1. INTRODUCTION

This dataset displays data from the National Register of Historic Places (points: historic sites/properties) for Maine, Massachusetts and Rhode Island within 10km of the coastal shoreline. The National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) was established by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. The NRHP database is a listing of sites (buildings, objects, etc.) and areas (large properties, districts, etc.) which have some sort of cultural or historical significance in American history and are noteworthy for preservation (http://www.nps.gov/nr/about.htm). This dataset is a compilation of NRHP from state databases. Please be advised that some NRHP in this dataset may be missing as the states are currently working on updating their databases and datasets. New Hampshire and Connecticut NRHP are not included in this product since spatial datasets are currently being developed. This regional dataset will be updated as states provide updates to datasets. Users must consult with appropriate State and/or Tribal Preservation Offices in the identification and evaluation of historic properties as stated under the National Preservation Act. This regional dataset compiled by Northeast Ocean Data serves as a baseline for identifying NRHP; users must confirm with appropriate State and/or Tribal Preservation Offices for official listings under the National Register of Historic Places. For more information and current listings of NRHP, please be directed to the National Park Service’s National Register of Historic Places site at http://www.nps.gov/nr/about.htm.
2. PURPOSE

The NRHP provides a listing of important places for the preservation of American history. This dataset is used to support coastal and ocean planning by displaying sites/areas within 10km of the coastal shoreline.

3. SOURCES AND AUTHORITIES

- Maine Historic Preservation Commission
- Massachusetts Historical Commission Preservation Planning Division
- MassGIS
- Rhode Island Historic Preservation Commission
- RIGIS

4. DATABASE DESIGN AND CONTENT

Native storage format: ArcGIS File Geodatabase – point feature class

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Feature Class Name: NationalRegisterHistoricPlacesPoints

Total Number of Unique Features: 25,306

Dataset Status: Updated as needed

5. SPATIAL REPRESENTATION

Geometry Type: points
Horizontal Datum: North American Datum 1983
Ellipsoid: Geodetic Reference System 1980

XY Resolution: XY Scale is 999999999.99999988
XY Tolerance: 8.9831528411952133e-009

Geographic extent: -71.858200 to -66.950412, 41.178586 to 45.940524

ISO 19115 Topic Category: boundaries, planningCadastre, society, structure

Place Names:
    Belfast, Maine; Boston, Massachusetts; Brunswick, Maine; Cape Cod, Massachusetts;
    Falmouth, Massachusetts; Newport, Rhode Island; Portland, Maine; Providence, Rhode Island

Recommended Cartographic Properties:
    (Using ArcGIS ArcMap nomenclature)

    Simple Fill Symbol: color: 128-102-64, no outline, size=4.0, color model: RGB

Scale range for optimal visualization: 1:6,000 to 1:500,000

6. DATA PROCESSING

A description of each state’s datasets and the subsequent processing are described below.
Maine - Maine’s National Register of historic place point dataset contained 1,283 points depicting the geographic locations of properties/sites for the state of Maine. The dataset was provided by Maine Historic Preservation Commission. To create the regional dataset we selected features within 10km of the coastal shoreline in order to show coastal locations. This subset includes 652 features. The following fields were preserved from the original shapefile: HISTNAME, SIGNIF_1, SIGNIF_2, TYPE, STREEDADD, TOWN, and FMSRCORG. County was not included in the regional layer.

- HISTNAME is found in the historicName field of the regional layer
- SIGNIF_1 is found in the significance field of the regional layer
- SIGNIF_2 is found in the significance field of the regional layer
- TYPE is found in the useType field of the regional layer
- STREEDADD is found in the address field of the regional layer
- TOWN is found in the town field of the regional layer
- FMSRCORG is found in the source field of the regional layer

This dataset was last updated in October 2014. Please note that Maine is constantly updating their dataset as new sites/information are added or edited.

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Massachusetts – Massachusetts’s National Register of historic place point dataset contained 151,710 points depicting the geographic locations of sites/properties for the state of Massachusetts. The dataset was downloaded from MassGIS: http://www.mass.gov/anf/research-and-tech/it-serv-and-support/application-serv/office-of-geographic-information-massgis/datalayers/srhp.html was created by Massachusetts Historical Commission Preservation Planning Division (http://maps.mhc-macris.net). To create the regional dataset we selected features within 10km of the coastal shoreline in order to show coastal locations. This subset includes 24,333 features. The following fields were preserved from the original shapefile: MHCN, DEMOLISHED, TYPE, DESIGNATION, DESIGNAT1, HISTORIC_N, COMMON_NAM, ADDRESS, TOWN_NAME, CONSTRUCTI, ARCHITECTU, MAKER, USE_TYPE, and SIGNIFICAN.

- MHCN is found in the StateID field of the regional layer
- DEMOLISHED is found in the demolished field of the regional layer
- TYPE is found in the resourceType field of the regional layer
- DESIGNATION is found in the historicDesignation field of the regional layer
- DESIGNAT1 is found in the designationDates field of the regional layer
- HISTORIC_N is found in the historicName field of the regional layer
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- ADDRESS is found in the address field of the regional layer
- TOWN_NAME is found in the town field of the regional layer
- CONSTRUCTION is found in the constructionYear field of the regional layer
- ARCHITECTURE is found in the architecturalStyle field of the regional layer
- MAKER is found in the maker field of the regional layer
- USE_TYPE is found in the useType field of the regional layer
- SIGNIFICANCE is found in the significance field of the regional layer

This dataset was last updated in September 2014. Please note that Massachusetts is constantly updating their dataset as new sites/information are added or edited.

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Rhode Island - Rhode Island’s National Register of historic place point dataset contained 381 points depicting the geographic locations of sites/properties for the state of Rhode Island. The National Register Historic Sites dataset was downloaded from RIGIS (http://www.edc.uri.edu/rigis/spfdata/society/histpnts.zip) and was created by the Rhode Island Historic Preservation Commission. To create the regional dataset we selected features within 10km of the coastal shoreline in order to show coastal locations. This subset includes 321 features. The following fields were preserved from the original shapefile: NAME, CODE and TOWN. AREA, PERIMETER, HISTTEMP_, HISTEMP_I, HPNT_, and HPNT_ID were not included in the regional layer.

- NAME is found in the historicName field of the regional layer
- CODE is found in the stateID field of the regional layer
- TOWN is found in the town field of the regional layer

This dataset was last updated in 1995. Please note that Rhode Island is constantly updating their historic site database as new sites/information are added or edited, it is unknown when an updated spatial dataset will be created.

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Processing environment: Microsoft Windows 7 Version 6.1 (Build 7601) Service Pack 1; Esri ArcGIS 10.2.2.3552

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<td>Merged product was CLIPPED using 10km buffered NOAA medium resolution shoreline to create final product</td>
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7. QUALITY PROCESS

Attribute Accuracy: Accuracy is based on original state datasets.

Logical Consistency: None

Completeness: Please be advised that some NRHP in this dataset may be missing as the states are currently working on updating their databases and datasets. New Hampshire and Connecticut NRHP are not included in this product since spatial datasets are currently being developed.

Positional Accuracy: May vary by state.

Timeliness: Based on the best available information as of October 2014.
- Maine: October 2014
- Massachusetts: September 2014
- Rhode Island: 1995

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