

TO: Beach Committee

FR: Marie Larsen, Select board member

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RE: Beach Plan for Menemsha - Disability Access

Here is the proposal for improvements for disability access at Menemsha Beach. We believe these enhancements will make the beach more inclusive and accessible to all visitors.

- **Professional Installation of Teak Walkway:** We suggest the installation of a teak walkway with bolts from the comfort station to the new handicapped parking spot, extending to include the area in front of the gas tanks.
- **Mobi Mats:** We propose installing Mobi Mats from the handicapped parking spot to the existing ramp over the bulkhead, following the path along the jetty to the high water mark. In future year we suggest exploring the installation of Mobi Mats on the harbor side, extending from the parking lot to the high water mark.
- **Beach Wheelchairs:** We recommend acquiring two beach wheelchairs—one floating and one regular—to facilitate access for individuals with disabilities.
- **Storage Bin:** A removable storage bin is proposed for housing the floating wheelchair during the summer season. This wooden bin, similar to those used for trash barrels, would be installed near Crab Corner.
- **Ramp Repairs:** We highlight the need for repairs to the ramps from the comfort station. Currently, these ramps do not meet the pavement at an accessible level for wheelchair access.

We believe that implementing these suggestions will significantly improve disability access at Menemsha Beach, making it a more welcoming and inclusive environment for all visitors.