



The Trustees
of Reservations

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Islands
Regional Office

Christopher Kennedy
Regional Supervisor

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Edgartown Planning Board
Town Hall
Edgartown, MA 02539

Dear Members:

The Trustees of Reservations respectfully requests your consideration of this application to allow the placement of a permanent gatehouse at the east end of the Dyke Bridge causeway. It is our intent to move the present gatehouse from Wasque to the Dyke Bridge and to construct a new gatehouse (6 foot by 8 foot) at Wasque. ^{IC}

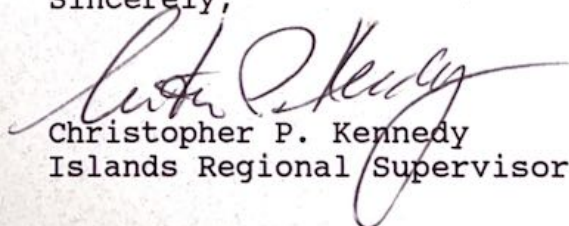
Up until 1989, The Trustees maintained a gatehouse at the Dyke Bridge to greet visitors to the Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge, and to provide a place for the collection of ORV and pedestrian fees.

The Edgartown Zoning Inspector has previously determined, at the request of The Trustees that temporary structures which are seasonally located within the DCPC as well as fences and structures under six feet in height are exempt from the provisions of the Edgartown Zoning By-Laws 14.4 Cape Poge District. However, The Trustees wish to maintain our 4 foot wide by 6 foot long by 8 foot high gatehouse, on-site, yearround (see photo). This gatehouse will have a public pay phone located on the east facing exterior wall and will contain radio equipment for communication with Trustees rangers, police and other law enforcement agencies.

This gatehouse will be staffed by Trustees rangers from May 28 to September 15 and may be staffed on weekends and at other times as well. The gatehouse will serve as an information center yearround for vehicular and pedestrian visitors to Cape Poge and East Beach through the use of the encased bulletin board which will be updated regularly to inform visitors of wildlife issues, property rules and other general interest information.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Christopher P. Kennedy
Islands Regional Supervisor

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Plan for East Beach Boardwalk, Gatehouse and Restrooms and Replacement of Wasque Gatehouse

In 1990, the Edgartown Conservation Commission and the Edgartown Planning Board gave approval to The Trustees of Reservations (The Trustees) for the implementation of the Barrier Beach Management Plan for Wasque and Cape Poge. Portions of this plan called for the placement of a boardwalk from the end of the causeway at the Dyke Bridge to the beach at East Beach. Due to delays in the construction of the bridge, plans to build the boardwalk and to replace the previous Dyke Bridge gatehouse were put on hold pending the initiation of construction of the Dyke Bridge.

The earlier Order of Conditions has expired and the DCPC Special Permit needs to be amended, therefore The Trustees wish to apply once more for authorization from both the Planning Board and Conservation Commission to place an 800 foot "roll-up" boardwalk from the easternmost end of the Dyke Bridge causeway to East Beach. The boardwalk will be placed on the ground and will be kept in place yearround. Staff will periodically lift sections of the boardwalk to allow accumulated sand to sift through to the dune surface below.

The Trustees also wish to replace the previous 4' x 5' gatehouse at the Dyke Bridge (which was on-site until 1988) with a permanent gatehouse measuring 4' x 5'. This gatehouse will have a public pay phone located on the east facing exterior wall and will contain radio equipment for communications with The Trustees rangers, police and other law enforcement agencies.

This gatehouse will be staffed by The Trustees rangers from May 28 to September 15 and may be staffed at other times as well. Just as at our gatehouses at Wasque and Long Point, the gatehouse at the Dyke Bridge will serve as an information center, yearround, for vehicular and pedestrian visitors to Cape Poge and East Beach through the use of an encased bulletin board which will be updated regularly to inform visitors of wildlife issues, property rules and other general information.

Visitors to East Beach do not have immediate access to restroom facilities, therefore The Trustees request permission to place two self-contained portable chemical toilets adjacent to the gatehouse as per the site plan. These facilities will be screened from view through the use of stockade fencing and will only be in place from mid-June

to mid-October, annually. Through past experience we have learned that failure to provide the most basic of restroom facilities will create an unacceptable situation where visitors will attempt to use the primary and secondary dunes to relieve themselves.

Finally, The Trustees also request permission to replace and enlarge the gatehouse at Wasque Reservation (please see site plan). The new gatehouse will be located at the site of the existing gatehouse but it will be enlarged from 20 sq. feet to 48 sq. feet (6' x 8') to accommodate the storage of permit and membership supplies.



Glenn F. Provost
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72.5 ± Acr

The Lagoon

edge of marsh

jeep trail

approx. location of underground telephone line

M.H.W.

± 4500'

Dike Bridge
Proposed
Location of
Vehicle Control
GATE

⊙ DENOTES IRON PIPE
FOUND 11-15-91

Paucha Pond
N 135,807.79
E 212,834.19

see Bk 178 P. 370
Edmund F. Lebard &
Oliver S. Lebard

The Trustees of Reservations
see Bk 122 P. 318

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Edgartown Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, May 16, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. on the application of **The Trustees of Reservations** for a special permit under Article XIV Cape Pogue District of Critical Planning Concern to allow placement of an 800' roll-up boardwalk from the east end of **Dyke Bridge causeway to East Beach**, the placement of a 4'x5' gatehouse at the east end of Dyke Bridge causeway, the placement of two screened chemical toilets adjacent to the Dyke Bridge causeway gatehouse, and the replacement of the existing 20 s.f. gatehouse at the **Wasque Reservation** with a 48 s.f. gatehouse. A full copy of the plans and application may be seen in the Planning Board office. The hearing is held in accordance with MGL 40A and interested persons are urged to send comment before the hearing to Box 1065, Edgartown or FAX 508-627-6213 and to attend the hearing.


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at Wasque and Dyke Bridge