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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D01P, Tunipus Pond, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Newport

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [067](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D01P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit D01P.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the unit.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit D01P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D01P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	64	7	57	0.3	
Added to the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	64	7	57	0.3	
Net Change	0	0	0	0.0	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D01, Little Compton Ponds, Rhode Island, Massachusetts Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit
County: Newport, Bristol
Congressional District: RI-1, MA-9

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [067](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D01 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D01.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D01 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- A small area of fastland including one structure located on Quoquonset Lane
- A small area of fastland including three structures located on Sakonnet Point Road

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland along South Shore Beach. This addition is located in Massachusetts.
- Wetlands and a small area of fastland along the northeast side of Quicksand Pond
- Wetlands north of Little Cove Pond
- Undeveloped fastland along Briggs Beach
- A minor portion of an area held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Sakonnet Preservation Association (SPA)) located along Briggs Marsh
- Undeveloped fastland and wetlands to the north and southwest of Long Pond
- A minor portion of privately owned property subject to a conservation easement held by the SPA located along Long Pond
- Wetlands to the west of Round Pond

Unit D01 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- A minor portion of an area held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island) located along Round Pond
- Minor portion of Sakonnet Point, owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM)

Other Modifications/Information:

- Most of Goosewing Beach Preserve and a small area of wetlands along Quicksand Pond (owned by The Nature Conservancy (TNC)) are currently located within System Unit D01. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) because they were not held for conservation and/or recreation when the areas were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Minor portions of privately owned property subject to a conservation easement held by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island, are currently located within System Unit D01. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- Areas that are privately owned but subject to conservation easements held by the Little Compton Agricultural Conservancy Trust are currently located within System Unit D01 along Briggs Marsh and Quicksand Pond. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because the conservation easements were placed on the properties after the areas were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Areas that are privately owned but subject to conservation easements held by TNC are currently located within System Unit D01 on Sakonnet Point, Briggs Beach, and along Quicksand Pond. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because the conservation easements were placed on the properties after the areas were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Portions of areas owned by SPA are currently located within System Unit D01, but are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because the areas were not held for conservation and/or recreation when the unit was established
- Areas that are privately owned but subject to conservation easements held by SPA are currently located within System Unit D01 along Briggs Marsh, Long Pond, and Round Pond. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because the conservation easements were placed on the properties after the areas were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Portions of Long Pond Marsh and the Haffenreffer Wildlife Refuge, owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island are currently located within System Unit D01. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because they were not held for conservation and/or recreation when the areas were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Minor portions of Sakonnet Harbor Beach owned by the Town of Little Compton are currently located within System Unit D01. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- A minor portion of Sakonnet Point owned by the RI DEM is currently located within System Unit D01. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.

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Unit D01 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D01.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	1,039	163	876	3.3	
Added to the CBRS	15	10	5		0
Removed from the CBRS	2	2	0		4
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit*****	1,052	171	881	3.5	
Net Change	13	8	5	0.2	(4)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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*****The proposed unit contains about 3 acres that are within Massachusetts.

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D02BP, Prudence Island Complex, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Kent, Newport, Bristol

Congressional District: 1, 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [071B](#) dated July 12, 1996

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D02BP via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit D02BP.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- On November 15, 1993, several portions of D02B were reclassified from their original OPA designation and incorporated within System Unit D02B based upon a request from the State of Rhode Island (58 FR 60288). These areas included Providence Point and Gull point, which were known as OPA Unit D02BP, and Rumstick Point, which was known as OPA Unit RI-06P. The 1993 reclassification was made in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591, which allowed, upon request, the voluntary addition to the CBRS of areas owned or held by local governments, states, or qualified organizations (either to an existing unit or as a new unit). The RI DEM requested on October 18, 2016, that the State owned lands within the CBRS be converted from System Unit to OPA where permissible, including those areas that were voluntarily reclassified from OPA to System Unit in 1993. Several areas within D02B were held for conservation and/or recreation by the State prior to its inclusion within the CBRS, and are, therefore, proposed for reclassification to OPA Unit D02BP. These areas include the entirety of the Patience Island and Gull Point segments, and the portions of the Rumstick Point and Nag Pond segments that were held for conservation and/or recreation by the State prior to its inclusion within the CBRS. See below for additional details.
- *Federal Register* notice (62 FR 8258) published on February 24, 1997, in accordance with Section 3 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D02BP are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- From the Conimicut Point segment: One structure and adjacent fastland along Shawomet Avenue

Unit D02BP Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Proposed Additions:

- To the proposed new Town Pond segment: Bertha K. Russel Preserve and Town Pond Management Area (owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM) and held for conservation and/or recreation)
- To the Conimicut Point segment: Portions of Conimicut Point Park (owned by the City of Warwick)
- To the proposed new Nag Pond segment: Areas owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation
- To the proposed new Gull Point segment: Areas owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation along Potter Cove
- To the proposed new Patience Island segment: Areas owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit D02B to OPA Unit D02BP: A portion of the Rumstick Point segment of System Unit D02B that is owned by the RI DEM and the Barrington Land Conservation Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation
- From System Unit D02B to OPA Unit D02BP: A portion of the Conimicut Point segment of System Unit D02B, which consists of portions of Conimicut Point Park (owned by the City of Warwick and held for conservation and/or recreation), including one park-related structure
- From System Unit D02B to OPA Unit D02BP: A portion of the Nag Pond segment of System Unit D02B north of Neck Farm Road, which consists of areas owned by the RI DEM and the Prudence Conservancy that are held for conservation and/or recreation, and minor areas of wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation
- From System Unit D02B to OPA Unit D02BP: The Gull Point segment of System Unit D02B, which consists of associated aquatic habitat and areas owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation
- From System Unit D02B to OPA Unit D02BP: The Patience Island segment of System Unit D02B, which consists of associated aquatic habitat and areas owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation

Other Modifications/Information:

- The RI DEM requested on October 18, 2016, that the State owned lands within the CBRS be converted from System Unit to OPA where permissible, including those areas that were voluntarily reclassified from OPA to System Unit in 1993. Several areas within System Unit D02B were held for conservation and/or recreation by the State prior to their inclusion within the CBRS, and are therefore proposed for reclassification to OPA Unit D02BP (as described above). These areas include the entirety of the Patience Island and Gull Point segments, and the portions of the Rumstick Point and Nag Pond segments that were held for conservation and/or recreation by the State prior to their inclusion within the CBRS.
- Modification of a portion of the Patience Island segment boundary to better align with the wetland/fastland interface, resulting in minor additions and removals

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Unit D02BP Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D02BP.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	28	8	20	0.3	
Added to the CBRS	124	38	86		0
Removed from the CBRS	1	0	1		1
Reclassified Area****	759	230	529		1
Proposed Unit	910	276	634	6.4	
Net Change	882	268	614	6.1	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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Type of Unit: System Unit
County: Washington, Kent, Newport, Bristol
Congressional District: 1, 2

Existing Maps:

The existing CBRS maps depicting this unit are:

- [070](#) dated October 24, 1990
- [071B](#) dated July 12, 1996
- [072](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D02B via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D02B.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS maps for this unit have been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)
- On November 15, 1993, several portions of D02B were reclassified from their original Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) designation and incorporated within System Unit D02B based upon a request from the State of Rhode Island (58 FR 60288). These areas included Providence Point and Gull point, which were known as OPA Unit D02BP, and Rumstick Point, which was known as OPA Unit RI-06P. The 1993 reclassification was made in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591, which allowed, upon request, the voluntary addition to the CBRS of areas owned or held by local governments, states, or qualified organizations (either to an existing unit or as a new unit). The RI DEM requested on October 18, 2016, that the State owned lands within the CBRS be converted from System Unit to OPA where permissible, including those areas that were voluntarily reclassified from OPA to System Unit in 1993. Several areas within D02B were held for conservation and/or recreation by the State prior to its inclusion within the CBRS, and are, therefore, proposed for reclassification to OPA Unit D02BP. These areas include the entirety of the Patience Island and Gull Point segments, and the portions of the Rumstick Point and Nag Pond segments that were held for conservation and/or recreation by the State prior to its inclusion within the CBRS. See below for additional details.
- *Federal Register* notice (62 FR 8258) published on February 24, 1997, in accordance with Section 3 of Pub. L. 101-591

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Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D02B are described below.

