

MASSACHUSETTS PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

ACFHP works to restore and conserve fish habitat in MA and along the Atlantic Coast.

EELGRASS CONSERVATION MOORINGS DEMONSTRATION PROJECT - **ENDORSED**



PROBLEM: Mooring systems and mooring fields cause a significant source of damage to seagrass beds.

ENHANCE: Traditional chain and block-anchor mooring systems were replaced with new bungee-like mooring technology to reduce scouring of the seagrass below. This project served as remediation to address historic damage caused by scouring effects. Lessons learned from this project informed restoration in other locations.

PROJECT LED BY: NOAA Fisheries and the Town of Tisbury. Involved state, federal, local, NGO and industry partners.

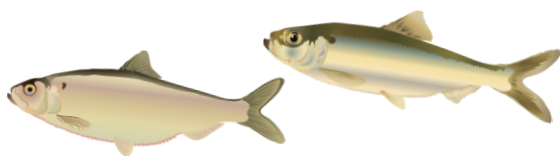


DAM REMOVAL ON THE MONATIQUOT RIVER - **FUNDED**

PROBLEM: The Ames Pond Dam and the Armstrong Dam impacted historic herring runs and disconnected species from their spawning grounds causing a barrier to fish passage.

RESTORATION: A pool-and-weir fishway around Rock Falls will be installed to improve fish passage. After the removal of the two dams and installation of the fishway is completed, **36 miles** of unimpeded upstream access to **180 acres** of river herring spawning habitat will be restored.

PROJECT LED BY: The Town of Braintree



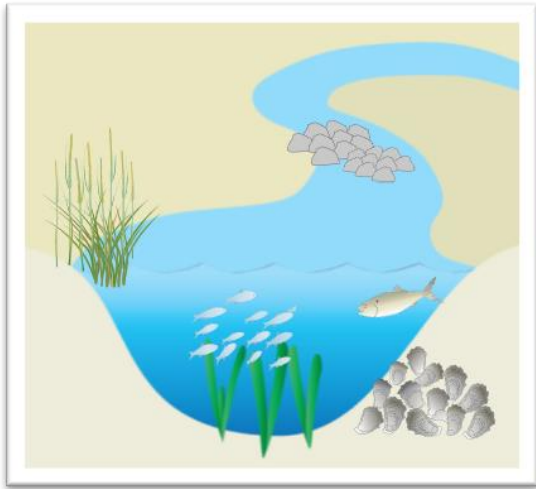
AMES POND DAM



ARMSTRONG DAM



ACFHP'S PRIORITY HABITATS IN MA



Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

Tidal Vegetation

Riverine Bottom

Marine and Estuarine Shellfish Beds

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