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Model bylaws

Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions. 10 Juniper Rd. Belmont, MA 02478 www.maccweb.org (617) 489-3930

Resources for Readers

Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System 46 Rarick Road, Selkirk, NY 12158 Phone: (518) 767-9051 Fax: (518) 767 9076 http://www.audubonintl.org/programs/acss/golf.htm

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New England Wildflower Society. Garden in the Woods, 180 Hemenway Road, Framingham, MA 01701 Phone: 508-877-7630 Fax: 508-877-3658 www.newfs.org

Title 5 Program (Greywater)
Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Resource Protection
Leldon Langley, Director of Watershed Permitting
One Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108
Phone: 617-574-6882

Questions about Title 5 or Greywater can also be addressed to John Ciccotelli at john.cicotelli@state.ma.us or 617-292-5657.

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Invasive Plant Species Occurring in Middlesex and Worcester Counties, Massachusetts

Scientific Name

Acer platanoides L.

Acre pseudoplatanus L.

Actinidia arguta (Sieb. & Zucc.) Planchon

Aegopodium podagraria L.

Ailanthus altissima (P. Miller) Swingle

Alliaria petiolata (Bieb.) Cavara & Grande

Ampelopsis brevipedunculata (Maxim.) Trautv.

Anthriscus sylvestris (L.) Hoffman

Berberis thunbergii DC. Berberis vulgaris L.

Cabomba caroliniana A. Gray

Cardamine impatiens L.

Catalpa speciosa (Warder) Warder ex Engelm.

Celastrus orbiculata Thunb. Centaurea biebersteinii DC.

Cynanchum louiseae Kartesz & Ghandi

Echinochloa crusgalli (L.) Beauv.

Egeria densa Planchon Elaeagnus angustifolia L. Elaeagnus umbellata Thunb.

Epilobium hirsutum L.

Euonymus alata (Thunb.) Sieb.

Euphorbia cyparissias L. Festuca filiformis Pourret

Festuca ovina L.

Glaucium flavum Crantz

Glyceria maxima (Hartman) Holmb.

Hesperis matronalis L.

Humulus japonicus Sieb. & Zucc.

Iris pseudacorus L.

Ligustrum obtusifolium Sieb. & Zucc.

Ligustrum vulgare L. Lonicera xbella Zabel Lonicera japonica Thunb.

Lonicera maackii (Rupr.) Maxim.

Lonicera morrowii A. Gray

Lonicera tatarica L.

Common Name(s)

Norway Maple Sycamore Maple

Kiwi vine Goutweed Tree-of-heaven Garlic-mustard Porcelain-berry

Chervil

Japanese barberry Common barberry

Fanwort

Bushy rock-cress Western catalpa Oriental bittersweet Spotted knapweed Black swallow-wort

Barnyard grass
Giant waterweed
Russian olive
Autumn olive
Hairy willow-herb
Winged euonymus
Cypress spurge
Hair fescue
Sheep fescue

Sea- or horned poppy

Sweet reedgrass Dame's rocket Japanese hops Yellow iris Japanese privet

Common or hedge privet (morrowii x tatarica)

Japanese honeysuckle Amur-honeysuckle Morrow's honeysuckle Tatarian honeysuckle Lysimachia nummularia L.

Lythrum salicaria L.

Morus alba L.

Myosotis scorpioides L.

Myriophyllum heterophyllum Michaux

Myriophyllum spicatum L.

Najas minor All.

Nymphoides peltata (Gmelin) Knutze

Phragmites australis (Cav.) Trin. ex Steudel

Poa compressa L.

Polygonum aubertii Henry

Polygonum cuspidatum Sieb. & Zucc.

Populus alba L.

Potamogeton crispus L.

Pueraria Montana (Lour.) Merrill

Rananculus repens L. Rhamnus cathartica L. Rhamnus frangula L. Robinia pseudoacacia L.

Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum (L.) Hayek

Rosa multiflora Thunb. ex Murray

Rosa rugosa Thunb. Rumex acetosella L. Sedum telephium L. Solanum dulcamara L. Thymus pulegioides L. Trapa natans L.

Tussilago farfara L.

Verbascum thapsus L.

Moneywort

Purple loosestrife White mulberry True forget-me-not

Variable water-milfoil Eurasian water-milfoil

Lesser naiad

Yellow floating heart Phragmites, reed

Canada bluegrass Silver lace-vine

Japanese knotweed

Silver poplar Curly pondweed

Kudzu

Creeping buttercup Common buckthorn Glossy buckthorn

Black Locust
Watercress
Multiflora rose
Japanese rose
Sheep-sorrel

Live-forever, orpine Bittersweet nightshade

Wild Thyme Water chestnut Coltsfoot

Common mullein

Source: Massachusetts Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program

Grant opportunities

Department of Environmental Management

251 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02114 www.state.ma.us/dem/

Greenways and Trails Demonstration Grants

Grants up to \$3,000 for greenways and trail planning, mapping, management and construction.

www.state.ma.us/dem/programs/greenway/grants.htm

Contact: 617-973-8700

Historic Landscape Preservation Grant Program

Funds the preservation and restoration of historic landscapes listed on the State or National Register of Historic Places.