Proposed Removals:

Unit D02B Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- From the Gaspee Point segment: Six structures along Metcalf Street in the City of Warwick
- From the Conimicut Point segment: Five structures along South Shore Avenue, four structures along Old Mill Boulevard, two structures along Wuddall Avenue, two structures along Lippitt Avenue, and one structure along Spadina Avenue, all in the City of Warwick
- From the Potowomut River segment: Three structures along Bradford Avenue and four structures along Ives Road in the City of Warwick
- From the Potowomut River segment: One structure along Narragansett Street in the Town of North Kingstown
- From the Nag Pond segment: One structure along Neck Farm Road in the Town of Portsmouth
- From the Mussachuck Creek segment: One structure along Lighthouse Lane in the Town of Barrington

Proposed Additions:

- To the Common Fence Point segment: Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat along Mount Hope Bay to the north and south of the existing segment
- To the Portsmouth segment: Wetlands along the landward boundary
- To the Hog Island segment: Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat along Southwest Point
- To the Rumstick Point segment: Wetlands along Smith Cove, including minor areas that are held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Town of Barrington and Barrington Land Conservation Trust)
- To the Barrington Beach segment: Wetlands along Barrington Beach
- To the Mussachuck Creek segment: A small area of wetlands west of the terminus of Noble Avenue
- To the Gaspee Point segment: Minor areas of fastland and wetlands (including some wetlands owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM) and held for conservation and/or recreation), located along the Passeonkquis Cove
- To the Occupessatuxet Cove segment: Undeveloped fastland and wetlands along Occupessatuxet Cove, including a minor area of wetlands that is owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island and held for conservation and/or recreation
- To the Conimicut Point segment: Undeveloped fastland and wetlands along Apponaug Cove and Old Mill Creek
- To the Brush Neck segment: Wetlands along Brush Neck Cove and Buttonwoods Cove
- To the Brush Neck segment: A minor portion of Warwick City Park (owned by the City of Warwick and held for conservation and/or recreation)
- To the Nausauket segment: A small area of barrier beach and associated aquatic habitat along the western lateral boundary
- To the Potowomut River segment: Undeveloped fastland and wetlands along the landward boundary of the unit, including portions of the Potowomut River

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit D02B to OPA Unit D02BP: A portion of the Rumstick Point segment of System Unit D02B that is owned by the RI DEM and the Barrington Land Conservation Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation
- From System Unit D02B to OPA Unit D02B: A portion of the Conimicut Point segment of System Unit D02B, which consists of a portion of Conimicut Point Park (owned by the City of Warwick and held for conservation and/or recreation), including one park-related structure
- From System Unit D02B to OPA Unit D02BP: A portion of the Nag Pond segment of System Unit D02B north of Neck Farm Road, which consists of areas owned by the RI DEM and the Prudence Conservancy that are held for conservation and/or recreation, and minor areas of wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation

Unit D02B Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- From System Unit D02B to OPA D02BP: The Gull Point segment of System Unit D02B, which consists of associated aquatic habitat and areas owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation
- From System Unit D02B to OPA D02BP: The Patience Island segment of System Unit D02B, which consists of associated aquatic habitat and areas owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation

Other Modifications/Information:

- The RI DEM requested on October 18, 2016, that the State owned lands within the CBRS be converted from System Unit to OPA where permissible, including those areas that were voluntarily reclassified from OPA to System Unit in 1993. Several areas within System Unit D02B were held for conservation and/or recreation by the State prior to their inclusion within the CBRS, and are therefore proposed for reclassification to OPA Unit D02BP (as described above). These areas include the entirety of the Patience Island and Gull Point segments, and the portions of the Rumstick Point and Nag Pond segments that were held for conservation and/or recreation by the State prior to their inclusion within the CBRS.
- Most of Jacobs Point (owned by the Warren Land Conservation Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation) is currently within the Rumstick Point segment of System Unit D02B. The Trust concurred with classifying these areas as System Unit rather than OPA.
- An area owned and held for conservation and/or recreation by the Town of Barrington, located along Smith Cove, is currently within and proposed for addition to the Rumstick Point segment of System Unit D02B. The Town concurred with classifying this area as System Unit rather than OPA.
- Areas owned and held for conservation and/or recreation by the Barrington Land Conservation Trust are currently within the Rumstick Point segment and Mussachuck Creek segment of System Unit D02B. The Trust concurred with classifying these areas as System Unit rather than OPA.
- Two privately owned areas that are subject to conservation easements held by the Barrington Land Conservation Trust are currently located within the Rumstick segment and Mussachuck Creek segment of System Unit D02B. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because the conservation easements were put in place after the areas were first included in 1990 within the CBRS.
- Minor portions of areas owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation are currently within the Gaspee Point segment of System Unit D02B. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- Minor areas (mostly wetlands) owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island and held for conservation and/or recreation are currently within the Gaspee Point, Rumstick Point, and Occupessatuxet Cove segments of System Unit D02B. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- A minor area owned by the City of Warwick and held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Passeonkquis Cove, is currently located within the Gaspee Point segment of System Unit D02B. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- Minor portions of Warwick City Park (owned by the City of Warwick and held for conservation and/or recreation) are currently within the Brush Neck segment of System Unit D02B. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- An area of wetlands owned by the RI DEM and held for conservation and/or recreation is currently within the Nag Pond segment of System Unit D02B. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because it was acquired for conservation and/or recreation after the area was first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- A privately owned area that is subject to conservation easements held by the Prudence Conservancy and the RI DEM is currently located within the Nag Pond segment of System Unit D02B. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because the conservation easements were put in place after the area was first included in 1982 within the CBRS.

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Unit D02B Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D02B.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	2,161	398	1,763	14.7	
Added to the CBRS	160	37	123		0
Removed from the CBRS	10	9	1		30
Reclassified Area****	(759)	(230)	(529)		(1)
Proposed Unit	1,552	196	1,356	11.3	
Net Change	(609)	(202)	(407)	(3.4)	(31)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D02C, West Narragansett Bay Complex, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [074](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D02C via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D02C.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D02C are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- A small area of fastland including four structures along Shady Cove Road
- A small area of fastland north of Riptide Drive in the vicinity of Greene Point

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat to the south of Waldron Avenue and Worsley Avenue, along Bissel Cove
- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat to the north of Greene Point
- Associated aquatic habitat south of Casey Point

Other Modifications/Information:

- Portions of the John H. Chafee Nature Preserve, owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM), are currently located within System Unit D02C. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) because they were acquired by the RI DEM after the areas were first included in 1990 within the CBRS.
- A minor portion of an area owned by Historic New England (a non-profit preservation organization), is currently located within System Unit D02C. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA

Unit D02C Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

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Unit D02C Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D02C.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	137	23	114	1.5	
Added to the CBRS	7	3	4		0
Removed from the CBRS	4	4	0		4
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	140	22	118	1.6	
Net Change	3	(1)	4	0.1	(4)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D02P, Fogland Marsh, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Proposed new Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)
County: Newport
Congressional District: 1

