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**PATRICK-MURRAY ADMINISTRATION CELEBRATES
NEW CONSTRUCTION ALONG NAHANT CAUSEWAY AND
OPENING OF THE WARD BATH HOUSE**

WHAT: Governor Deval Patrick will join Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Secretary Ian Bowles, Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) Commissioner Rick Sullivan, area legislators, local officials, and representatives of the Friends of Lynn and Nahant Beach to celebrate the start of construction along Nahant Causeway in the Nahant Beach Reservation and the opening of the rehabilitated Ward Bath House.

The Nahant Beach Reservation is a narrow, 1.5-mile stretch of beach connecting the town of Nahant to the city of Lynn and the mainland at the Lynn rotary. Nahant Road, a four-lane divided roadway for most of its length, runs through of the Reservation. Rehabilitation of the roadway will improve sightlines and vehicular and pedestrian traffic patterns at the Reservation entrance and exit, will upgrade drainage systems, and will repair the seawall. The Patrick-Murray Administration has approved \$20 million in capital funds for the rehabilitation. Construction is expected to start this spring and be completed in spring 2013.

Improvements to the previously closed Ward Bath House, which serves the Lynn Shore and Nahant Beach reservations, include asbestos and lead abatement, a new roof, plumbing and electrical repairs, new doors, and improvements to the patio area. The total cost of this project was \$628,000.

WHEN: Monday
June 7, 2010
12:15 p.m.

WHERE: Ward Bath House
2 Nahant Road
Nahant

WHO: Governor Deval Patrick
EEA Secretary Ian Bowles
DCR Commissioner Rick Sullivan
State legislators

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