

# **APPENDIX A**

## **Part 2A**

### **Correspondence Received During Public Review of the Draft DMMP/PEIS**





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RE: Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement, CEQ #20150231

Dear Colonel Barron:

In accordance with our responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, we have reviewed the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District (Corps) Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (DPEIS) for the Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP). The DPEIS was prepared as part of the process of developing the DMMP in accordance with restrictions specified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 40 C.F.R. § 228.15(b)(4). 70 Fed. Reg. 32498, 32518 (June 3, 2005) (Final Rule, Designation of Dredged Material Disposal Sites in Central and Western Long Island Sound, CT). The DMMP includes a thirty year estimate of dredging needs and dredged material disposal capacity needs for dredging projects in the Connecticut, New York and Rhode Island region. EPA Regions 1 and 2 participated in the preparation of the DPEIS/DMMP by the Corps through involvement in a technical workgroup, steering committee, project delivery team and regional dredging team. EPA also participated in the public hearings, workshops, and public information meetings related to the DMMP.

The DPEIS describes the environment of Long Island Sound, projects future dredging needs, and generally assesses the potential impacts of various dredged material management alternatives including: open water disposal, confined aquatic disposal (CAD), confined disposal facilities (CDFs) in island/shoreline/upland areas, beneficial use, and innovative treatment. The Corps has made it clear that the DPEIS is not intended to be used as a decision-making document for the purposes of dredged material disposal. For example, the Corps states in the DPEIS that the DMMP "...is an umbrella document that considers generic impacts of options." Furthermore, the Corps notes that additional project-specific and alternatives-focused NEPA analyses will be prepared that will build upon the general information presented in the DPEIS. EPA agrees and underscores that the level of general information provided in the DPEIS does not obviate the need either for future project-specific consideration of alternatives, impacts and mitigation in the NEPA context, or for compliance with the regulatory review process where the requirements of other statutes, such as the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA), Clean

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Water Act (CWA), Rivers and Harbors Act, National Historic Preservation Act, and the Magnuson–Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSFCMA), continue to apply.

EPA supports the overall goal of the DMMP which "...is to ensure that dredging needs for Corps Navigation Projects are met and that proper planning may, over time and where practicable, reduce or eliminate the need for open-water placement in the Sound." In addition, we hope that the DMMP will become a tool that helps to increase opportunities to use dredged material beneficially. EPA reviewed the DPEIS with a focus on whether or not the DMMP will help guide management actions to achieve these goals.

The DPEIS does not identify a preferred alternative or preferred disposal alternatives for the various future potential dredging projects identified in the Long Island Sound region. This is left to future project-specific evaluations. Instead, Chapter 7 provides a general ranking/screening of the top ten alternative sites for particular dredging centers. The rankings are based on existing information (where available) regarding capacity, distance from the area of dredging to the disposal areas, and environmental impacts. In addition to the ranking based on these scoring criteria, the tables also include a ranking by unit cost per cubic yard of material to be disposed of. While these rankings are helpful as general guides, we continue to emphasize the importance of and need for project-specific information to support decision-making developed through future NEPA and permitting analyses. These future analyses will be essential in all cases, and particularly when controversial sites like the New Haven Morris Cove borrow pit are under consideration in the future. The rankings should be used to help guide future efforts, but they are not by themselves based on enough specific/detailed information to be used for decision-making purposes.

EPA appreciates the opportunity to offer comments on the DPEIS and encourages the Corps to work closely with EPA and other interested federal and state agencies and other stakeholders to develop strategies to effectively address the issues identified in this letter and attachment. Based on comments raised in this document we have rated the DPEIS EC-2 in accordance with EPA's national rating system, a description of which is attached to this letter. We believe the Corps can address these comments in the FPEIS for this project. Please feel free to contact Timothy Timmermann of the Office of Environmental Review at 617/918-1025 to discuss these comments.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

## **Summary of Rating Definitions and Follow-up Action**

### **Environmental Impact of the Action**

#### **LO--Lack of Objections**

The EPA review has not identified any potential environmental impacts requiring substantive changes to the proposal. The review may have disclosed opportunities for application of mitigation measures that could be accomplished with no more than minor changes to the proposal.

#### **EC--Environmental Concerns**

The EPA review has identified environmental impacts that should be avoided in order to fully protect the environment. Corrective measures may require changes to the preferred alternative or application of mitigation measures that can reduce the environmental impact. EPA would like to work with the lead agency to reduce these impacts.

#### **EO--Environmental Objections**

The EPA review has identified significant environmental impacts that must be avoided in order to provide adequate protection for the environment. Corrective measures may require substantial changes to the preferred alternative or consideration of some other project alternative (including the no action alternative or a new alternative). EPA intends to work with the lead agency to reduce these impacts.

#### **EU--Environmentally Unsatisfactory**

The EPA review has identified adverse environmental impacts that are of sufficient magnitude that they are unsatisfactory from the standpoint of public health or welfare or environmental quality. EPA intends to work with the lead agency to reduce these impacts. If the potentially unsatisfactory impacts are not corrected at the final EIS stage, this proposal will be recommended for referral to the CEQ.

### **Adequacy of the Impact Statement**

#### **Category 1--Adequate**

EPA believes the draft EIS adequately sets forth the environmental impact(s) of the preferred alternative and those of the alternatives reasonably available to the project or action. No further analysis or data collection is necessary, but the reviewer may suggest the addition of clarifying language or information.

#### **Category 2--Insufficient Information**

The draft EIS does not contain sufficient information for EPA to fully assess environmental impacts that should be avoided in order to fully protect the environment, or the EPA reviewer has identified new reasonably available alternatives that are within the spectrum of alternatives analyzed in the draft EIS, which could reduce the environmental impacts of the action. The identified additional information, data, analyses, or discussion should be included in the final EIS.

