



THE COMPACT
OF CAPE COD CONSERVATION TRUSTS, INC.

The central logo consists of a black square containing a white stylized illustration of a tree with a cactus-like base. Below the square, the text "THE COMPACT" is written in a large, bold, serif font, and "OF CAPE COD CONSERVATION TRUSTS, INC." is written in a smaller, all-caps serif font below it.

THE LAND BANK ERA



CAPE COD'S
GOLDEN AGE OF
OPEN SPACE
1998-2007

LAND is the resource base for all of our natural benefits

- If you want native plants and animals to thrive, save land



*DANFORTH PROPERTY,
MARSTONS MILLS*

LAND is the resource base for all of our natural benefits

- If you want clean water, save land



*MONOMOY RIVER,
Harwich / Chatham*

LAND is the resource base for all of our natural benefits

- If you want to keep farms and good soils intact,
save land



*MELPET FARMS,
DENNIS*

LAND is the resource base for all of our natural benefits

- If you want to preserve scenic views, save land



*DENNIS POND,
YARMOUTHPORT*

CAPE COD LAND BANK ACT

- Approved by voters in all 15 towns in 1998
- 3% property tax surcharge, FY2000-2020
 - *Converted to CPA in 2006*
- Raised \$10 million per year, Cape-wide
- Funds used only to purchase & maintain open space

CAPE COD LAND BANK ACT

- \$15 million from state disbursed to towns
- 4,503 acres, \$214 million gross (1998-2007)
\$145 million net cost to local taxpayers
- \$48,000 per acre, average price
- \$44,000 per acre, median price
- Range of \$2,000 to \$500,000 per acre for 234 completed projects

Some BIG Deals

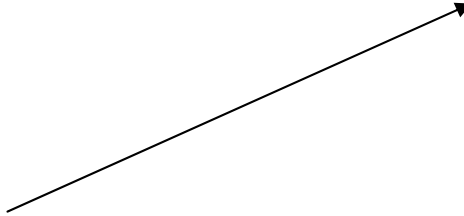
Orleans: Namequoit Woodlands
41 acres, \$3.4 million 2002-03

Dennis: Coles Pond at Crowes
Pasture
34 acres, \$4.9 million 2003

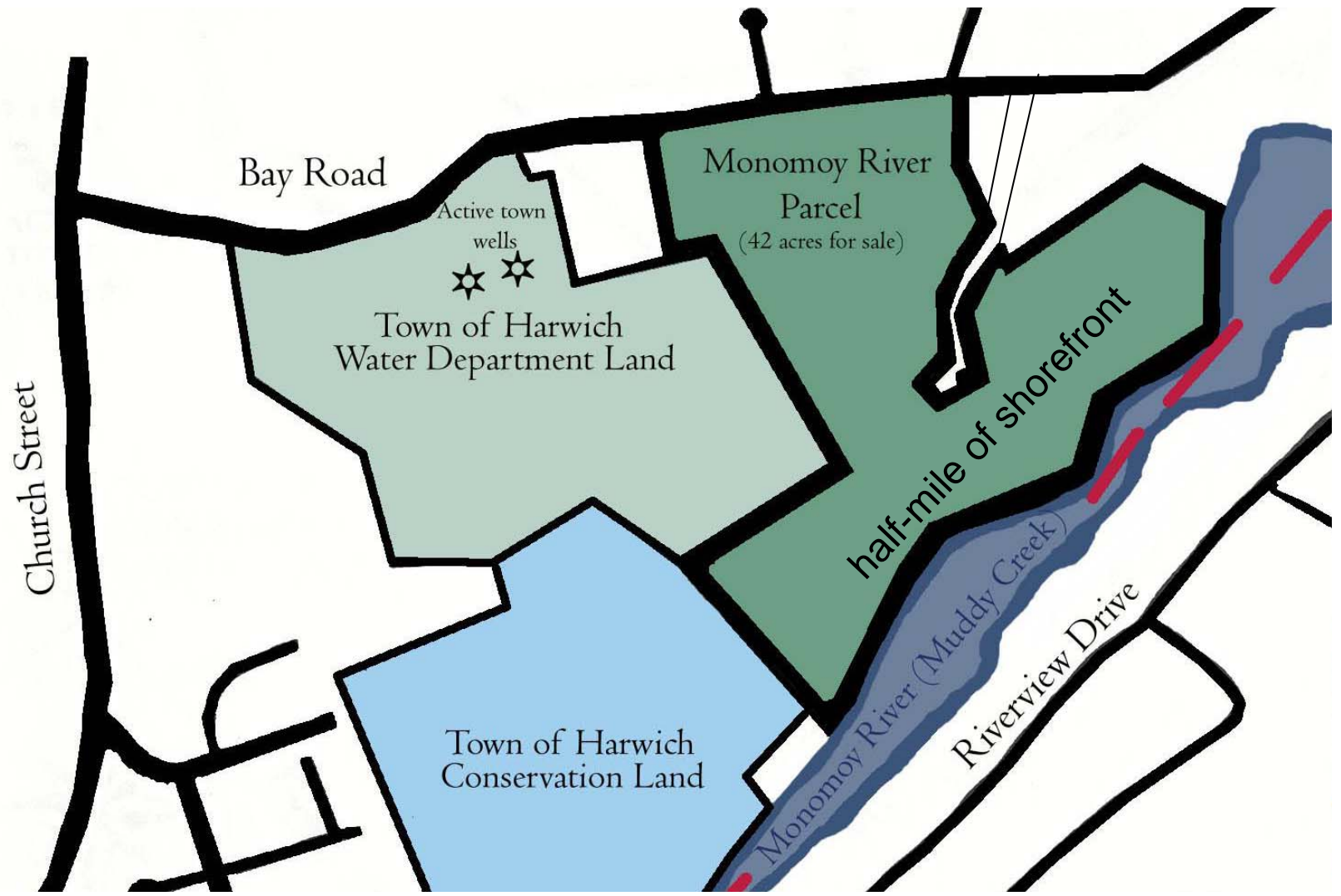
Harwich: Monomoy River
42 acres, \$5.9 million 2003

