
|                                |              | Comm.                     |      |
| Webster Avenue (Z-1)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Narragansett Avenue (Z-2)      | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Ledge Road (Z-3)               | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Ruggles Avenue (Z-4)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Seaview Avenue (Z-5)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Cypress Street (Z-6)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Van Zandt Street (Z-7)         | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Battery Street (Z-8)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Pine Street (Z-9)              | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Cherry Street (Z-10)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Chestnut Street (Z-11)         | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Walnut Street (Z-12)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Willow Street (Z-13)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Poplar Street (Z-14)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Elm Street (Z-15)              | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Goat Island Connector 28-B (Z- | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| 16)                            | _            |                           |      |
| Goat Island Connector 28-A (Z- | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| 17)                            |              |                           |      |
| Brown & Howard Wharf (Z-18)    | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Lee's Wharf (Z-19)             | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Howard's Wharf (Z-20)          | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Sisson's Wharf (Z-21)          | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Waites Wharf (Z-22)            | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront | 2024 |
| Spring Wharf (Z-23)            | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront |      |
| Marine Avenue (Z-24)           | Newport      | Friends of the Waterfront |      |

11) The CRMC uniquely addressed public access to the shore in Narragansett Bay's urban core when it promulgated the Urban Coastal Greenway regulations (UCG) under the Metro Bay SAMP. The UCG offers development projects the option to create an easement for public access to the shore as compensation for allowing a more compact vegetated coastal buffer zone than required by Section 150 (Coastal Buffer Zones) of the Red Book. The goal of the public access option is to create the Urban

Coastal Greenway – a public access pathway along the shores of Cranston, Providence, Pawtucket, and East Providence – that includes vehicular parking and arterial public access from the street side of a coastal parcel to the shore. While the UCG clearly provides a significant public benefit, the allowance of a compact buffer zone increases the useable area of an urban coastal parcel; such parcels typically cannot meet the buffer zone requirements of Section 150 (which target more rural parts of the state) and remain economically viable. A more recent addition to CRMC's public access initiatives is the establishment of Coastal Greenways via the Aquidneck Island SAMP. Modeled on the UCG approach of establishing a continuous public access pathway along the shore on a project-by-project basis, the first such link of a Coastal Greenway is in place as shown on the table below. To date, the following projects have contributed to the establishment of the Urban Coastal Greenway and the Coastal Greenway:

| Project   | Municipality        | UCG or CG Easement   |
|---|---------------------|--|
| American<br>Locomotive<br>file # 2007-02-038          | Providence          | Public path along the Woonasquatucket River, minimum of eight parking spaces, and public access signage. (UCG)               |
| Division Street Hotel file# 2006-08- 016              | Pawtucket           | Public path along the Seekonk River, minimum of eight parking spaces, and public access signage.  (UCG)                      |
| East Point Development Project file # 2021-06-074     | East Providence     | Public path along the Seekonk River, public parking spaces and signage, walkways leading to the shoreline public path. (UCG) |
| Johnson and Wales<br>University<br>file # 2006-07-012 | Providence/Cranston | Public access path along Narragansett Bay, public parking spaces and a recreational public access ramp. (UCG)                |
| Kettle Point<br>file # 2013-06-080                    | East Providence     | Public access pathway along the Providence River with public parking provided. (UCG)   |
| Newport Beach Club<br>File # 2011-05-120              | Portsmouth          | A Coastal Greenway; a public access path by Narragansett Bay with public parking provided.                                   |

