

**FIMI Stakeholders Call Held April 6, 2017**  
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**Members of the FIMI Project Team on the call:** NYSDEC (Sue McCormick, Andy Fera); US Army Corps of Engineers (Frank Verga, Robert Vohden); and Suffolk County (Gil Anderson, Gail Lolis, Bob Whelan)

**The following representatives were on the call:**

- Elected Officials: Eric Hofmeister from Senator Croci's office and Bill Doyle from Congressman Zeldin's office
- Fire Island Association: Suzy Goldhirsch
- Fire Island Emergency Services: Vern Hendrickson
- Year-Around Residents Association: Dawn Lippert
- Communities: Those who indicated they were on the call were: Marsh Hunter (Kismet); Mayor John Zaccaro (Saltaire); Jerry Feder (Fair Harbor); Cathy Bimberg (Dunewood); Pete Clock (Lonelyville); Jay Van Cott (Atlantique); Chris Dunworth and Geri Onorato (Summer Club); Don Sussman (Corneille); Karen Kee (Ocean Bay Park); Jeff DeJarnette (Point O Woods); Jay Pagano (Fire Island Pines); Suzanne Johnson (Water Island); and Jayne Robinson and John Lund (Davis Park).

Please let Sue McCormick know if anyone was omitted from this list at [susan.mccormick@dec.ny.gov](mailto:susan.mccormick@dec.ny.gov).

**General:**

The County's FIMI website can be found at [www.suffolkcountyny.gov/fimi](http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/fimi)

**Please note that as the project is designed and the real estate is obtained that ALL SCHEDULES, PLANS, PROCEDURES, PROCESSES, PLACEMENT LOCATIONS, AND THE ORDER OF WORK ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. WHAT IS STATED ON A CALL OR PROVIDED IN THE MINUTES FOR A CALL CAN CHANGE AT ANY TIME.**

**Project overview and status:** [NOTE: Some information and answers given on the call have been updated to reflect recent changes.]

There are up to eight (8) FIMI Contracts that the Corps will enter into for construction of the project which are described in more detail below. They will all be bid out separately as the real estate work and engineering are completed for each. Please note that the order of the contract number does not necessarily correspond to the order in which the work will be done.

*Contract 1: Smith Point County Park (SPCP):* Work is 100% complete. The Operations and Maintenance Manual is being reviewed by the State and County now. The Corps expects to turn the project over in May 2017.

*Contract 2: Robert Moses State Park (RMPS), Lighthouse Tract, Kismet and Saltaire:* All sand placement is complete. All crossovers have been completed. The stairs on the Kismet crossovers are being widened and an ADA crossover is being built in Kismet Work started in April and will be completed by Memorial Day. The one year warrantee on the Kismet crossovers will start over upon turnover once this work is done. The Operations and Maintenance Manual is being developed by the Corps.

Contract 3A: Fair Harbor to Seaview - all aspects of work:

- All sand placement is complete.
- The contract modifications for the single house relocation in Dunewood and the septic work in Atlantique has been issued to Great Lakes Dredge and Dock (GLDD). The work will start in May.
- The designs for the landside ADA ramp tie-ins in Robbins Rest (RR) and Ocean Beach (OB) are being developed along with a cost to cure which will be offered to the six property owners involved to tie their private walks into the ADA ramps. The County continues to work with owners on the designs.
- The ADA crossover at Sextant Walk in RR was redesigned and has been constructed as a single ramp going to the west. Work is complete.
- The vehicle crossovers are being modified now. Work will be completed in May.
- Project turnover will be done in two phases:
  - o The first phase will be turning over the dune crossover structures for “beneficial occupancy use” so that full access is restored to the beach and communities can start using the structures. The final walk through was held April 20<sup>th</sup> and this is now complete, however there are still some punch list items to be corrected. If the crossover is being worked on, it will be temporarily closed. The one year warranty on the crossovers from the contractor began at turnover. If communities want to modify the crossovers during the warranty period, the warranty will be terminated. Therefore, we are requesting that communities wait a year to see how they work out and whether they find any faults in the work (loose boards, bad connections, etc.) and allow the full year warrantee to be in place. The Corps will make repairs in defects in materials or construction during the warranty period. We are still working through the procedure for the communities to request modification to the crossovers (will need County, State and Corps approvals).
  - o The second phase is the full project turnover which will not happen until the entire contract is complete, which should be early summer.
- O&M – we do not have an O&M Manual yet.

