

## Twelve ideas for next 15 years

My thoughts regarding the Cape's environmental issues are outlined in 12 segments that would be considered do-able within a 15-year time frame. Some considerations are local while others are national in scope.

1. Wastewater treatment (sewer system) on a village or density usage basis. Encourage less lawn fertilization, watering, and cutting. Micro treatment in-ground option for large properties along the shore based on annual water usage.

2. Continue and step up pressure on federal and state government to clean up and maintain ground water plumes from Mass. Military Reservation.

3. Continue and step up pressure on Mirant power and Braden Point stations to mandate use of lowest content sulfur fuel oil.

4. Encourage development of medium price "cluster" housing. Consider seven-story height restrictions for inland housing complexes with attendant wastewater treatment facilities.

5. Encourage development of land-based wind power generators at capped landfill sites, at the Upper Cape base, and along median strip of Route 6. Limit offshore wind power development to "modest size clusters", not more than six square mile footprint per field.

6. Encourage conservation of energy in homes, lighting, transportation, and business.

7. Phase in buried electric

power cables with wastewater systems.

8. Encourage renewal of license for Pilgrim nuclear electric plant. Encourage building second Pilgrim plant alongside the first one.

9. Encourage federal research and development in fusion reactor electric facilities.

10. Revisit natural gas exploration and development offshore of New England (Georges Bank). Ensure safety and renewal of fish stocks.

11. Consider building automobile tunnel under the Cape Cod Canal.

12. Encourage development of "clean" coal electric power with sequester technology and coal gasification for production of hydrogen.

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