www.state.ma.us/dem/programs/histland/overview.htm

Contact: 617-973-8700

Lake and Pond Grant Program

Grant for the protection, preservation and public access of lakes and ponds.

www.state.ma.us/dem/program/lakepond/lakapp.htm

Contact: 617-973-8700

Massachusetts Lakes & Ponds Watershed Demonstration Restoration and Protection Project Grants

Funding for the restoration and protection of lakes and ponds.

www.state.ma.us/envir Contact: 617-973-8700

Mass Releaf

Grant for up to \$5,000 for tree planting on public land. www.state.ma.us/dem/programs/m-releaf/grant.htm Contact: 781-741-5909

Recreational Trails Program

Funding for improvement and construction of recreational trails.

www.state.ma.us/dem Contact: 617-626-1353

Department of Environmental Protection

1 Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108

Massachusetts Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program

Funding for community projects with water quality benefits, such as wastewater treatment construction or upgrades, or non-point source pollution studies.

www.state.ma.us/dep Contact: 617-292-5779

Section 604b Water Quality Management Planning

Funding for projects on water quality management and assessment of protection, land use, wetlands restoration potential, or source protection planning. www.state.ma.us/dep/brp/mf/files/grants.htm

Contact: 617-556-1152

Wetlands and Water Quality Grant Program

Funding for projects that assure the safety of public water supplies, minimize degradation of wetlands, and reduce or eliminate point and non-point discharges to surface and ground water. www.state.ma.us/dep/brp/mf/files/glprgm.pdf

Contact: 617-556-1152

Department of Housing and Community Development

1 Congress Street, Boston, MA 02114

Community Development Action Grants

Provides funding for economic development projects on publicly owned or managed property. www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

Contact: 617-727-7001 x456

Community Development Fund

Provides funding for community development and housing needs.

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

Contact: 617-727-7001 x435

Massachusetts Downtown Initiative

Provides technical assistance on all aspects of downtown revitalization.

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/components/dcs/downtown/default.htm

Contact: 617-727-7001 x426

Municipal Incentive Grants

Funding to assist municipal officials in community planning and management. The grant will cover consultant services and the costs of developing plans and performing studies.

www.state.ma.us/dhcd

Contact: 617-727-7001 x404

Peer to Peer

Provides technical assistance (covering expenses up to \$850) by matching communities with a peer from another community for help with municipal issues.

www.state.ma.us/dhcd

Contact: 617-727-7001 x404

Ready Resource Fund

Provides funding for economic development.

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

Contact: 617-727-7001 x418

Division of Conservation Services

251 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02114

http://www.state.ma.us/envir/conservation/cpindex.htm

Federal Land & Water Conservation Fund

Provides up to 50% of the total project cost for the acquisition, development and renovation of park, recreation or conservation areas.

http://www.state.ma.us/envir/conservation/lw.htm

Contact: 617-626-1015

Self-Help Program

Provides funding (up to a 70% match) for conservation and passive recreation projects.

http://www.state.ma.us/envir/conservation/selfhelp.htm

Contact: 617-626-1015

Urban Self-Help Program

Provides funding to assist cities and towns in acquiring and developing land for park and outdoor recreation purposes

http://www.state.ma.us/envir/conservation/urban.htm

Contact: 617-626-1014

Environmental Protection Agency

1 Congress Street, Boston, MA 02114 www.epa.gov/

Brownfields Economic Redevelopment Initiative

Provides \$200,000 over 2 years for site assessment, site identification, or remediation planning.

Contact: 617-573-9681

Sustainable Development Challenge Grant

Provides funding for communities to link environmental management with sustainable development.

Contact: 617-372-7341

Massachusetts Environmental Trust

33 Union Street 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02108 www.agmconnect.org/maenvtr1.html

General Grants Program

Funding up to \$20,000 for education, advocacy, and research to restore or protect water resources.

Contact: 617-727-0249

Massachusetts Historical Commission

220 Morrissey Boulevard, Boston, MA 02125

Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund

Funding for the acquisition, preservation and restoration of historic properties and landscapes. www.state.ma.us/mhc/mhcform/formidx.htm

Contact: 617-727-8470

Preservation Planning

Provides technical assistance on issues related to historic preservation.

www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc/mhchpp/ppdhpp.htm

Contact: 617-727-8470

Survey and Planning Grants

Matching grants for preservation planning projects.

www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc/mhchpp/grdhpp.htm

Contact: 617-727-8470

National Trust for Historic Preservation

7 Faneuil Hall Market Place 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02109

Johanna Favrot Fund

Funding up to \$25,000 for projects that contribute to the preservation of an authentic sense of place.

www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Contact: 617-523-0885

National Preservation Loan Fund

Provides loans up to \$150,000 to assist in the preservation of properties eligible for the

National Register of Historic Places.

www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Contact: 617-523-0885

Preservation Services Fund

Matching grants up to \$5,000 to initiate preservation projects. www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Contact: 617-523-0885

Department of Housing and Community Development, Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, Executive Office of Transportation and Construction, and the Department of Economic Development.

Executive Order 418

Provides communities with \$30,000 in technical assistance and planning services to produce Community Development Plans.

Contact: Your Regional Planning Agency: