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Record Group Descriptions and Related Series:

Record Group Number: EN1

Record Group Name: Executive Office of Environmental Affairs

Historical Note:

The Executive Office of Environmental Affairs was created by St 1969, c 704, s 3, as part of a major reorganization of the governor's cabinet, effective Apr. 30, 1971. The executive office, under the supervision of an appointed secretary, included the Dept. of Agriculture, the Dept. of Natural Resources (including the Division of Fisheries and Game, the Division of Water Resources and the Water Resources Commission), the Metropolitan District Commission; the Outdoor Advertising Division and Outdoor Advertising Board; the Milk Regulation Board, as well as various commissions, mostly concerned with state reservations. The specifics of this new executive office were detailed in MGLA c 6A, s 15. Section 50 of the 1969 act specified that the secretaries were to make recommendations for changes in the laws and departments in their executive offices within a two year period of appointment.

St 1974, c 806 reorganized the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, placing it in a newly created MGLA c 21A. MGLA c 6A, s 15 was repealed per section 50 of the 1974 act, with the changes to take effect July 1, 1975. In its new form the executive office consisted of the Dept. of Environmental Protection (formerly Environmental Quality Engineering), Dept. of Environmental Management, Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Environmental Law Enforcement (formerly Fisheries, Wildlife, and Recreational Vehicles), and Dept. of Food and Agriculture (s 7); the Metropolitan District Commission (s 7), Coastal Zone Management Office (s 4A), Office of Geographic and Environmental Information (s 4B), Water Resources Commission (s 8A), and Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MGLA c 92, App 1-1).

Papers of Charles Henry Wheelwright Foster, first secretary of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, 1971-1975 (also commissioner of the Massachusetts Dept. of Natural Resources, 1957-1966) are located at the Massachusetts Historical Society

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429380>

Related Series:

Legislative review files, 1982-1990.

Identifier: EN1/325
Extent: 5.35 cubic feet (4 record center cartons and 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by subject.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145430098>

Intergovernmental subject files, 1979-1990.

Identifier: EN1/577
Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (3 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged in chronological blocks by subject.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84275716>

Issue and policy subject files, 1980-1993.

Identifier: EN1/578
Extent: 7.85 cubic feet (6 record center cartons and 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by administration, thereunder by subject.
Notes: Files for 1989 lacking?
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79356617>

Speeches and testimony of the secretary, 1976-1998.

Identifier: EN1/678
Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: List of speeches by organization, 1976-1978.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80172513>

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority establishment files, 1980-1987 (bulk 1983-1985).

Identifier: EN1/840X
Extent: 7.5 cubic feet (6 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by year(s), thereunder by subject.
Notes: Series was held directly by the executive office's secretary until some indeterminate time after establishment of the authority, when it was transferred to the office's legal counsel.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79074180>

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority minutes, 1985-1986.

Identifier: EN1/1694

Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically in reverse order.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82743723>

Undersecretary's waste management administration subject files, 1983-1990.

Identifier: EN1/1806

Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (3 record center cartons)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84043203>

Secretary's correspondence, 1991-1993.

Identifier: EN1/2017

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Arranged: In two subseries:

(1) Memorandums to governor

(2) Outgoing correspondence;

Arranged within each subseries chronologically in reverse order.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82694588>

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Record Group Number: EN1.03**Record Group Name: Office of Technical Assistance for Toxics Use Reduction****Historical Note:**

St 1989, c 265, s 3 (Massachusetts Toxics Use Reduction Act, codified as MGLA c 21I) included a statewide goal of fifty percent reduction from 1987 to 1997 in quantities of toxic or hazardous byproducts generated by industry in Massachusetts (s 13), this effort to be under the direction of the Dept. of Environmental Protection. The Office of Toxics Use Reduction Assistance and Technology (currently known as the Office of Technical Assistance for Toxics Use Reduction) was established (s 7) to assist toxics users in complying with the law; to help establish (through the Administrative Council on Toxics Use Reduction) prioritization of user segments required to report annually on toxic/hazardous substances manufactured, processed, or otherwise used and to submit plan annually for reduction thereof (ss 10-11, 14); to provide outreach to small businesses

required to so report and plan; and to assist first-time filers with reporting requirements and trade secret submissions (s 20)

The office, established by law as within the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA), was initially attached to and then superseded the Office of Safe Waste Management, Dept. of Environmental Management; then (by 1992) placed in the Bureau of Waste Prevention, Dept. of Environmental Protection; thereafter placed directly under the EOEA.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145430068>

Related Series:

Administrative files, 1980-1990 (bulk 1983-1989).

Identifier: EN1.03/631

Extent: 6.25 cubic feet (5 record center cartons)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705798>

Conference agendas and handouts, 1992-2000.

Identifier: EN1.03/2347

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/83565090>

Staff updates, 1992-1997 (i.e., FY1992-1997).

Identifier: EN1.03/2348

Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82630771>

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Record Group Number: EN2

Record Group Name: Department of Food and Agriculture

Historical Note:

In the 1700s local agricultural societies throughout Massachusetts promoted interest in husbandry. The Massachusetts Society for Promoting Agriculture (also known as the Massachusetts Agricultural Society) was created by St 1791, c 49. Subsequent acts and resolves (Resolves 1813, c 125 (1814) and Resolves 1816, c 141 (see: Massachusetts. Office of the Secretary of State. Records relating to agricultural societies ((M-Ar) 1047X)) issued

payments to the society for research, publication, and dispensing premiums related to domestic animals, seeds, trees, fabrics, and useful inventions.

Resolves 1837, c 67 ordered an agricultural survey of the state published as: Report of the Agriculture of Massachusetts, prepared by Henry Colman. St 1852, c 142 established the State Board of Agriculture to improve agriculture, promote agricultural education and general interests in husbandry. There were nine original committees of the board that addressed topics including agricultural societies, domestic and wild animals, insects, dairy, and education. Some of these evolved into the Dairy Bureau, the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station, and the position of State Ornithologist.

The State Board of Agriculture (known also in its annual reports as the Board of Agriculture and the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture) was replaced successively by the State Dept. of Agriculture (St 1918, c 268) and the Dept. of Agriculture (St 1919, c 350, s 34) with an Advisory Board of Agriculture (s 35). St 1954, c 674, s 1 placed the department under the supervision and control of a new Board of Agriculture, replacing the advisory board (s 5). St 1969, c 704, s 3 placed the department within the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. St 1974, c 806, s 1 (effective 1975) and St 1975, c 706, s 27 renamed the department and its supervisory board respectively the Dept. of Food and Agriculture and the Board of Food and Agriculture (also known as the State Board of Food and Agriculture). Their functions are currently described in MGLA c 20 and c 128.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429682>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1838-1841, 1853-1975.

Identifier: EN2/1318(subseries)
Extent: 6.13 cubic feet (35 document boxes)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives, Feb. 1996, from State Library of Massachusetts, Special Collections.
Reports to 1922 printed; reports from 1941 are typescript.
Report year from 1941 ends June 30.
Reports for 1856, 1877, 1886, 1908, 1923-1940 lacking.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122564446>

Correspondence to the secretary, 1870-1879.

Identifier: EN2/1380X
Extent: 0.7 cubic feet (2 document boxes)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Removed from volumes in 1983; provenance unclear.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144296>

Board minutes, 1861-1990.

Identifier: EN2/1920
Extent: 1.95 cubic feet (1 record center carton and 2 document boxes)
Arranged: 1954-1990: Arranged chronologically.
Arranged in reverse chronological order.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Special Collections,
Massachusetts State Library, Feb. 13, 1996.
Files incomplete.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81793046>

Commissioner's subject files, 1977-1990.

Identifier: EN2/1921
Extent: 8.75 cubic feet (7 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122297779>

Commissioner's subject files on milk regulation, 1958-1983 (bulk 1975-1983).

Identifier: EN2/1922X
Extent: 0.7 cubic feet (2 document boxes)
Notes: Scheduled as: Division of Milk Control administrative files. Formerly
classed under (M-Ar)EN2.04: Massachusetts. Division of Milk Control.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122556627>

State Board of Agriculture history and related files, ca. 1905-1916.

Identifier: EN2/2066X
Extent: 25 file folders (partial record center carton)
Notes: Transferred to Archives, Feb. 1996, from State Library of
Massachusetts, Special Collections.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/823032334>

Publications, 1900-1926.

Identifier: EN2/2596X
Extent: 4 file folders (partial document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/822995893>

Edward Howe Forbush publications, 1907-1916.

Identifier: EN2/2597X
Extent: 1 file folder (partial document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/822977310>

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Record Group Number: EN2.01**Record Group Name: State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board****Historical Note:**

St 1918, c 289 established in Massachusetts the Drainage Board to oversee the drainage of wetlands of the Commonwealth for agricultural, industrial, and public health purposes. It was to consist of a member of the State Dept. of Health and the State Board of Agriculture (renamed State Dept. of Agriculture that year). St 1922, c 349 redesignated members as being from the Dept. of Public Health and Dept. of Agriculture (per St 1919, c 350, ss 34, 96). St 1923, c 457 renamed the body the State Reclamation Board. St 1926, c 393 provided for a third member jointly designated by the two departments and governor and council, and placed the board in the Dept. of Agriculture. St 1975, c 706, ss 297-298 redesignated the first two members as from the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering and the Dept. of Food and Agriculture (in which the board now served). St 1977, c 641 designated the third member as from the Dept. of Environmental Management. St 1983, c 214 renamed the body as the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board (MGLA c 252, s 2).

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144114>

Related Series:**Annual reports.**

Identifier: EN2.01/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 document box
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122564443>

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Record Group Number: EN2.02

Record Group Name: Division of Animal Health

Historical Note:

St 1860, c 192 authorized the governor of Massachusetts to appoint commissioners to deal with the pleuro-pneumonia epidemic among cattle of the Commonwealth, reporting to the State Board of Agriculture. St 1861, c 221 authorized a board of commissioners. St 1862, c 28 provided for the Board of Cattle Commissioners, who were reconstituted or discussed successively in St 1885, c 378; St 1894, c 491; and St 1899, c 408. St 1902, c 116 abolished the board and established the Cattle Bureau of the State Board of Agriculture. St 1912, c 608 abolished the bureau and created the Dept. of Animal Industry. St 1919, c 350, ss 39-40, 44 changed the department to the Division of Animal Industry in the Dept. of Conservation. St 1934, c 240 replaced the division with its Division of Livestock Disease Control in the Dept. of Agriculture (Dept. of Food and Agriculture per St 1975, c 706). St 1967, c 347 renamed the division as the Division of Animal Health. Its functions are currently described in MGLA c 129.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429703>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1914-1961.

Identifier: EN2.02/1318(subseries)

Extent: 1 doc box and 1 pamphlet box

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Public document, no. 98.

Reports for 1939-1940, 1945-1949, 1953-1965 missing.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122505925>

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Record Group Number: EN2.03

Record Group Name: Bureau of Markets

Historical Note:

St 1919, c 350, s 37 established the Division of Markets in the Dept. of Agriculture (Dept. of Food and Agriculture per St 1975, c 706, s 27) to ascertain agricultural products in demand, encourage their growth in Massachusetts, and inform outside purchasers or distributors as to the condition and demand of Massachusetts markets. St 1981, c 351, s 254 replaced the division with a Bureau of Markets in the Division of Agricultural Development.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581435>

Related Series:

Agricultural market reports, 1919-1979.

Identifier: EN2.03/1946

Extent: 20.9 cubic feet (214 volumes)

Arranged: In two subseries:

(1) Produce market report

(2) Retail price report; interfiled and arranged by year, thereunder by alphabetically by municipality, and then by date.

Notes: Title varies: Farmers' produce market report.

Series scheduled as: Retail price reports.

Boston reports through 1970 only.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705439>

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Record Group Number: EN2.04

Record Group Name: Division of Milk Control

Historical Note:

Low prices during the Great Depression threatened the supply and distribution of milk, leading many states to create milk commissions or boards to establish minimum milk prices and otherwise regulate milk distribution. In Massachusetts, St 1934, c 376, the Milk Control Law, created the Milk Control Board within the Dept. of Agriculture, consisting of three gubernatorial employees to supervise and regulate the milk industry of the Commonwealth. Originally authorized for two years, the body was reauthorized by St 1936, c 300; St 1938, c 334; St 1939, c 413; and St 1941, c 418.

The Milk Control Law allowed the Board to designate and establish market zones for milk products; to supervise and regulate minimum prices, production, purchase, receipt, sale, payment, and distribution of milk; to require licensing of milk producers and distributors; and to control surplus milk products. The law authorized the Milk Board to establish, issue, enforce and revise orders, thus establishing and detailing regulations for the milk industry.

Such orders included the designation and redesignation of milk marketing areas, the fixing of milk prices paid to producers, and dealer licensing requirements. The Board also investigated violations of the law and revoked milk licenses.

St 1941, c 691, s 1 renewed the law, and established within the Dept. of Agriculture the Division of Milk Control. The division was under a director of milk control and under the control and supervision of a reconstituted Milk Control Board, chaired by the commissioner of agriculture and including two gubernatorial appointees. St 1945, c 497, ss 1-2 removed the commissioner from the board and substituted a third gubernatorial appointee. St 1953, c 604, s 1 replaced the Board with the Milk Control Commission, still within the Dept. of Agriculture. The three commission members were to represent milk dealers, milk producers, and the consumer.

Per St 1969, c 704, s 3, the division and commission were placed within the Executive Office of Consumer Affairs. St 1974, c 806, s 8 reestablished the commission and division within the Dept. of Food and Agriculture, then located within the newly established Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. --St 1983, c 691 terminated the division and transferred the functions of the Milk Control Commission and division into a newly created Bureau of Milk Marketing in the Division of Regulatory Services, under the commissioner of the Dept. of Food and Agriculture. Related functions are described in MGLA c 94A. (The bodies described above should not be confused with the Milk Regulation Board, 1932-1977, which was responsible for rules and regulations for inspection of dairy farms, grades of milk, and suitability of milk supplies from other states. See: Massachusetts. Dept. of Food and Agriculture. Commissioner's subject files on milk regulation ((M-Ar)1922X).)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145430026>

Related Series:

Board/Commission minutes, 1934-1970.

Identifier: EN2.04/2492X
Extent: 11.25 cubic feet (9 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Box 1: 1934-1939.
Box 2: 1939-1941.
Box 3: 1941-1944.
Box 4: 1945-1948.
Box 5: 1949-1953.
Box 6: 1953-1959.
Box 7: 1959-1963.
Box 8: 1963-1966.

