

## **Agencies Related to Charlestown Navy Yard Development**

**ACE – United States Army Corps of Engineers.** The ACE, in addition to its other responsibilities, reviews and issues permits for any construction projects that impact any navigable water of the United States, including Boston Harbor. These permits include Section 10 Permits and Section 404 Permits. For more information, see [www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg/](http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg/).

**BRA - Boston Redevelopment Authority.** The BRA is the City of Boston's planning and economic development agency. The BRA reviews proposed development projects and makes recommendations on major construction and redevelopment activity to the City's Zoning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeal. The BRA is also responsible for the development of the City's planning initiatives, including Municipal Harbor Plans. For more information, go to [www.cityofboston.gov/bra](http://www.cityofboston.gov/bra).

**CNC – Charlestown Neighborhood Council.** The CNC, in addition to its other responsibilities, is responsible for reviewing development proposals in Charlestown and providing community input on such proposals to the City of Boston under Article 80, the Boston Zoning Code. <http://www.charlestownneighborhoodcouncil.org>

**CZM – Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management.** CZM is a part of the EOEA and is primarily responsible for protecting the state's coastal resources. CZM's responsibility includes the regulations under Chapter 91 which govern development over Tidelands such as Pier 5. For more information, go to [www.mass.gov/czm/czm.htm](http://www.mass.gov/czm/czm.htm).

**DEP – Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.** DEP is a part of the EOEA and is responsible for protecting human health and the environment by ensuring clean air and water and the preservation of wetlands and coastal resources. For more information, go to [www.mass.gov/dep/dephome.htm](http://www.mass.gov/dep/dephome.htm).

**EOEA – Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs.** EOEA is responsible for the state's environmental protection programs. The Secretary of EOEA must approve any Municipal Harbor Plans as well as the MEPA Scoping Certificate for any development project in the state. For more information, go to [www.mass.gov/envir/eoea.htm](http://www.mass.gov/envir/eoea.htm).

**EPA – United States Environmental Protection Agency.** EPA is responsible for the federal government's environmental protection programs. For more information, go to [www.epa.gov/](http://www.epa.gov/).

**FEMA – Federal Emergency Management Agency.** FEMA, in addition to coordinating federal response to disasters, manages the National Flood Insurance Program. For more information, go to [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov).

**MEPA Unit – Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Unit.** MEPA is part of the EOEA and conducts environmental impact reviews of projects requiring state permits or licenses. For more information, go to [www.mass.gov/envir/mepa/index.htm](http://www.mass.gov/envir/mepa/index.htm).