

# Superintendent Losquadro, Councilman Loguercio Announce Completion of \$1.9-Million Traffic Calming Project on River Road in Yaphank

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**Farmingville, NY** – Brookhaven Town Highway Superintendent Daniel P. Losquadro and Councilman Michael Loguercio have announced the completion of a \$1.95-million federally- and local-funded paving, traffic calming and shared-use path project along River Road in Yaphank.

The project, designed to reduce speed and improve safety along the 2.7-mile stretch, included the reconfiguration of the roadway to include a multi-use path separated from vehicular traffic along the west side of River Road from Victory Avenue to Moriches-Middle Island Road. Crews constructed an 8' wide, asphalt-paved, multi-use path and a 5' buffer between the path and vehicular travel lanes. In addition, bike route signage was installed on Victory Avenue and

Horseblock Road, formally designating these roadway segments as on-road bike routes. The multi-use path now provides a link to nearby bikeways on Moriches-Middle Island Road and Horseblock Road/Yaphank Avenue, as well as with South Haven County Park.

"Working on this since taking office almost four years ago, we were awarded a federally-funded traffic calming grant from the New York State Department of Transportation to improve both pedestrian safety and the roadway's infrastructure," said Superintendent Losquadro.

The project received federal funding in the amount of \$1,238,000 through the New York State Department of Transportation's CMAQ Program; the Highway Department contributed \$710,000 to the project--\$400,000 for the complete resurfacing of River Road from Victory Avenue to Moriches-Middle Island Road, and \$310,000 as a 20 percent grant match.

Following the addition of new signage, pavement markings and plowable markers, the final component of the project involved the installation of a new traffic signal to control one-way traffic and minimize potential safety conflicts under the Long Island Rail Road overpass.

"This was an extensive paving project in our district that not only is going to improve safety and driving conditions for motorists, but also adds a safe pedestrian and biking lane for residents to enjoy," said Councilman Loguercio. "The addition of the new traffic lights at the bridge will help with the one-way traffic, thus minimizing any possible safety issues. I thank Superintendent Losquadro and the men and women of the Highway Department for the important work they do in our district and throughout the Town."

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