



Quonset Points

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What Happens When Quonset is 'Sold Out'?

With land at Quonset selling at a rapid clip (for up to \$200,000 per acre!) the QDC's Strategic Planning Committee recently posed the following question: What happens when all the former Navy land that can be sold has been sold?

Last week, QDC staff produced a work paper that begins to wrestle with the question of Quonset's future. QDC CEO Geoff Grout discussed a range of possibilities, bordered on each end by the following options: First, the business park could eventually be turned over exclusively to the management of the town. At the other end, setting Quonset up as a separate entity that would provide its own municipal type services, with surplus revenues reverting to the state.

"The third, and most likely, possibility is..."

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Large Yachts Could Equal Big Money

At the recent Superyacht Symposium in Miami, New England was identified as one of the six most desirable locations for superyachts in the world. Roger Marshall, U.S. Editor for [The Yacht Report](#) went a step further and suggested Quonset Point as the ideal location for dockage and concentration of a superyacht industry. A superyacht (or megayacht) is a vessel over 100 feet long employing a crew of up to 20 people. Costing \$30 million dollars when new, one yacht spends between \$3 million to \$5 million a year in maintenance, provisions, crew costs, and marina dockage fees.

Quonset Mission

The Quonset Development Corporation (QDC) is a real estate development and management company organized as a subsidiary of the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation.

QDC develops and manages the Quonset Business Park in accordance with the QDC Master Plan and in the best interests of the citizens of Rhode Island to attract and retain successful businesses that provide high quality jobs.

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Quonset Waste Water Treatment Operator Receives State Award for Excellence

Dan Lima, senior operator at the Quonset Point Waste Water Treatment Facility (WWTF) was named operator of the year by the Narragansett Water Pollution Control Association. Lima's attention to detail, meticulous inspections of operating equipment, and a deep personal pride in his work were recognized by the Narragansett Water Pollution Control Association. The award recognizes excellence in plant operations.

A 20 year employee, Lima's complete knowledge of the Quonset WWTF has been invaluable in operations in a wide variety of process control modes while maintaining the integrity of the discharge permit. In addition, Lima's ability to diagnose and troubleshoot problems with equipment before a major malfunction has saved numerous hours in emergency repairs.

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QDC Flying High - Airshow Returns in June



Quonset Point enjoys a rich heritage and is creating a promising future. How many Rhode Islanders have fond memories of the dynamic air shows, or peeking through the fences to observe the Navy pilots practicing touch and go landings? The once abandoned military base is being revitalized, rehabilitated and retooled to once again be a jewel on the Bay. Quonset Business Park is home to 147 businesses and 6,500 jobs. QDC is respectful of the past and committed to the future of the business park.

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