Box 9: 1967-1970.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/181762738>

Board/Commission orders, 1941-197-.

Identifier: EN2.04/2493X

Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (3 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged by order no.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/182561277>

Board/Commission hearing files, 1953-1974.

Identifier: EN2.04/2494X

Extent: 12.5 cubic feet (10 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged by order no.

Notes: Box 1: G274 (1953)-G291.

Box 2: G292-G301.

Box 3: G302-G317.

Box 4: G319-G331.

Box 5: G332-G348.

Box 6: G349-G359 (1974).

Box 7: G323-G329 and transcripts.

Box 8: Special hearing files.

Box 9: Transcripts, 1955-1956.

Box 10: Transcripts, G319, G321.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/182576255>

Cost studies, 1954-1969.

Identifier: EN2.04/2495X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged by marketing area.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/182580286>

Legal briefs, 196-.

Identifier: EN2.04/2501X

Extent: 5 cubic feet (4 record center cartons)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/182579671>

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Record Group Number: EN2.05

Record Group Name: Dairy Bureau

Historical Note:

St.1891, c 412, s 7 established in Massachusetts a Dairy Bureau made up of three members of the State Board of Agriculture (State Dept. of Agriculture in 1918). The duty of the bureau was to investigate and inspect all dairy products and imitation dairy products bought and sold in Massachusetts, to enforce relevant manufacturing and transportation laws, and to investigate methods of commercial butter and cheese making. Resolves 1902, c 110 provided funds to the bureau for protection of purity of butter sold in Massachusetts. St. 1919, c 350, s 37 replaced the bureau with the Division of Dairying and Animal Husbandry (Dept. of Agriculture)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/822995988>

Related Series:

Minutes, 1891-1918.

Identifier: EN2.05/2063X

Extent: 3 volumes (partial document box)

Notes: Transferred to Archives, Feb. 1996, from State Library of Massachusetts, Special Collections.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/823031970>

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Record Group Number: EN2.06

Record Group Name: State Nursery Inspector

Historical Note:

Massachusetts St 1902, c 495 provided for the State Board of Agriculture (State Dept. of Agriculture per St 1918, c 268) to appoint a State Nursery Inspector to visit at least once a year all nurseries or places where nursery stock was grown, sold, or offered for sale, with a certificate to be given if no dangerous insects or fungus pests be found. Further elaboration of the inspector's duties was made in Resolves 1911, c 103; St 1912, c 507; and St 1916, c 91. The inspector was replaced under the Dept. of Agriculture by the director of a

Division of Plant Pest Control (St 1919, c 350, s 37), then per St 1981, c 351, s 269 by the director of a Division of Regulatory Services.

Related Series:

Nursery Inspector Records, 1906-1911

Identifier: EN2.06/2064X

Extent: 1 volume (1 partial document box)

Arranged: Arranged by site.

Additional description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/988092767>

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Record Group Number: EN2.07

Record Group Name: Division of Ornithology

Historical Note:

On May 28, 1890, the Massachusetts House of Representatives resolved that there be investigations and reports on local birds and their destruction of crops. On Feb. 6, 1894, Edward Howe Forbush was elected Ornithologist to the State Board of Agriculture in accordance with its by-laws. St 1908, c 245 established the office of State Ornithologist under the State Board of Agriculture (State Dept. of Agriculture per St 1918, c 268). The duty of that official was to investigate the distribution and food habits of local birds, to determine the relationships between the birds and outbreaks of insects and other animals, and to discover the best method of protecting fruits and crops from birds. Forbush was appointed to the post and served until 1928, from 1919 as director of the Division of Ornithology in the Dept. of Agriculture, per St 1919, c 350, s 37. --The division was abolished by St 1933, c 74. St 1934, c 173 reestablished the office of State Ornithologist in the Division of Fisheries and Game of the Dept. of Conservation.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429713>

Related Series:

Paintings from: Birds of Massachusetts and other New England states, 1921-1929

Identifier: EN2.07/114X

Extent: 15 cubic feet (91 paintings in 15 boxes)

Copies (backings/photographs): 1 cubic feet (1 box)

Copies (slides): 1 volume

Arranged: Arranged by plate number: 1-37, 39-42, 44-93.

Notes: Digital surrogates available.
Transferred to Archives from Dept. of Agriculture, 1930. On loan to
Museum of Science, Boston, 1930-1961.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84185823>

Digital Surrogates available at :

http://digitalarchives.sec.state.ma.us/uncategorised/deliverableUnit_a095c0ac-3674-498a-97e6-212ce10f1b46/

Annual reports, 1917-1921.

Identifier: EN2.07/1318(subseries)

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122560410>

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Record Group Number: EN2.08

Record Group Name: Market Authority

Historical Note:

Resolves 1949, c 28 established a special commission to be called: Market Authority, consisting of legislative and gubernatorial appointees, including the commissioner of agriculture ex officio, to investigate handling of essential fresh foods and to improve market facilities for such handling. St 1950, c 748 followed the commission's report to the legislature with establishment of the Massachusetts Marketing Authority with similar membership but including Boston officials as well, as a body politic and corporate, an instrumentality of the Commonwealth, to acquire land for a modern market project for named communities of metropolitan Boston, through the issuance of revenue bonds. St 1951, c 714 amended the preceding act to apply only to the city of Boston, which would acquire the marketing project when revenue bonds were paid. This being accomplished, the authority was abolished per St 1953, c 248. Series includes letters, maps, plans, photographs, newspaper clippings, lists of popular food-related items in Boston and their prices, minutes, and reports.

Related Series:

Massachusetts Market Authority files, 1930-1956 (bulk 1945-1956)

Identifier: EN2.08/2068X

Extent: 11 file folders (partial record center carton)

Notes: Transferred to Archives, Feb. 1996, from State Library of
Massachusetts, Special Collections.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/823028214>

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Record Group Number: EN2.09

Record Group Name: State Forest Commission

Minutes

Identifier: EN2.09/2798X

Extent: 1 volume

Record Group Number: EN3.02

Record Group Name: Division of Waterways

Historical Note:

In 1916 the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners and the Directors of the Port of Boston were abolished and responsibility for the general care and supervision of the harbors, flats, tidewaters, including Boston Harbor, and the rivers and great ponds of Massachusetts was transferred to the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (St 1916, c 288). With the reorganization of government agencies in 1919, however, the commission was abolished and its duties transferred to a Division of Waterways and Public Lands in the Dept. of Public Works (St 1919, c 350, ss 111-116)

In 1927 the division was absorbed along with the Division of Highways into the main body of the Dept. of Public Works (St 1927, c 297). However, it was reestablished as the Division of Waterways in 1938 (St 1938, c 407). Authority over Boston Harbor was transferred to the Port of Boston Authority in 1945 (St 1945, c 619)

Like its predecessor agencies, the division had as its primary responsibility to insure that the harbors and channels were fully navigable, and to otherwise improve, protect, and develop these areas.

To protect and maintain navigability, the division was authorized to license and oversee all construction in tidewaters and to license dredging or filling of harbors and flats within the line of riparian. In addition, it oversaw work beyond the line of riparian licensed by the legislature. In 1922 its licensing authority was extended to the Connecticut, Westfield, and Merrimack Rivers (St 1922, c 262). As part of the licensing function it oversaw license

plans and inspected work done under license. It also calculated displaced tidewater and determined method of compensation by payment of tidewater assessment fees or otherwise. It was directed to keep a record of all licenses granted and to insure that selectmen in towns where licensed work was to take place were notified.

To maintain navigability, the division was authorized to remove debris and obstructions, including wrecked, sunken, or abandoned vessels and to supervise the transportation and dumping of dredged materials.

To improve, develop, and protect the waterways, it was authorized to undertake construction and reconstruction projects; enter into contracts and agreements; initiate the taking of land for these projects; lease piers, wharves, and terminal facilities belonging to the Commonwealth for individual and commercial use; and remove obstructions and repair, reroute, and construct dams to protect against flooding in rivers and streams (St 1939, c 513)

Furthermore, the division could make recommendations for changing or establishing harbor lines.

To carry out these functions and activities, the division employed engineers to make surveys of harbors and rivers, to inspect licensed work and oversee contracts, and to make specifications and plans for contracts.

The division assumed the duties of the Division of Public Beaches in 1958 (St 1958, c 640) but in 1968 those duties were transferred to the Division of Forests and Parks in the Dept. of Natural Resources (St 1968, c 501)

Although the Dept. of Public Works itself was put under the Executive Office of Transportation and Construction by the reorganization act of 1969 (St 1969, c 704, c 19), the functions and organization of the Division of Waterways remained relatively constant until 1974, when the division was transferred from the Dept. of Public Works to the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering under the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (St 1974, c 806, s 8). A decade later the division was again transferred, this time to the Dept. of Environmental Management, but while it retained its responsibilities for construction and development, its licensing and regulatory functions remained with the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering (St 1983, c 289, s 61; c 589, s 16)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429198>

Related Series:

River survey field notebooks, 1905-1939.

Identifier: EN3.02/377X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (47 volumes in 1 record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged by name of river or section.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122564408>

Permits, 1888-1941.

Identifier: EN3.02/419X
Extent: 2.67 cubic feet (2 record center cartons and 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by date permit granted; after 1919 permits are also numbered.
Notes: Permits for 1888-1919 called: Miscellaneous permits.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122520706>

Minute books, 1879-1974.

Identifier: EN3.02/633
Extent: 12.5 cubic feet (66 volumes in 10 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by date of meeting; some chronologically in reverse order within year after 1943.
Notes: Additional draft minutes, Apr. 1901-June 1902 (2 volumes), transferred from: Massachusetts. Executive Office of Transportation and Construction. Maps, aerials, photos, plans ((M-Ar)1758))
Docket books retained for 1967-1972 instead of minute books contain ms. annotations and are generally more complete.
Minute books for 1939-1942 and 1947-1965 are missing.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122590927>

Docket books of decisions of licensing hearings, 1875-1927.

Identifier: EN3.02/634X
Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (3 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged numerically by docket, thereunder by petitioner, and then chronologically by date of hearing.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122372726>

Field notebooks of the State Town Boundary Survey, 1885-1941 (bulk 1885-1900).

Identifier: EN3.02/637X
Extent: 16.25 cubic feet (13 record center cartons)
Arranged: In two subseries:
(1) Descriptions of triangulation stations; arranged by volume number, thereunder by locality

(2) Horizontal angles; arranged by survey party, thereunder by locality.

Notes: Provenance of books marked duplicate unclear.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122505877>

Engineer reports concerning examinations of license projects, 1866-1950.

Identifier: EN3.02/653X

Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Arranged by license no.

Arranged chronologically in reverse order.

Arranged alphabetically by municipality (N-R only)

Arranged chronologically in reverse order.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122520708>

Computations and calculations for contract specifications, 1912-1922.

Identifier: EN3.02/656X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Notes: Photographs removed from Dry dock folder. For separate description see: Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners of Massachusetts.

Photographs of marine construction ((M-Ar)662X).

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609730>

Computations of boundary lines, 1895-1940.

Identifier: EN3.02/671X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged by topic.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122403008>

Photographs of harbor and river projects, 1921-1941.

Identifier: EN3.02/756X

Extent: 0.24 cubic feet (ca. 1050 photographs in 4 boxes)

0.3 cubic feet (ca. 800 photographs : photonegative in 5 boxes)

Arranged: Arranged by locality.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122521172>

Time and tide field notes, 1919-1946, bulk 1923-1936.

Identifier: EN3.02/806X

Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (25 volumes (1 unbound) in 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically, thereunder by location of gauge.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122575252>

Maps and plans, 1774-1986 (bulk 1880-1920).

Identifier: EN3.02/1165X

Extent: Part A: ca. 500 plans

Part B: ca. 2800 plans in 161 boxes

Arranged: In two parts: Part A (W1-574); Part B (W601-6210)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81094153>

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Record Group Number: EN3.03

Record Group Name: Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners of Massachusetts

Historical Note:

The Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, established in 1879, combined the duties and responsibilities of the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the Board of Land Commissioners (St 1879, c 263). Three commissioners were appointed by the governor and his council. They were required to keep a record of their activities and expenses and to submit an annual report in January of each year.

Responsible for the general care and supervision of the harbors and tidewaters, the board had as its primary function to insure that the channels were fully navigable and to otherwise protect, improve, and develop these areas.

To carry out this function, the board was authorized to license and oversee all plans and petitions relating to the building of bridges, wharves, piers, or dams over tidewaters, the filling of any flats, the driving of piles, or dredging in harbors. They determined and collected tidewater assessment fees for water displaced by licensed construction. They were also empowered to prevent and remove unauthorized structures or other encroachments. Engineers and assistants employed by the board made surveys, investigated license proposals, completed work, and reported back to the board.

In 1888 the board gained jurisdiction over the "great ponds" (i.e., those over ten acres) belonging to the Commonwealth (St 1888, c 318). These powers were broadened in 1904 when they were authorized to sell and convey or lease the islands in the great ponds with the approval of the governor and his council (St 1904, c 379).

In 1901, when the Topographical Survey Commission was abolished (St 1901, c 469), the board assumed its powers and took over work being done on the Town Boundary Survey, which was not completed until 1914.

In 1909 it was empowered to undertake projects for the improvement, development, maintenance, and protection of rivers, harbors, tidewaters, and shorelines (St 1909, c 481).

In 1911 its responsibilities in respect to Boston Harbor were transferred to the Directors of the Port of Boston, who were also charged with developing the Port of Boston (St 1911, c 748).

In 1916 both the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners and the Directors of the Port of Boston were abolished and their powers and duties were assumed by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (St 1916, c 288).

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429191>

Related Series:

Photographs of logging on the Connecticut River, 1906.

Identifier: EN3.03/353X

Extent: 10 photographs ; (partial box) 5 x 10 cm.

Notes: Photographs removed from: General correspondence ((M-Ar)652X), subseries (2) Aug. 1906 (G-K)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122560374>

Atlases of the town boundary survey, 1887-1915 (bulk 1898-1915).

Identifier: EN3.03/421X

Extent: 12.6 cubic feet (69 volumes)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by municipality

Notes: Volume title-pages: Atlas of the boundaries of

Cover titles: Boundary lines of

Volumes numbered in cataloging 1-68 and appendix.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122297710>

Petitions for licenses, 1866-1906.

Identifier: EN3.03/641X

Extent: 3.5 cubic feet (10 document boxes)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically by date petition was received. arranged chronologically in reverse order.

Notes: Petitions missing for 1884, 1887-1893, 1904; there are very few petitions for 1872-1878 and 1882-1887.

