

Romaine Calls on County To Dredge Over A Dozen Waterways in Brookhaven

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Farmingville, NY - Brookhaven Supervisor Ed Romaine today requested that the County of Suffolk dredge more than a dozen locations across the Town during the 2013/2014 dredging season. Sites for dredge spoils for each location, which are either owned by the Town or where an agreement is in place to accept spoils, was also included in order to expedite the request. Dredging season spans from October to January every year.

"Dredging our waterways is essential for both the economic and ecologic health of our region, said Supervisor Romaine, who is a past member of the Suffolk County Dredge Project Screen Committee. "Keeping these channels safe, open and usable on a consistent basis is essential for the health of these waterways, and for boaters to safely enjoy during the summer months. These rivers, creeks and channels are important economic arteries for restaurants, marinas, local businesses, and our Fire Island communities."

Priority locations for dredging identified by the Town include Swan River in Patchogue, Mud Creek in East Patchogue, West Meadow Creek in Stony Brook, Tuthills Cove in East Moriches, Corey Creek in Blue Point, and Newport Beach at the Heils Creek entrance in East Moriches.

The Town also requested maintenance dredging at Senix and Areskonk Creeks in Center Moriches; the entrance channels at Fire Island Pines and Water Island on Fire Island; Tuthills Creek entrance in Patchogue, and the Beaver Dam Creek and Carmans River entrances in Brookhaven.

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