

# River Herring Network Fourth Annual Meeting

Thursday October 30, 2014  
Plymouth Public Library  
&  
Field Trip to Town Brook, Plymouth



River Herring Network 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Attendees



Brad Chase, MA DMF – Update on River Herring Management Issues



Sara Turner, *Postdoctoral Associate, NOAA Fisheries Service* - What We Are Learning from River Herring Otoliths and Genetics



## Video Counters

- Advantages
  - Species identification
  - Complete record of run
  - Potential outreach tool
- Disadvantages
  - Initial investment (\$4-10,000)
  - High maintenance
  - Data quantity

Introduction

Methods

Results

Conclusion

Mike Bednarski, MA DMF - MA DMF River Herring Video Counting Project



## Panel Discussion: Run Maintenance & Vegetation Clearing

**Moderator:** John Sheppard, MA DMF

*-Brad Chase, MA DMF*

*-Heinz Proft, Town of Harwich Natural Resources Director*

*-Carl Pawlowski, Fore River Watershed Association  
(Quincy/Braintree/Weymouth)*

*-Amy Croteau & Martin Wunderly, Town of Barnstable  
Natural Resources Department*





Russ Cohen, Massachusetts Division of Ecological Restoration  
- Stream Vegetation & River Herring

## Town Brook Field Trip

*-David Gould, Town of Plymouth Marine & Environmental Affairs Department*

*-Eric Hutchins, NOAA Office of Habitat Restoration*







Mute swan, *Cygnus olor*, Exotic species in MA



## Former Billington St Dam Site





## Walking Upstream along the Town Brook Trail









A wooden sign with a hexagonal top mounted on a wooden post. The sign is oriented horizontally and contains the text "TOWN BROOK TRAIL ENTRANCE" in a sans-serif font. The sign is positioned in the foreground, slightly to the left of the center. In the background, a group of people is walking along a gravel path that curves to the right. To the left of the path, there is a concrete retaining wall with a stone base, and a small stream flows through it. The surrounding area is a wooded area with trees showing autumn foliage in shades of yellow, orange, and green. The sky is overcast.

TOWN BROOK TRAIL  
ENTRANCE



# Former Off Billington St Dam Site





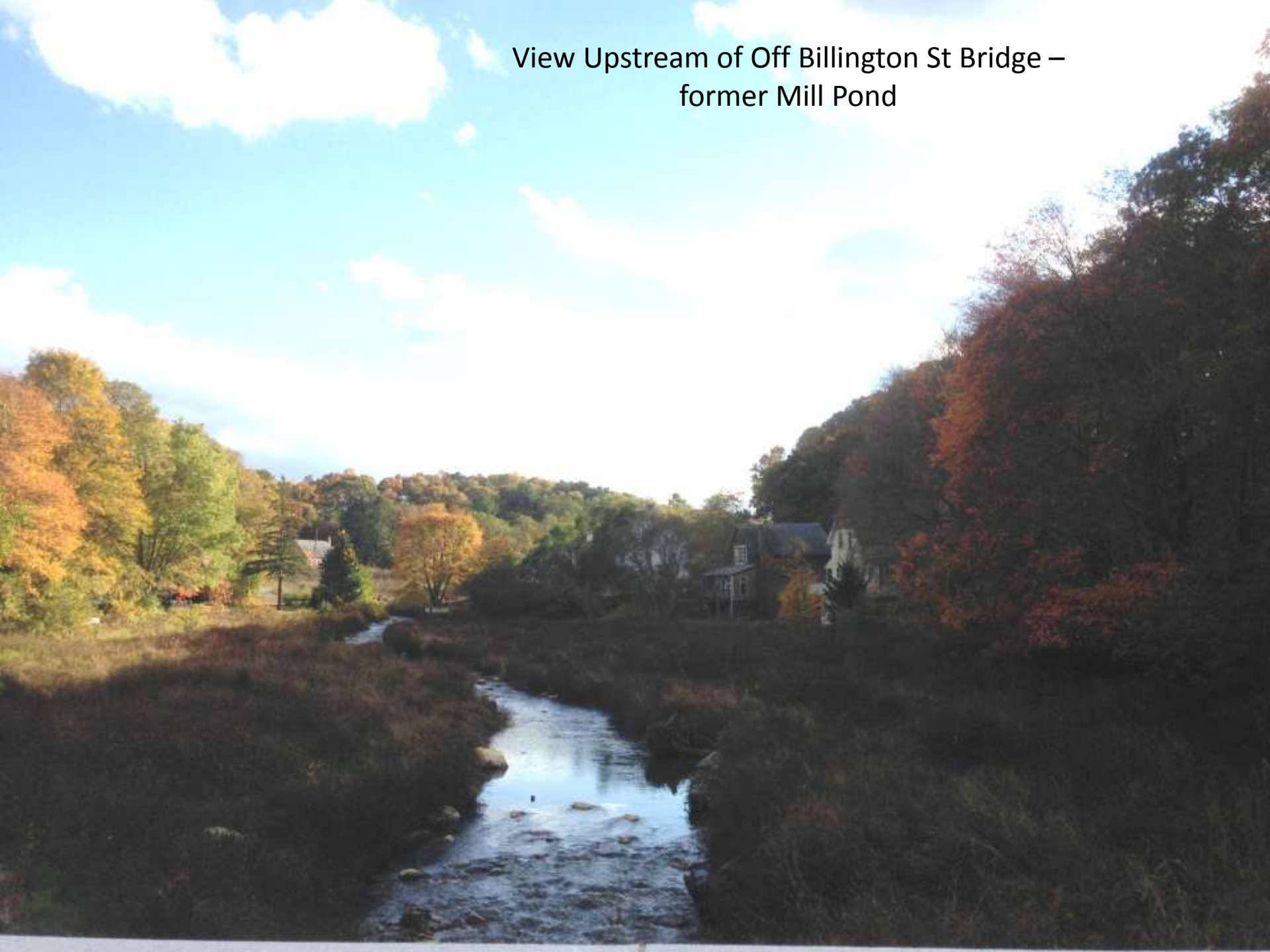








View Upstream of Off Billington St Bridge –  
former Mill Pond





Site of the former Plymco Building

