We held our FIMI Team meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup>. Details of the meeting will be shared on the May 4<sup>th</sup> call, however, some information is included here. Since this information supersedes some of the items we discussed on the April 6<sup>th</sup> call, many of the items discussed on April 6<sup>th</sup> were not included here.

It was decided at our Team meeting to re-organize the remaining contracts to be as efficient and expedient as possible. Here is the new contract listing and status:

Contract 3B1: Relocations, Demolitions, Deck and Pool Modifications: This contract will include all of the house demolitions, site clearings and relocations and some of the deck, pool and wall modifications in all communities in 3B (OBP, POW, CG, FIP, WI, DP). The Corps is currently boarding up windows and removing stairs, ramps, etc. from properties already acquired to secure them for the summer. We were not able to award a demolition contract this spring. This will be the next contract awarded and award is expected in early fall 2017.

Contract 3B2: Sand Placement, Dune Crossovers and the remaining Deck and Pool Modifications: This contract will include all of the sand placement, construction of all dune crossovers and the modification of the any remaining deck, pool and wall modifications in all 3B communities. It will

also contain the work on Cayuga Avenue in OBP. This will be the last contract awarded and award is expected in December.

There will be no Contracts 3B3 and 3B4.

Contract 3C: This contract involves the relocation of the Village of Ocean Beach well. Engineering work is ongoing by the County. DEC will work with the Village on the relocation agreement and obtaining the necessary access. We anticipate being able to bid this project in late fall 2017.

Contract 3B1: Status of real estate and engineering:

RE: For most of the properties not structurally impacted or not requiring a variance, appraisals are in and offers are being made. All variance requests have been heard by the Town of Brookhaven and we are getting decisions now. Those will be translated into final plans which will go to the appraisers to complete final appraisal. Those appraisals will go to the Corps for approval and then offers can be made.

Engineering: Engineering is predominantly complete. Construction plans are being completed for final review and approval by the Corps and for submission to the town in order to obtain the building permits.

Contract 3B2: Status of real estate and engineering:

RE: Work is predominantly complete.

Engineering: Design work is ongoing by the Corps. The Corps' surveyor has completed the beach surveys and the Corps now has the data. Actual design of the beach and dune template is underway. The DEC and County are working with communities on the designs for the pedestrian dune crossovers structures and will contact the emergency services people shortly regarding the vehicle access points.

### **Reponses to Questions from February 23<sup>rd</sup> call that were not provided in the minutes:**

None.

### **Questions:**

*Question #1:* Will you be boarding up and removing ramps on County owned houses in OBP and DP? Will there be any demolition of relocation work this summer?

*Response #1:* Yes. Securing houses is ongoing as of the last week in April. There will be no demolition or relocation work done over the summer.

*Comment #2:* Will there be driving on the beach for the work done in the 3B contracts? There is not a lot of dry beach in CE and SC right now and the groins are exposed in OB.

*Response #2:* Chris Soller will not allow driving on the beach for 3B. All work must be done from the water.

*Question #3:* There are complaints of sand being moved around near the crossovers in Lonelyville. This sand needs to be replaced. The sand (primary dune) that was there originally was not replaced either. Where will the sand come from?

*Response #3:* The Corps' field engineer will be informed and have it taken care of. The sand is coming from stockpiles the contractor made.

*Question #4:* In Atlantique there are areas where there is not enough sand on the north side of the dune between the house and the dune.

*Response #4:* Please provide Andy a list of these locations and he will get them to the Corps' field engineer.

*Question #5:* Will there be an opportunity for the communities to buy sand from the dredging contractor in 3B?

*Response #5:* Not through the Corps. It is OK for you to approach the dredger directly. Communities can make their own deals with the dredger and will need to get their own permits from DEC to use the borrow area.

*Question #6:* What will the dune look like in WI? Will WI get sand in 3B?

*Response #6:* WI will get sand in 3B. Now that we have the survey data we will be able to better define the scope of work required in WI by early summer.

*Question #7:* Can you tell us what we will see in 2018 yet?

*Response #7:* Not yet. It will be mid-summer before we have enough design work done to be able to talk about sand placement locations, sizes, etc. in 3B. As to other work, the FIMI Team is meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup> and will better understand what 2018 will look like after that.

**Next Call:** The next call will be **Thursday, May 4, 2017 at 3:00 PM.**