#### **Category 3--Inadequate**

EPA does not believe that the draft EIS adequately assesses potentially significant environmental impacts of the action, or the EPA reviewer has identified new, reasonably available alternatives that are outside of the spectrum of alternatives analyzed in the draft EIS, which should be analyzed in order to reduce the potentially significant environmental impacts. EPA believes that the identified additional information, data, analyses, or discussions are of such a magnitude that they should have full public review at a draft stage. EPA does not believe that the draft EIS is adequate for the purposes of the NEPA and/or Section 309 review, and thus should be formally revised and made available for public comment in a supplemental or revised draft EIS. On the basis of the potential significant impacts involved, this proposal could be a candidate for referral to the CEQ.

## **Additional Detailed Comments on the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (DPEIS) for the Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan**

### **General Comments**

Page E-3: fourth paragraph. Language provided throughout the DPEIS concludes that, "...decision-makers will be able to evaluate different dredged material placement options with full knowledge of potential environmental consequences." We would offer that the general nature of the DPEIS characterization of impacts will limit the use of the DPEIS by decision-makers. Instead, the DPEIS can be used to help guide future NEPA reviews and permitting considerations where site specific impact characterization is likely to be necessary to inform decisions regarding implementation of any given disposal option for a project. We strongly recommend that the FPEIS be revised throughout to clarify/remove this discrepancy.

Issue Identification Chapter 7, page 7-5 in Table 7-2: The issue identification section of Chapter 7 could have gone further to respond to identified issues to the benefit of future reviews of specific projects. A more detailed response could have been provided concerning the management and monitoring efforts at open water sites and the fact that each project is evaluated on an individual basis before it could potentially be determined suitable for open water disposal. The response provided in the DPEIS does not address, summarize or restate the processes. This is an opportunity to remind reviewers that there is a rigorous regulatory process in place for each project and before any project is approved for disposal. We recommend that the FPEIS include a more complete response to these issues.

### **Specific Comments**

Comment 1. Chapter 5, Page 5-29 et seq. In the discussion of the physical impacts of the use of "clean fill" at brownfield sites, the text should indicate that "clean" may require removing any salt from the materials before they are used for fill. As noted elsewhere, Long Island lies atop a sole source aquifer, and contamination of a drinking water source by salt should be avoided.

Comment 2. Chapter 5, Page 5-30, 5-31. The text states: "Where wetlands or critical habitats are located within or near a Brownfield redevelopment site, these resources could potentially be buried or destroyed. However, a Brownfield redevelopment project represents the opportunity to improve previously degraded environmental resources by removing invasive species, reconstructing wetland hydrology, reintroducing native vegetation, and improving sediment and soil quality." The nexus between reuse of dredged material, brownfields sites and natural resource restoration is not clear. The availability of clean fill is not likely to produce more brownfield sites for reuse. Also, brownfield sites in the region have not typically been restored as natural habitats, such as parks or recreational areas. It is probably supportable to conclude that the availability of clean fill may reduce the cost of remediating contaminated brownfields sites, but without identifying specific proposals, it is a stretch to say that the availability of clean fill will result in the restoration or creation of natural resource areas or parks.

Comment 3. Chapter 5, Page 66-68. Table is mislabeled. The text says Table 5.3 but it is titled as Table 5.3 and Table 6.3 in document.

Comment 4. Chapter 5, Page 69 Table. 5-3 Column one under Water Quality/Past Actions. The sentence "In recent years, hypoxia has been..." should be relocated to the Present Actions column.

Comment 5. Chapter 5, Page 69. Table. 5-3 Column one under Water Quality includes TMDL as an action for reducing impact but does not include other local and national efforts for reducing water quality impacts such as changes in zoning laws for land use and development, technologies such as Low Impact Development and other efforts to reduce impacts from impervious surfaces. We recommend that these actions be incorporated into the table.

Comment 6: Chapter 5, Page 5-1. This section describes the cumulative impacts from each alternative. Cumulative impacts from open water disposal are summarized as minor and temporary impacts. However, the same section, states that general impacts are addressed and more information is found in the Affected Environment section (Chapter 4). Chapter 4 states that impacts in the PEIS are discussed in a general nature. We recommend that the Corps provide more detail, such as examples from previous studies, on the determination that cumulative impacts are minor and provide references for such determinations in addition to referencing Chapter 4 of the PEIS.

Comment 7: The chapters do not include a summary section. The overall discussion in each chapter would benefit from a summary.

Comment 8: Page ES-11 Last Paragraph. We suggest adding "amended" dredged material placement to this section (meaning dredged material with cement or other additives). Amended material acts differently, and has different environmental impacts, than unamended material. We recognize that this issue is discussed later in the PEIS.

Comment 9: Page 3-30 First paragraph, 6<sup>th</sup> line. The reference should be to NYSDEC not EDC. NYSDEC sets the TAGMs.

Comment 10: Page 3-30, Third Paragraph. We recommend that the EIS make reference to the use of amended dredged material to close "orphaned" landfills that were closed under older, less protective regulations. Orphaned landfills in the NJ Meadowlands have been closed by using amended dredged material and as upland sites for material not suitable for ocean placement. (DonJon Marine)

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Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for  
the Long Island Sound Region.

**Comments on the Public Review Draft DMMP and PEIS**

Dear Ms. Quinn,

The New York State Department of State (DOS) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) jointly (NYS Agencies) have reviewed and jointly provide these comments on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) public review draft of the Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS).

The NYS Agencies remain fully committed to working with all partners to achieve the overarching goal of the DMMP: To develop a comprehensive plan for dredged material management that leads to a scheduled continued reduction and, to the extent possible, eventual elimination of the use of all open water disposal sites in Long Island Sound using a broad based public process.