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on proposed new Unit D02P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Proposed New Unit:

New Unit CBRS Status:

The area proposed for inclusion within new OPA Unit D02P is:

- Entirely within the boundaries of the southern segment of existing System Unit D02, which was established by the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348 enacted on October 18, 1982)

New Unit Area:

Included within new OPA Unit D02P are the following area(s):

- Mary C. Donovan Marsh (owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management and held for conservation and/or recreation), located on the south side of Almy Brook
- Portions of Donovan Marsh (owned by the Town of Little Compton and held for conservation and/or recreation)
- Minor areas of wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation, located west of Francis Lane

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Unit D02P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D02P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	0	0	0	0.0	
Added to the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	18	2	16		0
Proposed Unit	18	2	16	0.0	
Net Change	18	2	16	0.0	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D02, Fogland Marsh, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Newport

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [068A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D02 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D02.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)
- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D02 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Four structures and adjacent fastland located along Oliver Lane

Proposed Additions:

- Wetlands and a small area of undeveloped fastland along Almy Brook south of Pond Bridge Road
- Minor portions of Fogland Marsh Preserve (owned by The Nature Conservancy), located along the northwestern side of the unit
- Minor portions of wetlands along the landward boundary of the unit that are privately owned and subject to a Rhode Island Agricultural Lands Preservation easement
- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat on Fogland Point and portions of the Sakonnet River
- Minor portions of Fogland Beach Conservation Area (owned by the Town of Tiverton), located north of Fogland Road

Unit D02 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit D02 to proposed new Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) Unit D02P: Mary C. Donovan Marsh (owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management), portions of Donovan Marsh (owned by the Town of Little Compton and held for conservation and/or recreation), and minor areas of adjacent wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation (located west of Francis Lane)

Other Modifications/Information:

- Modification of the boundary of the unit to follow the current break-in-development (i.e., where development ends, either immediately adjacent to the last structure in a cluster of structures or at the property parcel boundary of the last structure) at the end of Shore Road
- Portions of Fogland Marsh Preserve are both currently within and proposed for addition to System Unit D02. The Nature Conservancy concurred with classifying these areas as System Unit rather than OPA.
- Portions of Fogland Beach Conservation Area are located within System Unit D02. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because they were not held for conservation and/or recreation when they were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Minor areas of wetlands that are privately owned and subject to a Rhode Island Agricultural Lands Preservation easement are currently within System Unit D02. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because the easement was not in place when they were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.

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Unit D02 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D02.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	241	22	219	0.8	
Added to the CBRS	43	6	37		0
Removed from the CBRS	1	1	0		4
Reclassified Area****	(18)	(2)	(16)		0
Proposed Unit	308	31	277	1.0	
Net Change	67	9	58	0.2	(4)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D03P, Card Ponds, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [077](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D03P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit D03P.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D03P are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and wetlands that are privately owned and subject to a conservation easement (held by the Service), located to the northeast of Trustom Pond

Other Modifications/Information:

- Modification of the boundary of the unit in some areas to better align with the boundaries of Trustom Pond National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service), which results in minor additions and removals
- Minor areas of undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat not held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Moonstone Beach Road and to the east of Green Hill Point, are currently within OPA Unit D03P. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to a System Unit.

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Unit D03P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D03P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	618	333	285	1.1	
Added to the CBRS	5	3	2		0
Removed from the CBRS	14	11	3		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	609	325	284	1.1	
Net Change	(9)	(8)	(1)	0.0	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D03, Card Ponds, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [077](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D03 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D03.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D03 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Four structures and adjacent fastland within the Roy Carpenter's Beach community

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat to the north and east of Card Ponds
- A minor portion of Trustum Pond National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service)

Other Modifications/Information:

- Portions of Trustum Pond National Wildlife Refuge are currently within System Unit D03. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) because they were acquired by the Service after they were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- A portion of a privately owned property that is subject to a conservation easement (held by The Nature Conservancy) is currently located within System Unit D03 along Card Ponds. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because the conservation easement was not in place when the area were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit D03 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D03.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	116	47	69	0.7	
Added to the CBRS	4	3	1		0
Removed from the CBRS	1	1	0		4
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	119	49	70	0.7	
Net Change	3	2	1	0.0	(4)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D04, Green Hill Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [077](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D04 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D04.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D04 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Eleven structures located along Charlestown Beach Road

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and wetlands located along Green Hill Beach Road, Green Hill Ocean Drive, Twin Peninsula Avenue and Limber Point, to the northeast of Gooseberry Island, and along Charlestown Beach Road
- Minor areas of undeveloped fastland and wetlands owned by the South Kingstown Land Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Green Hill Ocean Drive
- Minor areas of wetlands owned by the Town of South Kingstown and held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Twin Peninsula Avenue

Other Modifications/Information:

- An area of fastland and wetlands is transferred from System Unit D05 to System Unit D04 to simplify the mapping along Charlestown Beach Road
- Minor areas owned by the South Kingstown Land Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation are currently within System Unit D04. These areas include Cedar Island, Ram Island, and other areas of fastland and wetlands located along Green Hill Ocean Drive and Charlestown Beach Road. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) because they were acquired by the South Kingstown Land Trust after they were first included within the CBRS.

Unit D04 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- Minor areas owned by the Town of South Kingstown and held for conservation and/or recreation are currently within System Unit D04. These areas include two small undeveloped islands located in Flat Meadow Cove and areas of undeveloped fastland and wetlands on the southern side of Browning Point and along Charlestown Beach Road. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA. Most of these areas were acquired by the Town after they were first included within the CBRS.
- Areas owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management that are held for conservation and/or recreation are currently located within System Unit D04 in the vicinity of Goose Island and the western end of Green Hill Ocean Drive. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA. Majority of these areas were acquired by the State after they were first included within the CBRS.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit D04 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D04.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	547	82	465	0.6	
Added to the CBRS	27	11	16		0
Removed from the CBRS	4	4	0		11
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Transferred Area*****	4	1	3		
Proposed Unit	574	90	484	0.6	
Net Change	27	8	19	0.0	(11)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

****Reclassification means to change either all or a portion of a System Unit to an Otherwise Protected Area, or vice-versa.

*****The net change includes one acre of fastland and three acres of associated aquatic habitat that were transferred from System Unit D05 to System Unit D04. This transfer between two units of the same type does not change the CBRA restrictions on Federal expenditures and financial assistance in these areas.

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D05P, East Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [078A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D05P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit D05P.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- On November 15, 1993, areas within Unit D05P were reclassified from their original OPA designation and incorporated within System Unit D05 based upon a request from the State of Rhode Island (58 FR 60288). The 1993 reclassification was made in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591, which allowed, upon request, the voluntary addition to the CBRS of areas owned or held by local governments, states, or qualified organizations (either to an existing unit or as a new unit). However, portions of the areas that were reclassified to Unit D05 were owned by private owners and other entities at the time, not the State. These areas are reclassified back to their original OPA status (see below for additional details).

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D05P are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Two structures along Post Road. These structures are currently within Unit D05 (the remainder of which is proposed to be reclassified entirely to Unit D05P).
- Two structures on Cove Drive along Foster Cove. These structures are currently within Unit D05.
- One structure on Wildflower Road and one structure on Cove Drive along Ninigret Pond. This structure is currently within Unit D05.
- One structure located along 1st Street. This structure is currently within Unit D05.
- Four structures along Nutmeg Lane. These structures are currently within Unit D05.
- Eight structures along Charlestown Beach Road. These structures are currently within Unit D05.