Sandwich: Shawme, Lawrence and
Peters Pond
204 acres, \$7.1 million 2002

Barnstable/Mashpee: Santuit Pond
300 acres, \$9 million 2002



Monomoy River, 42 Acres, Harwich 2003



Harwich: Monomoy River
42 acres, \$5.9 million 2003

Funding Sources:

\$ 0.7 million Harwich Conservation Trust

\$ 3.5 million Town of Harwich Land Bank

\$ 1.7 million US NOAA, Coastal Estuaries

\$ 5.90 million TOTAL



Dennis: Coles Pond at Crowes Pasture

34 acres, \$4.9 million 2003

Funding Sources:

\$ 450,000 Dennis Conservation Trust (fundraising)

\$ 250,000 Mass. Self Help Program

\$ 500,000 Mass. Dept of Cons. & Rec.

\$2,700,000 Town of Dennis Land Bank

\$1,000,000 U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

\$4,900,000 TOTAL



Barnstable/Mashpee: Santuit Pond

300 acres, \$9 million 2002

Funding Sources:

\$ 3.0 million

Mass. Div. Fisheries & Wildlife

\$ 3.0 million

Town of Mashpee Land Bank

\$ 3.0 million

Town of Barnstable Land Bank

\$ 9.0 million TOTAL



Herring run at Santuit Pond

EVEN *BIGGER* Deals

Barnstable: Danforth/Cape Cod Airfield

220 acres, \$11 million 2003



Falmouth: Falmouth Country Club
238 acres, \$15.8 million, 2004

Funding Sources:

\$ 6.5 million general obligation Town bond
repaid with 25 years of golf revenues

\$ 3.0 million Town Land Bank

\$ 3.3 million Army / MMR plume mitigation

\$ 3.0 million The 300 Committee (land trust)

\$15.8 million TOTAL

More and more expensive...



Partnership among:

Town of
Barnstable Land
Bank

Barnstable Land
Trust

Mass. Audubon
Society

Committee to
Preserve Northside
Open Space

BONE HILL FARM, BARNSTABLE

2 acres, 2 lots, \$700,000 (2004-05)

And more expensive...