Overall, our review has concluded that the documents do not meet the goal of the DMMP, which is intended to be the vehicle for the development of the EPA's 2005 Final Rule (2005 Rule). NYS DOS's 2004 objection to the EPA's proposed rule for the long-term designation of Central and Western Long Island Sound disposal sites (CLIS and WLIS) was withdrawn subject to the terms and conditions contained in the 2005 Rule. New York was led to believe at the onset of this process that the DMMP would be a catalyst for developing new, and refining existing, alternatives to open-water placement; that it would include studies to identify and make implementable site-specific recommendations for sediment and contaminant source reduction; and that it would perform cumulative biological and ecological impact evaluations to satisfy State concerns when open-water placement was identified as the only practicable alternative. Our current review indicates, as did our earlier review of the pre-draft DMMP (by letter dated July 10, 2015) and pre-draft PEIS (by letter dated August 17, 2015) that these concerns have not been alleviated, and much of the information that will be required by the amendment to the rule is either absent or inadequate for comprehensive planning purposes. Perhaps the most significant gap is the lack of any reduction in open water disposal for the next 30 years; a cornerstone of the DMMP.

Nevertheless, while the NYS Agencies are disappointed at not reaching the goals set forth in 2005 Rule and other critical documents, we are committed to improving the draft DMMP and, to that end, offer the following comments and recommendations.

## Draft DMMP Deficiencies

The 2005 Rule requires preparation of the DMMP. It states:

“Completion of the DMMP means finishing the items listed in the work plan (except for any ongoing long-term studies), including the identification of alternatives to open-water disposal, and the development of procedures and standards for the use of practicable alternatives to open-water disposal.”<sup>1</sup>

The work plan for the LIS DMMP, entitled the “Project Management Plan for Regional Dredged Material Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement” (PMP), was developed in October, 2007 by the federal and state agencies. The PMP introduces the discussion of the DMMP’s tasks as follows:

The overall goal of the LIS DMMP is to develop a comprehensive plan for dredged material management in Long Island Sound. **The DMMP should lead to a continued reduction of the use of the sites over time** using a broad based public process that protects the environment based on best scientific data and analysis, while meeting society's need for safe and economically viable navigation for water based commerce, transportation, national security, and other public purposes.

The PMP listed 12 required tasks, termed “objectives” in the work plan, which must be finished in order for it to be “complete” (40 C.F.R. §§ 228.15(b)(4)(vi)(C)). Our review of the draft DMMP has identified significant gaps and inadequacies in meeting a number of the PMP work plan objectives.

The following comments will focus on the key required tasks that have not yet been fully accomplished and remain deficient in the draft DMMP. Many of these deficiencies are reflected in the PEIS as well.

• *Identify techniques/best management practices to further reduce sediment and contaminant loading of dredged areas.*

The DMMP has failed to adequately address this objective. The DMMP was tasked by the PMP with identifying techniques and best management practices to address sediment and contaminant loading of dredged areas.<sup>2</sup> This is a key prerequisite to achieving DMMP goals. Failure to address sediment inputs to LIS harbors historically has resulted in the need for increased dredging, leading to an estimated 37 million Cubic Yards (CY) of material being placed in Long Island Sound between 1941 and 2014. The need to reduce such quantities is evident. The issue of sediment and contaminant loading was also a subject of the Joint Governor’s letter to EPA<sup>3</sup> requesting the completion of the DMMP. It is the position of the NYS Agencies that the intent of the DMMP, as described in the Joint Governor’s letter, the 2005 Rule, and the subsequent PMP, was to perform an in-depth analysis similar to a sediment budget, with evaluations of chemical contaminant sources, in order to better identify site-specific best management practices to control sediment inputs into the waterways. Despite numerous discussions and email correspondence between New York and the Corps, no such studies have been undertaken and no funding has been committed by the Corps to undertake such studies.

The Corps has routinely undertaken sediment budget analyses to support navigation and water quality studies. For the LIS DMMP, the Corps was required to undertake an analysis of sediment source management sufficient to guide both States in the development of programs and processes to reduce the amount of sediment dredged from the waterways over the next 30 years. The lack of sufficient sediment source information in the DMMP undermines the overall efforts to reduce open water disposal by neglecting to recognize that successful management of source reduction is an integral part of the sediment load calculations and reduction equation. While New York and Connecticut have inventoried existing programs (Appendix E, draft DMMP) and the states’ information is included as a chapter of the PEIS, this listing of existing water and sediment control programs as identified by each State and the EPA does not sufficiently replace or address the need for specific information that would be otherwise provided by such studies.

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<sup>1</sup> 40 C.F.R. § 228.15(b)(4)(vi)(C).

<sup>2</sup> See LIS DMMP PMP, October 2007, § 1.4, at p. 6, “the [DMMP] objectives are to ... 3. Identify techniques/best management practices to further reduce sediment and contaminant loading of dredged areas.”

<sup>3</sup> The joint New York and Connecticut Governors’ letter [2005] requested that a DMMP be developed to examine sediment and contaminant sources to help identify and undertake actions for a reduction in river sedimentation and the subsequent need for dredging.

The DMMP and PEIS proceed with an assumption that the Sound is a “clean slate” going forward and, similar to the lack of analysis of sediment sources, do not provide an analysis of need, nor recommendations for remediation or reductions of these inputs. While we recognize that there are universally established EPA thresholds for many contaminants in terms of specific human health risks, measurable standards that address the short- and long-term broader ecosystem-wide health impacts are not identified; nor is a methodology for assessing cumulative effects of multiple disposals of numerous contaminants on a range of species. These are legacy and current source “contaminant” issues of great concern to NYS Agencies. Given these gaps, and the lack of agreed upon established standards for determining the toxicity levels or safe exposure levels for many of the toxins being deposited into the Sound, or for those already there, the NYS Agencies’ efforts to conduct mitigation in the future will be significantly hindered.