Petitions for 1879-1887 glued into two letterbooks (box 10)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122520702>

Abstracts of horizontal angles, 1889-1915.

Identifier: EN3.03/645X

Extent: 1.77 cubic feet (20 volumes and 4 file folders in 1 record center carton and 2 document boxes)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically, thereunder by locality.

Notes: Spine title: Boundary survey.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86123246>

Computations of traverse lines, eccentric stations, triangle sides, and geographic positions, 1890-1915.

Identifier: EN3.03/646X

Extent: 7.5 cubic feet (27 volumes in 6 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically, thereunder by locality.

Notes: Spine title: Computations of positions.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581443>

Notices of application for license, 1872-1907.

Identifier: EN3.03/648X

Extent: 1.57 cubic feet (5 document boxes)

Arranged: 1896-1902, 1902-1907: Arranged chronologically in reverse order.
Arranged within each sequence alphabetically by first letter of petitioner surname, thereunder chronologically in reverse order.

Notes: Returns missing for 1877-1878, 1883-1891, 1895.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122419825>

Descriptions of stations, 1915?

Identifier: EN3.03/649X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (10 volumes in 1 record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by station name.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609689>

Topographical and town boundary survey correspondence, 1884-1917.

Identifier: EN3.03/651X

Extent: 0.87 cubic feet (3 document boxes)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Box 1: Items 1-4.
Box 2: Item 5.
Box 3: Item 6.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122297710>

General correspondence, 1869-1915.

Identifier: EN3.03/652X
Extent: 5 cubic feet (4 record center cartons)
Arranged: In four subseries: (1) Incoming correspondence, 1872-1874, 1886-1889, 1898-1902; arranged chronologically in reverse order
(2) Incoming correspondence, 1897, 1898-1899, 1902-1903, 1906; arranged alphabetically by correspondent
(3) Miscellaneous incoming letters, 1869-1905; arranged chronologically
(4) Outgoing correspondence, 1894-1902, 1907-1915; arranged chronologically.
Notes: Photographs accompanying letter dated Aug. 1906 (subseries (2): G-K) removed; see: Photographs of logging on the Connecticut River ((M-Ar)353X)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86132237>

Town and state boundary survey reports and working papers, 1885-1914.

Identifier: EN3.03/655X
Extent: 0.87 cubic feet (3 document boxes)
Arranged: Arranged by topic.
Notes: Box 1: Items 1-9.
Box 2: Item 10.
Box 3: Item 11.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122520691>

Subject files, 1830-1912.

Identifier: EN3.03/659X
Extent: 6.25 cubic feet (5 record center cartons)
Notes: Series consists of miscellaneous documents brought together during processing; some predate holding agencies.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581471>

Photographs of marine construction, 1907-1910.

Identifier: EN3.03/662X
Extent: 19 photographs ; (1 file folder in partial box) 20 x 25 cm.

Notes: Photographs removed from: Massachusetts. Division of Waterways.
Computations and calculations for contract specifications, Dry dock
folder [(M-Ar)656X]

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86132251>

Position tables, 1882-1914.

Identifier: EN3.03/672X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically, thereunder by locality.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122590873>

Computations of geographical positions: town corners, 1899-1905.

Identifier: EN3.03/673X

Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged by county, thereunder by town.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122520697>

Photographs of Massachusetts boundary markers, 1898-1914.

Identifier: EN3.03/674X

Extent: 5.64 cubic feet (ca. 2350 photographs ; in 94 boxes) 13 x 18 cm.
1.62 cubic feet (ca. 245 photographs : in 27 boxes) 13 x 18 cm. glass
photonegative ;

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by locality.

Notes: Found by the Public Information Office of the Dept. of Public Works in
a bridge abutment in Peabody. The bulk of the collection had been
destroyed.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122469444>

Annual reports, 1879-1915.

Identifier: EN3.03/1318(subseries)

Extent: 2 pamphlet boxes and 23 volumes

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Public document, number 11.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705014>

Reports of town boundary lines in tide-water, 1883-1884.

Identifier: EN3.03/2582X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by county.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/688619064>

Photographs of Lake Quinsigamond, ca. 1911.

Identifier: EN3.03/2754X
Extent: 0.2 cubic feet (22 photographs in 1 document box)
Notes: Previously part of SC2/1878..

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Record Group Number: EN3.04**Record Group Name: Commissioners on Public Lands****Historical Note:**

The creation of the Commissioners on Public Lands under chapter 85 of the acts of 1861 consolidated the powers and duties of the Commissioners on the Back Bay and the office of land agent. However, after only two years responsibility was again divided, with the appointment of a commission of three to devise a system for the care and preservation of the Commonwealth harbors and the use of the flats (Resolves 1862, c 88). The commission reported on the condition of the flats between South Boston and the Channel and suggested plans for their improvement. Presumably acting on the report of this commission, in 1866 the legislature established a separate Board of Harbor Commissioners (St 1866, c 149).

With the creation of these other agencies, the powers and duties of the Commissioners on Public Lands were generally limited to oversight and development of Back Bay lands in Boston.

The Commissioners on Public Lands were abolished in 1877 and succeeded by the Board of Land Commissioners (St 1877, c 213).

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429188>

Related Series:**Minute books, 1855-1871.**

Identifier: EN3.04/638X
Extent: 0.7 cubic feet (5 volumes in 2 document boxes)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by date of meeting.
Notes: Volume 1, presumably containing minutes of the Commissioners on Boston Harbor and the Back Bay, 1852-1855, is lacking.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122297704>

Minute books, 1855-1871.

Identifier: EN3.04/638XX

Extent: 0.7 cubic feet (5 volumes in 2 document boxes)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by date of meeting.
Notes: Volume 1, presumably containing minutes of the Commissioners on Boston Harbor and the Back Bay, 1852-1855, is lacking.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122297704>

Mill Dam account financial records, 1863-1874.

Identifier: EN3.04/675X
Extent: 0.67 cubic feet (6 volumes in 1 document box and 2 phase boxes)
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122336038>

Receipts, 1863-1868.

Identifier: EN3.04/1074X
Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by year.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122521192>

Annual reports, 1863-1864.

Identifier: EN3.04/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 pamphlet box
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Report for 1863: Public document, no. 14.
Report for 1864: Public document, no. 13.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581568>

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Record Group Number: EN3.05

Record Group Name: Board of Harbor Commissioners

Historical Note:

The Board of Harbor Commissioners was created by chapter 149 of the acts of 1866 to provide general care and supervision over all the harbors, tidewaters, and flats in Massachusetts except for Back Bay lands in Boston, which remained under the charge of the Commissioners on Public Lands (St 1861, c 89).

The board was comprised of five members appointed by the governor. They were required to keep account of their actual services and expenses and to submit an annual report in January of each year. They secured an advisory council consisting of U.S. engineers and

other U.S. officials. The advisory council was consulted for expert opinion and engaged to carry out coastal surveys. During this period the board cooperated with the federal government, which spent considerable sums of money on breakwaters and dredging in the smaller harbors of the Commonwealth.

The primary function of the board was to protect the harbors and channels in Massachusetts and to insure that they were fully navigable. They were empowered to supervise and oversee all plans and petitions licensed by the legislature that related to the building of bridges, wharves, piers, or dams over tidewaters, the filling of any flats, or the driving of piles. In addition, they were required to ascertain displaced tidewater and provide compensation by payment of assessment fees or by other means. In addition, they had the power to prevent and remove unauthorized structures or other encroachments; to inquire about land and water rights in South Boston; and to prescribe harbor lines, provided that a public hearing was held. To carry out these functions they were authorized to make surveys and employ engineers to investigate license proposals and completed work.

An act passed in 1869 further regulated tidewater construction by stipulating that all licenses granted by the legislature were revocable and would expire at the end of five years (St 1869, c 432). It further stipulated that all work done under the authority of license must meet with the approval of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

In 1872, under chapter 236, the Board of Harbor Commissioners was for the first time empowered to grant licenses for work done within the line of riparian. All license requests beyond this line had to be approved by the governor and his council. Licenses granted by the board had to be signed by a majority of the commissioners and be recorded. The board also had to insure that selectmen of the town where licensed work was to take place were notified.

During the tenure of the Board of Harbor Commissioners, the South Boston flats were a priority. An 1866 resolve directed the board to report to the legislature on the filling of flats and the building of wharves in that area. To carry out the development there, it was authorized by various acts and resolves to acquire the property for the Commonwealth and to enter into contracts with persons and companies that were interested in developing it.

In 1879 the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the Board of Land Commissioners were abolished and their powers, duties, and responsibilities were transferred to the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners (St 1879, c 263).

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429191>

Related Series:

Minute books, 1866-1879.

Identifier: EN3.05/639X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (4 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by date of meeting.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144145>

Correspondence and reports from the U.S. advisory council, 1866-1878.

Identifier: EN3.05/660X
Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: This series was created during processing.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122613812>

Annual reports, 1866-1878.

Identifier: EN3.05/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 pamphlet box and 2 v
Arranged: Arranged chronologically
Notes: Public document, no. 25
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122591024>

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Record Group Number: EN3.06

Record Group Name: Directors of the Port of Boston

Historical Note:

In response to convictions held by leading businessmen in the Boston area that the time had come for more intensive development of the port facilities in and around Boston Harbor, chapter 748 of the acts of 1911 established the Directors of the Port of Boston as administrative officers in charge of the port. Boston Harbor was defined as the tidewaters and lands under water that lay between Point Allerton to the south and Point Shirley to the north.

All the powers, duties, and rights in respect to the lands, flats, and shores constituting Boston Harbor that were under the jurisdiction of the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners were transferred to the Directors of the Port of Boston. Likewise, all maps, charts, plans, and documents pertaining to these lands were transferred. In addition, the

directors were charged with making the necessary plans for the comprehensive development of Boston Harbor. It was hoped that Boston would gain a commanding place among the leading ports of the world.

The directors were comprised of five members: three appointed by the governor and his council, one appointed by the mayor, and the chairman of the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners. In 1914 legislation was passed decreasing the directors to three members appointed by the governor. The directors were required to keep account of their actual services and expenses and to submit an annual report the first of each year.

Powers, duties, and rights transferred from the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners included the authority to (1) make surveys and employ engineers and assistants (2) prescribe harbor lines in any of the harbors as allowed by law (3) license and oversee all requests to build structures over tidewater including bridges, wharves, piers, or dams or to fill flats or drive piles below the high-water mark (4) ascertain volume of displaced tidewater caused by licensed work and determine method of compensation (5) collect fees from persons and companies leasing wharves, docks, or the like belonging to the Commonwealth (6) order legal suits on behalf of the Commonwealth relating to unauthorized works and vehicles within the tidewater.

In addition the directors were charged with developing the Port of Boston and authorized to undertake projects and enter into contracts. To do this, they studied and reported to the legislature on the present state and potential development of the port. They brought in consultants, corresponded with and entered into agreements with businessmen and steamship and railroad companies and undertook projects such as dredging shipping channels and developing docks and piers.

In addition to annual reports, the directors issued a supplemental report that laid down a policy for transportation development and a plan of construction in the Port of Boston (1914?) and a report on the South Boston dry dock contract.

In 1916 the Directors of the Port of Boston and the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners were abolished and their powers were transferred to the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (St 1916, c 288). However, their powers, duties, and functions were later resurrected in the Boston Port Authority (1929-1945), the Port of Boston Authority (1945-1953), the Port of Boston Commission (1953-1959), and most recently the Massachusetts Port Authority.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429195>

Related Series:

Permits, 1911-1916.

Identifier: EN3.06/621X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (2 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by date of permission granted.
Notes: Spine title: Misc'l permits.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144169>

Minute books, 1911-1916.

Identifier: EN3.06/640X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically by date of meeting.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609708>

Annual reports, 1911-1915.

Identifier: EN3.06/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 pamphlet box
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Public document (Massachusetts). no. 94.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122412396>

Subject files, 1912-1919.

Identifier: EN3.06/1608X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/988345732>

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Record Group Number: EN3.07**Record Group Name: Topographical Survey Commission****Historical Note:**

The Topographical Survey Commission was established in 1884 (Resolves 1884, c 72). During its existence the commission had a mandate to carry out two projects: (1) a survey of the state and preparation of a contour topographical map (2) a town boundary survey (the determination by triangulation of boundary lines of cities and towns) (Resolves 1885, c 29).

The Topographical Survey Commission consisted of three members who were to arrange the details of the field survey work with the director of the U.S. Geological Survey. Work began in September 1884. By 1885, four survey field parties were at work under the direction of the U.S. Geological Survey and survey work was completed in 1887. Money was allocated by the state legislature for printing the topographical maps (Resolves 1890, c 57). The maps were printed from plates engraved by the U.S. Geological Survey and show only geological features; therefore the printed maps "omitted all detached country houses, as well as indications of the difference between forests and cleared fields, which are recorded on the original maps now in the possession of the Commissioners of the Commonwealth" (Atlas of Massachusetts. Boston: Topographical Survey Commission, 1890). A provision was made to distribute the atlases free to every public library and historical library in the state (Resolves 1891, c 95). Later free atlases were distributed to public schools in every town (Resolves 1894, c 83).

Soon after the topographical survey field work began, the commissioners realized that a definition of town boundaries would be a valuable addition to the topographical survey. At the instigation of the commissioners, legislation was passed (Resolves 1885, c 29) to provide for the town boundary work. C.H. Van Orden of the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey was put in charge of the field teams and work began on this second project in July 1885. Points of triangulation that were the reference points for the measurements were supplied by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. Triangulation points were also used from the Borden Survey done in Massachusetts in the 1830s. Correct determination of town boundaries was especially important at a time when cities and towns were expanding and supplying services such as water and sewers. According to the 1887 annual report of the Topographical Survey Commission, "the present condition of the records of town boundaries is simply scandalous." The commission also sponsored legislation to help preserve town boundary markers once they were established (Acts 1888, c 336).

Additional legislation was initiated to authorize the commission to resolve problems with the state boundaries with Rhode Island (Resolves 1897, c 88), New York (Resolves 1897, c 25), and Connecticut (Resolves 1898, c 39). Money was allocated for the duplication of atlases of towns showing the town boundary lines in 1897 (St 1897, c 69). Atlases were prepared for publication and published each year until the project was completed. As each atlas was published it was distributed free to towns, public libraries, and various other agencies (St 1900, c 360). The commission was abolished and its powers transferred to the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners in 1901 (St 1901, c 469). Thus the field work of the survey and the computations and reductions of the field notes continued under that board until the work was completed in 1914.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429202>

Related Series:

Geographical coordinates and descriptions of the triangulation stations, 1886-1890.

