

Neponset River Restoration and Revitalization

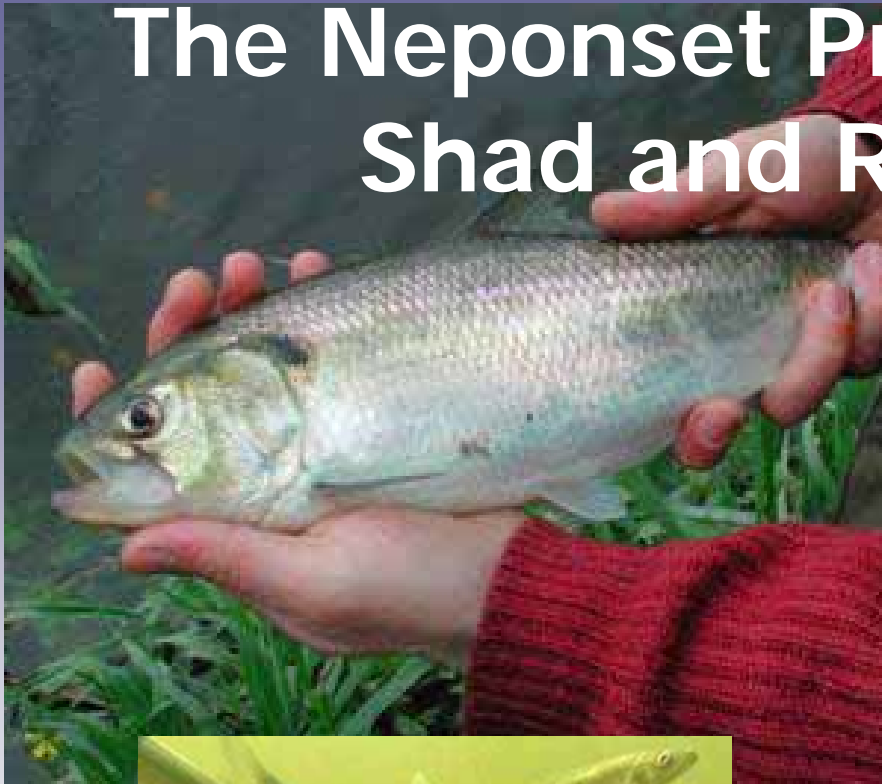


RIVERWAYS PROGRAM
Commonwealth of Massachusetts



Mary B. Griffin, Commissioner

The Neponset Project Began with Shad and River Herring



In Response to Citizen Requests to Look at a Range of Alternatives

1999: MDC, DFWELE & EOEA requested a s. 206 Army Corps Study to look at alternatives for fish passage

2002: Army Corps draft study

2003-7: Riverways sponsored

--USGS to examine PCBs in the river

--TJC to explore remediation alternatives

– **MMI to conduct feasibility study
& alternatives analysis for restoration and remediation**

– A TAC to review alternatives technically

– Neponset River Revival (Neponset Literacy)



Goals of Riverways Studies

- Ecological goals:
 - Ecologically restore an urban river
 - Restore anadromous fish passage
 - Improve habitat
 - Manage contaminated sediments
 - Maintain flood control
- Be compatible with the development of the greenway
- Respect historic & cultural resources
- Develop aesthetically pleasing and cost effective restoration solutions

For the Project to Move Forward

- Community Support
- Agency-buy-in
- Federal Appropriation and Other Funding



Lead State Agency

- Lead agency depends upon the Proposed and preferred solutions...



Project Lead for Maintaining the Dams: DCR



Project Lead for Fish Passage: DMF



Project Lead for Dam Removal and Remediation: Riverways



Project Lead for Remediation Only: TBD



And Now, Moving Forward.....



To the Deliberations of the CAC