- 12) The CRMC has developed a project to coordinate with various state agencies to identify and designate public parking for CRMC ROW users per Section 46-23-6(5)(iv) *Rights-of-way*, of its enabling legislation. Two state properties managed by RIDEM will be the first where public parking is established under this initiative. Further detail regarding the number of parking spaces at and their locations within each property will be provided by RIDEM in the near future.
- 13) The CRMC has produced pamphlets and signs in seven languages (English, Spanish, Portuguese, Vietnamese, Hmong, Laotian, and Cambodian) which establish a code of conduct while using ROWs. The pamphlet discusses the public's constitutional privileges to the shore, but it also strongly emphasizes the importance of respecting private property rights in the vicinity of ROWs. The pamphlet identifies littering, trespassing onto private property, and blocking private driveways with illegally parked cars, as primary problems to be avoided by users of ROWs. The CRMC installs the multi-language signs at its Adopt-An-Access sites and the pamphlets are available at no charge in hard copy at the CRMC office in Wakefield.
- 14) In early June of 2025, law S07016/H6093, sponsored by Senator Victoria Gu, Rep Terri Cortvriend and Rep Kathleen Fogarty, was passed to protect shoreline public access, specifically regulating towns from reducing or restricting parking near CRMC-designated Rights-of-Ways by requiring public plans, hearings and ADA compliance, with fines for violations funding access improvements. This law addressed "backdoor privatization" of beaches by property owners, ensuring transparency and maintaining access, with enforcement power given to CRMC and DEM through the RI General Assembly.

- **15)** A second law, S0626/H5686, also signed in early June 2025, requires municipalities to maintain and update lists of public rights of way to tidal areas shining a light on coastal paths that many residents never knew existed.
- 16) The CRMC continues to complete and update this annual rights-of-way report which is available to the public at no charge at the CRMC office in Wakefield. As the CRMC designates new public rights-of-way, the report is updated to document the location of these right-of-ways. The report serves as an inventory and planning tool for coastal communities as well as serving a public interest. This report is also available via the CRMC website at: http://www.crmc.ri.gov/publicaccess.html

#### **FUNDING**

The lack of funding remains a chronic problem for the rights-of-way program. Historical federal funding for the task of discovering and designating ROWs was established at \$30,000 per fiscal year. However, in response to subsequent budget problems the appropriations specifically earmarked for this task were level funded at \$5,000 per fiscal year, until FY13 when the federal share was eliminated.

The monies must still cover legal, stenographer, travel, advertising, and staff costs. Currently the agency has been able to restore some federal funds to this effort. And most importantly, this funding includes comprehensive legal research, and time-consuming public hearings (the purpose of which is to exhaust evidence), resulting in site designations that span reporting periods.

Therefore, notwithstanding partnerships like the one previously mentioned with the Roger Williams University Law School Fellow program, it is likely that due to further decreases in appropriations, and the resulting decreases in federal monies (a 1:1 match is required with federal funding), it may be necessary for the CRMC to come close to zero-funding its rights-of-way program next fiscal year. As state appropriations have become non-existent for this task, the CRMC is faced with using federal funding to cover operational costs.. Further, if one were to take into consideration the monetary cost of trying to purchase those CRMC designated public access areas at current market value, it would easily amount in the millions of dollars. Thus the state has reaped a high rate of return for monies expended on this program. By demonstrating how successful the CRMC's efforts vis-à-vis rights-of-way designations and its impact to the state's quality of life, the Council will attempt to foster partnerships that will allow ROW designations to go forward in spite of funding constraints

#### **FUTURE ACTIONS**

One of the prime objectives of the right-of-ways subcommittee is to continue to seek opportunities to foster partnerships that further the ROW discovery and designation.

Additional state funding will be sought, which will result in additional sites being reviewed, and therefore possibly being designated as public ROWs to the shore.

The subcommittee's task of designating public ROWs to the shore continues to be one of the CRMC's highest action items to ensure the public right-of-access to the coastal waters of Rhode Island.

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# TOWN-BY-TOWN ANALYSIS OF THE COUNCIL'S ACTIONS REGARDING SITE DESIGNATIONS AND PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY TO THE SHORE

The following represents a town-by-town analysis of the CRMC's actions regarding the review of various sites and their potential designations as public rights-of-way to the shore. This is the official listing of the Council's actions regarding its designation process for public rights-of-way.

