



MEMORANDUM

Town of Nags Head

Planning & Development Department

To: Board of Commissioners
From: Kate Jones, Deputy Planning Director
Kelly Wyatt, Planning Director

Date: January 25, 2023
Subject: Estuarine Shoreline Management Plan Adoption

Background

Town staff have been collaborating with the consultant team of Biohabitats and Moffat & Nichol, as well as the Local Advisory Committee to advance the Estuarine Shoreline Management Plan (ESMP) project. The project and plan is a comprehensive effort to address the management of seventeen linear miles of estuarine shoreline in the Town while balancing land use, ecosystem health, public health, and recreational opportunities.

The project website is available here:

<https://www.nagsheadnc.gov/1057/Estuarine-Shoreline-Management-Plan>

Updates

The draft Estuarine Shoreline Management Plan was provided via hardcopy to the Board of Commissioners at their January 2023 meeting. An electronic copy of the plan was made available on the town's website, with an opportunity to provide comments via email, phone or in person. Comments from the advisory committee were received in December and incorporated into the drafts at that time. To date, no comments from the public have been received.

Staff Recommendation

Staff would like the Board to consider the adoption of the Estuarine Shoreline Management Plan as is, or adoption of the plan with any recommended changes.

Staff will be available to answer any questions.