Identifier: EN3.07/642X
Extent: 0.52 cu feet (2 volumes in 2 document boxes)
Notes: Spine title: Massachusetts town boundary triangulation.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122521148>

Computations of the town boundary triangulations, 1886-1888.

Identifier: EN3.07/643X
Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (23 volumes in 2 record center cartons)
Notes: Volume 3 missing of 24 volumes set.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122336027>

Resulting horizontal directions, triangle sides, and geographical positions, 1890.

Identifier: EN3.07/644X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (8 volumes in 1 record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged by locality.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122469402>

Computations of primary triangulation, 1895-1899.

Identifier: EN3.07/647X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (3 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically, thereunder by locality.
Notes: Spine title: Primary and secondary triangulation.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122412286>

Expenditure journal, 1893-1895.

Identifier: EN3.07/663X
Extent: 1 volumes (1 phase box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122386500>

Annual reports, 1885-1900.

Identifier: EN3.07/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 pamphlet box
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Public document, no. 50
Reports for 1886, 1893 missing
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122469558>

Atlas of Massachusetts :

Identifier: EN3.07/1548X
Extent: 0.89 cubic feet (1 box)

Massachusetts U.S. Geological Survey maps, 1884-1887.

Identifier: EN3.07/2586X
Extent: 53 maps ; 101 x 93 cm
Notes: Maps later assigned serial number W520-572 as part of:
Massachusetts. Division of Waterways. Maps and plans ((M-
Ar)1165X)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/841246718>

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Record Group Number: EN3.11**Record Group Name: Division of Wetlands and Waterways****Historical Note:**

When the Division of Waterways was transferred from the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering (DEQE) to the Dept. of Environmental Management by St 1983, c 289, s 61; c 589, ss 15-16, DEQE retained those functions of the division relating to the licensing and permitting of structures and activities within the tidelands and waterways of the Commonwealth (St 1983, c 589, s 20). These were combined with the functions of DEQE's Division of Wetlands, which was replaced by the Division of Wetland Protection and Waterways Regulation. By 1988 it was known as the Division of Wetlands and Waterways Regulation, and by 1989 as the Division of Wetlands and Waterways, at which time DEQE was renamed Dept. of Environmental Protection (St 1989, c 240).

Currently the division administers the Waterways Regulation Program (implementing the Public Waterways Act, MGLA c 91), the Wetlands Protection Program (implementing the Wetlands Protection Act), the Wetlands Restriction Program (implementing the Coastal Wetlands Restriction Act and the Inland Wetlands Restriction Act) and the Wetlands/Waterways Enforcement Program.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429607>

Related Series:

Waterways licensing plans, 1866-1925.

Restriction: Originals are restricted; electronic copies (and indexing) available through Massachusetts Dept. of Environmental Protection, 1 Winter St., Boston, MA 02108. For details consult Archives reference desk

Identifier: EN3.11/1154X
Extent: 269 cubic feet (ca. 5000 items in 14 map cases)
Arranged: Arranged by application no.
Notes: Scheduled as: Waterways drawings.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122506052>

Waterways licenses, 1866-1919

Identifier: EN3.11/1157
Extent: 4 cubic feet. (29 volumes)
Arranged: Arranged by application no.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122372734>

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Record Group Number: EN3.12

Record Group Name: Division of Water Supply

Historical Note:

St 1974, c 806, which established the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering within the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs as of July 1975, transferred to it the Bureau of Environmental Sanitation (actually known at that point as the Division of Environmental Health) from the Dept. of Public Health, including its powers and duties relating to water supply and water quality. Since then the department (renamed the Dept. of Environmental Protection in 1989) has been reorganized to assign these functions to the Division of Water Supply within the Bureau of Resource Protection.

The division develops and administers programs for protecting public drinking water supplies and systems, oversees maintaining programs to detect contaminants and pollutants in ground and surface water, and enforces state and federal regulations and guidelines for public drinking water. It provides technical assistance and educational programs to municipalities on long-term water planning and oversees protective programs for public and private wells that contribute to public water supplies. The division's functions are currently described in MGLA c 40 and c 111.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429589>

Related Series:

Consulting Engineer Reports – subseries 1, 1886-1931.

Identifier: EN3.12/1259X

Extent: 25.0 cubic feet (20 record center cartons)

Consulting Engineer Reports – subseries 2, 1874-1995.

Identifier: EN3.12/1259X

Extent: 95.0 cubic feet (76 record center cartons)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/77732979>

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Record Group Number: EN4

Record Group Name: Metropolitan District Commission

Historical Note:

By St 1919, c 350, s 123-129, the Metropolitan District Commission inherited from the Metropolitan Park Commission and the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board, which were abolished, functions relating to the metropolitan parks, water, and sewerage districts, consisting of Boston and surrounding communities.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429396>

Related Series:

Parks permits, 1922-1930.

Identifier: EN4/273X

Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (11 volumes in 2 records center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122591041>

Minutes of the Water Resources Commission, 1956-1966.

Identifier: EN4/886X

Extent: 0.7 cubic feet (2 document boxes)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically in reverse order.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609737>

Aerial photographs taken for the Tercentenary, 1930.

Identifier: EN4/893X
Extent: 12 photographs : (partial box) 20 x 25 cm. negative ;
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122297721>

Outgoing correspondence from the secretary, 1893-1931.

Identifier: EN4/1055X
Extent: 16.6 cubic feet (69 volumes in 13 record center cartons and 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609833>

Outgoing correspondence from the secretary of legal issues, 1894-1931.

Identifier: EN4/1062X
Extent: 1.6 cubic feet (10 volumes, 1 record center carton and 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122405570>

Outgoing correspondence from the Law Department the attorney general, 1901-1920.

Identifier: EN4/1063X
Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (2 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122506056>

Outgoing correspondence from the Secretary on Superintendency. 1894-1931.

Identifier: EN4/1064X
Extent: 4.45 cubic feet (3 record center cartons and 12 document boxes)
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144258>

Correspondence from the Law Department to the state auditor, 1895-1922, bulk 1895-1919.

Identifier: EN4/1067X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (4 volumes in 1 record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122505913>

Outgoing general correspondence from the Law Department., 1895-1922, bulk 1895-1919.

Identifier: EN4/1122X
Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Scheduled as: Land title search Correspondence.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122357396>

Correspondence from the secretary to the engineer, 1895-1930 (bulk 1895-1919).

Identifier: EN4/1171X
Extent: 3 volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86132268>

Land taking dockets, 1894-1934.

Identifier: EN4/1173X
Extent: 4 volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by land owner, thereunder chronologically.
Notes: Spine title: Land settlement.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122521180>

Correspondence from the secretary to the landscape architect, 1895-1925 (bulk 1895-1901).

Identifier: EN4/1174X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (2 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86123315>

Reservation and facility photographs, 1894-1980.

Identifier: EN4/1252
Extent: 2.9 cubic feet (photographs in 10 boxes)
0.35 cubic feet (photographs : in 1 volumes) negative
Arranged: Arranged by location.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122575251>

Annual reports, 1921-1947.

Identifier: EN4/1318(subseries)
Extent: 20 volumes
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Public document, no. 48.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122556589>

Commissioner's files on Charles River Basin improvement, 1929-1934.

Identifier: EN4/1766X

Extent: 1 file folder

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122297777>

Special legislative reports on water supply, 1886-1992.

Identifier: EN4/2139X

Extent: 2.85 cubic feet (2 record center cartons and 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80093516>

Referrals from Secretary to Associate Commissioners and Division Directors, 1901-1930.

Identifier: EN4/2232X

Extent: 1.5 record center cartons

Orders from Secretary – Series B, 1907-1930.

Identifier: EN4/2233X

Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Letters from Secretary to State Treasurer, 1895-1930.

Identifier: EN4/2234X

Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Letters from Secretary to State Auditor, 1894-1923.

Identifier: EN4/2235X

Extent: 1.5 record center cartons

Orders and letters from Purchasing Agent, 1907-1924.

Identifier: EN4/2236X

Extent: 1 record center carton

Ledgers of Loan Fund Payments and Expense Fund, 1894-1926.

Identifier: EN4/2237X

Extent: 1 document box and 5 volumes

Annual Assessments of Metropolitan Districts, 1914-1984.

Identifier: EN4/2238

Extent: 2.85 cubic feet (2 record center cartons and 1 document box)

Legislation, 1892-1939.

Identifier: EN4/2240X
Extent: 1 record center carton

Special Reports to Legislature re: Reserverations, 1894-1970.

Identifier: EN4/2241X
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Facility Guides and System Maps, 1961-1998.

Identifier: EN4/2244
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Employee newsletters, 1931-1999.

Identifier: EN4/2245
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Telephone directories, 1970-1999.

Identifier: EN4/2246
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Records of 75th Anniversary Conference, 1956-1967.

Identifier: EN4/2247X
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Minutes, 1919-2003.

Identifier: EN4/2797X
Extent: 13 record center cartons (with other series)

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Record Group Number: EN4.01**Record Group Name: Metropolitan District Commission –
Sewerage Division****Historical Note:**

The Sewerage Division of the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) performed functions relating to sewers in the Metropolitan Sewerage District (Boston and surrounding communities) inherited from the commission's predecessors, the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (1889-1901) and the Metropolitan Water and

Sewerage Board (1901-1919). Such functions, along with those of the MDC's Water Division, were transferred to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority per St 1984, c 372, effective July 1985.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609626>

Related Series:

Chief engineer's annual reports, 1964-1984.

Identifier: EN4.01/2125X

Extent: 14 file folders (partial record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission, Reports for 1966-1970, 1972, 1977, 1980 lacking.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82576470>

Licenses and permits for work in navigable waters of the United States, 1892-1960.

Identifier: EN4.01/2128X

Extent: 45 file folders (partial record center carton)

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission Permit No. 42 is missing. Some licenses by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners and by the Dept. of Public Works, Division of Waterways are missing.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82803757>

Rules and regulations, 1979-1980.

Identifier: EN4.01/2132X

Extent: 2 file folders (partial record center carton)

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82113391>

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Record Group Number: EN4.04

**Record Group Name: Metropolitan District Commission –
Division of Parks Engineering**

Historical Note:

When the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) was established in 1919 as a successor to the Metropolitan Park Commission and the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board, the Engineering Dept. of the MDC's Parks Division continued the functions of the Engineering Dept. of the Metropolitan Park Commission, namely, to plan, engineer, and supervise the construction of parkways, bridges, locks, rinks, and other recreational and park facilities under the commission's jurisdiction. Known also as Park Engineering, Parks Engineering, and the Parks Engineering Dept., it was designated at least as early as 1953 as the Division of Parks Engineering. By 1975 it had been absorbed into the Engineering Division.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429393>

Related Series:

Photographs of real estate taken for park reservations, 1932.

Identifier: EN4.04/445X

Extent: ca. 50 photographs ; (partial box) 20 x 25 cm.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122556592>

Maps and plans, 1895-1968.

Identifier: EN4.04/622

Extent: 301 items

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122405517>

Accessions logs for maps and plans, 1895-1911.

Identifier: EN4.04/885X

Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (3 volumes in 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged by accession number.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122336036>

Engineer calculation notebooks, 1895-1965.

Identifier: EN4.04/888

Extent: 21.25 cubic feet (17 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged by notebook number.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122564411>

Pile driving inspector notebook, 1914.

Identifier: EN4.04/892X

Extent: 1 volumes (partial document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122412331>

Diaries of daily activities, 1957-1962.

Identifier: EN4.04/1003X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (2 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122521167>

Aerial survey mapping photographs, 1936-1952.

Identifier: EN4.04/1255X
Extent: 5.75 cubic feet (photographs in 6 map drawers)
Arranged: Arranged by alpha/numeric geographic code designation.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/77732982>

Parks contract photographs, 1895-1982.

Identifier: EN4.04/1326
Extent: 16.03 cubic feet (photographs in record center carton and 52 boxes)
Arranged: Arranged by project.
Notes: Some items in box 14 transferred from: Massachusetts. Metropolitan District Commission. Construction Division. Water and sewer construction photographs ((M-Ar)889X)
Revere Beach Reservation/Lynnway photo album, 1905-1910. Gift of Leonard R. Piazza, Revere, Dec. 2013.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705102>

Letters from Chief Engineer, 1905-1906.

Identifier: EN4.04/2230X
Extent: 0.5 records center carton

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Record Group Number: EN4.05**Record Group Name: Metropolitan District Commission – Water Division****Historical Note:**

The Water Division of the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) performed the functions relating to waterworks in the Metropolitan Water District (Boston and surrounding communities) inherited from the commission's predecessors, the Metropolitan Water Board (1895-1901) and the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board (1901-1919). Such functions, along with those of the MDC's Sewerage Division, were

transferred to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority per St 1984, c 372, effective July 1985.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429398>

Related Series:

Chief engineer's outgoing correspondence, 1896-1936 (bulk 1915-1936).

Identifier: EN4.05/280X

Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (22 volumes (volumes 2, 27-47) in 3 record center cartons
1895-1896, 1896-1915 lacking)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Volume, p. 223: From Apr. 1, 1936, letterpress copying discontinued.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/78553368>

Director's correspondence, 1983-1985.

Identifier: EN4.05/569X

Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Correspondence was part of an administrative file that was selectively retained by the Archives. See also series (M-Ar)570X, (M-Ar)894X, and (M-Ar)895X.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122560384>

Legislative files, 1947-1984.

Identifier: EN4.05/570X

Extent: 1.6 cubic feet (1 record center carton and 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Legislative files were part of an administrative file that was selectively retained by the Archives. See also series (M-Ar)569X, (M-Ar)894X, and (M-Ar)895X.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122506030>

Annual reports, 1959-1984.

Identifier: EN4.05/894X

Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Annual reports were part of an administrative file that was selectively retained by the Archives. See also series (M-Ar)569X, (M-Ar)570X, and (M-Ar)895X.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145430128>

Subject files, 1908-1985, bulk 1938-1984.

Identifier: EN4.05/895X

Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (3 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by subject.

Notes: Subject files were part of an administrative file that was selectively retained by the Archives. See also series (M-Ar)569X, (M-Ar)570X, and (M-Ar)894X.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122556564>

Aerial survey mapping photographs, 1927-1973.

Identifier: EN4.05/1254X

Extent: 4.35 cubic feet (photographs in 15 boxes)

Arranged: Arranged by project.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609859>

Secretary's outgoing correspondence, 1895-1926.

