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**FW: Rockland Working Waterfront**

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**Matt Ripley** <mripley@rocklandmaine.gov>  
To: Ron Huber <coastwatch@gmail.com>

Thu, Jul 20, 2017 at 10:50 AM

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**From:** Woodcock, Carol (Collins) [mailto:[Carol\\_Woodcock@collins.senate.gov](mailto:Carol_Woodcock@collins.senate.gov)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 22, 2016 11:33 AM  
**To:** Matt Ripley; [nbattista@islandinstitute.org](mailto:nbattista@islandinstitute.org); Aho, Patricia (Collins)  
**Subject:** FW: Rockland Working Waterfront

Matt,

Thanks very much and I'm copying Pattie Aho on this email.

Very best,

Carol Woodcock

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**From:** Matt Ripley [mailto:[mripley@rocklandmaine.gov](mailto:mripley@rocklandmaine.gov)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 22, 2016 8:53 AM  
**To:** Nick Battista <[nbattista@islandinstitute.org](mailto:nbattista@islandinstitute.org)>; Woodcock, Carol (Collins) <[Carol\\_Woodcock@collins.senate.gov](mailto:Carol_Woodcock@collins.senate.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Rockland Working Waterfront

Thanks Nick, good morning Carol,

I have attached a synopsis of the Fish Pier rehabilitation project. This project is vital to the sustainment of the pier structure and safety of personnel working here. If not completed within the next couple of years it could have major detrimental impacts on the midcoast fishing industry, fuel oil delivery to midcoast island communities, and many others. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call or email, I'd like to personally go over the project with you at your earliest convenience. Have a great Thanksgiving and I look forward to talking with you!

Thanks,

Matt Ripley

Rockland Harbormaster

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**From:** Nick Battista [<mailto:nbattista@islandinstitute.org>]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 21, 2016 4:28 PM  
**To:** Carol Woodcock  
**Cc:** Matt Ripley  
**Subject:** Rockland Working Waterfront

Hi Carol –

Not sure if this is best directed to you but figured you were a good person to start with!

Matt Ripley is the new harbormaster in Rockland and he is also in charge of the Rockland Fish Pier. The pier is aging and needs some significant refurbishment in order to continue serving Rockland and the surrounding communities. The pier currently is one of the primary unloading facilities for a couple of the herring seiners and also used by other fishermen. If you aren't familiar with it, it is between Journey's End Marine and the Landings Marina. The overall upgrade is in the \$2m+ range and the plans include creating a spot for Maine Coast Petroleum to dock their vessels as well as shoring up the pier so that the fishing fleet can continue to use it.

We met with Matt this morning and he walked through the plans for the pier and their potential sources of funds. In addition to state and local funds, Rockland is also looking to the EDA and maybe other, yet to be identified, federal sources. It seemed like something you would at least want a heads up about and as it moves forward, maybe something that Senator Collins would want to be involved in supporting. Matt has some information he can send over but I wanted to at least make the introduction.

Anyway, hope you are doing well!

Best,

Nick

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**From:** Nick Battista [mailto:[nbattista@islandinstitute.org](mailto:nbattista@islandinstitute.org)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 22, 2016 4:21 PM  
**To:** Deirdre Gilbert  
**Cc:** Matt Ripley  
**Subject:** Rockland Working Waterfront

Hi Deirdre,

Yesterday we had an interesting conversation about the future of the Rockland fish pier (the one between the coast guard station and the town dock, where the herring seiners tie up). At the very least, it seemed like an issue you should be aware of.

Matt Ripley, cc'ed above, is the new harbormaster in Rockland. He is also in charge of the Rockland Fish Pier. The pier currently is one of the primary unloading facilities for some of the herring seiners and carriers. The pier is aging and needs some significant refurbishment in order to continue serving Rockland and the surrounding communities. Part of the project also includes about 10k yards of dredging.

We met with Matt and he walked through the plans for the pier and their potential sources of funds. In addition to state and local funds, Rockland is also looking to the EDA and maybe other, yet to be identified, federal sources. This project stems from a pair of 2014 shore and harbor planning grants.

Matt has some more information and as I said, I just wanted to make sure you and others at DMR knew about it.

Hope things are going well with you!

Nick

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