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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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December 24, 1974

Wallace C. Mills, Clerk  
House of Representatives  
State House  
Boston, Massachusetts

RE: Special Report of the Department of Public Works

Dear Mr. Mills:

Reference is made to the attached Senate Resolve No. S1653 providing for an investigation and study by the Department of Public Works relative to the proposed dredging of Dorchester Bay.

Related to the Resolve (No. S1653) is Senate document No. 584, copy attached, authorizing and directing the dredging of Dorchester Bay from the Port Norfolk Yacht Club, so called, to Columbia Point.

The Division of Waterways has performed a hydrographic survey of the Port Norfolk Yacht Club and investigated the feasibility of redredging a mooring basin originally developed in 1960. It is estimated that the proposed dredging of the basin at the yacht club will involve the removal of about 15,000 cubic yards of material and will require disposal of the material at sea. The estimated cost to accomplish the proposed work is about \$85,000.00.

Because of engineer personnel shortages of this Division it has been impossible to complete the additional survey, soundings, investigation and study of the remaining area of Dorchester Bay between the limits of Port Norfolk and Columbia Point. The basic survey is scheduled to be initiated during the early spring of 1975. When the work is completed we will promptly provide a report indicating the results of the investigation, feasibility of performing the desired dredging and related estimated costs.

Very truly yours,

*Norm L. Diegoli*

NORMAN L. DIEGOLI, P.E.  
Acting Deputy Chief Engineer

JJH:jmp  
cc: Senator Joseph Walsh

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 5368

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## *The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

In The Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Four.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY THE  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RELATIVE TO THE DREDGING  
OF DORCHESTER BAY.

1       *Resolved*, That the department of public works is hereby  
2 authorized and directed to make an investigation and study of  
3 the subject matter of current senate document numbered 584,  
4 providing for the dredging of Dorchester Bay. Said department  
5 shall report to the general court the results of its investigation  
6 and study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts  
7 of legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect,  
8 by filing the same with the clerk of the house of representatives  
9 on or before the last Wednesday of December, nineteen hundred  
10 and seventy-four.

**SENATE . . . . . No. 584**

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By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No 584) of Joseph B. Walsh and another for legislation to provide for the dredging of Dorchester Bay. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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**In The Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Four.**

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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DREDGING OF DORCHESTER BAY.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1       The division of waterways of the department of public  
2 works is hereby authorized and directed to dredge Dorchester  
3 bay from the Port Norfolk Yacht Club, so-called, to Columbia  
4 point. Said department may expend such sums as may be  
5 appropriated therefor.