Proposed Additions:

- Portions of Ninigret National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service)

Unit D05P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- An area of fastland that is held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Charlestown Land Trust), located along Ninigret Pond to the east of Hunters Harbor Road
- Areas of undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat not held for conservation and/or recreation along the eastern side of Ninigret Pond

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit D05 to OPA Unit D05P: Areas owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM)) and held for conservation and/or recreation, including Charlestown Breachway Campground and Fishing Area (containing one associated structure), Ward Island and adjacent wetlands, most of East Beach, and an area of fastland and wetlands along Post Road
- From System Unit D05 to OPA Unit D05P: Portions of Ninigret National Wildlife Refuge
- From System Unit D05 to OPA Unit D05P: Areas of fastland and wetlands that are owned by the Town of Charlestown and held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Ninigret Pond and along Charlestown Beach Road and Post Road, including portions of Charlestown Town Beach
- From System Unit D05 to OPA Unit D05P: Several areas owned by the Charlestown Land Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation. These areas include Shelter Cove Island, portions of Breachway Island, and other small areas of wetlands.
- From System Unit D05 to OPA Unit D05P: Privately-owned areas along East Beach that are subject to a conservation easement held by the RI DEM
- From System Unit D05 to OPA Unit D05P: A small area of fastland owned by The Nature Conservancy and held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Tautog Cove
- From System Unit D05 to OPA Unit D05P: Portions of Ninigret Pond and areas of privately owned fastland and wetlands around Ninigret Pond that are not held for conservation and/or recreation, including approximately 6 structures

Other Modifications/Information:

- Modification of a portion of the boundary along Ninigret Cove (to the west of Foster Cove) to better follow the wetland/fastland interface, resulting in minor additions and removals
- The RI DEM requested on October 18, 2016, that the State owned lands within the CBRS be converted from System Unit to OPA where permissible. The majority of adjacent System Unit D05 was held for conservation and/or recreation by the State or other entities prior to its inclusion within the CBRS. Therefore, the entirety of Unit D05 (except the removals noted above and the transfer noted in the Summary of Proposed Changes for Unit D04) is proposed for reclassification to OPA Unit D05P. This reclassification also includes additional areas that are not owned by the State that are adjacent to or interspersed with State owned lands. There is no separate unit summary for Unit D05.

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Unit D05P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D05P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	61	20	41	0.3	
Added to the CBRS	54	18	36		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	2,193	297	1,896		7
Proposed Unit	2,308	335	1,973	3.5	
Net Change	2,247	315	1,932	3.2	7

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D06P, Quonochontaug Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Proposed new Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)
County: Washington
Congressional District: 2

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on proposed new Unit D06P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Proposed New Unit:

New Unit CBRS Status:

The area proposed for inclusion within new OPA Unit D06P is:

- Almost entirely within the boundaries of existing System Unit D06, which was established by the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388) and expanded by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304). The areas within this proposed new unit that are currently within Unit D06 are proposed for reclassification from a System Unit to an OPA. The remaining areas within this proposed new OPA are not currently within the CBRS.

New Unit Area:

Included within new OPA Unit D06P are the following area(s):

- The Quonochontaug Breachway Fishing Area (owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management)

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Unit D06P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D06P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	0	0	0	0.0	
Added to the CBRS	5	3	2		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	57	17	40		0
Proposed Unit	62	20	42	0.2	
Net Change	62	20	42	0.2	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D06, Quonochontaug Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [078A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D06 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D06.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)
- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D06 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Five structures located to the east of Garden Pond
- One structure along Overlook Avenue
- One structure along North Avenue
- Three structures located off of West Beach Road
- Fastland located to the west of Quonochontaug Pond, including four structures along Chapman Road, Spray Rock Road, and Williams Avenue
- Two structures along Spray Rock Road

Proposed Additions:

- Areas of undeveloped fastland and wetlands along Quonochontaug Pond, to the south of West Pond, along West Beach Road, to the north of Spray Rock Road, and between East Beach Road and Upper Highland Road in the vicinity of Quonochontaug Neck
- A minor area of wetlands owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island and held for conservation and/or recreation known as Quonochontaug Salt Marsh

Unit D06 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- A minor area of wetlands within Harry Hathaway Preserve, owned by the Charlestown Land Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit D06 to proposed new Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) Unit D06P: The Quonochontaug Breachway Fishing Area (owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM))

Other Modifications/Information:

- A minor portion of Blue Shutters Town Beach that is held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Town of Charlestown), is currently within System Unit D06. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- Minor areas held for conservation and/or recreation by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island, known as Berry Swamp and Quonochontaug Salt Marsh, are currently partially within System Unit D06. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to OPA.
- Portions of the Harry Hathaway Preserve and an area of wetlands along West Beach Road that are held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Charlestown Land Trust) are currently within System Unit D06. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because they were acquired by the Trust after the area was first included within the CBRS.
- An area of wetlands along West Beach Road near the Quonochontaug Breachway, held for conservation and/or recreation by the RI DEM, is currently within System Unit D06. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because it was acquired by the State after the area was first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- An area of wetlands near the Quonochontaug Breachway that is held for conservation and/or recreation by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island is currently within System Unit D06. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because it was acquired by the Audubon Society after the area was first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Areas owned by the Weekapaug Foundation for Conservation and held for conservation and/or recreation, including Bills Island and a portion of Quonochontaug Beach, are currently within System Unit D06. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because they were acquired by the Foundation after they were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Areas owned by the Nopes Island Conservation Association and held for conservation and/or recreation along Weekapaug Beach and Quonochontaug Beach are currently within System Unit D06. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because they were acquired by the Association after they were first included in 1982 within the CBRS.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit D06 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D06.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	1,184	173	1,011	2.2	
Added to the CBRS	23	5	18		0
Removed from the CBRS	13	13	0		16
Reclassified Area****	(57)	(17)	(40)		0
Proposed Unit	1,137	148	989	2.2	
Net Change	(47)	(25)	(22)	0.0	(16)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D07, Maschaug Ponds, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [079A](#) dated October 23, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D07 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D07.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)
- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D07 are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and wetlands along Maschaug Pond and Little Maschaug Pond
- Undeveloped barrier fastland and associated aquatic habitat to the southwest of the unit around Mickill Pond in the vicinity of Watch Hill

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit D07 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D07.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	97	49	48	1.1	
Added to the CBRS	40	29	11		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	137	78	59	1.7	
Net Change	40	29	11	0.6	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D08P, Napatree, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [080A](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D08P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit D08P.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D08P are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Associated aquatic habitat in Block Island Sound

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit D08P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D08P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	42	7	35	0.2	
Added to the CBRS	2	0	2		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	44	7	37	0.7	
Net Change	2	0	2	0.5	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

****Reclassification means to change either all or a portion of a System Unit to an Otherwise Protected Area, or vice-versa.

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D08, Napatree, Rhode Island, Connecticut Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit
County: Washington, New London
Congressional District: RI-2, CT-2

Existing Maps:

The existing CBRS maps depicting this unit are:

- [080A](#) dated October 24, 1990
- [082](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D08 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D08.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS maps for this unit have been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591) enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304)
- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D08 are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat in Little Narragansett Bay and along the landward boundary of the unit between Watch Hill Point and Stonington Point. Some of this addition is located in Connecticut.
- Portions of the Barn Island Wildlife Management Area (owned by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP)). This addition is located in Connecticut.
- Two areas of wetlands that are held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Avalonia Land Conservancy) along the landward boundary of the unit. This addition is located in Connecticut.