*•Identify and assess all technically feasible management options, including, but not limited to, dredged sediment treatment technologies, beneficial uses for dredged material, and in-water sediment disposal methodologies.*

The DMMP did not address most of the requirements of this objective. The DMMP was required to identify and analyze all technically feasible management options to addressing dredged sediments, including, but not limited to, dredged sediment treatment technologies, beneficial uses for dredged material, and in-water sediment disposal methodologies, such as CDFs and containment islands. While the draft documents do contain a long list of identified alternatives, they provide little or no analysis of how each of these might be implemented nor an assessment of their feasibility. The required analysis should include identification of potential partners and specific regulatory requirements for each alternative, including the barriers to those options and the steps necessary to overcome them, as well as an assessment of the environmental, social and economic impacts associated with each alternative. This objective was also intended to encourage the standardization of existing methodologies and the development of new technologies for the handling, processing and re-using of dredged material. This objective has not been met by the draft DMMP and PEIS as currently written.

*•Identify a comprehensive and coordinated regional practicable strategy for technically feasible and environmentally sound management of material dredged from Long Island Sound, such as an assessment of a public processing facility.*

The DMMP did not address this objective. Although required by the 2005 Rule and the PMP,<sup>4</sup> the Corps dismissed as infeasible, without an evaluation, the identification of a comprehensive and coordinated regional practicable strategy for technically viable and environmentally sound management of material dredged from Long Island Sound. The Corps did identify one potential site for development with the capacity to handle all dredged material for the region for the next 30 years. The site is identified as the New Haven Breakwaters CDF site and is considered in the draft DMMP as an Island CDF site. The Corps also mentions in the draft document that island and shoreline CDFs have been evaluated extensively throughout the past 40 years and references a report completed by the Corps and updated in Supporting Technical Investigations Document #9. No other discussion or evaluation is provided. However, none of the identified sites are currently available to accept material so as to enable the achievement of the “reduce or eliminate” goal of the 2005 Rule. Thus, the only sites identified as available to accept dredged material are open water disposal sites, which runs in direct contradiction to the 2005 Rule requirements.

*•Develop alternative management strategies for treating or re-using dredged materials, including the use of decontamination and sediment processing technologies.*

The DMMP lists and summarizes the existing technologies used in other regions for dredged material processing, which is inadequate. The PMP required the DMMP to develop alternative management strategies for treating or re-using dredged materials.<sup>5</sup> To complete this task, the DMMP must include an evaluation for the development and implementation of alternative management strategies for treatment and beneficial reuse of dredged materials.

*•Assess and recommend alternative locations for the treatment and beneficial reuse of dredged material.*

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<sup>4</sup> See LIS DMMP PMP, October 2007, § 1.4, at p. 5.

<sup>5</sup> Id., at p. 7

The DMMP does not adequately address this objective. The PMP requires the DMMP to assess and recommend alternative locations for the treatment and beneficial reuse of dredged material.<sup>6</sup> The DMMP limits the assessment and recommendation of alternative locations for the treatment and beneficial reuse of dredged material to an inventory of potential sites as identified using a limited GIS analysis of the shoreline for undeveloped properties only. This limited focus results in an inadequate analysis of site availability. The Corps' regulations (ER-1105-2-100) requires that "the beneficial use project site must be available to meet maintenance dredging disposal needs." (E-72). Further, in developing this inventory, the DMMP does not include comprehensive risk assessments as a screening factor. A site risk analysis should include a review of changed circumstances to the LIS environment (including trends, such as a warming ocean); a detailing of previous sediment chemical concentration unknowns both at the project site and at the open water disposal site; and the inclusion of bioaccumulation and primary and secondary cumulative effects of the continuation of the previous open water disposal project actions.

The DMMP should include procedures and standards to implement practicable alternatives that incorporate: potential environmental impacts or risks, environmental benefits; and procedures for improving agency coordination/predictability for dredging project sponsors. Instead, the DMMP has constructed a sediment screening criteria process that does not provide a weighted evaluation of environmental benefits or economic conditions beyond a lowest cost calculation based upon distance traveled and equipment costs. While the screening criteria factors were to include technical feasibility, need, beneficial use, cost effectiveness, environmental acceptability, capacity, and ease of implementation, and include all Federal and state regulatory constraints upon the placement of such materials prior to identifying the "base plan", the criteria instead relegate environmental benefits and socioeconomic benefits to unquantified "yes" or "no" responses that carry no value in the calculation and ranking of the alternatives.

The DMMP also does not provide an identified avenue for improved coordination between federal, state, and local partners to design alternatives and predict cost-sharing and management responsibilities. The DMMP stops short of these necessary steps to elevate beneficial use alternatives from placement far down on a project list to an elevated position of the "base plan", thus displacing practicable alternatives in favor of the low-cost open water disposal location and as the "base plan."

- *Undertake an economic analysis of the sediment management options proposed for future dredging of federal and non-federal projects in LIS harbors and navigation channels.*

The DMMP does an inadequate job of addressing this objective. The PMP lists required studies and strategies for implementing beneficial use alternatives. (PMP at pp.17-18). The DMMP is required to include an economic assessment of the expected benefits and costs of each of the dredged material placement alternatives or combinations of them will be conducted with the strategy and goal of increasing upland capacity and reducing incremental cost per year of treatment and upland disposal. The economic studies, which are not included in the DMMP, were to include economic analyses regarding upland beneficial use cost structure, economic, pinch points, thresholds, estimated cost ranges, and identified pathways for cost reductions over time. These economic studies were to include a processing center, including private partnerships, and the examination of "financial constraints on current and proposed alternatives to open water disposal to highlight economic opportunities, including state, federal and private funding initiatives and mechanisms that could be implemented to help overcome them." (PMP at pp. 17-18).

