News of the Massachusetts Corporate Wetlands Restoration Partnership

In a dramatic moment on July 23rd, seven acres of brackish marsh received the first rush of tidal flow in many years. A combination of bricks, rocks, old car parts, and a discarded furnace had closed off the Thompson Island wetland. The Gillette Company, Capaccio Environmental Engineering, Digital Geographic Technologies, and the ERM Foundation were part of the NOAA-Five Star project team, with project sponsor Thompson Island Outward Bound Education Center.

Catch This — You Are Invited... to visit wetlands, fish passages, and aquatic habitat restoration sites supported by your contributions. (Location List on page 2)



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Below: Pepperweed removed by volunteers. Two or three years of repeated removal are expected to successfully eradicate invasive pepperweed.



Summer 2007



Left: On July 23rd, the choked salt marsh was opened to tidal flow on Thompson Island.



Above: On August 2nd, upwards of 40 young adults tugged, pulled, and hauled off several cartloads of invasive pepperweed growing adjacent to the Thompson Island salt marsh. Those helping included summer interns with NOAA's Restoration Center in Gloucester, and teenage workers with the Boston Urban Wilds Crew, the Mystic River Muralists, BOLD Teens of Dorchester, and Boston Environmental Ambassadors to National Parks.

If you visit the marsh: The island is open to the public on Sundays through Labor Day. For an island map, ferry schedule, and visitor information, see <u>www.thompsonisland.org</u>.

New Contributor to CWRP: Covino Environmental Associates, located in Woburn, has responded to a CWRP invitation for asbestos and lead paint analysis to support environmental site assessment for the proposed Town Brook dam removals in Plymouth. (Continued)

Restoration Projects Where Your Firm Can Make a Difference



You Are Invited to Visit a Few Restored Habitats...

Beckett—Yokum Brook; Bourne—Wings Neck Road Marsh; Orleans—Boat Meadow Creek; Eastham—Mary Chase Marsh; Hingham—World's End Marsh; Barnstable—Bridge Creek Marsh; Gloucester—Eastern Point Marsh; Essex—Island Road Marsh; Quincy—Mallard Road Marsh; Newbury—Old Town Hill Marsh; Chelsea—Mill Creek Marsh; Dennis—Quivett Creek; Brewster—Namskaket Marsh; Sandwich—Game Farm Marsh; Duxbury—Island Creek Fishway

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Plymouth, Town Brook—river habitat

Somerset—wetland and stream habitat For further Information on how to participate,

call the CWRP at 617-287-5568,or write Susan.Redlich@umb.edu.





Dun Fudgin' salt marsh in Gloucester celebrated the completion of the restoration project on May 22, with Brian House, President of **Fleet Environmental Services**, planting Spartina along with Gloucester High School students. His firm donated site preparation management and revegetation services through the CWRP.



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