

## Nick Mavodones

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**From:** John Tracy  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 2, 2025 1:55 PM  
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**Subject:** Spring 2025 schedule suggestions.

Good Afternoon All

I am not sending this email to Caity G because she is going on vacation today. I talked with her yesterday and she said the spring schedule has not been sent to the printers yet. It will be sent around the end of this month/early April to them.

The below suggestions are minor alterations that ostensibly do not adversely affect the riding public or the Company's bottom line.

Here are some suggestions that I strongly recommend being put into place for the 2025 spring schedule:

**0800 Downbay freight trip:** Delete the options for outbound stops at LDI and GDI for passengers. Freight that requires the Maquoit II to deliver it to LDI and GDI will obviously still be dropped off.

Thought process: The passengers can go on the 0745 trip daily. The Spring schedule brings extra burdens to the 0800 crews to drop off Freight at Peaks Island. Making Diamond Cove, be our 1<sup>st</sup> stop for passengers, will allow for us to better maintain the 0800 schedule. Most Freight needs for LDI and GDI can be handled by the 0745.

**1745 Downbay Trip:** Have the normal DB times on the 1745 until the Diamond Cove Restaurants actually open. Cliff - 1845; Chebeague - 1900; Long - 1920; Cove - 1930; GDI - 1940; LDI - 1945; arrive in Portland @1958. Normally they open after Memorial day which is May 26th, and like to have the 1750 departure time. We can call them to find out when they open. I would suggest we change the schedule on Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> regardless.

Thought process: There is no valid reason we are running a 1745 trip schedule for a 1950 cove departure time from Mid April until usually the end of May if the restaurant is Not going to be open. We needlessly impact the crew and sunset tour folks by having 20 extra minutes in the schedule. It has a 35 min time period for our Great Chebeague 1900 departure time and Long Island at 1935. We only need 15/20 minutes for that leg. Sunset tours passengers are on the vessel for over 2.5 hrs. The crew gets in after 2015 and is forced to quickly turn the boat around for a 2030 departure.

The Spring schedule has plenty of room to clearly write up these changes. I also recommend if we make the 1745 changes that we obviously use social media, Crew announcements, posters onboard and sandwich boards at each of the islands.

I know last year an effort was made to gather similar like minor schedule changes for the summer schedule. I believe Nate led that effort that in part would help avoid having 2 vessels being at a dock at

relatively the same time. I think we have the ability to review those recommendations and make the appropriate changes prior to this year's summer schedule too.

Sincerely,  
John Tracy