

WITHDRAWN AS OF 10/30/2015

Intro. Res. No. 1441-2015
Introduced by Legislator Schneiderman

Laid on Table 5/12/2015

**RESOLUTION NO. -2015, AUTHORIZING INTER-
MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH FLANDERS FIRE DISTRICT
TO MAINTAIN FIRE LANES IN COUNTY PARKS**

WHEREAS, thousands of acres of County-owned parkland lie within the boundaries of the Flanders Fire District; and

WHEREAS, many homes and businesses are situated adjacent to these County parklands, which include Maple Swamp County Park, Birch Creek Owl County Park, Sears Bellows County Park and Hubbard County Park; and

WHEREAS, members of the Flanders Fire District are often called to respond to fires in the County parks; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation designated Flanders as an area with significant hardwood mortality in 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Flanders Fire District has advised County officials that many of the historic fire lanes within the County parks are now obstructed by fallen trees and other debris; and

WHEREAS, the Flanders Fire District is concerned that poorly maintained fire lanes may affect their ability to respond effectively to fires on County parkland; and

WHEREAS, the fire district has expressed a willingness to clear and maintain historic fire lanes at County-owned parks in Flanders at no cost to the County; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that the Suffolk County Executive, the Commissioner of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation and the County Attorney are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the Flanders Fire District, which will allow members of the fire district to clear historic fire lanes in the County parks that lie within the boundaries of the Flanders Fire District; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that the Inter-Municipal Agreement shall reflect that the Flanders Fire District will provide the personnel and bear the costs associated with clearing the fire lanes; and be it further

3rd RESOLVED, that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation and the Fire District will jointly determine which fire lanes will be cleared by the district; and be it further

4th 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:

APPROVED BY:

County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: