

**NATIONAL HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION ACT OF 2000  
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY  
JUNE 1, 2011**

**RACE ROCKS LIGHT  
OFFSHORE FISHERS ISLAND IN SUFFOLK COUNTY  
NEW YORK**

Race Rocks Light Station (“the Property”) described on the attached sheet has been determined to be excess to the needs of the Department of Homeland Security United States Coast Guard (USCG). Pursuant to the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000, 16 U.S.C. 470 (NHLPA), this Property is being made available at no cost to eligible entities defined as Federal agencies, state and local agencies, non-profit corporations, educational agencies, or community development organizations for educational, park, recreational, cultural or historic preservation purposes.

Under Section 309 of the NHLPA, the Property will be sold if it is not transferred to a public body or non-profit organization.

Any eligible entity with an interest in acquiring the Property for a use consistent with the purposes stated above should submit a letter of interest to the U. S. General Services Administration (GSA) within 60 days from the date of this Notice.

Letters of interest should include:

- Name of property
- Name of eligible entity
- Point of contact, title, address, phone and email
- Non-profit agencies must provide a copy of their state-certified articles of incorporation

Eligible entities which submit a written letter of interest will be sent an application from the Department of the Interior National Park Service (NPS) and given an opportunity to inspect the Property. Building inspectors and/or contractors may accompany the applicant on the site visit.

The completed application must be submitted to the NPS within 90 days from the date of inspection. The NPS will review applications and may select a steward to receive the Property. In order to complete the conveyance, the selected steward is required to obtain an agreement to occupy the submerged lands from the New York State Office of General Services (POC: [thomas.pohl@pgs.state.ny.us](mailto:thomas.pohl@pgs.state.ny.us)). The GSA will deed the Property to the steward upon receipt of the State’s agreement. For more information on the NHLPA, please see the National Park Service’s website at <http://www.nps.gov/history/maritime/nhlpa>.


**Letters of interest should be sent to:**

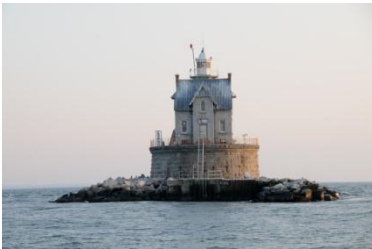

**U.S. General Services Administration  
Real Property Utilization and Disposal Office  
10 Causeway Street – 10<sup>th</sup> floor  
Boston, MA 02222 Attention: Meta Cushing ([meta.cushing@gsa.gov](mailto:meta.cushing@gsa.gov))**

**A copy of your letter of interest should be sent to:**

**Ms. Elizabeth Martin  
New York Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation  
P.O. Box 189  
Waterford, NY 12188**

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<b>GSA Control No.</b>	1-NY-0905
<b>Property Identification</b>	Race Rocks Light Station(the “Property”) Offshore in Suffolk County, New York
<b>Property Location</b>	Located at the Race, a narrows between Fishers Island and the northeastern end of Long Island Sound, .06 of a mile southwest of Race Point on Fishers Island, New York 06390.  Latitude: 41°14’36.6 ”N Longitude: 72° 2’ 49.2 ”W
<b>Property Description</b>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="flex: 1;">  <p><b>Race Rock Light (2008)</b> Photo courtesy Tom Gaillard</p> </div> <div style="flex: 2;"> <p>Constructed in 1871-1878 by renowned engineer Francis Hopkinson Smith and first lit in 1879, the Property includes a two and one-half story Gothic Revival style granite masonry keeper’s dwelling with an integral three and one-half story tower.</p> <p>The foundation is an oval-shaped concrete mass approximately 65 feet in diameter and 30 feet tall, resting on bedrock. There is a masonry pier 57 feet at the base, 55 feet wide at the top and 30 feet tall which is built of cut granite stone blocks. Protective rip rap surrounds the Property.</p> <p>The 67 foot high tower has an octagonal cast iron lantern and gallery surrounded by wrought iron railing with six brick-lined rooms in the basement and dwelling.</p> </div> </div>
<b>Condition of Property</b>	The Property is offered “AS IS’ and “WHERE IS” without representation, warranty, or guarantee as to quality, quantity, title, character, condition, size or kind.
<b>Range of Possible Uses</b>	Under the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act (NHLPA), Property must be obtained for educational, park, recreational, cultural, or historic preservation purposes.
<b>Commercial Activities</b>	Commercial activities are prohibited unless approved by the Secretary of the Interior.
<b>Utilities</b>	None.
<b>Historical Information</b>	Listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NR: 05000347) and must be maintained according to the Secretary of Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation. Historic covenants will be

	incorporated into the GSA deed.
<b>Aid to Navigation (ATON)</b>	Important, active navigational aid since its establishment in 1879. The ATON will remain the personal property of the United States Coast Guard (USCG). These include a VRB-25 marine rotating red beacon and fog signal horn which sounds two short blasts every 20 seconds.
<b>Access</b>	Not open to the public.
<b>Easements to be retained by USCG</b>      <b>Race Rock Light (2008)</b> Photos courtesy Tom Gaillard	1) The unrestricted right of the USCG to keep, locate, service, maintain, operate, repair and replace aids to navigation and any and all associated equipment on the Property. 2) The unrestricted right of the USCG to relocate or add any aids to navigation and any and all associated equipment or make changes on any portion of the Property as may be necessary for navigation purposes. 3) A right of access in favor of the USCG for the purpose of ingress and egress, to and across the Property to maintain, operate, service, repair, and replace equipment as necessary to support its ATON mission. 4) A reservation to the USCG for the purpose of preserving an Arc of Visibility within the radial arc of 360 degrees with the stipulation that nothing will be constructed, maintained or permitted of a height sufficient to interfere with or obstruct the Arc of Visibility of said light. 5) An easement to the USCG for the purpose of sounding, in certain weather conditions, a fog signal horn.
<b>Current Tenant</b>	None
<b>Environmental Information</b>	Based on the age of the structure, lead-based paint and asbestos may be present.
<b>Submerged Lands</b>	Under the NHLPA, no submerged lands may be conveyed; therefore, the new steward must obtain a lease from the State of New York to occupy the submerged lands. For information, contact <a href="mailto:thomas.pohl@ogs.ny.gov">thomas.pohl@ogs.ny.gov</a>
<b>Inspection</b>	Inspection for eligible applicants will be arranged by the US General Services Administration Boston after the 60 day Notice has expired.
<b>Notice Response Due Date</b>	60 days from the date of NOA (August 1, 2011)
<b>GSA Contact</b>	Meta Cushing 617-565-5823 <a href="mailto:meta.cushing@gsa.gov">meta.cushing@gsa.gov</a>