While the draft DMMP provides a list of potential alternatives for each dredging center and shows the list of potential alternatives based on its assessment, it does not include the required comprehensive economic analysis of the sediment management options proposed for future dredging of federal and non-federal projects in LIS harbors and navigation channels that would provide useful information as a basis for future decision-making.<sup>7</sup> For example, the limited and incomplete cost-benefit analysis does not provide accurate cost estimates, funding sources, and long term benefits and cost savings associated with the following alternatives:

- Confined disposal facilities, containment islands, and restoration projects all lack these elements.
- Adequate details for upland re-use, including commercial resale of processed dredged material is needed.
- On-barge de-watering logistics and costs must be evaluated for all alternatives where de-watering is needed.

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<sup>6</sup> Id., at p. 7

<sup>7</sup> Id., at p. 7

- The DMMP did not “Identify and prioritize strategies and actions needed to reduce the incremental cost of treatment and upland disposal,” as required by the PMP and must be addressed.
- Legitimate dredged material processing companies with a proven track record have expressed interest in the LIS material. This is a potential economic benefit for the region, including new jobs.

One of the major impediments to developing an acceptable LIS DMMP has been the almost exclusive reliance of the Corps on its standard cost-benefit assessment methodology to drive the development of appropriate alternatives and to screen for optimal choices, rather than develop an array of appropriate solutions based on the policies and guidance of existing federal and state resource management statutes and programs. As a result, the draft DMMP identifies “base plans” that recognize only the “least costly” part of the “Federal Standard” definition while ignoring the equally applicable “environmentally acceptable” other half of the equation. The Corps’ own regulations (ER-1105-2-100) require an extensive evaluation of beneficial uses as an integral component of the DMMP development. While the draft LIS DMMP limits its findings to the “base plan”, consisting primarily of the four “active” sites, ER-11-5-2-100, Appendix E, requires, as a matter of policy, that the Corps evaluate the availability, through research and economic study, of beneficial use options so that potential local, state, and federal partners “understand the valuable contributions that beneficial uses can make to management plans and will maximize use of regional forums to share experiences of opportunities for beneficial uses.” (p. E-69). The selection of a “base plan” must adhere to a procedure of “Management Plan Development Principles” as follows: “[E]ven though funded from different sources, the beneficial use planning effort must be pursued in conjunction with the overall management plan effort to assure the timely availability of dredged material for the beneficial use project. The beneficial use project site must be available to meet maintenance dredging disposal needs.” (E-72).

For this DMMP, the Corps has drawn the base plan selections by presuming that there are either no environmental effects from open water disposal and by ignoring other regulatory requirements, such as the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) and the Clean Water Act (CWA), which are an integral part of the analysis. The draft DMMP needs to address how the base plan meets the environmental standards of all applicable environmental laws, including consistency with State coastal policies. The current procedure for the analysis of the selection of alternatives is flawed because all practicable alternatives must be evaluated for compliance with the applicable federal laws, including the CWA and CZMA, prior to a selection based solely on cost.

CZMA regulations further address the inappropriateness of evaluating economics of project alternatives without considering other applicable federal requirements. The CZMA requires that federal actions be consistent to the “maximum extent practicable” with a State’s enforceable coastal policies as defined as “fully consistent with the enforceable policies of management programs unless full consistency is prohibited by existing law applicable to the Federal agency.” (15 C.F.R. § 930.32(a)(1)). In calculating the costs for a federal action, including a development project, “[f]ederal agencies shall not use a general claim of a lack of funding or insufficient appropriated funds or failure to include the cost of being fully consistent in Federal budget and planning processes as a basis for being consistent to the maximum extent practicable with an enforceable policy of a management program.” (15 C.F.R. § 930.32(a)(3)). The Corps has not identified a federal law that prohibits the DMMP from being consistent with a state’s coastal policies, therefore, the CZMA federal consistency requirement effectively incorporates the enforceable policies of state coastal management programs into the Corps environmental regulations (33 C.F.R. parts 320-338) with which the DMMP and identified federal dredging project must comply.

The Corps’ selection of “base plans” for the federal civil works projects in the Sound is based upon the least expensive alternative regardless of undocumented environmental impacts, which in the absence of sufficient studies and data, the Corps concludes means that there are no impacts. However, the “lowest cost” of open water disposal option is repeatedly chosen as the “base plan” even when there is “no environmental benefit” when compared to a beneficial use alternative, which does have measurable and quantifiable environmental benefits. The draft DMMP does not quantify the environmental benefits of the beneficial use alternatives to provide an accurate cost benefit analysis prior to choosing the “base plan.” The absence of identifiable cumulative impacts in the draft PEIS, which are a required component of NEPA for this document, cannot support a conclusion of open water disposal for the next thirty years as “environmentally acceptable.” This unsupportable conclusion and selection process, coupled with the omission of the consideration of federal consistency review requirements, renders each “base plan” a premature and noncompliant selection.

An examination of DMMPs developed nationwide for a variety of projects, ports and collective harbors reveals that the LIS DMMP falls short of including the required studies, economic analysis and implementation of beneficial use

alternatives. The Port of Los Angeles DMMP conducted a further Feasibility Study [Los Angeles Dredged Material Management Plan Feasibility Study, Baseline Conditions (F3) Report, August 2004] “to formulate a strategy for the management of dredged material for the entire Los Angeles Region (Region). Since each dredging project is unique and has its own set of objectives that need to be met, the best alternative for each dredging project can be very different.” The LIS DMMP needs to complete and incorporate a Feasibility Study into the DMMP to document the beneficial use constraints and to identify a pathway to overcome regulatory and economic hurdles instead of the current findings that the “Base Plan” for the entire Sound is to ensure the continued and increased usage of open water disposal sites.

