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**From:** Matthew Sturgis [mailto:matthew.sturgis@capeelizabeth.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 28, 2017 9:26 AM  
**To:** Steve Harding <sharding@sebagotechnics.com>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Blocked Crescent Access

Here is the email I received from Nate, my response, and the correspondence I have to date.

Thanks Steve.

Matt

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Matthew Sturgis <[matthew.sturgis@capeelizabeth.org](mailto:matthew.sturgis@capeelizabeth.org)>  
**Date:** April 27, 2017 at 3:26:35 PM EDT  
**To:** nate perry <[nate8959@yahoo.com](mailto:nate8959@yahoo.com)>  
**Subject: Re: Blocked Crescent Access**

Hi Nate,

Thank you for your email. I will try to respond to your questions, and hope to be of assistance.

First, I agree that the discussions of the Harbors Committee and access at Crescent Beach can run congruently. I have been very engaged at completion of the Town budget, but have been thinking of how to move this question forward.

So far the only correspondence I have received is a letter from Tom Desjardin, Director of

the Bureau of Parks and Lands. In his letter he stated that he has authorized Gary Best, their acting regional manager to work with the Town on creating a plan to address the access issue for Kettle Cove and Crescent Beach. I have not heard from them, but have placed a call and will anticipate a response. I will also be following up with another call at the start of next week.

I am also attaching a copy of the letter Mike sent and the response.

My plan is to meet with Mr. Best to initiate the discussion, and craft a plan going forward. I will also like to involve stakeholders in finding a long term solution that works for most everyone. I understand there are a number of moving parts and varied interests, but I think a workable solution can be found to provide a long term solution.

Hope this helps, and I will reach out to you to let you know of the progress I am making.

Best regards,

Matt

On Mon, Apr 24, 2017 at 8:22 AM, nate perry <[nate8959@yahoo.com](mailto:nate8959@yahoo.com)> wrote:

Matt,

On behalf of the Cape Fishermen's Alliance:

We've been meeting regularly to develop recommendations to the Harbor Committee; however the issue of the access at Crescent Beach is one that we feel should run parallel to those efforts.

To date, our main focus has been repairing the blocked Crescent Beach access (the access requires repairs because it has been blocked for many years). We understand this project was agreed upon by the Town, State Park officials, and the Alliance, following a visit to the access late last fall, by all the parties mentioned above. It is because of this, moving the ball here could be considered congruent to our work with the Committee.

Ultimately, Mike McGovern's retirement resulted in a break of communications, and the project stalled. We want to re-establish communications with the appropriate people so the project can be completed.

With that in mind, we have some questions which we need assistance from you in answering:

1. What is the current status of discussions with the State Park officials?
2. Who are the involved State Park officials?
3. Is there any correspondence to which we can refer, and can have copies (probably emails thru Mike McGovern)?
4. Specifically, it would help to know the status (have a copy) of the letter that was either sent or drafted by Mike to the State Park folks, just before his retirement.

We're just looking to pick up where things were left in December. Will you be at the Thursday Harbor Committee meeting? Realizing you also have a town to manage, what are the odds you might get back to us before that meeting?

Thanks for your help,

Nate

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