

RESOLUTION NO. 451-2013, DIRECTING THE INITIATION OF PROCEDURES TO REPLENISH THE DUNES AT SMITH POINT COUNTY PARK

WHEREAS, Smith Point County Park is Suffolk County's most visited park; and

WHEREAS, Smith Point County Park is located on a barrier island which provides significant protection to mainland residents in Mastic Beach and South Shirley, as the barrier island is only one-half mile south of the mainland peninsula; and

WHEREAS, Smith Point County Park was decimated by Superstorm Sandy, sustaining significant damage to the outer beach area; and

WHEREAS, mainland residents protected by the Smith Point barrier beach are experiencing frequent flooding, making recovery from Sandy more difficult; and

WHEREAS, these residents will continue to suffer until the dunes at Smith Point County Park are replenished; and

WHEREAS, the County of Suffolk should initiate an emergency dune replenishment project and immediately apply for all permits necessary to fully restore the dunes at Smith Point and its outer beach area; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that the emergency dune replenishment project at Smith Point County Park is hereby established as a top priority of the County of Suffolk; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that all County departments required to submit applications and/or documentation in furtherance of such a project to State and/or Federal regulatory agencies shall do so within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this resolution; and be it further

3rd RESOLVED, that the County of Suffolk shall also secure appropriate funding to complete the emergency dune replenishment project; and be it further

4th RESOLVED, that all County departments, involved in the application, documentation and funding of this project shall report project status updates in writing every thirty (30) days, beginning with the date of initial application for a permit, to the Clerk of the County Legislature, who shall distribute said status updates to all Legislators; and be it further

5th RESOLVED, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: June 4, 2013

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Dennis M. Cohen
Chief Deputy County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: June 20, 2013