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Good afternoon,

Meredith Harris  
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I am writing on behalf of the Association to Preserve Cape Cod (APCC), the Cape region's leading nonprofit environmental advocacy and education organization, working for the adoption of laws, policies and programs that protect, preserve and restore Cape Cod's natural resources.

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Since 2007, APCC has organized, trained and maintained a volunteer river herring count program on Cape Cod to collect data on herring run size during the annual spawning migration. The program provides valuable data to local, state and federal fisheries managers to support herring management, protection and restoration, and to build public support for protection of herring and their habitat.

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APCC continues to be deeply concerned about the state of river herring and shad populations in New England. We encourage the council to move ahead in developing strong, science-based river herring and shad protections leading up to the June Council meeting in Mystic. APCC looks forward to staying engaged on these important questions and advocating for river herring and shad populations.

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Thank you,  
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