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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Title of Rule: Pawcatuck River and Estuary and Little Narragansett Bay: An Interstate Management Plan

Rule Identifier: 650-RICR-XXX-XX-1063

Rulemaking Action: Direct Final Repeal

Important Dates:
Date of Public Notice: 09/05/2018
End of Public Comment: 10/05/2018

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

Summary of Rulemaking Action:
The Pawcatuck River and Estuary and Little Narragansett Bay: An Interstate Management Plan (Pawcatuck SAMP) was adopted as part of the Coastal Resources Management Plan by Council on July 14, 1992 to implement a bi-state agreement with Connecticut with recommendations for management strategies and other initiatives concerning the use and protection of the Pawcatuck River estuary. 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). Since the Pawcatuck SAMP does not contain any RICR regulatory requirements, it is being repeal. However, the Pawcatuck SAMP will remain as a CRMC guidance document in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 42-35-1(9) and 42-35-2.12.

Additional Information and Comments:
If no formal objection is received on or before October 5, 2018, Coastal Resources Management Council will file the Repeal without opportunity for public comment..

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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.