Unit D08 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Other Modifications/Information:

- Transfer from System Unit CT-00 to System Unit D08: The entirety of System Unit CT-00, which includes Sandy Point, Elihu Island (including eight structures), and portions of Barn Island Wildlife Management Area and Little Narragansett Bay. Portions of existing System Unit CT-00 were originally established as part of Unit D08 in 1982, but the unit was expanded in 1990 and split into separate Connecticut and Rhode Island segments in 1993. The Connecticut and Rhode Island units have been recombined into a single map for simplicity and clarity. There is no separate unit summary for Unit CT-00.
- Sandy Point Nature Preserve, owned by the Avalonia Land Conservancy and held for conservation and/or recreation, is currently within System Unit D08 and adjacent System Unit CT-00. Other areas owned by the Conservancy are proposed for addition to System Unit D08. The Conservancy concurred with classifying these areas as System Unit rather than an Otherwise Protected Area (OPA).
- Portions of the Barn Island Wildlife Management Area are currently within System Unit CT-00 and proposed for transfer to Unit D08. Additional areas owned by the CT DEEP are proposed for addition to System Unit D08. The State concurred with classifying these areas as System Unit rather than OPA.
- Napatree Point Conservation Area (owned by the Watch Hill Fire District, the State of Rhode Island, the Town of Westerly, the Watch Hill Conservancy, and others) is currently located within System Unit D08. This area is not proposed for reclassification to OPA.
- Modification of portions of the landward boundary of the unit to better align with the boundary of Barn Island Wildlife Management Area

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit D08 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D08.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	650	80	570	3.6	
Added to the CBRS****	232	13	219		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area*****	0	0	0		0
Transferred Area*****	1,433	116	1,317		
Proposed Unit	2,315	209	2,106	4.3	
Net Change	1,665	129	1,536	0.7	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

****The proposed additions are partially in Connecticut.

*****Reclassification means to change either all or a portion of a System Unit to an Otherwise Protected Area, or vice-versa.

*****The net change includes 116 acres of fastland and 1,317 acres of associated aquatic habitat that were transferred from System Unit CT-00 to System Unit D08. This transfer between two units of the same type does not change the CBRA restrictions on Federal expenditures and financial assistance in these areas.

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit D09P, Block Island, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [081A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D09P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit D09P.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D09P are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Nine structures along Champlain Road (also known as Coast Guard Road)

Proposed Additions:

- Areas owned by the Town of New Shoreham and held for conservation and/or recreation. These areas include a portion of Ball O'Brien Park and undeveloped fastland and wetlands along Crescent Beach and along West Beach Road.
- A small area of fastland that is owned by The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Great Salt Pond in the vicinity of Harris Point
- Areas of undeveloped fastland and wetlands that are owned by the Block Island Land Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Great Salt Pond and Harbor Pond
- A small area of fastland and wetlands that is owned by the Block Island Conservancy and held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Beach Avenue near Trims Pond
- An area of privately owned fastland and wetlands that are subject to a conservation easement (held by TNC), located in the vicinity of Cormorant Cove
- Minor areas of fastland and wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation, located around Great Salt Pond and Harbor Pond

Unit D09P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Areas of fastland and wetlands that owned by TNC and held for conservation or recreation along Great Salt Pond
- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Areas on Block Island that are owned by the Town of New Shoreham and held for conservation and/or recreation, including: West Beach and Scotch Beach, undeveloped fastland and wetlands along Great Salt Pond, and portions of Crescent Beach, Mosquito Beach, and Fred Benson Town Beach
- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Areas owned by the Block Island Land Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation, located between Harbor Pond and Crescent Beach and along West Beach Road
- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Portions of Block Island National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service) located in the vicinity of Gunners Hill, including one structure
- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Great Salt Pond and adjacent fastland and wetlands not held for conservation and/or recreation, located around Crescent Beach (including about seven structures) and along West Beach Road

Other Modifications/Information:

- Modification of the southwestern lateral boundary of the unit to be perpendicular to the shoreline
- Areas of privately-owned fastland that are not held for conservation and/or recreation, located on Harbor Neck, are currently within OPA Unit D09P. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to a System Unit.

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Unit D09P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D09P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	76	55	21	1.0	
Added to the CBRS	42	15	27		0
Removed from the CBRS	8	8	0		9
Reclassified Area****	836	112	724		8
Proposed Unit	946	174	772	3.0	
Net Change	870	119	751	2.0	(1)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS)

Unit D09, Block Island, Rhode Island

Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [081A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit D09 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (Pub. L. 97-348), enacted on October 18, 1982 (47 FR 52388), originally established Unit D09.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

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- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

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Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit D09 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Nine structures and adjacent fastland along Corn Neck Road, located south of Fred Benson Town Beach
- Three structures along Corn Neck Road, located north of Fred Benson Town Beach

Proposed Additions:

- A minor area of wetlands along Sachem Pond that is owned by the Town of New Shoreham and held for conservation and/or recreation
- A minor portion of Block Island National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service)

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit D09 to Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) Unit D09P: Several areas on Block Island that are owned by the Town of New Shoreham and held for conservation and/or recreation, including: West Beach and Scotch Beach, undeveloped fastland and wetlands along Great Salt Pond, and portions of Crescent Beach, Mosquito Beach, and Fred Benson Town Beach
- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Areas of fastland and wetlands owned by The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and held for conservation or recreation along Great Salt Pond

Unit D09 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Areas owned by the Block Island Land Trust and held for conservation and/or recreation, located between Harbor Pond and Crescent Beach and along West Beach Road
- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Portions of Block Island National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service) located in the vicinity of Gunners Hill, including one structure
- From System Unit D09 to OPA Unit D09P: Great Salt Pond and adjacent fastland and wetlands not held for conservation and/or recreation, located around Crescent Beach (including about seven structures) and along West Beach Road

Other Modifications/Information:

- Areas of fastland and wetlands that are owned by the Town of New Shoreham and held for conservation and/or recreation, located on the northern portion of Block Island in the vicinity of Sachem Pond, are currently within System Unit D09. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because they were dedicated to conservation and/or recreation after the area was first included within the CBRS in 1982.
- A portion of Block Island National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service), located in the vicinity of Middle Pond, is currently within System Unit D09. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA because it was acquired by the Service after the area was first included in 1982 within the CBRS.
- Block Island North Light, owned by the Town of New Shoreham and held for conservation and/or recreation, is currently located within System Unit D09. This minor area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- A minor area of fastland and wetlands owned by TNC and held for conservation and/or recreation, located at Grove Point, is currently within System Unit D09. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- A minor area of privately owned fastland and wetlands that is subject to a conservation easement (held by the Service) along Middle Pond, is currently within System Unit D09. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- Modification of a portion of the boundary along the southern side of Niles Swamp (to the east of Middle Pond) to better follow the wetland/fastland interface, resulting in minor additions and removals

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit D09 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit D09.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	1,100	218	882	4.8	
Added to the CBRS	11	1	10		0
Removed from the CBRS	12	10	2		12
Reclassified Area****	(836)	(112)	(724)		(8)
Proposed Unit	263	97	166	2.8	
Net Change	(837)	(121)	(716)	(2.0)	(20)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS)

Unit RI-01, Brown Point, Rhode Island

Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Newport

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [068A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-01 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-01.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-01 are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat in the vicinity of Brown Point, located on the north side of the unit and along the western boundary
- A minor portion of a private property subject to a conservation easement (held by the Sakonnet Preservation Association)

Other Modifications/Information:

- Minor portions of private properties subject to conservation easements (held by the Sakonnet Preservation Association) are currently located within System Unit RI-01. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an Otherwise Protected Area.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit RI-01 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-01.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	48	11	37	0.5	
Added to the CBRS	11	2	9		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	59	13	46	0.6	
Net Change	11	2	9	0.1	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS)

Unit RI-02A, McCorrie Point, Rhode Island

Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Newport

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [069](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-02A via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-02A.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-02A are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Associated aquatic habitat and a small area of fastland north of McCorrie Point

Other Modifications/Information:

- McCorrie Point Beach (owned by the Town of Portsmouth and held for conservation and/or recreation) is currently located within System Unit RI-02A. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an Otherwise Protected Area because it was not held for conservation and/or recreation when it was first included in 1990 within the CBRS.
- The name of Unit RI-02A is changed from "McCurry Point" to "McCorrie Point" to correctly identify the underlying barrier feature

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Unit RI-02A Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-02A.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	11	2	9	0.3	
Added to the CBRS	1	0	1		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	12	2	10	0.4	
Net Change	1	0	1	0.1	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit RI-02P, Sapowet Point, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Proposed new Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)
County: Newport
Congressional District: 1

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on proposed new Unit RI-02P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Proposed New Unit:

New Unit CBRS Status:

The area proposed for inclusion within new OPA Unit RI-02P is:

- Mostly within the boundaries of existing System Unit RI-02. This unit was originally established as OPA Unit RI-02P by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304). On November 15, 1993, the unit was reclassified from its original OPA designation to System Unit RI-02 at the request of the State of Rhode Island (58 FR 60228). The 1993 reclassification was made in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591, which allowed, upon request, the voluntary addition to the CBRS of areas owned or held by local governments, states, or qualified organizations (either to an existing unit or as a new unit). The areas within this proposed new unit that are currently within Unit RI-02 are proposed for reclassification from a System Unit to an OPA (see below for additional information). The remaining areas within this proposed new OPA are not currently within the CBRS.

New Unit Area:

Included within new OPA Unit RI-02P are the following area(s):

- Portions of Sapowet Marsh Management Area, owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
- Areas of fastland and wetlands that are privately owned and subject to a Rhode Island Agricultural Lands Preservation easement held by the Agricultural Land Preservation Commission
- Areas of fastland and wetlands that are not held for conservation and/or recreation between Seapowet Avenue and Neck Road
- A minor area of privately owned barrier fastland and associated aquatic habitat that is not held for conservation and/or recreation (including one residential structure), along Sapowet Cove

Additional Information:

- The RI DEM requested on October 18, 2016, that the State owned lands within the CBRS be converted from System Unit to OPA where permissible, including those areas that were voluntarily reclassified from OPA to System Unit in 1993. A large portion of System Unit RI-02 was held for conservation and/or recreation by the State or other entities prior to its inclusion within the CBRS. Therefore, this portion of RI-02 is proposed for reclassification to OPA Unit RI-02P. This reclassification also includes additional privately owned areas that are adjacent to or interspersed with the State owned lands and qualified for inclusion within the CBRS when they were originally added to the CBRS.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit RI-02P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-02P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	0	0	0	0.0	
Added to the CBRS	44	40	4		1
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	349	85	264		0
Proposed Unit	393	125	268	0.6	
Net Change	393	125	268	0.6	1

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS)

Unit RI-02, Sapowet Point, Rhode Island

Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Newport

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [068A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-02 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-02.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- On November 15, 1993, areas within Unit RI-02P were reclassified from their original Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) designation and incorporated within System Unit RI-02 based upon a request from the State of Rhode Island (58 FR 60228). The 1993 reclassification was made in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591, which allowed, upon request, the voluntary addition to the CBRS of areas owned or held by local governments, states, or qualified organizations (either to an existing unit or as a new unit). However, portions of the areas that were reclassified to Unit RI-02 were owned by private owners and other entities at the time, not the State. Some of these areas are either proposed for removal from the CBRS or reclassified to proposed new OPA Unit RI-02P depending on whether they qualified in 1990 for inclusion within the CBRS (see below for additional details).

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-02 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Two small areas of fastland east of Sapowet Marsh including one structure along Wampanog Lane

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat east of Sapowet Point

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit RI-02 to proposed new OPA Unit RI-02P: Portions of Sapowet Marsh Management Area, owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
- From System Unit RI-02 to proposed new OPA Unit RI-02P: An area that is privately owned and subject to a Rhode Island Agricultural Lands Preservation easement held by the Agricultural Land Preservation Commission

Unit RI-02 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- From System Unit RI-02 to proposed new OPA Unit RI-02P: Areas of fastland and wetlands that are not held for conservation and/or recreation between Seapowet Avenue and Neck Road. These areas are proposed for reclassification because they are adjacent to or interspersed with the State owned lands that are proposed for reclassification (described above) and they qualified for inclusion within the CBRS when they were originally added.

Other Modifications/Information:

- Portions of the Emilie Ruecker Wildlife Refuge, owned by the Rhode Island Audubon Society, are currently located within System Unit RI-02. The Refuge was held for conservation and/or recreation before the area was included in 1990 within the CBRS, but is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA. During the stakeholder outreach phase of the project, the Service did not receive a response from the Audubon Society of Rhode Island regarding the areas it owns. Therefore, no changes were made to the CBRS unit classification of these areas.

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Unit RI-02 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-02.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	472	140	332	1.6	
Added to the CBRS	56	51	5		0
Removed from the CBRS	2	2	0		1
Reclassified Area****	(349)	(85)	(264)		0
Proposed Unit	177	104	73	1.2	
Net Change	(295)	(36)	(259)	(0.4)	(1)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit RI-03P, Sandy Point, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Newport

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [069](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-03P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-03P.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-03P are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- A small area of Sandy Point Beach (owned by the Town of Portsmouth and held for conservation and/or recreation)
- Minor areas of undeveloped fastland that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation, located west of Sandy Point Beach and south of Sandy Point Avenue

Other Modifications/Information:

- Minor areas of undeveloped fastland and wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation are currently within OPA Unit RI-03P, located south of Sandy Point Beach. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to a System Unit.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit RI-03P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-03P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	21	11	10	0.6	
Added to the CBRS	1	1	0		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	22	12	10	0.6	
Net Change	1	1	0	0.0	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit RI-08P, Fox Hill Marsh, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Newport

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [075](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-08P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-08P.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-08P are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- An area owned by the Conanicut Island Land Trust (a conservation organization) located on Spring Street
- Minor areas of undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat not held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Sheffield Cove south of Spring Street and along Mackerel Cove to the east and west of Mackerel Cove Beach
- A small portion of Sheffield Cove Salt Marsh (owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island and held for conservation and/or recreation)
- Portions of Mackerel Cove Beach (owned by the Town of Jamestown and held for conservation and/or recreation)

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From OPA Unit RI-08P to System Unit RI-08: Portions of Dutch Island Harbor, which is open water and not held for conservation and/or recreation and privately owned fastland and wetlands, not held for conservation and/or recreation, located at the end of Maple Avenue near the entrance to Sheffield Cove

Other Modifications/Information:

- Minor areas of undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat not held for conservation and/or recreation, located on the east side of Sheffield Cove, are currently within OPA Unit RI-08P. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to a System Unit.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit RI-08P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-08P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	118	11	107	0.3	
Added to the CBRS	5	2	3		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	(36)	(1)	(35)		0
Proposed Unit	87	12	75	0.6	
Net Change	(31)	1	(32)	0.3	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS)

Unit RI-08, Fox Hill Marsh, Rhode Island

Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Newport

Congressional District: 1

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [075](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-08 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-08.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-08 are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Portions of Dutch Island Harbor on the north side of the unit
- Minor portions of Fox Hill Salt Marsh (owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island)
- A minor portion of private property subject to a conservation easement (held by The Nature Conservancy (TNC)) located along Fort Getty Road
- A minor portion of Fort Getty Park (owned by the Town of Jamestown)
- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat along the Narragansett Bay to the south of Fort Getty Park

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) Unit RI-08P to System Unit RI-08: Portions of Dutch Island Harbor, which is open water and not held for conservation and/or recreation and privately owned fastland and wetlands, not held for conservation and/or recreation, located at the end of Maple Avenue near the entrance to Sheffield Cove

Other Modifications/Information:

- Modification of the boundary of the unit to account for natural changes (e.g., erosion and accretion) along the Dutch Island Harbor shoreline east of Fox Hill Salt Marsh
- Portions of Fox Hill Salt Marsh (owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island) are currently within System Unit RI-08. During the stakeholder outreach phase of the project, the Service did not receive a response from the Audubon Society of Rhode Island regarding the areas it owns. Therefore, no changes were made to the CBRS unit classification of these areas.