With its focus on open water disposal as the most cost-effective method of disposal, the plan fails to adequately examine the cost effectiveness of the ecological benefits of marsh restoration, storm damage abatement, enhancement of recreation benefits to accessing the marsh and estuarine habitat for hunting, fishing, and wildlife viewing, and the future availability of confined material for third party usage in construction. By comparison, the Calcasieu River and Pass, Louisiana DMMP [November 22, 2010], evaluated a number of alternatives, including Alternative A, the “no plan” alternative used for comparison with Alternative B (maximize the use of confined disposal of material) creating 5,840 acres of marsh), Alternative C (wetland restoration creating 10,030 acres of marsh), and Alternative D (disposal of material from the channel of the Ocean Dredged Material Disposal Site). Alternative D was eliminated from consideration because it did not adequately meet the DMMP planning goals and objectives. Alternative B was chosen as the Recommended Plan because it was the least cost-effective method that met Federal environmental requirements and sound engineering practices. The Calcasieu River and Pass DMMP provided considerations and opportunities for each identified alternative to justify the costs and benefits. The LIS DMMP relies upon, as a sole calculation to determine the lowest-cost alternative, distance traveled and equipment utilized to reach an open water disposal site. The Calcasieu River and Pass DMMP acknowledges storm surge protection from restored wetlands in the cost benefit calculation, concluding that “[s]ediment placed in the [Ocean Disposal Site] would adversely impact efforts for restoring wetland tracts in the Calcasieu Estuary” and would not be consistent with Louisiana Coastal Use Guidelines. (p. 2-38). Sediment placed at open water disposal sites in LIS would also be permanently removed from inclusion at wetland restoration project sites and the short- and long-term costs of this sediment loss needs to be calculated and incorporated into the LIS DMMP. (See WRDA 1992 § 204, as amended [WRDA 2007 § 2037].

The pre-draft DMMP also lacks a comprehensive assessment of our State’s opportunity costs associated with continued reliance on open water disposal. The State is particularly concerned about the absence of serious consideration of beneficial reuse opportunities as this relates to decreasing costs associated with a clean LIS environment, which supports fisheries, recreation, tourism, and economic development. The DMMP omission of this economic benefit disregards the value of the ecosystem as the necessary sustainable underpinning to the overall economic and environmental health to the states.

*•Define dredging and disposal evaluation, management, and monitoring protocols and review criteria and identify constraints to implementation of changes.*

The DMMP does not, as required, define dredging and disposal evaluation; management; monitoring protocols and review criteria; or identify constraints to implementation of changes.<sup>8</sup> This missing information is necessary for informed decision-making regarding the cost and environmental benefits of alternatives.

*•Clarify and articulate the specific statutory, policy, and management responsibilities of all federal, state, and local agencies and other public and private stakeholders for the implementation of dredged material management in LIS.*

The DMMP provides insufficient information for this objective. While it includes a comprehensive inventory of applicable regulations for projects within the DMMP Study Area, it does not evaluate and identify, as required, the implementation constraints of identified alternatives through the clarification and articulation of the specific statutory, policy, and management responsibilities of federal, state, and local agencies and other public and private stakeholders for the implementation of dredged material management in LIS.<sup>9</sup> Instead of this required information, the DMMP includes a

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<sup>8</sup> Id., at p. 7

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catalog of agency jurisdiction for each type of alternative. The Federal and State report was intended to be used to aid the development of the policies and procedures for implementing feasible alternatives. This report was integral to identifying barriers to implementation of alternatives; specific regulations, statutes and polices were to be identified that would need to be amended to allow for new and innovative solutions to dredged material management to be developed and implemented.

The DMMP lists (Chapter 6, Section 3), in no particular order of preference, practicability, or feasibility, several sections of various federal laws that provide funding and procedures for beneficial use alternatives to open water disposal. This section is presented in a format that does not make any connections between possible state and local partners and identified locations or projects (federal or non-federal) that could benefit from the listed options, nor does it discuss the added value to the local and regional economies and ecological restoration/storm impact reduction efforts. These analyses would provide a calculable and measurable benefit to offset the perceived upfront low cost of disposing material in the open water, which permanently removes the dredged material from a consideration of beneficial use options. This section should be expanded to address these deficiencies and identify pathways to implementation, including the cost benefit analysis of implementing beneficial use options through these federal statute pathways, to meet this work plan objective.

*•Indicate where sediment testing for specific characterization purposes will be needed in the future to validate assumptions (risk).*

The draft DMMP and draft PEIS acknowledge the Sound's history as a waste dumping ground and that dredge spoil has for decades been dumped into the Sound. However, the documents ignore the cumulative impacts of past dredging activities. Broad conclusions, such as “[a]lthough short-term impacts and long-term changes in habitat due to sediment type and elevation of the seafloor have occurred, there is no evidence of long-term effects on benthic processes or habitat conditions” (PEIS at 5-4) outright dismiss the identification of adverse impacts from open water disposal. By focusing solely on future disposal events at the sites, and not accounting for the current ecological health of the Sound, as influenced by past actions, or accounting for existing Sound stressors, the draft DMMP and draft PEIS fail to take a comprehensive view of the past use of the Sound. Government agencies cannot rely upon these unsubstantiated conclusory documents for making decisions about future actions in the Sound. Remarkably, the DMMP draws the conclusion that there are no environmental impacts from open water disposal, notwithstanding the acknowledged presence of contaminated sediments at the sites. The absence of studies is not equivalent to a finding of “no environmental impacts”. (DMMP at 7-6 and 7-7).