Identifier: EN4.05/2096X

Extent: 8.75 cubic feet (37 volumes and 2 volumes cumulative indexes in 7 record center cartons)

Arranged: In two subseries: (1) 1895-1901 (2) 1901-1926;
Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission,

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79789747>

Wachusett Dept. superintendent's outgoing general correspondence, 1918-1927.

Identifier: EN4.05/2101X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (7 volumes in 1 record center carton and partial record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission,
Earlier volumes lost in agency flood.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84008567>

Wachusett Dept. superintendent's general correspondence to chief engineer, 1917-1927.

Identifier: EN4.05/2102X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (7 volumes in 1 record center carton and partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84185733>

Chief engineer's general reports, 1895-1936.

Identifier: EN4.05/2103X
Extent: 12.5 cubic ft (55 volumes in 10 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84461456>

Distribution Dept. assistant and divisional engineer general reports, 1895-1921.

Identifier: EN4.05/2108X
Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (15 volumes in 3 record center cartons)
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81936527>

Water consumption records, 1904-1973.

Identifier: EN4.05/2118X
Extent: 26.25 cubic feet (71 volumes (volumes 1-2 lacking) and 3 folders in 21 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80714510>

Meteorological records, 1896-1984.

Identifier: EN4.05/2119X
Extent: 5 cubic feet (4 record center cartons)
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by town, thereunder chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80232550>

Watershed yield records, 1896-1985.

Identifier: EN4.05/2120X
Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80180919>

Distribution Section reservoir water elevation records, 1925-1987.

Identifier: EN4.05/2121X
Extent: 9 file folders (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Alphabetically by reservoir, thereunder chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82113389>

Reservoir capacity tables, 189- -196-.

Identifier: EN4.05/2122X
Extent: 0.56 cubic feet (1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by reservoir.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84185705>

Chief engineer's annual reports, 1964-1973.

Identifier: EN4.05/2124X
Extent: 5 file folders (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82028078>

Division of Sanitary Engineering sewage analysis results from Clinton pumping station, 1919-1926.

Identifier: EN4.05/2129X
Extent: 1 file folder (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District CommissionFiles
for 1921-1922 lacking.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81793049>

Dept. of Health rules and regulations for the sanitary protection of waters of the metropolitan water supply, 1918-1948.

Identifier: EN4.05/2130X
Extent: 5 file folders (partial record center carton)
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/77678991>

Fishing regulation files, 1921-1939.

Identifier: EN4.05/2131X

Extent: 3 file folders (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80923363>

Biological Laboratory water microscopic examination weekly tables, 1903-1954 (bulk 1928-1954).

Identifier: EN4.05/2135X
Extent: 35.23 cubic ft (7 transfer cartons and 2 volumes)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/83554959>

Metropolitan Water Supply Development Committee minutes and records, 1972-1973.

Identifier: EN4.05/2248X
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Metropolitan Water Works photograph collection, 1876-1930 (bulk 1895-1921).

Restriction: Glass plate negatives are restricted: no public access

Identifier: EN4.05/2630X
Extent: 185.7 cubic feet (134 record center cartons and 70 document and other boxes)
Notes: Series includes accessions from the Metropolitan District Commission (1980), Massachusetts Dept. of Conservation and Recreation (2014), and Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (2014). Materials integrated in 2014 to form present series, including transfers from: Massachusetts. Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board. General photographs of the Metropolitan Water Works, 1916 ((M-Ar)887X--entire) and: Massachusetts. Metropolitan District Commission. Construction Division. Water and sewer construction photographs, 1876-1970 ((M-Ar)889X--boxes 1-2, 96-98, 100, and albums constituting subseries 2 of present series). Detailed preservation history of collection, including archival cleaning and rehousing of glass plate negatives (2000-2001) and rehousing of loose photographic prints (2001-2006) by DCR Archives available at electronic link.
Detailed holdings summary by volume: about 7,841 negatives (about 7,839 dry plate glass negatives; 2 film negatives); 618 glass lantern

slides; 71 (including 2 duplicates) bound volumes of photographic prints; about 1,089 loose photographic prints; 20 volumes of annotated MWB/MWSB annual reports, with MWW image nos.; annotated halftone tearsheets from MWB/MWSB annual reports, with MWW image nos. (1.5 sets); documents: MWW lantern slide lists (27-page document; 23-page document; other lists totaling 11 pages); Wachusett Dam design sketches (2), straight dam and curved dam, 1897. --Detailed holdings summary by dimension: dry plate glass negatives (87, 4" x 5"); dry plate glass negatives (51, 5" x 7"); dry plate glass negatives (12, 5" x 8"); dry plate glass negatives (7,558, 6.5" x 8.5"); dry plate glass negatives (134, 8" x 10"); film negative (3" x 3.5"); film negative (7 13/16" x 39.50"); glass lantern slides (3.25" x 4"); loose photographic prints (various sizes, but none larger than 28" x 23").

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/898344983>

Digital surrogates available at:

<https://www.digitalcommonwealth.org/collections/commonwealth:732dh56k>

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Record Group Number: EN4.06

Record Group Name: Metropolitan District Water Supply Commission

Historical Note:

The Metropolitan District Water Supply Commission was established by St 1926, c 375, for the purpose of extending and increasing the water supply of the metropolitan water system, and of such cities and towns not members of the Metropolitan Water District as might require water from that system. Abolished by St 1947, c 583, its functions were transferred to the Metropolitan District Commission, specifically to its Construction Division.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429401>

Related Series:

Deeds of release of Quabbin Reservoir cemetery plots, 1930-1985, bulk 1930-1931.

Identifier: EN4.06/308X
Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)
Index: 1.54 cubic feet (ca. 16,000 cards in 14 boxes); 10 x 15 cm
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by name of representative of deceased.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581483>

Quabbin Reservoir removal files, 1927-1940.

Identifier: EN4.06/309X
Extent: 1.6 cubic feet (1 record center carton and 1 document box)
Arranged: In four subseries:
(1) Grave records
(2) General removals
(3) Cemetery removal records
(4) Removal files;
Arranged within each subseries by cemetery name.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609726>

Quabbin Reservoir reinterment files, 1937-1948.

Identifier: EN4.06/310X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122469484>

Administrative records of real estate takings for the Quabbin Reservoir, 1926-1947.

Identifier: EN4.06/311X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)
Arranged: In five subseries:
(1) Abstracts of deeds
(2) List of Quabbin Reservoir and Ware River property blanks
(3) List of former property owners
(4) Ware Watershed water rights
(5) Real estate takings indexes.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581487>

Quabbin Reservoir cemetery photographs, 1928-1947.

Identifier: EN4.06/680X
Extent: Subseries (1): 2.97 cubic feet (ca. 2100 photographs in 43 volumes in 4 boxes)
Subseries (2): 0.16 cubic feet (ca. 400 photographs : in 4 boxes)
negative

Subseries (3): 0.7 cubic feet (ca. 840 photographs : in 2 document boxes) negative

Arranged: In three subseries.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Dept. of Conservation and Recreation, Sept. 2005 (2005/36)

Copied at Archives from originals transferred from Metropolitan District Commission, 1980 (1980/185), and placed offsite (John E. Allen, Inc., Park Ridge, N.J.) in 1991.

Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission, 1980 (1980/185)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581479>

Annual reports, 1926-1947.

Identifier: EN4.06/1318(subseries)

Extent: 1 document box and 1 pamphlet box

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Public document, no. 147.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122336053>

Quabbin Reservoir real estate photographs, 1927-1950.

Identifier: EN4.06/1335X

Extent: Subseries (1): 2.45 cubic feet (ca. 2030 photographs in 42 volumes in 7 document boxes)

Subseries (2): 0.66 cubic feet (1450 photographs in 11 boxes)

Subseries (3a): 1.4 cubic feet (ca. 2300 photographs : in 4 document boxes) negative

Subseries (3b): 0.9 cubic feet (ca. 3700 photographs : in 22 boxes) negative

Subseries (3c): 0.31 cubic feet (ca. 3300 photographs : in 2 volumes) negative

Arranged: In three subseries.

Notes: Copied from albums loaned to Archives by Metropolitan District Commission, 1980s (State Secretary set, currently located at Dept. of Conservation and Recreation, Belchertown)

Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission, 1980 (1980/185)

Copied at Archives from originals transferred from Metropolitan District Commission, 1980 (1980/185), and placed offsite (John E. Allen, Inc., Park Ridge, N.J.) in 1991.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705145>

Studies for construction of the main Quabbin dam, 1936.

Identifier: EN4.06/1381X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122412406>

Opinions on the Athol branch of the Boston and Albany Railroad, 1933.

Identifier: EN4.06/1386X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122405648>

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Record Group Number: EN4.07**Record Group Name: Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board****Historical Note:**

St 1901, c 168 replaced the Metropolitan Water Board and the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners with the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board. St 1919, c 350, s 123 replaced that board and the Metropolitan Park Commission with the Metropolitan District Commission.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429756>

Related Series:**Annual reports, 1901-1919.**

Identifier: EN4.07/1318(subseries)

Extent: 18 volumes

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Public document, no. 57.

Report for 1906 missing.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145430171>

Minutes, 1901-1919.

Identifier: EN4.07/2093X

Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (14 volumes in 3 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80093321>

Chairman's diary, 1896-1911.

Identifier: EN4.07/2094X
Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (16 volumes in 2 record center cartons, including volumes 1-14 (volumes 15 lacking) and 2 volumes indexes)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/78695894>

Chairman's outgoing correspondence, 1895-1914.

Identifier: EN4.07/2095X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (5 volumes in 1 record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81936518>

Water Works chief engineer's correspondence to Distribution Dept. engineer, 1895-1906.

Identifier: EN4.07/2097X
Extent: 1 volumes in partial record center carton
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79980532>

Water Works Sudbury Dept. engineer's outgoing correspondence, 1896-1904.

Identifier: EN4.07/2098X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (8 volumes in 1 record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705818>

Water Works Wachusett Dept. assistant engineer's correspondence to sanitary inspector, 1913-1917.

Identifier: EN4.07/2100X
Extent: Partial volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/77898578>

Water Works consulting engineers general reports to chief engineer, 1895-1913.

Identifier: EN4.07/2104X
Extent: 4 volumes (partial record center carton)
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79662058>

Water Works Engineering Office Force general reports to chief engineer, 1895-1905.

Identifier: EN4.07/2105X
Extent: 2 volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79715425>

Water Works Distribution Dept. general reports to chief engineer, 1895-1905.

Identifier: EN4.07/2106X
Extent: 2 volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79239264>

Water Works Distribution Dept. engineer's reports to chief engineer, 1895-1907 (bulk 1899-1907).

Identifier: EN4.07/2107X
Extent: 4 volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/77716305>

Water Works Sudbury Dept. general reports to chief engineer, 1896-1903.

Identifier: EN4.07/2109X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (3 volumes in 1 record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81276719>

Water Works Dam and Aqueduct Dept. general reports to chief engineer, 1895-1904.

Identifier: EN4.07/2110X
Extent: 2 volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/78178354>

Water Works Reservoir Dept. general reports to chief engineer, 1896-1905.

Identifier: EN4.07/2111X
Extent: 2 volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82625915>

Water Works Weston Aqueduct Dept. general reports to chief engineer, 1901-1905.

Identifier: EN4.07/2112X
Extent: 1 volumes, 1 file folder (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80830827>

Water Works force accounts, 1896-1919.

Identifier: EN4.07/2113X
Extent: 5 cubic feet (220 volumes in 4 record center cartons)
Arranged: In two subseries:
(1) General force accounts, 1896-1919
(2) Force accounts and diaries for Wachusett Dam, 1899-1905;
Arranged within each subseries chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/83426649>

Water Works permit requests, claims, and complaints, 1896-1903.

Identifier: EN4.07/2117X
Extent: 3 file folders (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by surname or town/company name.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81574239>

Water Works employee history cards, 1895-1919, 1931.

Restriction: Personnel information restricted by statutory provision MGLA c 4, s 7, d 26(c) and c 66A. For conditions of access consult repository

Identifier: EN4.07/2123X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by surname.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81407149>

Sewerage Works apportionment commissioner hearings, awards, and reports, 1899-1905.

Identifier: EN4.07/2126X
Extent: 5 file folders (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80633212>

Committee to Investigate the Purchase of Local Sewers report of hearings, 1904.

Identifier: EN4.07/2127X
Extent: 1 file folder (partial record center carton)
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/83308672>

Water Works Biological Laboratory water microscopic examination annual tables, 1901-1912.

Identifier: EN4.07/2136X
Extent: 20 file folders (partial record center carton)
Arranged: In two sequences:
(1) blueprint
(2) onionskin;
within each sequence arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/83717687>

Abstracts of legislative action pertaining to water supply and sewerage disposal, 1797-1913.

Identifier: EN4.07/2137X
Extent: 2 volumes (partial record center carton)
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Typed on each first recto page: Massachusetts State Board of Health, [X.H.] Goodnough; stamped below it:: George W. Coffin. Coffin (1897-1967) served the Metropolitan District Water Supply Commission (1926-1947) as an assistant civil engineer then as senior civil engineer from 1927-1941.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705825>

Legislative compilations, 1889-1914.

Identifier: EN4.07/2138X

Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/83426657>

Expenditure graphs for Water and Sewerage Works, 1910-1919.

Identifier: EN4.07/2140X
Extent: 1 file folder (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically in two sequences.
Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81094184>

Boston Water Board drawings for the Charles River (Echo) Bridge, Newton Upper Falls, 1875.

Identifier: EN4.07/2692X
Extent: 5 sheets (col.) in 1 folder, numbered 1-4, 6 (20.75"x28.5"; 26"x37.25"; 20.75"x28"; 20.75"x22"; 20.75"x29.75")
Notes: It is possible that the MWRA holds Sheet 5 (Acc. No. Lh60; E467) of the set. Drawings originally recorded in: Series E plans accession log, Metropolitan Water Works, Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board, 1905. All City of Boston Engineer's Office plans of former BWB facilities transferred in 1905 were inventoried and recorded in a plan accession log, designated by the MWW as Series E. This log is in the Dept. of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) archives. All 6 sheets of the 1875 Charles River Bridge set are in the 1905 Inventory, referencing both the original plan accession number (Lh&) and the new E number: E464-E468 (Lh57-Lh61), and E509 (Lh104). The transfer from BWB to MWSB is documented in the 1905 MWSB 5th Annual Report published in 1906 (p. 107). Drawings were transferred from the City of Boston Engineering Dept. to the MWSB, Water Works Dept., in 1905; and inherited by the MDC Water Division in 1919 (St 1919, c 350, s 123). Around the early 1980s, MDC staff gave the plans to the New England Water Works Association (NEWWA; est. 1882). The NEWWA donated/returned them to the Commonwealth, through the DCR Archives, on Aug. 31, 2016. At that time, each drawing was removed from its 1980s frame. The drawings were found loose in each frame, and not adhered to any support backing. Each one was digitally scanned on a 42-inch color plans scanner (300 dpi resolution; PDF; TIFF; JPG). Copies of these digital scans were provided by the DCR Archives to NEWWA, Metropolitan

Waterworks Museum (Chestnut Hill High Service Pumping Station), and the MWRA, as part of the inter-organization arrangement for the return of the drawings. They were subsequently transferred from DCR to Massachusetts Archives, Oct. 2016.

