

Exhibit "A"—Taylor's Island Restoration Plan

To return the Island to a semi-natural condition while protecting Mr. Taylor's gravesite. Full access to the Island will be allowed to the public by boat. Access to Taylor's Island via Mashomack Preserve's Road and trails for educational purposes will be scheduled and led and/or organized by Mashomack Preserve staff.

To achieve the preceding objective The Nature Conservancy proposes the following:

1. Remove the house that currently occupies the site. Prior to removal, photo-document the building and grounds. Work with the Shelter Island Historical Society to determine what, if any, building components have historical value, and remove these to Historical Society collections. Determine if any other building components have monetary value, and be sold to help defray restoration costs. Save the chimney (built of local fieldstone) and cedar poles (cut locally?) of the porch, and use to construct small gazebo near chimney.
2. Remove and reuse the cement bulkhead that has crumbled on the northwest side of the Island.
3. Break up the large sections of cement and place in gabions behind the existing upright cement bulkhead on north and east side of the Island; cover with sand and plant over. This will help protect the gravesite.
4. Remove creosote wood bulkhead in same area.
5. Remove remaining dock pilings and planks.
6. Stabilize cement bulkhead along south side of Island by placing sections of fallen bulkhead from northwest side behind it and securing with rods.
7. Install fencing around Mr. Taylor's gravesite to protect gravestone, and place signage that addresses the cultural history of the Island.
8. Remove all invasive plants; polygunum, ligustrum and althea.
9. Replant site with a complement of native plants that are common to the surrounding shoreline, according to a plan prepared by a native plant/natural community expert.
10. Install appropriate signage at key locations advising visitors of Nature Conservancy/Shelter Island Town agreed upon uses/prohibitions.
11. Engage surrounding homeowners to act as stewards of the Island.