THREE BAYS PRESERVATION, INC.

Three Bays Preservation, Inc. Announces a Day of EcoAdventure Tours on Barnstable's Three Bays

"Get on the Boat!" Campaign Invites the Public to Take a Closer Look at "The Fabric of Our Community"

Cruise Cotuit Bay, North Bay and West Bay on Saturday, June 20th, and Experience Up-Close the Beauty of Barnstable's Fragile Waters

Three Bays Preservation, Inc. announces the departure of four exciting EcoAdventure Cruises and an unusual opportunity to navigate the beautiful, yet endangered, waters of Barnstable's "three bays."

"Get on the boat!" and experience first-hand the waters that play a leading role in Barnstable's past, present and future. On Saturday, June 20th, Three Bays Preservation, Inc., a non-profit, water quality advocacy group, will host four boat tours of the bays that are at the heart of Barnstable's ecosys-The public is invited to climb aboard a 90minute cruise of Cotuit Bay, North Bay and West Bay for a rare glimpse of the history and life of the waterways known as "the fabric of our community." Four cruises will depart from the Cotuit Town Landing in Cotuit, Massachusetts at 9:30am, 12 noon, 2 pm and 4 pm. Tickets are offered at \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children under 12, with discounts available to members of the sponsoring organization.

The US Coast Guard approved vessel "Freedom" will carry 30 passengers and crew on

each of the day's four cruises. Ecologists will

be on board to offer commentary on the vibrant marine life, critical water quality issues and the colorful history of these vital waterways. Guides will inform participants of threats to the bays, conduct live experiments on deck to demonstrate the condition of the waters and instruct the public on ways to restore them to

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Three Bays Preservation, Inc., was founded in 1996 to preserve, maintain, protect and enhance the aquatic environment and related ecosystem in the area of West, North and Cotuit



Dead Neck Island is administered through programs of Three Bays Preservation.

Bays on Cape Cod, Massachusetts. The three bays are interconnected by inlets and tidal "rivers" and open onto Nantucket Sound. They are an area of natural beauty and have historically provided habitat for fish, shellfish, coastal birds and other wildlife. Three Bays Preservation works closely with the Massachusetts Audubon Society to maintain a bird preserve on the barrier beach between the two bay entrances. Oystering and shell fishing have been conducted in these bays since the time of the earliest Native American settlers.

The organization conducts an elaborate water quality monitoring program annually (including fecal coliform sampling and tracking of nutrients), coordinates dredging of the waterways to enhance the proper natural "flushing" of the bays, and supervises the restoration of the beaches and bird sanctuary on nearby Dead Neck Island.

"Get on the boat!" before the tickets are gone! These Eco-Adventure cruises sponsored by Three Bays Preservation are one of the important and most popular outreach programs of the organization and — with limited availability—will sell out quickly.

For ticket information and reservations contact the offices of Three Bays Preservation in Osterville at 508.420.0780, send a request by email to *info@3bays.org* or sign-up directly on the web site at *www.3bays.org*.

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EcoAdventure Tours

Saturday, June 20th (rain date: Sunday, June 21st)

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(Main Street at Oyster Place Road, Cotuit, Massachusetts) Four cruises: 9:30 am, 12:00 noon, 2:00 pm, and 4:00 pm

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(\$5.00 discount for current and new members of Three Bays Preservation, Inc.)

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