Where applicable, the following terms mean:

Insufficient Evidence: The CRMC reviewed these sites and based on the evidence submitted into

the record at the time of the hearing; found that insufficient evidence existed to designate these sites as public rights-of-way to the shore. However,

further review may occur for these sites given new evidence.

Not Resolved: The CRMC previously investigated these sites and made no determination as

to whether or not these sites are public rights-of-way to the shore. They are not currently being investigated by the CRMC, however further review may

occur for these sites given additional evidence.

Under Review: Sites which are currently being considered by the subcommittee.

On Appeal: Decisions of the CRMC which are being challenged through the courts.

### **WESTERLY**

| Street Designation  | R-O-W Designation No. |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Bluff Avenue        | A-2                   |
| Manatuck Avenue     | A-3                   |
| Atlantic Avenue (1) | A-6                   |
| Atlantic Avenue (2) | A-7                   |
| Atlantic Avenue (4) | A-8                   |
| Atlantic Avenue (5) | A-9                   |
| Atlantic Avenue (6) | A-10                  |
| Atlantic Avenue (7) | A-11                  |
| Atlantic Avenue (8) | A-12                  |
| Atlantic Avenue (9) | A-13                  |
| Avondale Road       | A-14                  |
|                     |                       |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 11** 

### **CHARLESTOWN**

| Street Designation | R-O-W Designation No. |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Breachway          | B-1                   |
| East Beach Road    | B-2                   |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 2** 

### **SOUTH KINGSTOWN**

| Street Designation | R-O-W Designation No. |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Statice Drive      | D-1                   |
| Dawn Drive         | D-2                   |
| Daybreak Drive     | D-3                   |
| Ocean Avenue       | D-4                   |
|                    |                       |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 4** 

### **NARRAGANSETT**

| R-O-W Designation No. |
|-----------------------|
| C-1                   |
| C-2                   |
| C-3                   |
| C-5                   |
| C-6                   |
| C-7                   |
| C-8                   |
| C-9                   |
| C-10                  |
| C-11                  |
| C-12                  |
|                       |

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| Newton Avenue Road End      | C-13 |
|-----------------------------|------|
| Wandsworth Street Extension | C-14 |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 13** 

### **NEW SHOREHAM** (BLOCK ISLAND)

| Street Designation              | R-O-W Designation No. |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Settlers Rock                   | E-1                   |
| Scotch Beach Road               | E-2                   |
| Scup Rock property              | E-3                   |
| Conneymus Road                  | E-4                   |
| Coast Guard Road                | E-5                   |
| Andy's Way                      | E-6                   |
| West Beach Road                 | E-7                   |
| <b>TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 7</b> |                       |

### **NORTH KINGSTOWN**

| Street Designation   | R-O-W Designation No. |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Phillips Street      | F-5                   |
| Loop Drive           | F-6                   |
| Loop Drive (2)       | F-7                   |
| Allen Harbor Complex | F-8                   |
| Town Wharf           | F-9                   |
| Wilson Park          | F-10                  |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 6** 

### **JAMESTOWN**

| R-O-W Designation No. |
|-----------------------|
| G-1                   |
| G-2                   |
| G-3                   |
| G-4                   |
| G-5                   |
| G-6                   |
| G-7                   |
| G-8                   |
| G-9                   |
| G-10                  |
| G-11                  |
| G-12                  |
| G-13                  |
| G-14                  |
|                       |
|                       |

### **EAST GREENWICH**

| Street Designation              | R-O-W Designation No. |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| London Street                   | H-1                   |
| Rocky Hollow Road               | H-2                   |
| Long Street                     | H-3                   |
| King Street                     | H-4                   |
| Bridge Street                   | H-5                   |
| Division Street                 | Н-6                   |
| <b>TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 6</b> |                       |

