

**NATIONAL HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION ACT OF 2000
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
BORDEN FLATS LIGHTHOUSE**

September 18, 2006

The light station property described on the attached sheet has been determined to be excess to the needs of the United States Coast Guard. Pursuant to the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000, 16 U.S.C. 470, this property is being made available at no cost to eligible entities defined as Federal Agencies, state and local agencies, non-profit corporations, educational agencies, or community development organizations, for education, park, recreation, cultural, or historic preservation purposes.

In the event no applicant is approved for the conveyance of a historic lightstation pursuant to section 308 of the act, the historic light station shall be offered for sale. (Historic covenants will be included in all deeds)

The site is off-shore and contains no acreage. No submerged lands will be conveyed under the Quitclaim Deed. Lighthouse is accessible by water craft only.

"The successful grantee may need to obtain a Chapter 91 license from The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection("MassDEP"). To determine whether a Chapter 91 license is necessary, Grantee is required to file with Mass DEP a Request for Determination pursuant to M.G.H.91, the Public Waterfront Act, and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto at 310 CMR 9.00."

Point of contact at MDEP Ben Lynch at (617) 292- 5615
<http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/resources/about01.htm>

Any eligible entity with an interest in acquiring the described property for a use consistent with the purposes stated above, should submit a letter of interest to the address listed below by November 20, 2006.

Letters of interest should include:

- Name of property
- Name of eligible entity
- Point of contact, title, address, phone and email
- Non-profit agencies must provide a copy of their state-certified articles of incorporation

Eligible entities that submit a letter of interest will be sent an application and given an opportunity to inspect the property. Building inspectors and/or contractors may accompany the applicant on the site visit. The completed application must be submitted to the Department of Interior within 90 days after the Federal Government site inspection. The Department of Interior will review applications and select an eligible entity to receive the property. The General Services Administration will complete the conveyance to the selected recipient

For more information on the disposal of lighthouses, please visit our web site at <http://www.cr.nps.gov/maritime/nhlpa/nhlpa.htm>.

Letters of interest should be directed to:

Alyssa L. Kennedy
GSA Property Disposal
10 Causeway Street, Room 925
Boston, MA 02222
(617) 565-5705


Send a copy of the letter of interest to:

Ms. Brona Simon
DSHPO & Acting Executive Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission
220 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125

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GSA Control No.	1-X-MA-0869-1-A
Property Identification	Borden Flats Light- Latitude 41° 42' 16" Longitude 71° 10' 20"
Property Address	Taunton River/Mount Hope Bay, Fall River, MA. East of the Braga Bridge near the City of Fall River
Property Description	 <p>The light is a 50" offshore cast iron and brick "sparkplug" type light that marks the Borden Flats Reef at the mouth of the Taunton River.</p> <p>Light is accessible by boat only.</p>
Condition of Property	The property is offered "AS IS" and "WHERE IS" without representation, warranty, or guarantee as to quality, quantity, title, character, condition, size or kind.
Range of Possible Uses	Historic Lights and Light Stations may be obtained for education, park, recreation, cultural, or historic preservation purposes.
Commercial Activities	Commercial activities are prohibited unless approved by the Secretary of the Interior.
Utilities	Six lead-acid batteries owned and maintained by USCG are currently being used for back-up power. There are no utilities or running water.
Historical Information	Property is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Property must be maintained according to the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Historic covenants will be incorporated into the deed. #87001528
Aid to Navigation	The Federal aid to navigation located at the property remains the personal property of the United States. The United States reserves an unrestricted right for ingress and egress to maintain, operate, repair, replace or relocate the aid to navigation and any associated equipment, 360 degree Arc of Visibility. There is a horn located on the property that can be used as a Fog Signal.

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Access	Water access
Easements	The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has a permit/license to use a portion of the light for monitoring and antennae equipment. The permit will be recorded along with an easement for the USCG's access (See Aid to Navigation)
Current Tenant	N/A
Environmental Information	Lead – Acid batteries on site will be owned and use by USCG to power the ATON. Due to the age of the property asbestos and lead paint may be present. Bristol County is a Radon Zone level 2, predicted average radon level is <2pCi/l and <4 pCi/l
Inspection	Property will be available to qualified applicants for inspection. Inspection will be scheduled at a later date.
Notice Response Due Date	November 20, 2006
Attachments	Additional photos