

FIMI Stakeholders Call Held May 4, 2017
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Members of the FIMI Project Team on the call: NYSDEC (Sue McCormick, Andy Fera, Lynn Lindskoog); US Army Corps of Engineers (Robert Vohden); and Suffolk County (Gil Anderson, Gail Lolis)

The following representatives were on the call:

- Elected Officials:
- Fire Island Association: Suzy Goldhirsch
- Fire Island Emergency Services:
- Year-Around Residents Association: Dawn Lippert
- Town of Brookhaven: Tom Carrano
- Communities: Those who indicated they were on the call were: Marsh Hunter (Kismet); Mayor John Zaccaro (Saltaire); Cathy Bimberg (Dunewood); Pete Clock (Lonelyville); Alan Altman (Robbins Rest); Geri Onorato (Summer Club); Don Sussman (Corneille); Jim Mallott (Ocean Beach); Karen Kee (Ocean Bay Park); 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.

General:

The County's FIMI website can be found at 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 currently six (6) 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 work to widen the stairs on the Kismet crossovers and construct an ADA crossover is complete. The one year warrantee on the Kismet crossovers will start over upon turnover. 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 June.
- The designs for the landside ADA ramp tie-ins in Robbins Rest (RR) have all been approved. The one tie-in in Ocean Beach (OB) is being developed along with a cost to cure.
- There are two ADA tie-ins required in Kismet. One has been built by the Corps and the second is still in design and discussion with the owner.
- The vehicle crossovers modifications are complete.
- Project turnover will be done in two phases:
 - o All of the crossovers have now been turned over to the communities for beneficial occupancy use except for Kismet. 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.

The remaining contracts are:

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 has completed boarding up windows and removing stairs, ramps, etc. from properties already acquired in Ocean Bay Park. This will be the next contract awarded and award is expected in early fall 2017. The Corps has begun their internal technical review of the plans developed by the County in order to begin assembling the bid package.

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 2017.

Contract 3B1 must be essentially completed before Contract 3B2 work can begin. 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.

Status of Real Estate and Engineering:

Contract 3B1:

Real Estate: 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. There will be one last Eminent Domain filing to complete the remaining real estate work.

Engineering: Engineering is predominantly complete. Construction plans have been sent to the Corps for final review and approval and for submission to the Town in order to obtain the building permits.

Contract 3B2:

Real Estate: 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 which they are reviewing. 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 crossover structures and have contacted the emergency services people to locate the vehicle access points.

Reponses to Questions from May 4th call that were not provided in the minutes:

None.

Questions:

Question #1: The ZBA documents for septic relocations, are they all approved by variance?

Response #1: They require County DOH approval. There are new DOH standards for septic. The County has met with DOH and is revising all plans to meet the new standards. These are coming along fine.

Comment #2: Do you know the size of the tapers yet?

Response #2: No. The Corps is still analyzing the survey data and has not begun that design work yet. We should know by mid-summer.

Question #3: Will the County use Eminent Domain for the remaining parcels if there is no agreement on cost?

Response #3: Yes. Where an offer has been rejected. Many are still in negotiation.

Question #4: Has Davis Park gotten easement offers yet?

Response #4: Yes.

Question #5: In Water Island, if an owner currently has a dune crossover structure, will they be allowed to keep it? Offer letters state that no crossover is allowed, but the easement says they are.

Response #5: If it existed at the time of the survey and shown as a pre-existing structure, yes. If not, no.

Question #6: The groins in Ocean Beach could be seen before today, but now they are buried and hard to see. They are a hazard. What can be done about that? What modifications will be done to the groins in FIMP?

Response #6: The Village owns them and is responsible for marking them if necessary. They are not a part of the FIMI project. We do not know what modifications will be made in FIMP yet.

Question #7: What can be done in the easement area to provide access for life guards in Ocean Beach?

Response #7: Please discuss with Chris Soller.

Question #8: Can you share with us how the bid documents will be worded regarding contractors traveling on the beach in the 3B contracts?

Response #8: Yes.

Comment #9: When will the punch list of work be completed by GLDD? When will the remaining plantings be done, now or in the fall? Can the sand fencing be put back in place near the crossovers to keep people off the dunes?

Response #9: They have 30 days to complete once they receive the list. In the fall. Yes.

Question #10: When will we get sand on the beach?

Response #10: Not until 2018.

Question #11: When sand placement starts, will it keep going even over the summer until it is complete? How many months will it take?

Response #11: Yes. It will be a minimum of six months, but could take longer depending on type of equipment the dredger uses, weather and equipment repairs.

Question #12: So there will be work over the summer?

Response #12: Yes, we expect it on both of the remaining contracts.

Next Call: The next call will be **Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 3:00 PM.**