### **WARWICK**

| Street Designation              | R-O-W Designation No.          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Bradford Avenue                 | J-1                            |
| Elkins Avenue                   | J-2                            |
| Charlotte Drive (north side) #1 | J-3                            |
| Charlotte Drive (north side) #2 | J-4                            |
| Charlotte Drive (north side) #3 | J-5                            |
| Charlotte Drive #4              | J-6                            |
| Beachwood Drive (east side) #1  | J-7                            |
| Beachwood Drive (east side) #2  | J-8                            |
| Sylvia Drive                    | J-9                            |
| Sheffield Street                | J-10                           |
| Reynolds Avenue                 | J-11                           |
| North Shore Street              | J-12                           |
| Waterfront Drive                | J-13                           |
| Cooney Street                   | J-14                           |
| Progress Street                 | J-15                           |
| Burnett Road (east side) #1     | J-16                           |
| Burnett Road (east side) #2     | J-17                           |
| Burnett Road (east side) #3     | J-18                           |
| Shawomet Avenue (north side)    | J-19                           |
| Shawomet Avenue (south side)    | J-20                           |
| Bellman Avenue                  | J-21                           |
| Gaspee Point Drive              | J-22 (Abandoned and Relocated) |
| Butler Court                    | J-23                           |
| Nausauket Road                  | J-24                           |
| Ives Road                       | J-25                           |
| Tiffany Avenue/Progress Street  | J-26                           |
| Narragansett Bay Avenue         | J-28                           |
| Off Shawomet Avenue             | J-29                           |
| Off Ship Street (Ship Court)    | J-30                           |

| Suburban Parkway - Formerly Delaware Avenue | J-31 |
|---|------|
| Peck Lane - Pawtuxet Village                | J-32 |
| Off Cooney Street/Extension of Lilac Street | J-33 |
| Rock Avenue/Bromle Avenue                   | J-34 |
| Off Reynolds Avenue                         | J-35 |
| Priscilla Avenue                            | J-36 |
| Masthead Drive - Old Courtland Lane         | J-37 |
| Ogden Avenue off Burnett Road               | J-38 |
| Alger Avenue & John Wickes Avenue           | J-39 |
| Bradford Avenue                             | J-40 |
| Overlook Drive                              | J-41 |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 40** 

### **CRANSTON**

| Street Designation           | R-O-W Designation No. |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Aborn Street (south side)    | K-1                   |
| Aborn Street (westerly side) | K-2                   |
| Seaview Avenue (west side)   | K-3                   |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 3** 

### **PROVIDENCE**

| Street Designation       | R-O-W Designation No. |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Irving Avenue            | L-1                   |
| Butler Avenue            | L-2                   |
| East Transit Street      | L-3                   |
| Public Street            | L-4                   |
| TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 4 |                       |

### **PAWTUCKET**

| Street Designation | R-O-W Designation No. |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Bishop Street      | M-1                   |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 1** 

### **EAST PROVIDENCE**

| Street Designation    | R-O-W Designation No. |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Narragansett Beachway | N-1                   |
| First Beachway        | N-2                   |
| Second Beachway       | N-3                   |
| Third Beachway        | N-4                   |
| Fourth Beachway       | N-5                   |
| Fifth Beachway        | N-6                   |
| Sixth Beachway        | N-7                   |
| Seventh Beachway      | N-8                   |
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| Eighth Beachway   | N-9  |
|-------------------|------|
| Ninth Beachway    | N-10 |
| Tenth Beachway    | N-11 |
| Eleventh Beachway | N-12 |
| Riverside Drive   | N-13 |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 13** 

### **BARRINGTON**

| Street Designation       | R-O-W Designation No. |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Shore Road               | P-1                   |
| Daunis R-O-W             | P-2                   |
| TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 2 |                       |