Photographs, 1890-1921

Identifier: EN4.07/2732X
Extent: 0.23 cubic feet (84 items in 1 box)
Notes: Consists of transfers from: Massachusetts. Metropolitan District Commission. Construction Division, 1928-1970 (EN4.12/889X), former boxes 8 and 99 (see 889X finding aid series control file copy). Box 99 originally transferred to Archives by Massachusetts Institute of Technology Archives, Jan. 13, 1997 (1997/5). Box 8 Deer Island Pumping Station photographs copied from originals in Metropolitan District Commission archives ca. 1985 by Boston Affiliates, Inc. as part of Deer Island Pumping Station documentation project for Historic American Engineering Record; presented to Archives by Boston Affiliates, Inc., Dec. 20, 1991.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/987265476>

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Record Group Number: EN4.08

Record Group Name: Metropolitan Water Board

Historical Note:

The Metropolitan Water Board was established by St 1895, c 488 to construct, maintain, and operate a system of metropolitan water works for the Metropolitan Water District, consisting of Boston and surrounding communities. In 1901 it was abolished and its functions transferred to a Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board (St 1901, c 168).

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429409>

Related Series:

Reports of the Distribution Department, 1898-1901.

Identifier: EN4.08/342X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (2 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581514>

Annual reports, 1895-1900.

Identifier: EN4.08/1318(subseries)

Extent: 6 volumes

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Public document, no. 57.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122405573>

Minutes, 1895-1901.

Identifier: EN4.08/2092X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (7 volumes in 1 record center carton and partial record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80093342>

Northboro engineer's office outgoing correspondence, 1897-1899.

Identifier: EN4.08/2099X

Extent: Partial volumes (partial record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80172523>

Engineering Dept. dimensions and weights of pipes, castings, and valves, 1897-1899.

Identifier: EN4.08/2114X

Extent: 2 volumes (partial record center carton)

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79151743>

Engineering Dept. diagrams of discharges and velocities for sewers and pipes, 1897.

Identifier: EN4.08/2115X

Extent: 1 volumes (partial record center carton)

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79287312>

Engineering Dept. Wachusett Aqueduct construction records, 1898.

Identifier: EN4.08/2116X

Extent: 1 volumes (partial record center carton)

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84004437>

Boston Water Board Eastern Division calculation books, 1878-1895.

Identifier: EN4.08/2133X

Extent: 3 volumes (partial record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79292847>

Biological Laboratory files, 1890-1898.

Identifier: EN4.08/2134X

Extent: 7 file folders (partial record center carton)

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79843130>

Chief engineer's study photographs of larger masonry dams of the world built or under construction, 1897-1899.

Identifier: EN4.08/2639X

Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (11 file folders in 1 document box)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/900612790>

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Record Group Number: EN4.09

Record Group Name: Charles River Basin Commission

Historical Note:

When the Division of Waterways was transferred from the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering (DEQE) to the Dept. of Environmental Management by St 1983, c 289, s 61; c 589, ss 15-16, DEQE retained those functions of the division relating to the licensing and permitting of structures and activities within the tidelands and waterways of the Commonwealth (St 1983, c 589, s 20). These were combined with the functions of DEQE's Division of Wetlands, which was replaced by the Division of Wetland Protection and Waterways Regulation. By 1988 it was known as the Division of Wetlands and Waterways Regulation, and by 1989 as the Division of Wetlands and Waterways, at which time DEQE was renamed Dept. of Environmental Protection (St 1989, c 240)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429389>

Related Series:

Engineer calculation and field notebooks, 1903-1910.

Identifier: EN4.09/891X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton and partial document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581510>

Contracts for construction of the Charles River Dam, 1905-1910.

Identifier: EN4.09/1065X
Extent: 1.6 cubic feet (6 volumes in 1 record center carton and 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged by contract number.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122521190>

Annual reports, 1903-1910.

Identifier: EN4.09/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 pamphlet box
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Public document, no. 71.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122643400>

Construction photographs.

Identifier: EN4.09/2299X
Extent: 8 document boxes

Minutes, 1903-1910.

Identifier: EN4.09/2786X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (2 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429389>
Digital surrogates:
http://digitalarchives.sec.state.ma.us/uncategorised/deliverableUnit_6cfd05e8-95e7-436e-92f0-cc575ba1c08b/.

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Record Group Number: EN4.10

Record Group Name: Metropolitan Park Commission

Historical Note:

St 1893, c 407, established the Metropolitan Park Commission, also known as the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, to acquire, maintain, and make available to the public for exercise and recreation open space in Boston and surrounding communities to be known as the Metropolitan Parks District. The legislation set limits to be observed in acquiring property, but granted the commission authority to make and enforce regulations for its use.

The commission's responsibilities were extended to the construction and maintenance of roadways necessary to make parks accessible to the public. In this capacity, it could appraise and take land, set rules to govern its use, and appoint police for enforcement (St 1894, c 288), and cooperate with cities and towns to maintain roads adjacent to the parks (St 1896, c 465). Improvement of parks for recreational use included furnishing band concerts (St 1906, c 375) and establishing a zoo at the Middlesex Fells area (St 1907, c 449)

St 1893, c 475 had authorized the commission and the State Board of Health to investigate and improve sanitary conditions of the Charles River. St 1907, c 404 granted the commission joint authority with the Charles River Basin Commission to license boat clubs to construct boathouses, landings, and floats. On the abolition of the Charles River Basin Commission in 1910, its responsibilities were transferred to the Metropolitan Park Commission, including, as defined by St 1909, c 524, those for construction, maintenance, and improvement of dams and bridges on the river and for licensing boathouses, landings, and other structures. Authority to control pollution in the Charles River Basin, also included in the act, was strengthened by St 1914, c 531.

In 1919 the Metropolitan Park Commission was abolished along with the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board, and their combined functions were transferred to a new Metropolitan District Commission (St 1919, c 350, s 123)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429547>

Related Series:**Outgoing general correspondence from the Claim Dept., 1895-1901.**

Identifier: EN4.10/1056X

Extent: 1.42 cubic feet (11 volumes in 1 record center carton and 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122357401>

Correspondence from the Claim Dept. to the secretary, 1895-1901.

Identifier: EN4.10/1058X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (3 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Scheduled as: Land claim letterbooks.
Vols. numbered 2-4. Volume 1 (1894?-1895) lacking.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122560405>

Outgoing correspondence from the general superintendent of reservations, 1894-1896.

Identifier: EN4.10/1059X
Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (2 volumes in 1 document box)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically
Notes: In 1896 the post of General Superintendent was replaced with a Superintendence Dept.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122591022>

Correspondence from the Law Dept. to the secretary, 1895-1919.

Identifier: EN4.10/1060X
Extent: 0.7 cubic feet (5 volumes in 2 doc boxes)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122591014>

Annual reports, 1892-1919.

Identifier: EN4.10/1318(subseries)
Extent: 27 volumes
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Public document, no. 48.
Report for 1894 missing.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86123333>

Reports from Secretary to Board Commissions re: reservations, 1895-1911.

Identifier: EN4.10/2231X
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Hearings awards and reports by Apportionment Commissioners, 1905-1915.

Identifier: EN4.10/2239X
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Report of Flora of Reservations, 1896.

Identifier: EN4.10/2242X

Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Metropolitan Park Employees Union files, 1919.

Identifier: EN4.10/2243X

Extent: 0.5 record center carton

Preliminary Board minutes, 1892-1893.

Identifier: EN4.10/2787X

Extent: 0.17 cubic foot (1 volume and 1 file folder in 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/1039097499>

Digital surrogate:

http://digitalarchives.sec.state.ma.us/uncategorised/collection_4ec77bfe-5834-4ceb-87b3-46c82dea803f/

Metropolitan Park Commission founder and commissioner portrait photographs, 1892-1907.

Identifier: EN4.10/2791X

Extent: 1 document box

Minutes, 1893-1919.

Identifier: EN4.10/2796X

Extent: 5 cubic feet (4 records center cartons)

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Record Group Number: EN4.11

Record Group Name: Metropolitan District Commission – Police Division

Historical Note:

St 1873, c 407, s 4, authorized the Metropolitan Park Commission to appoint police to enforce its rules and regulations. St 1919, c 350, s 128, stated the police appointed by its successor, the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC), had in the metropolitan parks, water, and sewerage districts all the powers of police officers and constables of cities and towns of the Commonwealth except that of serving and executing civil process. Originally known as the Police Department of the MDC's Parks Division, the police were treated as a

separate unit by 1930; by 1935 they were again known as the Police Department, and in the 1940s as the Metropolitan District Police. By 1961 they were formally established as the police Division of the MDC (also known in the 1980s as the Metro Police Department). Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429829>

Related Series:

Photographs of police activities, 1950-1979.

Identifier: EN4.11/1325

Extent: 0.31 cubic feet (ca. 50 photographs and ca. 400 photographs : negative (--in 1 box) 10 x 13 cm.)

Arranged: Arranged by subject.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122506062>

Central activity logbooks, 1889-1992.

Identifier: EN4.11/2497X

Extent: 165 cubic feet (126 record center cartons, 7 boxes and 1 volume)

Note: Transferred to Archives from Department of Conservation and Recreation, November, 2005.

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Record Group Number: EN4.12

Record Group Name: Metropolitan District Commission – Engineering Division

Historical Note:

St 1947, c 583, which abolished the Metropolitan Water Supply Commission, placed all its water and sewerage system projects then under construction within the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC), which has authorized to establish a Division of Construction. The Construction Division, as it was called, carried out construction projects for the commission's Water and Sewerage Divisions. By 1972 it was known as the Engineering (or Construction Engineering) Division. By 1975 it had absorbed the functions of the Division of Parks Engineering. In 1981, in reorganization of the MDC, the division was abolished, and its functions distributed among Parks, Water, and Sewerage Divisions. Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429802>

Related Series:

Water and sewer construction photographs, 1928-1970.

Identifier: EN4.12/889X

Extent: 31 cubic feet (80 document boxes and 40 boxes); Digital surrogates (contracts 115, 117, 193, 338): 576 MB including metadata

Arranged: Arranged by project or contract no.

Notes: Transferred chiefly from Metropolitan District Commission, 1980 (1980/179) --copied from originals in MDC archives ca. 1985 by Boston Affiliates, Inc. as part of Deer Island Pumping Station documentation project for Historic American Engineering Record; presented to Archives by Boston Affiliates, Inc., Dec. 20, 1991. -- removed to: Massachusetts. Metropolitan District Commission. Metropolitan Water Works photograph collection, 1876-1930 ((M-Ar)2630X) --removed to: Massachusetts. Charles River Basin Commission. Construction photographs ((M-Ar)2299X); Massachusetts. Metropolitan District Commission. Parks contract photographs ((M-Ar)1326) --transferred to Archives by Massachusetts Institute of Technology Archives, Jan. 13, 1997 (1997/5); some items later removed to box 1, then to series (M-Ar)2630X, subseries 3, box 11. --7600 series MWW photographic print albums chiefly removed to series (M-Ar)2630X as subseries 2, with paper copy prints (chiefly boxes 101-108) deaccessioned.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180702962>

Digital surrogates:

http://digitalarchives.sec.state.ma.us/uncategorised/collection_3919560c-aaca-4bfe-882e-eea150fca08b/

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Record Group Number: EN4.13

Record Group Name: Division of Metropolitan Planning

Historical Note:

St 1923, c 399 established the Division of Metropolitan Planning within the Metropolitan District Commission to investigate and make recommendations as to transportation services and facilities within the district. St 1925, c 129 reconstituted its membership. St 1941, c 466 abolished the division, transferring its powers and duties to the State Planning Board.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429688>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1923-1940.

Identifier: EN4.13/1318(subseries)
Extent: partial document box
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Public document, no. 142.
Report for 1932 missing.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122419900>

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Record Group Number: EN4.14

Record Group Name: Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners

Historical Note:

The Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, known also as the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission (or, as in series EN4.07/2138X, Metropolitan Sewerage Board), was established by St 1889, c 439 to oversee sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys. It was abolished by St 1901, c 168, which combined its functions with those of the Metropolitan Water Board to form the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429756>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1891-1901.

Identifier: EN4.14/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 pamphlet box and 24 volumes
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122419920>

Minutes, 1889-1901.

Identifier: EN4.14/2091X
Extent: 4 volumes (partial record center carton)
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Metropolitan District Commission
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81001301>

History of main drainage works, 1899.

Identifier: EN4.14/2249X
Extent: 0.5 record center carton

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Record Group Number: EN4.15

Record Group Name: Committee on Charles River Dam

Historical Note:

Resolves 1901, c 105 authorized the governor to appoint a committee to investigate and report to the General Court by next session on the feasibility and desirability of constructing and maintaining a dam across the Charles River between Boston and Cambridge, with the committee's expenses to be paid by the two cities. Resolves 1902, c 103 extended the deadline for its report to Jan. 1903. That report led to the creation of the Charles River Basin Commission (St 1903, c 465)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122656187>

Related Series:

Diversion of Boston sewage files, 1902-1903.

Identifier: EN4.15/1805X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)
Arranged: In two subseries:
(1) Notes and computations
(2) Finished tables, maps, and blueprints;
Arranged within each subseries by subject.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122613899>

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Record Group Number: EN5

Record Group Name: Division of Fisheries and Wildlife

Historical Note:

Massachusetts St 1866, c 238 appointed commissioners of fisheries in the Merrimack and Connecticut rivers to examine dams and establish and enforce fishways to allow free passage of fish. St 1867, c 344 expanded their powers to all rivers in the Commonwealth. St 1869, c 384, which detailed further regulations of waterways and fisheries, formally renamed the 1866 commissioners as the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries.

