

RESOLUTION NO. 12 -2014, MAKING A SEQRA DETERMINATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED REMEDIATION OF STORMWATER FLOODING IN THE VICINITY OF THE NORTH FORK PRESERVE, TOWN OF RIVERHEAD

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) has reviewed a project designated as the "Proposed Remediation of Stormwater Flooding in the Vicinity of the North Fork Preserve, Town of Riverhead", pursuant to Section 6 of Local Law No. 22-1985 which project involves the replacement of the failing pipe system that conveys water from the North Fork Preserve to the Long Island Sound and the installation of roadway leaching basins to contain roadway runoff; and

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

WHEREAS, at its December 11, 2013 meeting, the CEQ reviewed the EAF and information submitted by the Suffolk County Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the CEQ recommended that the above activity be considered an unlisted action, pursuant to the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617 and Chapter 450 of the Suffolk County Code; and

WHEREAS, the CEQ has advised the County Legislature and the County Executive by memo dated December 11, 2013 of said recommendations; and

WHEREAS, Section 450-5(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 Remediation of Stormwater Flooding in the Vicinity of the North Fork Preserve, Town of Riverhead constitutes an unlisted action, pursuant to the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617 and Chapter 450 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 set forth in Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617.7, which sets forth thresholds for determining significant effect on the environment, as demonstrated in the Environmental Assessment Form;
2. The proposal does not significantly threaten any unique or highly valuable environmental or cultural resources as identified in or regulated by the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York or the Suffolk County Charter and the Suffolk County Code; and

3. The proposed action will protect the life, health and property of adjacent private residences as well as prevent the degradation of the local beach and Long Island Sound environment; and
4. All necessary permits and approvals will be obtained from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the Town of Riverhead with respect to the proposed piping and leaching basin system;

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 450-5(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: February 11, 2014

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: February 27, 2014