Partnership among:
Town of Yarmouth
Land Bank

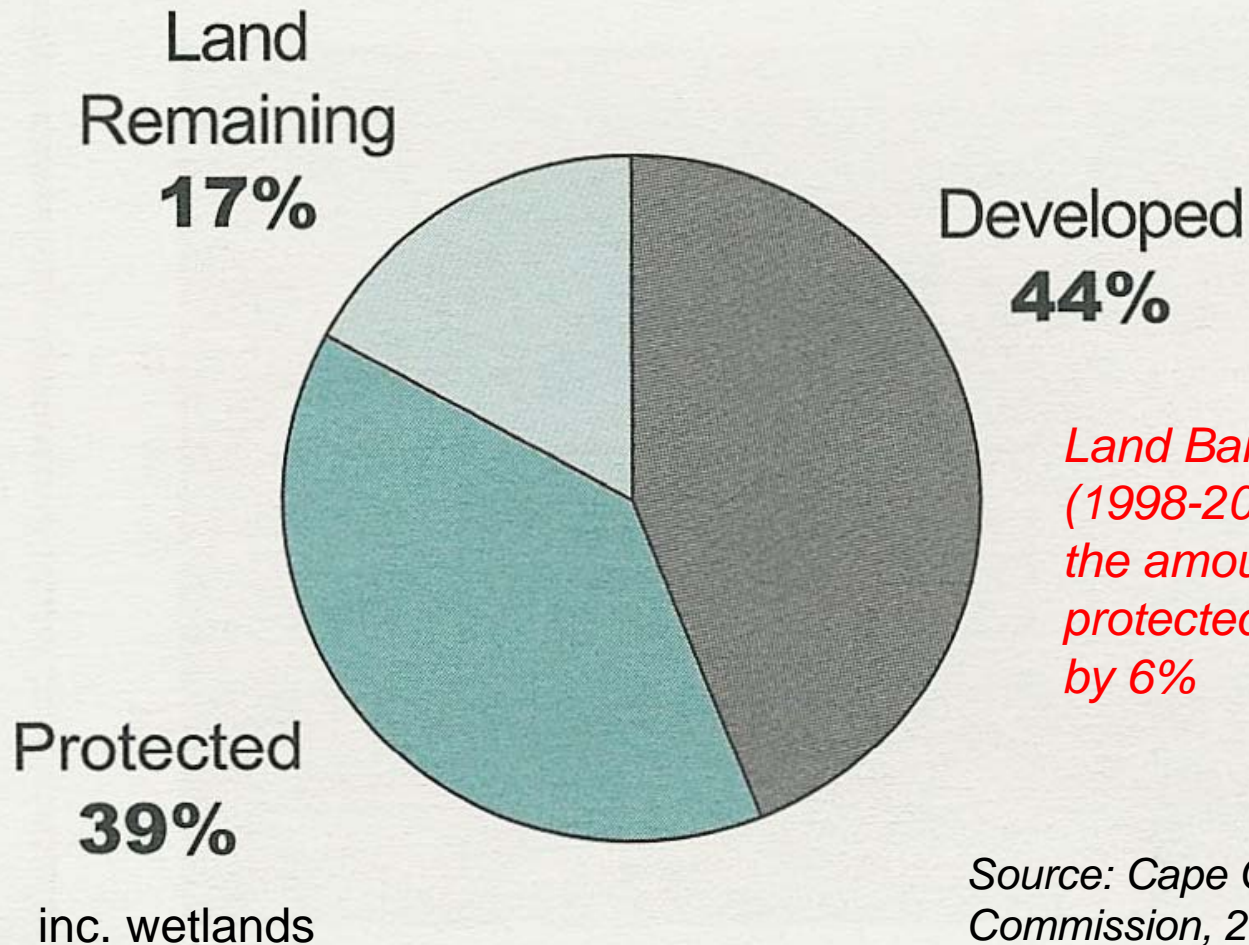
Yarmouth
Conservation
Trust

The Nature
Conservancy

Dennis Pond, Yarmouth
1.5 acres, 1 lot, \$500,000

2004

The State of Our Open Space



Land Bank purchases (1998-2007) increased the amount of protected upland by 6%

Source: Cape Cod Commission, 2003

*Strategic land buys
for wildlife habitat*



Pitch Pine & Tree Oaks Forest

38% of Cape Cod

Indicator Species:

Eastern box turtle

Neotropical migrant songbirds

Best Land Bank Purchase:

135 acres in Bourne, \$2.3 million



Pitch Pine / Scrub Oak Barrens

0.5% of Cape Cod (half of 1%)