Instead of acknowledging that there is a significant lack of information to indicate, as required,<sup>10</sup> where sediment testing for specific characterization purposes will be needed in the future to provide an understanding of the adverse environmental impacts associated with long-term continuance of open water disposal, the draft DMMP concludes, in the absence of scientific support, that there are no measurable impacts to LIS as a result of past, present and a potential future 30-year increase in the continued use of open-water disposal. The draft documents do not identify what sediment testing is necessary to measure risk and the PEIS, as a Tier 1 NEPA document, does not identify, quantify or acknowledge the regional cumulative impacts of the collective dredging projects over the next 30 years, forecast to generate 52.7 million cubic yards (cy) of dredged material to be disposed of in or near LIS. In particular, in regard to the long-range impacts of using LIS as the location for four open water disposal sites, the draft DMMP provides no provisions for addressing synergistic effects such as the ones referenced in a 1987 document published by the Corps: “During disposal operations, the anaerobic sediments are mixed with aerated surface water, and a complex chemical interaction occurs. Heavy metals such as cadmium, copper, chromium, lead, and zinc, which had been stabilized in oxygen-free sediments, form precipitates and coagulate in the presence of oxygen. Phosphorus and nitrogen can be temporarily released into the water column, while pesticides and oils and grease are usually not very water soluble.” (U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (1987). Beneficial Uses of Dredged Material - Engineer Manual No. 1110-2-5026 Washington, DC: U. S. Army Corps of Engineers - Engineering and Design, p. 2-8).

The PEIS bases conclusions on the presumption that if sediment does meet the CWA or Ocean Dumping Act standards, then it would be disposed of in an unconfined state at open water sites. The Ocean Dumping Act however does not permit the use of capping of contaminated materials as an environmentally-sound way to contain them. Moreover, the PEIS acknowledges (p. 5-67) that natural processes and large storms move sediment, sand, and silt throughout the Sound and that sediment transport will continue in the future. In a contradiction, the PEIS draws the conclusion that open water

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<sup>10</sup> See Id., at p. 7.

disposal at WLIS, CLIS, and NLDS are considered “non-dispersive” sites because the sites are supposedly stable and no sediment allegedly ever moves from them.

## **Draft DMMP Recommendations**

The EPA requires not only the “identification” of alternatives but also the “development of procedures and standards for the use of practicable alternatives to open-water disposal.” (40 CFR § 228.15(b)(4)(vi)(C)). However, the draft DMMP does not contain this information. Instead, the document contains suggestions for the RDT and the states, and identifies studies yet to be completed, rendering the draft DMMP merely a “framework” to guide future decision-making that requires additional research and study. Because the draft DMMP does not meet the section 228.15(b)(4)(vi)(C) requirements, it is a framework document with limited utility. Both “standards” and “procedures” were required to be part of the DMMP, not to be done at some later, undetermined date. The DMMP is not complete until both have been included and developed in detail.

Many of these recommendations were initially the objectives of the work plan as described in the PMP, and were to have been completed through the development of this DMMP. The recommendations, as written in the draft DMMP, are broken out into three categories labeled as “Standards, Procedures and Continue and Improve Ongoing Activities.” The deficiencies of several of the recommendations are noted below:

### Standards

- *“The agencies and states should continue their efforts to reduce sediment and contaminants in the LIS watersheds. The states, counties, and municipalities should continue their regulatory efforts to reduce the introduction of sediment and contaminants of the LIS watersheds that contribute to shoaling of harbors and coastal waters and to the contaminant load in those sediments. These may include frequent catch basin and storm drain maintenance and cleaning, street sweeping, and the many other programs and practices in coastal and watershed communities as outlined in Appendix E.”*

As discussed above, the draft DMMP and PEIS were to identify techniques and best management practices to further reduce sediment and contaminant loading of dredged areas. This is a key objective to achieving an acceptable plan. The issue of sediment and contaminant loading was also a subject of the Joint Governor’s letter to EPA<sup>[2]</sup> requesting the completion of the DMMP. The NYS Agencies believe that the intent of the DMMP, as described in the Joint Governor’s letter, as well as within the 2005 Final Rule and subsequent PMP (or work plan for the DMMP and PEIS), was to have been completed through the development of this DMMP. By reassigning responsibility for the identification of sediment source loading and formulation of solutions to this problem to the EPA and the state environmental agencies outside of the DMMP and PEIS process, the draft DMMP fails to meet the 2005 Final Rule’s stated requirements to “reduce or eliminate” open water disposal.

The Corps’ overly narrow categorization of sediment source reduction as a state responsibility runs contrary to its denial of repeated State requests, throughout the DMMP development, for allocation of DMMP funding to research source reduction solutions to reduce drainage and stormwater runoff. However, after having excluded such research from the DMMP’s development and funding, the Corps is now attributing source reduction issues as the main reason the DMMP is not able to meet the “reduce and eliminate” requirement. Because the draft DMMP identifies sediment source reduction as a recommendation, funding must be provided to both Connecticut and New York to assist these states in developing further methods and techniques to reduce sediment source loading volumes.

### Procedures

- *“The Long Island Sound Regional Dredging Team should be continued. The RDT’s geographic range should be expanded to include all areas of LIS including those inside the territorial sea in western Block Island Sound. The RDT should also be used by its member agencies to put forth, discuss and examine opportunities to further reduce*

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<sup>[2]</sup> The joint New York and Connecticut Governors’ letter [2005] requested that a DMMP be developed to examine sediment and contaminant sources to help identify and undertake actions for a reduction in river sedimentation and the subsequent need for dredging,

*the need for open water placement of dredged material in LIS, and to identify means for funding and implementing alternatives to open water placement, with a focus on beneficial use.”*

There is a distinct disconnect between this recommendation in Chapter 7 and the recommendations section in the Executive Summary. While the recommendation in Chapter 7 states that the RDT should be expanded to include all areas of LIS, the recommendation within the executive summary states that the RDT should be expanded “if” the EPA designates an eastern LIS site. The Steering Committee, at the face-to-face meeting in Chicopee, Massachusetts on March 11, 2015, agreed that the geographic scope of the RDT, as well as its responsibilities, should be expanded regardless of EPA site designations. These conflicting recommendations need to be reconciled clearly in both locations of the draft documents.

