

RESOLUTION NO. 152-2011, MAKING A SEQRA DETERMINATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED TIDAL WETLANDS RESTORATION PROJECT AT INDIAN ISLAND COUNTY PARK, TOWN OF RIVERHEAD

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) has reviewed a project designated as the "Proposed Tidal Wetlands Restoration Project at Indian Island County Park, Town of Riverhead", pursuant to Section 6 of Local Law No. 22-1985 which project involves re-establishing seven acres of high-functioning tidal wetland ecosystem and open water habitat that will increase filtering capacity, enhance the cycling of organic and inorganic nutrients and pollutants, provide tidal flushing among other biological and physiochemical services, and improve water quality conditions in the western Peconic Estuary; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) was prepared and submitted to the CEQ office by the Suffolk County Department of Environment and Energy and subsequently sent out to all concerned parties; and

WHEREAS, at its February 16, 2011 meeting, the CEQ reviewed the EAF and information submitted by the Suffolk County Department of Environment and Energy; and

WHEREAS, the CEQ recommended that the above activity be considered a Type I action, pursuant to the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617.4(b)(10) and Chapter 279 of the Suffolk County Code; and

WHEREAS, the CEQ has advised the County Legislature and the County Executive by memo dated February 22, 2011 of said recommendations; and

WHEREAS, Section 279-5(H) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE requires the Presiding Officer to introduce legislation for an appropriate SEQRA determination; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Legislature has reviewed the EAF and the CEQ recommendations; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby determines that the Proposed Tidal Wetlands Restoration Project at Indian Island County Park, Town of Riverhead constitutes a Type I action, pursuant to the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617 and Chapter 279 of the Suffolk County Code, which project will not have significant adverse impacts on the environment for the following reasons:

- 1) The proposed action will not exceed any of the criteria in Section 617.7 of Title 6 NYCRR, which sets forth thresholds for determining significant effect on the environment, as demonstrated in the Environmental Assessment Form;
- 2) The proposed action will restore highly productive estuarine salt marsh habitat;

- 3) The proposed action will result in improvements to nursery and spawning ground for estuarine species;
- 4) The proposed action will result in improvements to water quality and nutrient cycling;
- 5) The proposed action is expected to reduce the need for larviciding to control mosquitoes;
- 6) The proposed action is expected to provide suitable land for marsh adaptation toward sea level rise; and
- 7) The proposed action will result in enhanced recreational and educational enjoyment of the County park;

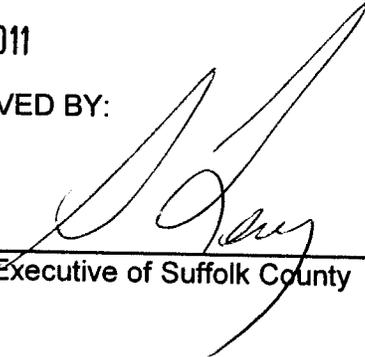
and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Suffolk County Clerk, the initiating unit of said project, and with the CEQ; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that in accordance with Section C1-4(1)(d) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER and Section 279-5(C)(4) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE, the CEQ is hereby directed to prepare and circulate a SEQRA notice of determination of non-significance in accordance with this Resolution.

DATED: **MAR 22 2011**

APPROVED BY:



County Executive of Suffolk County

Date:

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SUFFOLK COUNTY
County Legislature
RIVERHEAD, NY



This is to Certify That I, TIM LAUBE, Clerk of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in this office, and which was duly adopted by the County Legislature of said County on March 22, 2011 and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk.

Tim Laube

Clerk of the Legislature

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March 22, 2011

Motion:

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore,
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloría-Fisher, Barraga,
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

Co-Sponsors:

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore,
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloría-Fisher, Barraga,
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

Second:

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore,
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloría-Fisher, Barraga,
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

LD	Legislator	Yes	No	Abs	NP	R
1	Edward P. ROMAINE				/	
2	Jay H. SCHNEIDERMAN					
3	Kate M. BROWNING					
4	Thomas MURATORE					
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7	Jack EDDINGTON					
9	Ricardo MONTANO					
10	Thomas CILMI					
11	Thomas F. BARRAGA					
12	John M. KENNEDY, JR.					
13	Lynne C. NOWICK					
14	Wayne R. HORSLEY					
15	DuWayne GREGORY					
16	Steven H. STERN					
17	Lou D'AMARO					
18	Jon COOPER				/	
5	Vivian VILORIA-FISHER, D.P.O.					
8	William J. LINDSAY, P.O.					
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RESOLUTION DECLARED
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Tim Laube

Roll Call _____ Voice Vote