### **WARREN**

| Street Designation        | R-O-W Designation No. |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Maple Street              | R-1                   |
| Parker Avenue             | R-2                   |
| Patterson Avenue          | R-3                   |
| Harris Avenue             | R-4                   |
| Shore Drive (3)           | R-6                   |
| Shore Drive (5)           | R-7                   |
| Shore Drive (6)           | R-8                   |
| Shore Drive (7)           | R-9                   |
| Road to Town Landing      | R-10                  |
| Baker Street              | R-11                  |
| Beach Street              | R-12                  |
| Bridge Street             | R-13                  |
| River View Street         | R-14                  |
| TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 13 |                       |

### **BRISTOL**

| Street Designation  | R-O-W Designation No. |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Beach Road          | S-1                   |
| Gibson Road         | S-2                   |
| Fales Road          | S-3                   |
| Constitution Street | S-4                   |
| Union Street        | S-5                   |
| Walley Street       | S-6                   |
| North Street        | S-7                   |
| Butterworth Avenue  | S-8                   |
| Azalea Drive        | S-9                   |
|                     |                       |

| Fatima Drive                 | S-10 |
|------------------------------|------|
| San Miguel Drive             | S-11 |
| Sherman Avenue               | S-12 |
| Smith Avenue                 | S-13 |
| Kickemuit Avenue             | S-14 |
| Narrows Road                 | S-15 |
| Sunrise Drive                | S-16 |
| Anawamscott Drive            | S-17 |
| Low Lane                     | S-18 |
| Poppasquash Road (beach lot) | S-19 |
| State Street                 | S-20 |
| Franklin Street              | S-21 |
| Oliver Street                | S-22 |
| Burton Street                | S-23 |
| Peck Avenue                  | S-24 |
| Bayview (Clipper Way)        | S-25 |
| Narrows Peninsula            | S-26 |
| Platt Street                 | S-27 |
| King Philip                  | S-28 |
| Aaron Avenue                 | S-29 |
| Old Ferry Road               | S-30 |
| TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 30    |      |
|                              |      |

### **TIVERTON**

| Street Designation            | R-O-W Designation No. |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Carey Lane                    | T-1                   |
| State Avenue                  | T-2                   |
| Nannaquaket Bridge            | T-3                   |
| Fogland Road                  | T-4                   |
| Land south of Sakonnet Bridge | T-5                   |
| Two Rod Way                   | T-6                   |
| South of Stone Bridge         | T-7                   |
| TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 7      |                       |

### **PORTSMOUTH**

| Street Designation | R-O-W Designation No. |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Mt. View Road      | V-1                   |
| Anthony Road       | V-2                   |
| Narragansett Road  | V-3                   |
| Cedar Avenue       | V-4                   |
| Point Street       | V-5                   |
| Green Street       | V-6                   |

| Seaconnet Blvd. (n'east corner of Wm. Herbert's land)     | V-7  |
|---|------|
| Seaconnet Blvd.   | V-8  |
| Seaconnet Blvd. (n'east corner of Don Ibbotson's land)    | V-9  |
| Seaconnet Blvd. (n'east corner of Virginia Arruda's land) | V-10 |
| Ruth Avenue   | V-11 |
| Fountain Street   | V-12 |
| Aquidneck Avenue  | V-13 |
| Atlantic Avenue (easterly end of East Cory's land)        | V-14 |
| Atlantic Avenue (easterly end of Tallman Avenue)          | V-15 |
| Child Street  | V-16 |
| Morningside Lane  | V-17 |
| Beach Street at Cedar Avenue                              | V-18 |
| Cedar Avenue  | V-19 |
| Fountain Avenue   | V-20 |
| East Power Street   | V-21 |
| Cory's Lane   | V-22 |
|   |      |

**TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 22** 

### **LITTLE COMPTON**

| Street Designation            | R-O-W Designation No. |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Continuation of Taylor's Lane | W-1                   |
| Town Way Road                 | W-2                   |
| Sakonnet Harbor - Boat ramp   | W-3                   |
| TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 3      |                       |

