

## **Contact Information for Comments on Bill's Island/Great Island**

Writing to RI DEM and/or Charlestown Council would be helpful in preventing development on this unique and important piece of coastal habitat.

The island in question is known by several names. Some call it Bill's Island, some call it Great Island, and others still call it Strawberry Island. The large variety of native and migratory birds that benefit from its tall trees and scrub brush call it home.

### **The RI Department of Environmental Management**

The official comment period closes November 3 (because this is an island, there are no abutters who were notified) but DEM officials have indicated that they will not review the application before the middle of November and letters received up until that time will be reviewed.

R.I. Department of Environmental Management  
Division of Groundwater and OWTS  
ISDS Section  
235 Promenade Street  
Providence, RI 02908

### **Town of Charlestown**

The zoning department believes that open space designation was applied to this parcel by mistake and have recommended that the designation be changed to residential 3-acres. The case will be heard on November 10<sup>th</sup> at the town council meeting. There will be a new council elect, but they will not be sworn in yet, so the current council will hear this case. Please write to the council to express your concern.

Charlestown Town Council  
Charlestown Town Hall  
4540 South County Trail  
Charlestown, RI 02813