







# Martha's Vineyard Priority Habitats - Rare Species and Estimated Habitats - Rare Wildlife Effective Oct. 1, 2006

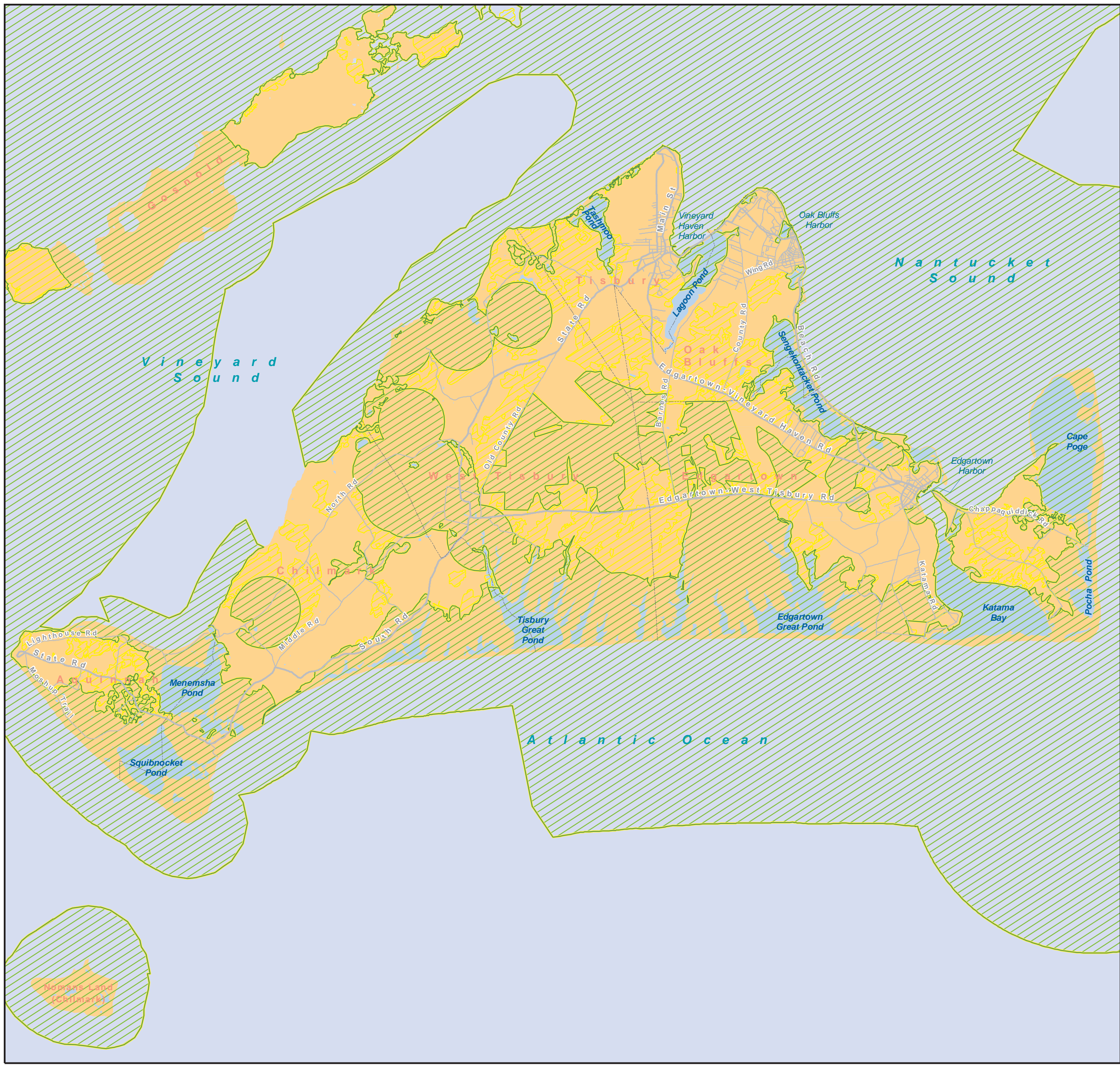
**NHESP Priority Habitats of Rare Species**  
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**NHESP Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife**  
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**Land**  
 Land

**Roads**  
 Primary Road  
 Secondary Road

**Town Boundary**  
 Town Boundary



**NOTE:**  
 \*NHESP - Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program

Both NHESP Datasets are For Use with the MA Wetlands Protection Act Regulations (310 CMR 10).

**Estimated Habitats for Rare Wildlife:** This datalayer contains polygons that are a subset of the Priority Habitats of Rare Species. They are based on occurrences of rare wetland wildlife observed within the last 25 years and documented in the NHESP database. They do not include those areas delineated for rare plants or for rare wildlife with strictly upland habitat requirements.

**Estimated Habitats** were extracted from the Priority Habitats of Rare Species datalayer, which was delineated by NHESP scientists from documented observations of rare species and are based on such factors as species movements and habitat requirements.

**Priority Habitats for State-Protected Rare Species:** This datalayer contains polygons representing the geographic extent of Habitat of state-listed rare species in Massachusetts based on observations documented within the last 25 years in the database of the NHESP. Priority Habitats are the filing trigger for proponents, municipalities, and other stakeholders for determining whether or not a proposed project must be reviewed by the NHESP for compliance with the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA).

**DISCLAIMER:**  
 Data provided are for planning purposes only. The data are not adequate for boundary determination or regulatory interpretation. The MVC cannot be responsible for how these data are used or interpreted by the end user.

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