### **MIDDLETOWN**

| Street Designation                       | R-O-W Designation No. |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| Tuckerman Avenue, btwn Lots 104/105      | Y-1                   |  |  |  |
| Shore Drive                              | Y-3                   |  |  |  |
| Third Beach Road                         | Y-4                   |  |  |  |
| Southeast end of Esplanade & Shore Drive | Y-5                   |  |  |  |
| Taggerts Ferry Road                      | Y-6                   |  |  |  |
| Kingfisher Avenue                        | Y-7                   |  |  |  |
| Northwest end of Esplanade               | Y-8                   |  |  |  |
| Western end of Purgatory Road            | Y-9                   |  |  |  |
| Shore Drive, opp Lot 107                 | Y-10                  |  |  |  |
| Tuckerman Ave, opp Wolcott Avenue        | Y-11                  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 10                |                       |  |  |  |

### **NEWPORT**

| Street Designation  | R-O-W Designation No. |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Webster Street      | Z-1                   |
| Narragansett Avenue | Z-2                   |

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|------------------------------|------------|
| Ledge Road                   | Z-3        |
| Ruggles Avenue               | Z-4        |
| Seaview Avenue               | Z-5        |
| Cypress Street               | <b>Z-6</b> |
| Van Zandt Avenue             | Z-7        |
| Battery Street               | <b>Z-8</b> |
| Pine Street                  | Z-9        |
| Cherry Street                | Z-10       |
| Chestnut Street              | Z-11       |
| Walnut Street                | Z-12       |
| Willow Street                | Z-13       |
| Poplar Street                | Z-14       |
| Elm Street                   | Z-15       |
| Goat Island Connector (28-B) | Z-16       |
| Goat Island Connector (28-A) | Z-17       |
| Brown & Howard Wharf         | Z-18       |
| Lee's Wharf                  | Z-19       |
| Howard's Wharf               | Z-20       |
| Sisson's Wharf               | Z-21       |
| Waites Wharf                 | Z-22       |
| Spring Wharf                 | Z-23       |
| Marine Avenue                | Z-24       |
| TOTAL DESIGNATED ROWs: 24    |            |

### SUMMARY OF DESIGNATED AND POTENTIAL PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAYS (as of June 30, 2015)

| Community         | Sites<br>Investigated | Row's<br>Designated | Insufficient<br>Evidence | Sites Not<br>Resolved | Sites Under<br>Review | On<br>Appeal | Row<br>Abandoned |
|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|
| A Westerly        | 19                    | 11                  | 3                        | 5                     | 0                     | 0            | 0                |
| B Charlestown     | 5                     | 2                   | 2                        | 0                     | 1                     | 0            | 0                |
| C Narragansett    | 28                    | 13                  | 7                        | 0                     | 8                     | 0            | 0                |
| D South Kingstown | 7                     | 4                   | 3                        | 0                     | 0                     | 0            | 0                |
| E New Shoreham    | 10                    | 7                   | 0                        | 3                     | 0                     | 0            | 0                |
| F North Kingstown | 21                    | 3                   | 13                       | 1                     | 4                     | 0            | 0                |
| G Jamestown       | 27                    | 14                  | 0                        | 13                    | 0                     | 0            | 0                |
| H East Greenwich  | 7                     | 6                   | 0                        | 1                     | 0                     | 0            | 0                |
| J Warwick         | 55                    | 40                  | 13                       | 0                     | 1                     | 0            | 1 (relocated)    |
| K Cranston        | 6                     | 3                   | 3                        | 0                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| L Providence      | 3                     | 1                   | 0                        | 0                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| M Pawtucket       | 1                     | 1                   | 0                        | 0                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| N East Providence | 13                    | 13                  | 0                        | 0                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| P Barrington      | 5                     | 2                   | 3                        | 0                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| R Warren          | 24                    | 13                  | 8                        | 3                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| S Bristol         | 32                    | 30                  | 1                        | 1                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| T Tiverton        | 13                    | 7                   | 6                        | 0                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| V Portsmouth      | 28                    | 22                  | 0                        | 0                     | 6                     | 0            | 0                |
| W Little Compton  | 4                     | 3                   | 1                        | 0                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| Y Middletown      | 11                    | 10                  | 1                        | 0                     |                       | 0            | 0                |
| Z Newport         | 34                    | 24                  | 4                        | 7                     |                       |              | 0                |
| TOTALS            | 356                   | 234                 | 71                       | 34                    | 25                    | 0            | 1                |