Unit RI-08 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- A minor area of fastland and wetlands along Fort Getty Road that is located on private property subject to a conservation easement (held by TNC), is currently located in System Unit RI-08. This area is not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.
- Minor portions of Fort Getty Park are both currently within and proposed for addition to System Unit RI-08. The areas that are currently within Unit RI-08 are not proposed for reclassification to an OPA.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit RI-08 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-08.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	73	8	65	0.1	
Added to the CBRS	25	4	21		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	36	1	35		0
Proposed Unit	134	13	121	0.3	
Net Change	61	5	56	0.2	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit RI-09, Bonnet Shores Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [075](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-09 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-09.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-09 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Approximately five structures known as the Bonnet Shores Beach Club (a private condominium association)
- Two structures along Dunes Road

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat located to the north of Wesquage Pond
- Undeveloped fastland and associated aquatic habitat located along Narragansett Bay to the east and the west of Bonnet Shores Beach
- A minor area of fastland and wetlands owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island, located along the north side of Wesquage Pond

Other Modifications/Information:

- Wesquage Pond and areas north of the Pond (owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island) are both currently within and proposed for addition to System Unit RI-09. It is unknown whether or not the Pond itself was held for conservation and/or recreation when it was first included in 1990 within the CBRS. The remaining areas owned by the Audubon Society (including the proposed additions) are minor in size and were held for conservation and/or recreation when they were first included within the CBRS. During the stakeholder outreach phase of the project, the Service did not receive a response from the Audubon Society of Rhode Island regarding the areas it owns. Therefore, no changes were made to the CBRS unit classification of these areas.

Unit RI-09 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- Areas owned by the Bonnet Shores Land Trust, located along Wesquage Pond and along Dunes Road at Kelly Beach, are currently included within Unit RI-09. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to an Otherwise Protected Area because they are either minor or were not held for conservation and/or recreation when the area was first included in 1990 within the CBRS.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit RI-09 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-09.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	123	22	101	0.4	
Added to the CBRS	4	3	1		0
Removed from the CBRS	5	5	0		7
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	122	20	102	0.6	
Net Change	(1)	(2)	1	0.2	(7)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit RI-10P, Narragansett Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [075](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-10P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-10P.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-10P are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Portions of Canonchet Farm held for conservation and/or recreation by the Town of Narragansett located along Pettaquamscutt Cove
- Portions of the John H. Chafee National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service)
- Portions of an area held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Narrow River Land Trust) along Pettaquamscutt River (also known as Narrow River)
- Minor portions of privately owned properties that are not held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Pettaquamscutt Cove and Little Neck Pond

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions of the John H. Chafee National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service)
- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions of the Shadblow Preserve (owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island)
- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions an area held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Narrow River Land Trust) located along Pettaquamscutt River south of Middlebridge Road
- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions of Canonchet Farm
- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions of Pettaquamscutt Cove and minor portions of privately owned properties that are not held for conservation and/or recreation located around Pettaquamscutt Cove

Unit RI-10P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Other Modifications/Information:

- Modification of the boundary of the unit to better follow the wetland/fastland interface along Pettaquamscutt Cove in the vicinity of Crooked Brook
- Minor portions of privately owned properties that are not held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Pettaquamscutt Cove and Little Neck Pond, are currently within OPA Unit RI-10P. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to System Unit.

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Unit RI-10P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-10P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	101	26	75	0.4	
Added to the CBRS	10	2	8		0
Removed from the CBRS	2	1	1		0
Reclassified Area****	329	8	321		0
Proposed Unit	438	35	403	0.4	
Net Change	337	9	328	0.0	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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Type of Unit: System Unit

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [075](#) dated October 24, 1990

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-10 via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-10.

Historical Changes:

There have been no changes to the CBRS map for this unit since its establishment.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-10 are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Fastland including two structures on Boston Neck Road east of Starr Drive

Proposed Additions:

- Undeveloped fastland and wetlands along Pettaquamscutt River (also known as Narrow River) south of Boston Neck Road
- Minor portions of an area held for conservation and/or recreation by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island located along Pettaquamscutt River

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit RI-10 to Otherwise Protected Area (OPA) Unit RI-10P: Portions of the John H. Chafee National Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Service)
- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions of an area held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the Narrow River Land Trust) located along Pettaquamscutt River south of Middlebridge Road
- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions of the Shadblow Preserve (owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island)
- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions of an area held for conservation and/or recreation by the Town of Narragansett located along Pettaquamscutt Cove
- From System Unit RI-10 to OPA Unit RI-10P: Portions of Pettaquamscutt Cove and minor portions of privately owned undeveloped fastland and wetlands not held for conservation and/or recreation

Unit RI-10 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Other Modifications/Information:

- Portions of areas owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island are currently located within System Unit RI-10. These areas were held for conservation and/or recreation before the area was first included in 1990 within the CBRS. During the stakeholder outreach phase of the project, the Service did not receive a response from the Audubon Society of Rhode Island regarding the areas it owns. Therefore, no changes were made to the CBRS unit classification of these areas.
- Modification of the eastern and western lateral boundaries to include the entire barrier feature along Cormorant Point and Narragansett Town Beach

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Unit RI-10 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-10.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	394	26	368	0.3	
Added to the CBRS	8	2	6		0
Removed from the CBRS	1	1	0		2
Reclassified Area****	(329)	(8)	(321)		0
Proposed Unit	72	19	53	0.4	
Net Change	(322)	(7)	(315)	0.1	(2)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit RI-11P, Seaweed Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [076A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-11P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-11P.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-11P are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- An area of fastland including one structure at the southern end of Chestnut Avenue. This area is currently within System Unit RI-11 (the remainder of which is proposed to be reclassified entirely to Unit RI-11P).
- Two structures along Saltaire Avenue
- An area of fastland including one structure located on Fir Drive
- One structure along Houston Avenue

Proposed Additions:

- Portions of Roger Wheeler State Beach, Galilee Bird Sanctuary, and Fishermen's Memorial State Park (owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM))
- Minor portions privately owned properties that are not held for conservation and/or recreation, located in the vicinity of Seaweed Beach
- Minor areas of wetlands not held for conservation and/or recreation, located to the west of Fir Drive, to the east of Great Island Road, and to the north of Sand Hill Cove Road
- A portion of Bluff Hill Cove

Unit RI-11P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit RI-11 to OPA Unit RI-11P: Portions of the South Shore Management Area (owned by the RI DEM)
- From System Unit RI-11 to OPA Unit RI-11P: Minor areas of privately owned fastland and wetlands (including one privately owned structure) not held for conservation and/or recreation

Other Modifications/Information:

- Minor areas of fastland and wetlands not held for conservation and/or recreation, located to the west of Fir Drive and along Sand Hill Cove Road, are currently within OPA Unit RI-11P. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to System Unit.
- Modification of the boundary of the unit west of Avenue D to follow the boundary of a parcel owned by the RI DEM resulting in minor removals and additions
- Modification of the boundary of the unit at the end of Sand Hill Cove Road to better follow the boundary of Roger Wheeler State Beach resulting in minor removals and additions
- The entirety of adjacent existing System Unit RI-11 (except the removal noted above) is proposed for reclassification to existing OPA Unit RI-11P because the coastal barrier system is predominantly held for conservation and/or recreation. There is no separate unit summary for System Unit RI-11.

