GREAT MARSH ACEC ASSEMBLY
Invitation to Participate in Discussion Sessions

Dear members of the Great Marsh ACEC Assembly,

Please join us for one of our two upcoming discussion sessions. Mark your calendars. We want to hear from YOU!

Monday, September 12, 3:00 – 4:30 pm – Essex Senior Center
Thursday, September 15, 3:00 – 4:30 pm – Rowley Public Library

As you are aware, the Great Marsh ACEC Assembly was convened in May 2011 in an effort spearheaded by the Town of Ipswich to discuss the potential for developing a Resource Management Plan for the Great Marsh ACEC. The Great Marsh Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) spans an area of 25,500 acres of barrier beach, dunes, salt marsh, and water bodies of the Great Marsh system within the communities of Newbury, Rowley, Ipswich, Essex and Gloucester. Horsley Witten Group has recently been contracted by the Town of Ipswich to facilitate the meetings of the Great Marsh ACEC Assembly between now and the end of 2011. As a first step, we invite you to participate in one of two upcoming discussion sessions during which you will be invited to voice your interests and concerns for the Great Marsh and share your vision for future resource management efforts in the great Marsh ACEC. We want to know what you think, as a resident or staff representative of your community.

Essex Senior Center: Located at 17 Pickering Street, in Essex. Pickering Street runs parallel to Route 133 and between Martin Street and Western Ave. Some parking is behind the building, and additional parking is available along the street.

Rowley Public Library: Located at 141 Main Street (Route 1A), in Rowley. Parking is available behind the library.

Did we already have a Great Marsh ACEC Assembly Meeting scheduled for September 12?
For those of you that had already marked September 12, 2011 in your calendar as a Great Marsh ACEC Assembly Meeting, please note that the next full Assembly meeting has been postponed. We will be in touch with you soon via email with a firm revised schedule of meetings. However, we have tentatively scheduled two Great Marsh ACEC Assembly meetings for Monday, Oct 10, from 3-5 pm, and Monday, December 5, from 3-5 pm. More information will follow in the next two weeks.

We look forward to seeing you next week at one of these meetings!

Sincerely,
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