### **APPENDIX**

| The following list shows potential ROWs that were investigated by the CRMC ROW subcommittee during     |
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| previous report periods, but were not subsequently designated by the full Council as ROWs. Any changes |
| in the status of theses potential ROWs will be reflected in subsequent CRMC annual ROW reports.        |

WESTERLY
Avondale Road (2)

Insufficient Evidence

Colonel Willie Cove Insufficient Evidence

Atlantic Avenue (3) Insufficient Evidence (#12)

Bluff Avenue (2)
Not Resolved
Niantic Avenue
Not Resolved
Winnapaug Road
Not Resolved
Wapan Road
Not Resolved
Meadow Lane
Not Resolved

**TOTALS** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 3** 

Not Resolved: 5

### **CHARLESTOWN**

Ext. of Quonochontaug Pt.

Meadow Lane

Insufficient Evidence

Insufficient Evidence

Powaget Avenue Under Review

**TOTALS** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 2** 

**Under Review: 1** 

### **SOUTH KINGSTOWN**

Shadberry Knoll Insufficient Evidence
Matunuck Beach Road Insufficient Evidence
11 Parcels off Salt Pond Road Insufficient Evidence

**TOTALS** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 3** 

### **NARRAGANSETT**

Cedar Island Road

Insufficient Evidence
Sand Hill Cove - southerly side

Ocean Road

Insufficient Evidence
Insufficient Evidence
Boston Neck Road

Insufficient Evidence

**Under Review** Glenwood Avenue Succotash Road Under Review Mollusk Road Under Review Island Road **Under Review** Ocean Avenue **Under Review** East Shore Road #1 **Under Review** East Shore Road #2 **Under Review** East Shore Road #3 Under Review

<sup>1 &</sup>quot;Ocean Road" replaced "Ocean Avenue" in the 2005-06 annual ROW report as a technical correction.

#### **TOTALS**

**Insufficient Evidence: 7** 

**Under Review: 8** 

### **NEW SHOREHAM**

Graces Cove Road Not Resolved
Snake Hole Road Not Resolved
Gov't Property at Southeast Lighthouse Not Resolved

TOTALS
Not Resolved: 3

### **NORTH KINGSTOWN**

**Duck Cove Road** Insufficient Evidence Insufficient Evidence Plum Beach Road Clinton Drive (1) Insufficient Evidence Clinton Drive (2) Insufficient Evidence Insufficient Evidence Buena Vista Drive Buena Vista Drive (2) Insufficient Evidence Buena Vista Drive (3) Insufficient Evidence Insufficient Evidence Buena Vista Drive (4) Buena Vista Drive (5) Insufficient Evidence Elgin Avenue Insufficient Evidence Insufficient Evidence Concord Avenue Insufficient Evidence Poplar Avenue Insufficient Evidence Steamboat Avenue

Cottrell Road Not Resolved
Worsley Avenue Under Review

**TOTALS** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 13** 

Not Resolved: 1 / Under Review: 1

#### **JAMESTOWN**

Fairview Street Not Resolved Middle Street Not Resolved Sunset Beach Not Resolved Park between lots 50 & 95 Not Resolved Bonnet View Drive Not Resolved Clarkes Village Road Not Resolved Wickford Avenue Not Resolved Government Property, lot 226 Not Resolved

