

THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN, RI

Public Shoreline Access & Rights-of-Way



Site #38: Maple Ave
ROW
Plat 9



Street View



Shoreline View



Aerial View

Description:

This ROW is a gravel road ending at the shoreline leading into lower Dutch Harbor. The road travels along Sheffield Cove. The shoreline is characterized by eroding mud bogs and beach grass, along with some patches of sandy beach. Kayak and boat storage is allowed with a Jamestown sticker. This ROW abuts a Rhode Island Audubon Society restricted wildlife refuge to the south, which is well posted. Walking in the refuge without written permission is not permitted. There are no moorings in the immediate area of the ROW, as it borders a conservation zone for the Harbor Management Ordinance. There are several moorings just to the north in Dutch Harbor. Signage is not clearly marked.

Recommendation from 1999 Report:

This public shoreline access area is not fully accessible without road upgrading which raises the issue of watershed into the conservation area. Should this area be designated a public ROW, further planning should be done to determine how and where vehicles would best be accommodated. Neighbors complain that there is frequent walking and claming on the conservation area and vehicles are often stuck in the mud and require assistance. Boundary markers and signage should be improved. This area requires further study and should be given a priority rating of 2.