

Origin of the Park

The majority of the property known as Jenness State Beach (Town of Rye) was transferred to the Division of Parks and Recreation from the Department of Public Works in December 1980 (along with North Hampton State Beach).

Current Operating Schedule

Jenness State Beach opens full-time for the season in early May and closes at the end of October. The bathhouse operating hours during the summer are from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm daily, varying in the spring and fall. Lifeguards are on duty from mid-June through Labor Day. Lifeguard hours are 10 am to 4:45 pm daily.

Parking

The 70 parking spaces are metered and are serviced by the State Park Patrol Office located in Hampton Beach. Parking regulations are enforced 8:00 am to midnight.

Capital Budget Appropriation

The State's 2016/17 Capital Budget appropriated \$825,000 for a new building and parking lot improvements.

Proposed New Bathhouse

The new bathhouse, constructed in the style of the new facilities at Hampton Beach and North Hampton Beach, will be located in approximately the same location as the current bathhouse. The design increases the footprint of the building and increases the number of toilet fixtures. It also includes exterior changing rooms, rinse off shower and a family bathroom.

Construction Schedule

The construction of the new bathhouse is scheduled to begin in mid-September 2016 and completed in the spring of 2017.

Webpage

Project updates are posted and you can subscribe to join our mailing list at the Jenness State Beach project webpage at www.nhstateparks.org.