



MEMORANDUM

To: Town Clerk – Town of Tisbury
Planning Board
Board of Selectmen
Building Inspector
Board of Health
Zoning Board of Appeals
Conservation Commission

Town Clerks Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, West Tisbury

From: Jo-Ann Taylor, DCPC Coordinator
Martha's Vineyard Commission

Date: November 22, 2019

Re: Island Road District of Critical Planning Concern
Acceptance of Nomination for Consideration – Special Ways in Tisbury

The Martha's Vineyard Commission met on Thursday, November 21, 2019, and voted to accept for consideration a nomination to designate ways in a new Special Ways Zone of the Island Road District in the Town of Tisbury, as follows:

Area under consideration for designation:

Within twenty feet of either side of the centerline of **Red Coat Hill Road** – from the West Tisbury town line easterly to its juncture with Deer Hill Road

Within twenty feet of the either side of the centerline of **Shubael Weeks Road** – from the West Tisbury town line northerly to its juncture with John Hoft Road

The Commission found reason for consideration in that the nomination presents compelling statement of the need for and suitability of consideration for designation:

The nomination notes that Red Coat Hill Road is named for its part in Grey's Raid in 1778. Red Coat Hill Road then presented a view of the harbor for lookout. Shubael Weeks Road was named for a Tisbury Selectman from the time of Grey's Raid.

Both ways are already protected in West Tisbury, up to the town line.

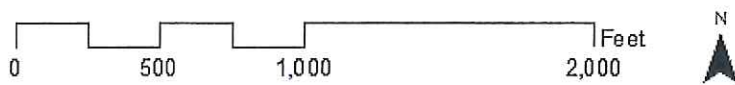
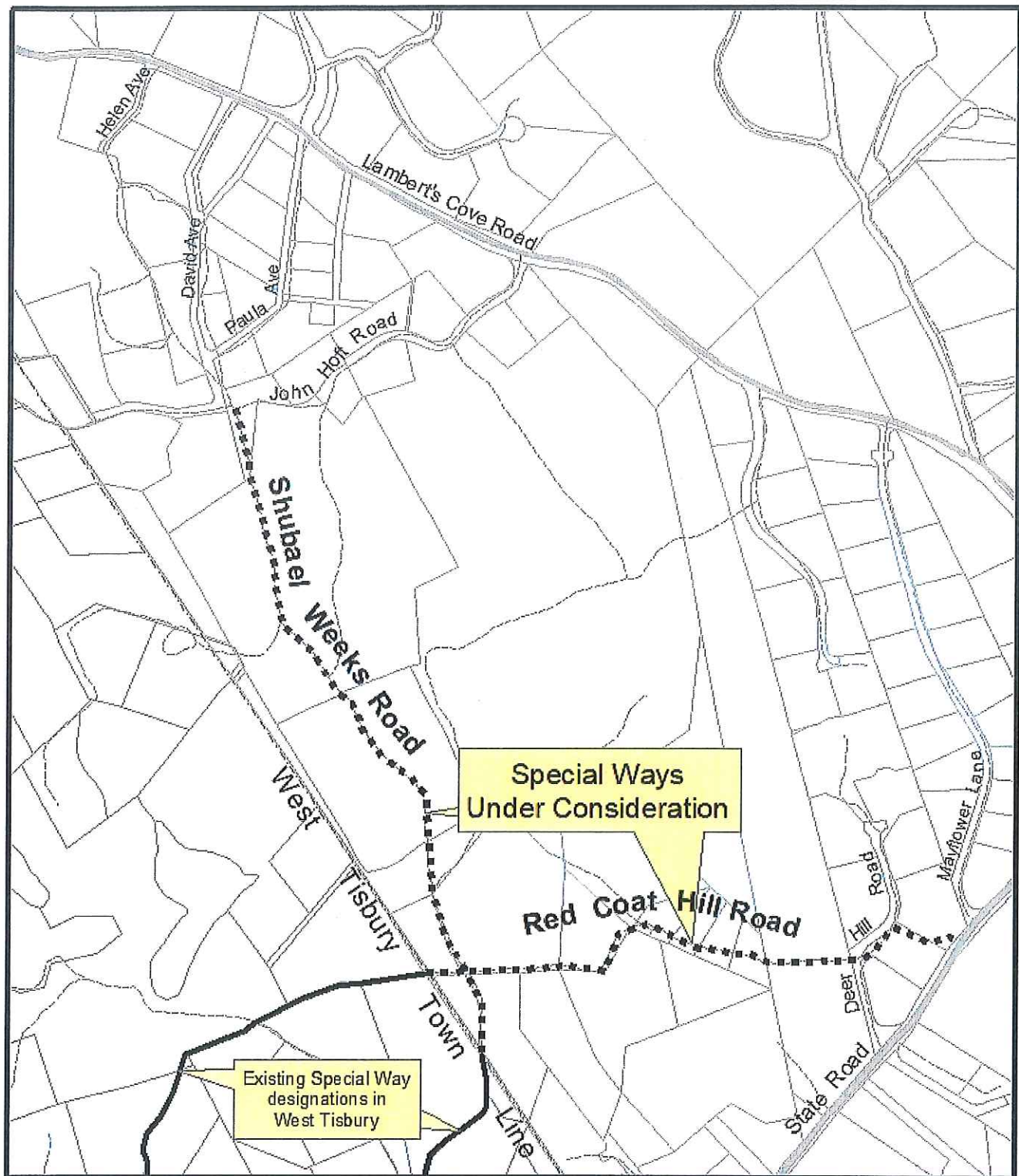
The nomination notes that these ways are visible remnants of Island history and are vulnerable to the impacts of unregulated development that could alter their character to that of any ordinary road. They are outstanding examples of the character of Special Ways.

Pursuant to Section 9 of Chapter 831 of the Acts of 1977, as amended, this memorandum shall serve as notice to the Town of Tisbury boards and officials that a moratorium is now in place in the area under consideration and the powers and authorities of a municipality to grant development permits within the proposed area are now suspended.

Please find for your convenience an accompanying illustration.

Should there be any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office
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Tisbury Special Ways Under Consideration - November 2019



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Red_Coat_Shubael_DCPC nomination