St 1886, c 276, s 7 extended the duties of the commissioners to additionally protect and preserve game (birds and animals) as well, now naming them the Board of Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game (in agency reports: Commissioners on Fisheries and Game). St 1902 c 178 gave the Board general authority to conduct investigations on fish and fisheries and game. With the establishment of the Dept. of Conservation in 1919, a Division of Fisheries and Game (St 1919, c 350, 43) was placed within it, including a director and staff to exercise the functions of the now superseded Board.

St 1929, c 372 established a marine fisheries section in the Division, under a State Supervisor of Marine Fisheries (replaced by 1939, c 491 with a separate Division of Marine Fisheries (q.v., EN5.05)) which was responsible for managing salt water fishing, including shell fishing and lobstering. The same 1939 act established a Division of Wildlife Research and Management. The State Ornithologist was added to the Division of Fisheries and Game per St 1934, c 173 (the Division of Ornithology was previously in the Dept. of Agriculture).

The Bureau of Law Enforcement was established within the Division of Fisheries and Game per St 1941, c 599. Per St 1948, c 651, a major reorganization of the Dept. of Conservation, the bureau was made a separate Division of Law Enforcement (s 1, i.e., MGL c 21, s 5) (q.v., EN5.02), and the Division of Wildlife Research and Management was converted into a bureau within the Division of Fisheries and Game (s 1, i.e., MGL c 21, s 7), now administered by a Board of Fisheries and Game (s 1, i.e., MGL c 21, s 2).

The Dept. of Conservation with its divisions became the Dept. of Natural Resources per St 1953, c 631. Per St 1974, c 806 the Dept. of Natural Resources (placed in the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs per St 1969, c 704, s 3, effective Apr. 30, 1971) was abolished, and its parts distributed among the agencies of an Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (as reorganized per the 1974 act), including a Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Recreational Vehicles, which contained the Division of Fisheries and Game. St 1975, c 706, s 56 renamed that unit the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (administered by the renamed Board of Fisheries and Wildlife). St 1985, c 231, s 11, c 557 renamed the department the Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Environmental Law Enforcement, known since 2003 as the Dept. of Fish and Game. It still includes the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, now also known as the Division of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife or MassWildlife. The division's functions are currently described in MGLA c 131, s 1A et seq.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429706>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1903-1965.

Identifier: EN5/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 document box and 4 pamphlet boxes
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.
Notes: Public document, no. 25.
Reports for 1904, 1908, 1910, 1912-1914, 1940-1947 missing.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122656230>

David Lawrence Belding collection of state biological research records: General files, 1912-1920

Identifier: EN5/2595X
Extent: 4.85 cubic feet (3 record center cartons, 2 doc. boxes, 4 boxes)
Notes: Presented to the Archives, Aug. 2012 and Aug. 2013, by Dr. Jonathan Eldredge, Albuquerque, NM, on behalf of descendants of David Lawrence Belding.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/969907557>

David Lawrence Belding collection of state biological research records: Waterways survey files, 1900-1922

Identifier: EN5/2695X
Extent: 1.52 cubic feet (4 boxes)
Arranged: In two subseries:
Contents: Subseries (1) Box 1: Forms for ponds A-G. Box 2: Forms for ponds H-O. Box 3: Forms for ponds P-Y. Box 4: (1) Lists of ponds by county/town (June-August 1911; includes info on acreage, outlet): Berkshire, Bristol, Dukes, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth, Worcester. (2) Types of fish found, by pond, April-June 1915. (3) Pond vegetation. (4) Ponds miscellaneous. (5) Lists of ponds by river system.
Subseries (2): Massachusetts streams and brooks reference files, 1914
Notes: Presented to the Archives, Aug. 2012 and Aug. 2013, by Dr. Jonathan Eldredge, Albuquerque, NM, on behalf of descendants of David Lawrence Belding.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/969908672>

Record Group Number: EN5.02

Record Group Name: Department of Fisheries, Wildlife and Environmental Law Enforcement

Historical Note:

St 1941, c 599, s 3 established in Massachusetts a Bureau of Law Enforcement within the Division of Fisheries and Game of the Dept. of Conservation, to direct conservation officers and game wardens. St 1948, c 651 made the body a separate Division of Law Enforcement within the department. St 1953, c 631, s 1 placed it in the department's successor, the Dept. of Natural Resources. Personnel were reconstituted by St 1964, c 524, s 1. St 1974, c 806, which abolished the Dept. of Natural Resources, placed the division in the office of the secretary of environmental affairs (Executive Office of Environmental Affairs) (s 1). (See also St 1975, c 706, s 50). St 1981, c 760, s 2 placed the division in the Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Recreational Vehicles (redesignated by St 1985, c 231, s 4 as the Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Environmental Law Enforcement). The division (now renamed Office of Law Enforcement) returned to the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs per St 2003, c 26, s 113. Its functions are currently described in MGLA c 21A, s 10A.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429694>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1956-1969.

Identifier: EN5.02/1318(subseries)

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Holdings: 1957-1959, 1961, 1963-1966, and 1968-1969

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122581564>

Record Group Number: EN5.05

Record Group Name: Division of Marine Fisheries

Historical Note:

St 1929, c 372 established in Massachusetts the post of State Supervisor of Marine Fisheries in the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (Dept. of Conservation). St 1939, c 491, ss 1 and 8 established a separate Division of Marine Fisheries in the department, responsible for managing salt water fishing, including shell fishing and lobstering. St 1953, c 631 placed the division in the Dept. of Natural Resources. St 1974, c 806, s 1 (also St 1975, c 706, s 49) in turn placed it in the Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Recreational Vehicles (redesignated by St 1985, c 231, s 3 as the Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Environmental Law Enforcement, and known since 2003 as the Dept. of Fish and Game). The division's functions are currently described in MGLA c 130.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429710>

Related Series:**Annual reports, 1957-1969.**

Identifier: EN5.05/1318(subseries)

Extent: 0.54 cubic feet (3 document boxes)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Holdings: 1957-1959, 1961, 1963-1966, and 1968-1969

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145430164>

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Record Group Number: EN6**Record Group Name: Department of Environmental Management****Historical Note:**

The Dept. of Environmental Management (DEM) was established pursuant to St 1974, c 806 (effective July 1975), superseding the Dept. of Natural Resources, and including its Board of Natural Resources (renamed Board of Environmental Management per St 1975, c 706, s 36); also its Division of Forest and Parks and Division of Water Resources (but not its divisions of fisheries and game, law enforcement, conservation services, marine fisheries, and mineral resources, placed elsewhere) and the Bureau of Solid Waste Disposal of the Dept. of Public Works. The Division of Waterways (construction function only) was transferred to DEM from the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering (DEQE) per St

1983, c 289, s 61 and c 589, s 16. The Bureau of Solid Waste Disposal was deleted from DEM per St 1987, c 584, s 2A and its functions transferred to DEQE.

The department's stated function per MGLA c 21 is to exercise general care and oversight of the Commonwealth's natural resources and adjacent waters; to propose and carry out measures for their protection, conservation, control, use, increase, and development; and to carry on related investigations and research.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429623>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1971-1986.

Identifier: EN6/1162

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Scheduled as: Unpublished annual reports.

Reports for 1975-1976, 1978, 1983 missing.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122564439>

Board of Environmental Management minutes, 1975-2002.

Identifier: EN6/1163

Extent: 3.02 cubic feet (2 document boxes and 2 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Arranged in 2 subseries: (1) minutes (2) background documents, thereunder chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122556587>

Digital surrogates:

http://digitalarchives.sec.state.ma.us/uncategorised/collection_aeb27533-131f-4784-a244-760e21536777/

Plan of picnic grounds at Concord, 1880.

Identifier: EN6/1337X

Extent: 1 leaf (1 folder)

Notes: Scheduled under the department's Division of Planning and Development.

Title proper: Picnic grounds at Concord.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/77898575>

Map of Metropolitan District, 1933.

Identifier: EN6/1822X

Extent: 1 roll

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81865269>

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Record Group Number: EN6.02

Record Group Name: Division of Forests and Parks

Historical Note:

St 1953, c 631, which replaced the Dept. of Conservation with the Dept. of Natural Resources, combined the functions of the Division of Forestry and the Division of Parks and Recreation of the former department to form the Division of Forests and Parks, having oversight of state forests and parks. St 1968, c 501 transferred to its control oversight of beaches and beach reservations previously under the control of the Division of Waterways, then in the Dept. of Public Works. St 1974, c 806, s 1 (effective July 1975), and more specifically St 1975, c 706, s 35 placed the division in the Dept. of Environmental Management. Its functions are currently described in MGLA c 21, ss 4-4G and c 132.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429701>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1957-1969.

Identifier: EN6.02/1318 (subseries)

Extent: 1 document box

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Reports for 1958, 1960-1961, 1967 missing.
Reports for 1957, 1959, 1964 incomplete.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144253>

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Record Group Number: EN6.04

Record Group Name: Division of Water Resources

Historical Note:

The Water Resources Commission was established per Massachusetts St 1956, c 620 under the Dept. of Natural Resources, with a Division of Water Resources as the operating agency of the commission. A permanent division office and staff were instituted as of 1959. Among its duties were to rule on projects in wetlands areas, per the Flood Plains Protection ("Hatch") Act (St 1965, c 220), and the Wetlands Protection Act (St 1967, c 802). The 1977

annual report of the Dept. of Environmental Management (see below) summarized the mandate of the commission (and by extension the division) as responsibility for the study of the needs, supplies, and resources of the Commonwealth with respect to private and public use of water, water conservation, and flood damage prevention.

The Dept. of Natural Resources including its Water Resources Commission and Division of Water Resources was placed in the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, created per St 1969, c 704 (effective Apr. 30, 1971). A reorganization of the executive office through St 1974, c 806 and St 1975, c 706 (both effective July 1975) discontinued the Dept. of Natural Resources, replacing it with, among others, the Dept. of Environmental Management (DEM), which included the Division of Water Resources, and the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering, which assumed from its predecessor regulatory powers over wetlands, and included the Water Resources Commission, to which the Division of Water Resources was still subject.

Per St 1983, c 589, the Water Resources Commission was placed directly into the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, while the Division of Water Resources continued under the sole authority of DEM, assuming most of the commission's responsibilities. Nevertheless, St 1983, c 658, the Interbasin Transfer Act, designated the division to provide staff support for the commission's new responsibilities for reviewing and approving or denying all increases in interbasin transfer, such as diversion of water from one river basin system to another.

In 2003, DEM and the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) merged to form the Dept. of Conservation and Recreation, under which the Division of Water Resources became the Office of Water Resources.

Related Series:

Interbasin Transfer Application Records – Brockton case file, 1983-1986

Identifier: EN6.04/2305X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Additional description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/1035948175>

Wetlands project files, 1965-1971

Identifier: EN6.04/2782X

Extent: 11.25 cubic feet (9 record center cartons)

Additional description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/1035947880>

Inspection requests, 1966-1972

Identifier: EN6.04/2783X
Extent: 3.75 cubic feet (3 record center cartons)
Notes: Contents (by box): (1) M1-145 (June 1966-Mar. 1970).
(2) M146-244 (Apr. 1970-Aug. 1971).
(3) M246-330 (Aug. 1971-June 1972), M353 (Nov. 1972), M 357 (Nov. 1972)
Additional description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/1035948004>

Land taking files, 1963-1968

Identifier: EN6.04/2784X
Extent: 3 boxes
Notes: Contents (by box): (1) Quabog River Watershed, 1965, for Kitteridge site and Lamberton site in Sandisfield, and the Rice River site in Brookfield.
(2) Rice Reservoir, 1966. Also U.S. Corps of Army Engineers tidewater permit files, 1963-1968, sent to the Division of Water Resources.
(3) Clam River Watershed, 1965, Sandisfield. Three Rivers flood control appraisal reports, Palmer.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/1035948118>

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Record Group Number: EN6.022

Record Group Name: Bureau of Shade Tree Management and Pest Control

Historical Note:

St 1905, c 381, s 2 mandated the gubernatorially appointed post of Superintendent for Suppressing the Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths. St 1909, c 263 abolished the post and added its responsibilities to those of the state forester, who pursuant to St 1919, c 350, c 42 became director of the Division of Forestry in the Dept. of Conservation. St 1937, c 415, s 2 extended the director's jurisdiction to the suppression of tent caterpillars. St 1948, c 660 placed the responsibility for regulating suppression of foliage-destroying insect pests (pests, per St 1949, c 761, s 1) declared to be public nuisances (MGLA c 132, s 11) with the post of Chief Moth Superintendent, reporting directly to the commissioner of conservation.

By 1953 the chief moth superintendent headed the Dept. of Conservation's Bureau of Insect Pest Control, which was mandated to continue in the Division of Forests and Parks in the new Dept. of Natural Resources and was made responsible for all tree spraying projects on state property (St 1953, c 631, s 1).

