

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

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**Farmingville, NY** – Brookhaven Supervisor Ed Romaine has requested that the County of Suffolk dredge more than a dozen locations across the Town during the 2016-2017 dredging season. The request was made in a letter to Suffolk County Department of Public Works Commissioner Gil Anderson. 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:

- Tuthill Cove and extension to Silly Lilly in East Moriches
- Fire Island Pines entrance channel at Fire Island
- Water Island entrance channel at Fire Island
- Ho Hum Beach entrance channel at Fire Island
- Boylan Lane Canal in Blue Point
- Newport Beach, Heils Creek entrance in East Moriches
- Areskonk Creek in Center Moriches
- Orchard Neck Creek in Center Moriches
- Sandspit Marina entrance channel in Patchogue
- Yacht Club Spur, extension to channel, southwest of Boat Works in Stony Brook

The Town also requested maintenance dredging at Mount Sinai Harbor, Senix Creek in Center Moriches, Beaver Dam Creek entrance in Brookhaven and the Carmans River entrance in Brookhaven.

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