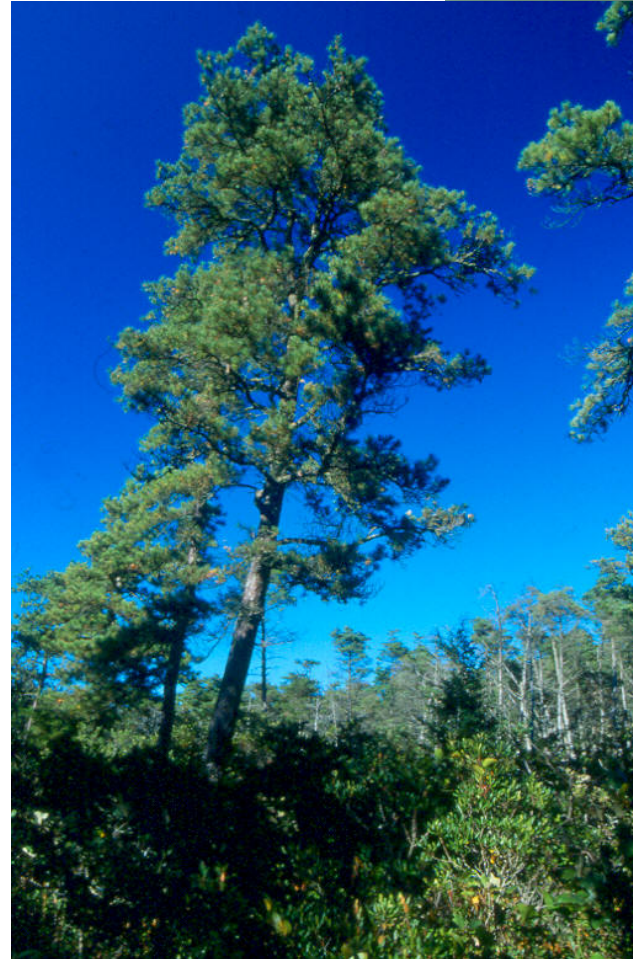
Indicator Species:

Barrens buck moth

Rufous-sided towhee

Best Land Bank Purchase:

197 acres in Mashpee
for \$2.3 million



Sandplain Grasslands

1% of Cape Cod

Indicator Species:

Eastern meadowlark

Little bluestem grass



Best Land Bank Purchase:

220 acres in Barnstable,
\$11 million, inc. 80 acres
grassland, Airport
on Rt. 149



Coastal Heathlands

0.3% of Cape Cod (1/3 of 1%)

Indicator Species:

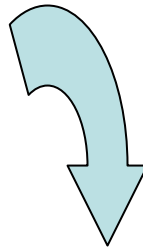
Short-eared owl

Broom crowberry

Best Land Bank Purchase:

4 acres in Truro

Poor's Hill, \$2 million



Salt Marsh

5% of Cape Cod

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Species:

