



# TOWN OF TRURO

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## PRESS RELEASE

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### Settlement Approved For A/C Mobile Home Park, Inc. vs. Town of Truro Zoning Board of Appeals

On November 16, 2021, Barnstable County Superior Court approved judgment for settlement between A/C Mobile Home Park, Inc. and the Town of Truro Zoning Board of Appeals after a years-long and complex litigation regarding the property known as Horton's Campground, located at 71 South Highland Road, and North Truro Campground, located at 46 Highland Road, in Truro, Massachusetts. Based on the advice of Town Counsel, the Truro Select Board and Zoning Board of Appeals believed reaching a settlement to avoid the expense and risk of a trial was in the Town's best interests.

Following year-long negotiations, the agreed upon and approved settlement includes the following stipulations:

- A. Imposes a rigorous, peer-reviewed restoration plan for the upper campground at Hortons, where significant site disturbance occurred, as well as an invasive species removal plan, with a five-year monitoring requirement.
- B. Imposes a peer-reviewed screening plan for the lower campground at Hortons to provide additional visual buffers along its frontage with South Highland Road.
- C. Permanently prohibits any increase in the number of campsites at both the Horton's and North Truro Campgrounds.
- D. Permanently prohibits Recreational Vehicle use of 41 of the 132 campsites in the upper campground at Hortons.
- E. Temporarily prohibits Recreational Vehicle use of another 13 campsites in the upper campground until 2026.
- F. Prohibits the construction of any new permanent structures appurtenant to campsites, such as decks, sheds and porches; only temporary decks and temporary sheds of no more than 64 square feet are permitted.

G. Imposes requirements for inventorying and paying taxes to the Town on trailers and other vehicles stored at both campgrounds.

In addition, A/C Mobile Home Park, Inc. has separately settled regulatory action with the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife by agreeing to place approximately 9.61 acres of land abutting the campground under a permanent conservation restriction to be held by the Truro Conservation Trust and to donate more than \$85,000 for off-site land protection, conservation research, habitat management and conservation planning.

A/C Mobile Home Park, Inc. will also be required to construct a new multimillion-dollar wastewater treatment system that will serve both the Horton's and North Truro campgrounds.

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