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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Title of Rule: Rhode Island Coastal Resources Management Program - Metro Bay (Providence Harbor) SAMP - Hazards Chapter

Rule Identifier: 650-RICR-XXX-XX-5766

Rulemaking Action: Direct Final Repeal

Important Dates:
Date of Public Notice: 08/22/2018
End of Public Comment: 09/21/2018

Authority for this Rulemaking:
RIGL 46-23 et. seq

Summary of Rulemaking Action:
The Hazards Chapter of the Metro Bay SAMP seeks to advise the communities, state and local governments, and the public on the relevant coastal hazard issues in the Metro Bay region and propose recommendations to effectively address and mitigate those hazards. The subject regulations were adopted by the Council in 2009 as part of the Metro Bay Region SAMP. In 2016, the legislature passed an amendment to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-5(b) that required the Secretary of State to oversee the publication of an updated uniform code of state regulations, the Rhode Island Code of Regulations (RICR). The Natural Hazards chapter contains findings and recommendations, but does not contain any enforceable policies or standards. Accordingly, the CRMC plans to repeal the Hazards chapter and include the chapter's findings and recommendations within the Metro Bay Region SAMP guidance document to provide helpful information to assist with compliance with the RICR portions of the Metro Bay Region SAMP (650-RICR-20-00-5).

Additional Information and Comments:
If no formal objection is received on or before September 21, 2018, Coastal Resources Management Council will file the Repeal without opportunity for public comment..

Objections should be addressed to:
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Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:
In the development of the proposed adoption consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information. Additionally, the benefits of the proposed amendments justify any costs of the proposed rule, and the proposed amendments will achieve the objectives of the authorizing statute in a more cost-effective manner, or with greater net benefits, than other regulatory alternatives.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.