Spartina patens

Northern harrier

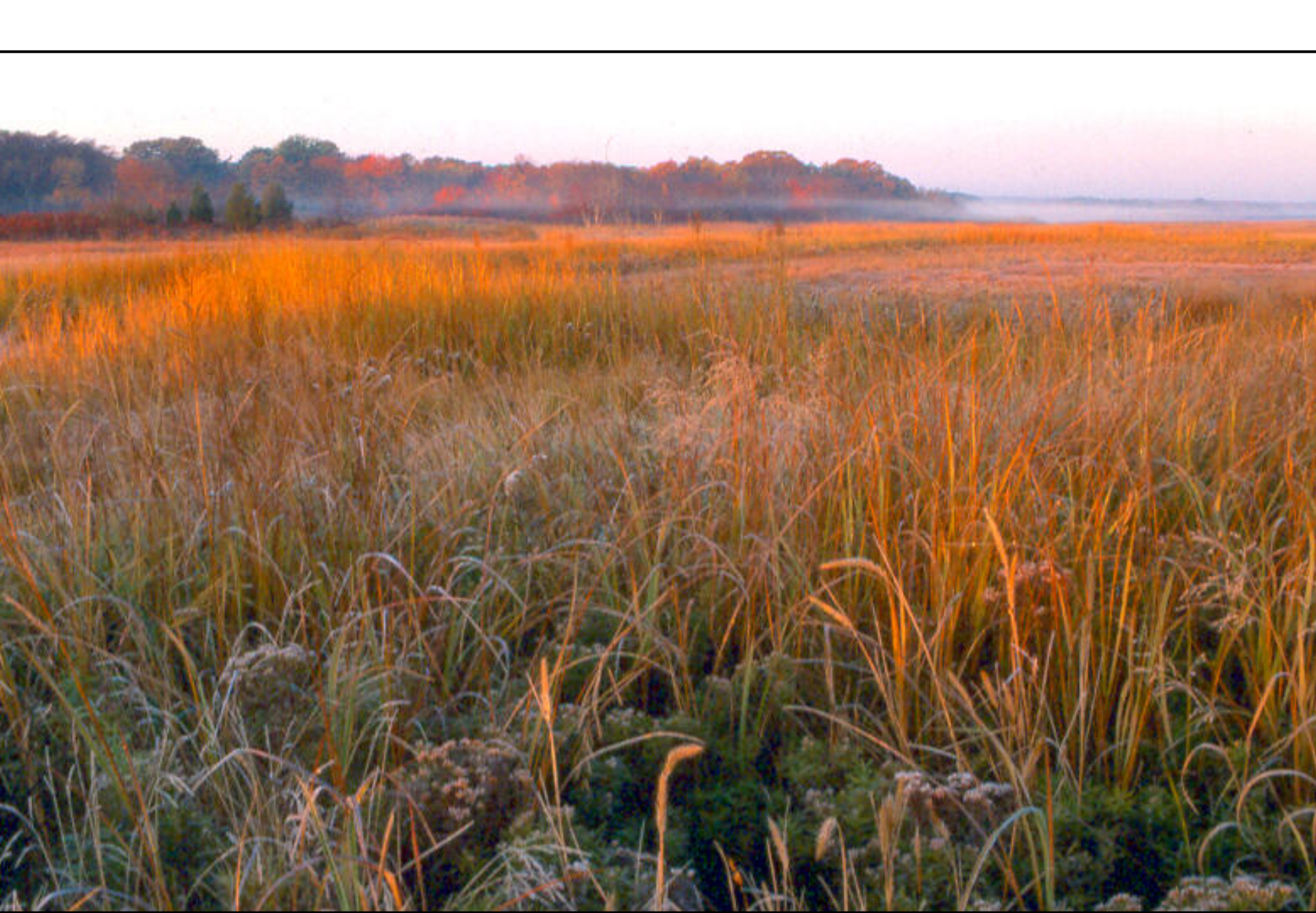


Best Land Bank

Purchase: →

70 acres, Forest
Beach Marsh,
Chatham





Barrier Beach/Dune

2% of Cape Cod
(dunes)

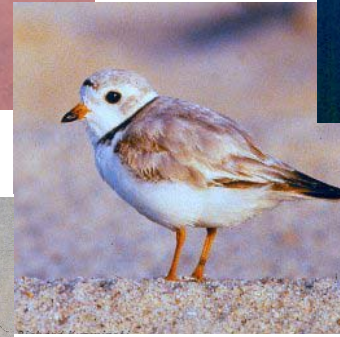
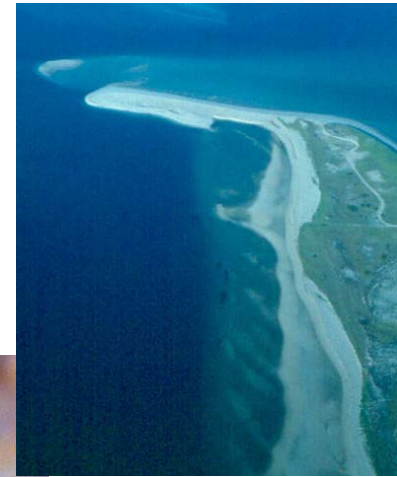
Representative
Species:

Piping plover
Beach grass

Best Land Bank

Purchase: →

18 acres in
Sandwich, \$1.25m,
next to Sandy Neck





Coastal Plain Ponds

4% of Cape Cod
land mass = ponds
250 are CPP

Indicator Species:
Plymouth gentian
Blue damselflies

Best Land Bank
Purchase: →

14 acres on
Dennis Pond in
Yarmouth,
\$1.75 million





Wide exposed pondshore during low-water years

A bed of Plymouth gentian in full blossom

Lindsey Counsell, Barnstable



John Cullity, Sandwich



D. Isabel Smith, Harwich

Celine Gandolfo,
Provincetown

**Some of the
Heroes of
the Cape
Cod Land
Bank**



Henry Kelley II, Dennis

Any summer day on
Bound Brook Island,
Wellfleet...

