

Tim Carroll, Town Administrator Town of Chilmark P.O. Box 119 Chilmark, MA 02535 VIA EMAIL

RE: Vineyard Climate Action Plan

Dear Tim:

We are pleased to present you with a link to the Vineyard Climate Action Plan: <u>Climate Action Plan - The Vineyard Way</u>

This is a regional, twenty-year plan that addresses both the cause and impacts of climate change on the Island.

The plan represents a major step forward for the Island as we face impacts from a changing climate such as higher seas, more flooding and erosion, land use challenges, economic, public health and safety and food security issues. It is also a blueprint for becoming a 100% renewable energy Island by 2040.

We are grateful for the participation of town residents and employees in the planning process. We met several times with the Select Board and in the spring held a workshop with Town staff and board members. This product has truly been collaborative.

The planning process was guided by a local consultant and with the participation of over 100 local residents. There are 180 actions to be implemented in collaboration with the MVC, the towns, the Tribe, and many Island non-profits.

Please share this plan with the Select Board members and your staff. It can also be found on the plan website, www.thevineyardway.org. The dashboard portion of the website will be up and running soon.

Funding for the Climate Action Plan was provided by the MA Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness program.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

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