The head's title was changed to Chief Superintendent by St 1956, c 657, s 1. St 1985, c 765 (approved 1986) renamed the unit the Bureau of Shade Tree Management and Pest Control (since 1975, with its parent division, in the Dept. of Environmental Management) and extended its functions to shade tree management on state property and to providing technical, consulting, and financial assistance to municipalities in this as well as in suppression of pests. The agency's functions are currently described in MGLA c 21, s 4C; and c 132, ss 1A, 11-26G. (See also c 37.)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122560337>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1957-1964

Identifier: EN6.022/1318 (subseries)

Extent: 1 document box

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Record Group Number: EN6.023

Record Group Name: Bureau of Fire Control

Historical Note:

St 1911, c 722 provided for the appointment of an assistant to the state forester, the post to be that of State Fire Warden, to aid and advise municipal forest wardens in preventing and extinguishing forest fires and to report annually on forest fires in the Commonwealth. By 1951 the post was more commonly designated as that of Chief Fire Warden (now within the Division of Forestry, Dept. of Conservation), and St 1953, c 631, s 1 designated that title for the chief of the Bureau of Fire Control (usually referred to as the Bureau of Forest Fire Control until the 1970s) in the Division of Forests and Parks, Dept. of Natural Resources (Dept. of Environmental Management since 1975). The title State Fire Warden is still used in the enabling legislation, however (MGLA c 48, s 28). The bureau's functions are currently described in MGLA c 21, s 4D and c 48.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429877>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1957-1964

Identifier: EN6.023/1318 (sub-series)

Extent: 1 document box

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Record Group Number: EN6.024

Record Group Name: Bureau of Recreation

Historical Note:

St 1931, c 391, s 3 provided for a Division of Parks in the Dept. of Conservation to care for and maintain any Commonwealth park or reservation outside the Metropolitan Parks District, on petition by county commissioners, or with their approval on petition by the board or commission charged with the care of such park or reservation. St 1941, c 490, s 37 renamed the unit Division of Parks and Recreation. St 1953, c 631, which replaced the Dept. of Conservation with the Dept. of Natural Resources, transferred the division's functions to a Bureau of Recreation, Division of Forests and Parks, in the new department (s 1; see also St 1954, c 419, s 3). The bureau and division are currently in the Dept. of Environmental Management (St 1974, c 806, s 1; St 1975, c 706, s 35). The agency's functions are currently described in MGLA c 21, s 4E and c 132A.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122656180>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1957-1964

Identifier: EN6.024/1318 (sub-series)

Extent: 1 document box

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Record Group Number: EN6.025

Record Group Name: Bureau of Forest Development

Historical Note:

St 1953, c 631, s 1 established the Bureau of Forest Development in the Division of Forests and Parks, Dept. of National Resources (Dept. of Environmental Management since 1975). Responsible for forest management practices, reforestation, and development of forest or wooded areas under the control of the department and for monitoring of those in private hands, its head holds the title of Chief Forester, an official who by 1951 already existed in the Division of Forestry, Dept. of Conservation. The bureau continues the functions of that division, except for fire control. They are described in MGLA c 21, s 4F; c 48, s 16; c 61; and c 132, ss 40-46.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429880>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1957-1964

Identifier: EN6.025/1318 (sub-series)
Extent: 1 document box

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Record Group Number: EN6.028

Record Group Name: Wachusett Mountain State Reservation Commission

Related Series:

Minutes, 1914-1919

Identifier: EN6.028/2799X
Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 records center carton)

Record Group Number: EN7

Record Group Name: Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Office

Historical Note:

The Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Program was designated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on Apr. 24, 1978 "to establish values and priorities for the use of coastal resources," having received federal approval under the Coastal Zone

Management Act of 1972, PL 92-583. It has been administered by an Office of Coastal Zone Management (cf. St 1979, c 610) within the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, which was later legislatively authorized by St 1983, c 589, s 13 (there called: Coastal Zone Management Office) to "adopt, and from time to time amend rules, regulations, procedures, standards, guidelines, and policies which shall constitute the Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Program...to secure for the inhabitants of the Commonwealth the objectives and benefits of the federal Coastal Zone Management Act." The director of the office also serves as an assistant secretary of the Executive Office of Environmental Protection.

While not a state regulatory agency, the office does review all activities directly affecting the coastal zone that require federal permits, to ensure that these are in compliance with approved state environmental management mandates such as provided in the Coastal Wetlands Restriction Act (St 1965, c 768). The office also reviews coastal-zone related projects requiring state or local permits; works with other state agencies to improve regulatory mechanisms to protect coastal resources and to set coastal management policies and priorities; provides technical assistance and facilitates financial assistance to coastal communities; and supports coastal-related scientific studies, mapping products, and citizen participation.

The Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Plan under which the office operates includes regulatory policies (13) that call for protecting ecologically significant resource areas, and those of unique productivity; supporting national water quality goals; controlling construction and flood or erosion control permits, dredging construction and flood or erosion control permits, dredging projects, offshore sand and gravel mining, tideland industrial use, energy facilities, exploration and production of offshore oil and gas resources (with evaluation of alternative sources of energy and offshore mining), and subsurface waste discharge; protecting designated scenic rivers; and reviewing developments in or near historic districts or sites or public recreation sites.

Nonregulatory policies (14) include encouraging and assisting commercial fisheries; ensuring appropriate public works projects within the coastal flood plain; encouraging conservation or recreational use of hazard-prone areas; providing funding for flooding and erosion protection; encouraging development appropriate to community character and scenic resources; promoting public benefit from channel dredging; encouraging redevelopment of urban waterfronts; improving public access to and increasing capacity of coastal recreation facilities; assisting developers of private recreational facilities and sites that increase public access to the shoreline; expanding and acquiring public recreational areas; expanding energy conservation; ensuring that public transportation and wastewater projects serve existing developed areas; and encouraging revitalization of existing development centers in the coastal zone.

The office sponsors scientific studies, inventories, and mapping projects that include natural resources and waterfront facilities. Liaison with the public is facilitated by the Coastal Resources Advisory Board, instituted in 1978 and consisting of representatives of user groups appointed by the Executive Office of Environmental Protection, and citizen advisory committees.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82023259>

Related Series:

Shoreline change maps, 1985-1987.

Identifier: EN7/883X

Extent: 236 maps in 5 folders

Arranged: Arranged by region (North Shore, South Shore, Buzzards Bay, Cape Cod, and The Islands), thereunder numerically. Each regional folder includes index map.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79089650>

Chronological correspondence, 1975-1994 (bulk 1977-1994).

Identifier: EN7/1006

Extent: 10 cubic feet (8 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82944237>

Project review case files, 1977-1990.

Identifier: EN7/1022

Extent: 25 cubic feet (20 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by municipality, thereunder by project code/year.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122412347> [Back to Top](#)

Record Group Number: EN8

Record Group Name: Water Resources Commission

Historical Note:

The Water Resources Commission, chaired by the commissioner of natural resources, was established by St 1956, c 620 to supervise and control the Division of Water Resources in the Department of Natural Resources; and to coordinate the activities of federal, state, and other agencies in conservation, development, utilization, and disposal of water for preventing loss of life and damage to property by erosion, floodwater, and sediment in the watersheds of the Commonwealth. Per St 1966, c 685 it was also put in an advisory relationship to the Division of Water Pollution Control in the Department of Natural Resources (transferred to the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering per St 1974, c 806).

St 1975, c 706, which along with St 1974, c 806 replaced the Department of Natural Resources with the Department of Environmental Management in a new Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, put the Water Resources Commission, which still supervises the department's Division of Water Resources, under the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering (s 60). The division was put directly under the control of the Department of Environmental Management by St 1983, c 589, s 1, while by s 18 the commission was put directly under the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, whose secretary chairs it, and was made responsible for development of water resources management policy and coordination of water resources planning and management functions within the executive office; it was also to promulgate rules and regulations relating to river basins of the Commonwealth, per St 1983, c 658.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429407>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1957-1969.

Identifier: EN8/1318(subseries)
Extent: 1 document box
Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

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Record Group Number: EN9

Record Group Name: Division of Conservation Services

Historical Note:

St 1963, c 664 established the Division of Conservation Services in the Dept. of Natural Resources. (Within it was established the Committee for Conservation of Soil, Water, and Related Resources as the legal successor to the State Soil Conservation Committee in the Dept. of Agriculture, established by St 1945, c 531.) St 1974, c 806, s 1 and St 1975, c 706, s 68 placed the division (and committee) within the office of the secretary of environmental affairs (Executive Office of Environmental Affairs). The division's functions, currently described in MGLA c 21, ss 18-25A, are to assist regional conservation districts and municipal conservation, park, and recreation commissions to preserve and acquire open space.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429697>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1965-1989.

Identifier: EN9/1318(subseries)

Extent: 1 document box

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Report for 1967, 1970-1977 missing.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122613877>

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Record Group Number: EN10

Record Group Name: Department of Natural Resources

Historical Note:

St 1919, c 350, ss 39-44 established the Dept. of Conservation. St 1953, c 631 replaced it with the Dept. of Natural Resources. St 1974, c 806, s 1 (effective July 1975) replaced that department with the Dept. of Environmental Management with these exceptions: its Division of Mineral Resources and its regulatory powers over wetlands (MGLA c 131, s 40) were placed in the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering; the Division of Marine Fisheries and the Division of Fisheries and Game (renamed Division of Fisheries and Wildlife) were placed in the Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Recreational Vehicles; and the Division of Law Enforcement and the Division of Conservation Services were placed in the office of the secretary of environmental affairs (Executive Office of Environmental Affairs). Further modifications in MGLA c 21 were made per St 1975, c 706.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429601>

Related Series:

Annual Reports, 1951-1968.

Identifier: EN10/1318(subseries)

Extent: 4 document boxes

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122560412>

Report on geology of Massachusetts, 1965.

Identifier: EN10/2004

Extent: 1 volume

Note: Transferred to Archives, Feb. 1992. Source unrecorded

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122297786>

Board of Natural Resources minutes, 1953-1975.

Identifier: EN10/2788X

Extent: 1 cubic feet (1 records center carton)

Arranged: Arranged in 2 subseries: (1) minutes (2) background documents.

Additional description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/1039097538>

Digital Surrogates:

http://digitalarchives.sec.state.ma.us/uncategorised/collection_4511d348-9e56-495a-99a4-62dcf0813c79/

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Record Group Number: EN10.01**Record Group Name: Public Access Board****Historical Note:**

St 1962, c 715, s 2 established in Massachusetts the Public Access Board in the Dept. of Natural Resources to designate locations of public access to great ponds and coastal waters of the Commonwealth. Its membership included the commissioner of public works. St 1964, c 438 extended its mandate to all inland waters and St 1966, c 155 added to its membership the commissioner of the Metropolitan District Commission. St 1970, c 589, s 3 added recreational trails to its mandate. St 1974, c 806, ss 1, 28 (also St 1975, c 706, s 64), which abolished the Dept. of Natural Resources, placed the board in the Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Recreational Vehicles and reconstituted its membership (s 28). St 1985, c 231, s 13 redesignated the department as the Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Environmental Law Enforcement. The board's functions are currently described in MGLA c 21, c 17A

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429691>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1963-1969.

Identifier: EN10.01/1318(subseries)

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Holdings: 1963-1966, 1968-1969

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122357400>

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Record Group Number: EN11

Record Group Name: Mount Everett Reservation Commission

Historical Note:

St 1908, c 571 established the Mount Everett Reservation Commission (known also at least in its early years as Mount Everett State Reservation Commission) to be appointed by the governor in order to acquire land for and administer the Mount Everett State Reservation. St 1969, c 704, s 3 placed the commission within the Executive Office for Environmental Affairs.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145429675>

Related Series:

Annual reports, 1910-1923.

Identifier: EN11/1318 (subseries)

Extent: 1 pamphlet box

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Public document, no. 89.

Reports for 1913, 1915-1917, 1919-1922 missing.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122469570>

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Record Group Number: EN12

Record Group Name: Massachusetts Water Resources Authority

Historical Note:

St 1984, c 372 (effective 1985) created the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) as a body politic and corporate and public instrumentality placed in the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. As of July 1985, MWRA inherited the functions of the Water and Sewerage Divisions of the Metropolitan District Commission, thus being responsible for the water delivery and sewer systems of the Metropolitan Water District and Metropolitan Sewer District (Boston and surrounding communities). Overall MWRA provides wholesale water and/or sewer services to Boston and sixty other communities located primarily in eastern Massachusetts; it also rehabilitates and reconstructs area water supply and sewage treatment facilities, to preserve public health and protect natural resources. Divisions include the following: Executive, Law, Waterworks, Sewerage, Program Management, Finance and Development, and Administrative Support. MWRA's functions are currently described in MGLA c 92A s 1-1 et seq.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122564359>

Related Series:**Plans database, 1992**

Identifier: EN12/1850

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (19 computer disks ; 5 1/4 in. in 1 document box). For electronic access consult repository

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122469709>

Records management department records officer manual, 1992.

Identifier: EN12/1860X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 volumes in 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged by subject.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122412472>

Report on geology of the Wachusett Reservoir area, 1992.

Identifier: EN12/1959X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 volumes in 1 document box)

Notes: Title page title: Geology of the Wachusett Reservoir area, central Massachusetts, with specific reference to the Wachusett bypass options / prepared by David D. Ashenden.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122613916>

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Record Group Number: EN13

Record Group Name: Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Facility Site Safety Council

Historical Note:

St 1980, c 508, s 8 (Hazardous Waste Facility Siting Act, codified as MGLA c 21D), established the Hazardous Waste Facility Site Safety Council (known also as the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Facility Site Safety Council) as an independent Massachusetts state agency consisting of twenty-one members, including the secretary of environmental affairs and other state agency heads/designees and gubernatorial appointees representing municipal and industrial groups, relevant professions, and the public (s 4)

The council was responsible in conjunction with the Dept. of Environmental Management and the Dept. of Environmental Protection for overseeing siting of hazardous waste treatment facilities as provided by the Siting Act, including receiving notice of intent from the potential developer to construct or expand a treatment facility; establishing a list of acceptable facility sites; facilitating negotiations among developer, host community, and abutting communities; determining compensation paid by developer to abutting community; and declaring operative the siting agreement reached between developer and host community. The council was also responsible for management of a technical assistance grant program for local assessment committees commissioned by their communities to pursue such an agreement.

Facilities affected included those designed to store, recycle, treat, incinerate, or otherwise dispose of hazardous waste. Exempted from the siting process were manufacturers and other waste generators treating, recycling, or storing waste onsite without land treatment or waste disposal.

The council ceased to meet as a body after Mar. 1995; for FY 1995/1996 its functions were budgeted directly under the office of the secretary of environmental affairs (St 1995, c 38, s 2, item 2000-0100). Enabling legislation providing for the council's role in facility siting was repealed per St 1996, c 58, s 16.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/145430065>

Related Series:

Videotapes concerning hazardous waste, 1981-1992.

Identifier: EN13/2029X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (12 videocassettes and 2 sound cassettes in 1 record center carton)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705885>

Hazardous waste facility siting application files, 1981-1996.

Identifier: EN13/2074X

Extent: 16.6 cubic feet (13 record center cartons and 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by applicant.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84008557>

Council meeting files, 1980-1995.

Identifier: EN13/2075X

Extent: 6.6 cubic feet (5 record center cartons and 1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Includes audiocassettes.

Files for Sept. 1987-June 1989 lacking.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84131896>

Committee meeting files, 1981-1994.

Identifier: EN13/2076X

Extent: 7.5 cubic feet (6 record center cartons)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by committee.

Notes: Includes audiocassettes.

Subcommittee lists with personnel in box 1.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80256616>

Council member files, 1980-1996.

Restriction: Evaluative/personal information restricted by statutory provision MGLA c 4, s 7, d 26(c) and c66A. For conditions of access consult repository

Identifier: EN13/2077X

Extent: 1.25 cubic feet (1 record center carton)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/81511299>

Legislative review files, 1979-1993.

Identifier: EN13/2078X

Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (2 record center cartons)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79662055>

Administration subject files, 1980-1996.

Identifier: EN13/2202X

Extent: 1.6 cubic feet (1 record center carton and 1 document box)

Arranged: In two subseries:

(1) Reports, 1980-1993

(2) Correspondence, 1990-1996;

Arranged within each subseries chronologically.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/80052326>

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