Beach Property/Former Road between

Jamestown Boatyard and Fort Dumplings Not Resolved

Gray Gull Lane Not Resolved
Arnold Avenue at end of Bayberry Road Not Resolved
Franklin Hollow Property Not Resolved
Hull Cove Not Resolved

**TOTALS** 

Not Resolved: 13

### **EAST GREENWICH**

Queen Street Not Resolved

**TOTAL** 

**Under Review: 1** 

### **WARWICK**

Insufficient Evidence Broadview Avenue Logan Street Insufficient Evidence Intersection of Grand View Dr. and Midget Ave. Insufficient Evidence Insufficient Evidence Peck Lane (north side) #1 Insufficient Evidence Peck Lane (north side) #2 Capen Street Insufficient Evidence Insufficient Evidence Aldrich Avenue Insufficient Evidence Sea View Avenue (1) Sea View Avenue (2) Insufficient Evidence Insufficient Evidence Powhatten Street (1) Insufficient Evidence Powhatten Street (2) Insufficient Evidence Millard Avenue Insufficient Evidence Midgley Avenue Buttonwoods Avenue **Under Review** Under Review Wampanoag Road

**TOTALS** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 13** 

**Under Review: 1** 

#### **CRANSTON**

Seaview Avenue (east side)

Off Fort Avenue

Off Seaview Avenue

Insufficient Evidence

Insufficient Evidence

Insufficient Evidence

**TOTAL** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 3** 

### **BARRINGTON**

"Fish Ditch" Insufficient Evidence
Hampden Street Insufficient Evidence
Teed Avenue Insufficient Evidence

#### **TOTAL**

**Insufficient Evidence: 3** 

#### **WARREN**

Insufficient Evidence Shore Drive (4) Insufficient Evidence Shore Drive (1) Shore Drive (2) Insufficient Evidence Barker Avenue Insufficient Evidence **Brownell Street** Insufficient Evidence Cedar Street Insufficient Evidence Insufficient Evidence Bay View Avenue Emery Road (1) Insufficient Evidence

Emery Road (2) Not Resolved

Read Avenue Not Resolved

**TOTALS** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 8** 

Not Resolved: 2

#### **BRISTOL**

Bradford Street Insufficient Evidence

Church Street Not Resolved

**TOTALS** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 1** 

Not Resolved: 1

### **TIVERTON**

Hooper Street Insufficient Evidence
Riverside Drive Insufficient Evidence
Ext. of North Court Insufficient Evidence
Winnisimet Drive Insufficient Evidence
Seapowet Road Insufficient Evidence
Seapowet Avenue Insufficient Evidence

**TOTAL** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 6** 

#### **PORTSMOUTH**

Bristol Ferry Town Common

Cove Bridge

Common Fence Point Marina - North

Common Fence Point Marina - South

Under Review

Common Fence Point Marina - South

Under Review

Black Point Farm

Under Review

Willow Lane

Under Review

Sunset Lane

Under Review

Old Stone Bridge (by Teddy's Beach)

Porter's Lane

Public Boat Ramp - Tax Map 6

East Power Street

Under Review

Under Review

Under Review

**TOTAL** 

**Under Review: 11** 

### **LITTLE COMPTON**

Almy Creek Insufficient Evidence

**TOTAL** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 1** 

### **MIDDLETOWN**

Tuckerman Terrace Insufficient Evidence

**TOTAL** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 1** 

### **NEWPORT**

Bellevue Avenue Insufficient Evidence
Ocean Avenue Insufficient Evidence
Cottrell's Wharf Insufficient Evidence
Hammetts Wharf Insufficient Evidence

N. Commercial Wharf
S. Commercial Wharf
Not Resolved
Scotts Wharf
Not Resolved
Perry Mill Wharf
Not Resolved
Ann Street Pier
Not Resolved
Long Wharf
Not Resolved
Shepard Avenue
Not Resolved

**TOTALS** 

**Insufficient Evidence: 4** 

Not Resolved: 7