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit RI-11 Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-11.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	20	6	14	0.2	
Added to the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Removed from the CBRS	1	1	0		1
Reclassified Area****	(19)	(5)	(14)		(1)
Proposed Unit	0	0	0	0.0	
Net Change	(20)	(6)	(14)	(0.2)	(2)

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit RI-12P, East Matunuck Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [076A](#) dated October 15, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-12P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-12P.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- On November 15, 1993, areas within Unit RI-12P were reclassified from their original OPA designation and incorporated within System Unit RI-12 based upon a request from the State of Rhode Island (58 FR 60228). The 1993 reclassification was made in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591, which allowed, upon request, the voluntary addition to the CBRS of areas owned or held by local governments, states, or qualified organizations (either to an existing unit or as a new unit). However, portions of the areas that were reclassified to Unit RI-12 were owned by private owners and other entities at the time, not the State. These areas are either proposed for removal from the CBRS or reclassified to OPA Unit RI-12P depending on whether they qualified in 1990 for inclusion within the CBRS (see below for additional details).

For additional information on historical legislative and administrative actions that have affected the CBRS, see: <https://www.fws.gov/cbra/Historical-Changes-to-CBRA.html>.

Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-12P are described below.

Proposed Removals:

- Three structures at the end of Dory Court and one adjacent structure located east of Succotash Road. These structures are currently within Unit RI-12 (the remainder of which is proposed to be reclassified entirely to Unit RI-12P).
- Fastland including three structures along Brecker Drive, two structures along Macalder Street, and one structure along Arbeth Road.
- One structure along South Pointe Lane. This structure is currently within Unit RI-12.
- About five structures and one marina, located along the east side of Succotash Road. These structures are currently within Unit RI-12.
- Fastland including one structure along west side of Succotash Road. This structure is currently within Unit RI-12.

Unit RI-12P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

- Two structures along Gale Drive. These structures are currently within Unit RI-12.

Proposed Additions:

- Portions of Succotash Marsh Management Area including four structures, owned by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM)
- Portions of East Matunuck State Beach, owned by the RI DEM
- An area of wetlands that is held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the South Kingstown Land Trust (a conservation organization), located along Westcote Drive
- Small areas of undeveloped fastland and wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation, located along Potter Pond, Succotash Road, and to the west of East Matunuck State Beach

Proposed Reclassifications:

- From System Unit RI-12 to OPA Unit RI-12P: Portions of Succotash Marsh Management Area and East Matunuck State Beach (including two associated structures), owned by the RI DEM
- From System Unit RI-12 to OPA Unit RI-12P: An area of wetlands that is held for conservation and/or recreation (owned by the South Kingstown Land Trust), located along Peninsula Road
- From System Unit RI-12 to OPA Unit RI-12P: Wetlands and small areas of undeveloped fastland located along Succotash Road, Potter Pond, and Seaweed Cove, that are not held for conservation and/or recreation

Other Modifications/Information:

- The RI DEM requested on October 18, 2016, that the State owned lands within the CBRS be converted from System Unit to OPA where permissible, including those areas that were voluntarily reclassified from OPA to System Unit in 1993. The majority of adjacent System Unit RI-12 was held for conservation and/or recreation by the State or other entities prior to its inclusion within the CBRS. Therefore, the entirety of System Unit RI-12 (except the removals noted above) is proposed for reclassification to OPA Unit RI-12P. This reclassification also includes additional areas that are adjacent to or interspersed with State owned lands that qualified for inclusion within the CBRS when they were originally added. There is no separate unit summary for System Unit RI-12.
- The name of this unit is changed from "East Matunick Beach" to "East Matunuck Beach" to correctly identify the underlying feature
- Modification of the boundary of the unit to buffer (i.e., leave space between the boundary and the feature it is intended to follow) along the developed shoreline, which results in minor removals of fastland and associated aquatic habitat from the unit

For information about the Service's guiding principles and criteria for assessing modifications to the CBRS, visit www.fws.gov/cbra.

Unit RI-12P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-12P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	20	12	8	0.3	
Added to the CBRS	36	16	20		4
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	398	32	366		2
Proposed Unit	454	60	394	0.8	
Net Change	434	48	386	0.5	6

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) Unit RI-13P, Misquamicut Beach, Rhode Island Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Existing Map:

The existing CBRS map depicting this unit is:

- [079A](#) dated October 23, 1992

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on the proposed changes to Unit RI-13P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Establishment of Unit:

The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591), enacted on November 16, 1990 (56 FR 26304), originally established Unit RI-13P.

Historical Changes:

The CBRS map for this unit has been modified by the following legislative and/or administrative actions:

- *Federal Register* notice (58 FR 60288) published on November 15, 1993, in accordance with Section 4 of Pub. L. 101-591

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Proposed Changes:

The proposed changes to Unit RI-13P are described below.

Proposed Additions:

- Barrier fastland and wetlands owned by the Town of Westerly that are held for conservation and/or recreation by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, including one tourist information kiosk located along Atlantic Avenue
- An area that is owned by the Weekapaug Foundation for Conservation and held for conservation and/or recreation, known as the Lathrop Property and located north of Atlantic Avenue
- Wetlands within the Winnapaug Farm Preserve (owned by the Westerly Land Trust (a conservation organization))
- Wetlands within Lathrop Wildlife Refuge (owned by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island)
- Portions of Winnapaug Pond and undeveloped barrier fastland and wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation

Other Modifications/Information:

- Fastland and wetlands that are privately owned and not held for conservation and/or recreation are currently within OPA Unit RI-13P. These areas are not proposed for reclassification to a System Unit because the coastal barrier system is predominantly held for conservation and/or recreation.

Unit RI-13P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

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Unit RI-13P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-13P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	227	46	181	0.6	
Added to the CBRS	215	10	205		1
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	442	56	386	0.7	
Net Change	215	10	205	0.1	1

*Land above mean high tide.

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John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS)

Unit RI-14P, Point Judith, Rhode Island

Summary of Proposed Changes

Type of Unit: Proposed new Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

County: Washington

Congressional District: 2

Proposed Boundary Notice of Availability:

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) opened a public comment period on proposed new Unit RI-14P via *Federal Register* notice. The *Federal Register* notice and the proposed boundary (accessible through the CBRS Projects Mapper) are available on the Service's website at www.fws.gov/cbra.

Proposed New Unit:

New Unit CBRS Status:

The area proposed for inclusion within new OPA Unit RI-14P is:

- Not currently within the CBRS

New Unit Area:

Included within new OPA Unit RI-14P are the following area(s):

- Portions of Camp Cronin Fishing Area, held for conservation and/or recreation by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
- Portions of Camp Cronin Fishing Area held for conservation and/or recreation by the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

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Unit RI-14P Summary of Proposed Changes (continued)

Acreage, Shoreline, and Structure Information:

The table below includes the acreage, shoreline, and structure changes associated with the proposed boundary of Unit RI-14P.

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	0	0	0	0.0	
Added to the CBRS	32	22	10		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area****	0	0	0		0
Proposed Unit	32	22	10	0.5	
Net Change	32	22	10	0.5	0

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from National Wetlands Inventory data.

***Approximate structure count derived from base map imagery. Gas and liquid storage tanks, structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters), structures with fewer than 200 square feet, structures that are not affixed to a permanent site (e.g., recreational vehicles), and structures that are not located principally above ground are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the statutory definition of a "structure" (16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2)).

****Reclassification means to change either all or a portion of a System Unit to an Otherwise Protected Area, or vice-versa.

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