The listed “procedures” in subsection 7.2 are also deficient because they must be able to instruct the Corps, EPA, and State partners on how to “reduce or eliminate” open water disposal; in turn, these procedures and standards must be able to be incorporated into the CLIS and WLIS site designations and the SMMP documents. However, the draft DMMP “procedures” are little more than a listing of future work to be completed and future responsibilities and tasks for the RDT. Because the procedures read more as recommendations and a “to do” list for the future, subsection 7.2 does not meet the EPA’s 2005 Final Rule requirements and may not be relied upon for the site designation amendments.

#### Continue and Improve Ongoing Activities

*• “The USACE and EPA ongoing efforts through the DAMOS Program and SMMP updates should continue. These efforts should also be improved, with the assistance of the RDT, its member agencies, and universities to target data collection and studies to better address the question of the long-term impacts and acceptability of past and continued open water placement of dredged materials in Long Island Sound. As this is the key point of disagreement between the agencies and the states, closer inspection may yield a better understanding of the matter. Chemical and biological data and information, whether from the current literature or collected in the near term, should be compiled to evaluate the health of the Sound at the active and historic placement sites, the Sound as a whole, and adjacent waters for comparison.”*

Baseline studies should have already been completed and long-term studies initiated as part of the PEIS for the DMMP, as well as for the EPA’s future rulemaking concerning the Ocean Dumping Act § 102 site designations of CLIS and WLIS. This recommendation acknowledges the lack of understanding of the risks and impacts of open-water disposal of dredged materials in Long Island Sound.

The Army Corps of Engineers and US Environmental Protection Agency have not met the sampling and management protocols of the Site Monitoring/Management Plans for CLIS and WLIS.<sup>11</sup> Specifically, compliance with paragraph 2 of the restrictions in the final rule for the designation of CLIS and WLIS and the provisions of 40 CFR 228 (b)(4)(vi) (B) is necessary for the disposal sites to remain open. The DMMP and PEIS should summarize and provide citations of any monitoring reports and studies completed at WLIS and CLIS and discuss how the findings do or do not meet the requirements of the SMMP’s. Of particular concern are the following:

- NYS Agencies can only find a record of two DAMOS monitoring runs at CLIS since the adoption of the final rule. We did not find any record of monitoring runs at WLIS. The monitoring was only for bathymetry and recolonization. The monitoring did not include an assessment of required SMMP Management Focus 3: “progressive, non-seasonal changes in water quality or sediment composition at the disposal site”; Management Focus 4: “progressive, non-seasonal changes in the composition or numbers of pelagic, demersal or benthic biota at or near the sites”; or Management Focus 5: “accumulation of material constituents in marine biota near the site.” (SMMP, § 6.1). Note that the DMMP suggests that some of these studies should be conducted by the states or research institutions and the RDT, but it is clearly a federal responsibility under the SMMP.
- NYS Agencies do recognize that the SMMP(s) have some reliance on sampling done by others, in particular water quality and trawl data by the State of Connecticut, but we have seen no analysis of the data in relation to the disposal sites and are not aware of any sediment chemistry or bio-accumulation analysis of biota at or near the sites.

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<sup>11</sup> Environmental Impact Statement for the Designation of Dredged Material Managed Sites in Central and Western Long Island Sound, Connecticut and New York, Appendix J: Site Management and Monitoring Plans for Central and Western Long Island Sound Dredged Material Disposal Site (SMMP) [April 2004]

- The SMMP is required by federal rule MPRSA 102(c)(3) Section VII) to be reviewed and revised not less frequently than every ten years. Moreover, the SMMP states that the plan will be reviewed every year as part of an agency planning meeting and that a formal review and revision of the SMMP would occur every five years. NYS Agencies are not aware that any review or revision has occurred.

The draft DMMP maintains the narrowly scoped view that the placement of “suitable” material within a “carved out” six nautical miles at four “active” open water sites will have no adverse short- or long-term effects on the ecological health to the Sound. This conclusion is drawn and based on the absence of data to the contrary, even though the “procedures” section of the document states that no long-term studies have been completed due to the complexity of completing such studies.

## NEPA/PEIS Issues

In addition to identifying gaps and inadequacies in the DMMP based on a comparison with the original requirements expressed in the 2005 Rule and the PMP, there are also shortcomings in the PEIS documents. While a number of these have already been addressed in our discussion of the DMMP, the following comments speak to substantive issues not already addressed, as well as issues related to general NEPA processes and use.

The NEPA process encourages the use of efficiency in the preparation of programmatic environmental impact statements so as to avoid repetition of topics and instead place focus on issues ripe for discussion in the development of future action specific analyses. The “tiering” process (40 C.F.R. § 1502.20) provides the opportunity to further refine the environmental analysis to address unforeseen impacts from future projects that may be identifiable at the time of development. The PEIS, an environmental impact statement written from a high level programmatic standpoint, incorrectly moves beyond this framework and attempts to provide dual purposes to the document and includes the following specific objective: “to evaluate the environmental, economic, socioeconomic, and cumulative impacts of the alternative sites identified in the DMMP with respect to the environment of Long Island Sound region and its tributaries, and provide suggestions for mitigation of the impacts.”

While the PEIS purports to be a plan that is for recommended use only, , it instead is held out to be supportive of the selection of the “base plan” for each federal civil works dredging project in the absent recognition of future “tiered” NEPA review. Although “[t]he PEIS is an umbrella document that considers generic impacts of options” (PEIS at ES-3), the document draws premature conclusions in selecting a “base plan” based primarily on the content of the program-based document, repeatedly reaches conclusions on the “environmentally acceptable” requirement and identifies the least costly alternative, open water disposal, to serve as the de facto low-cost standard barrier for the disposal of dredged material in the Sound. In reaching the premature “base plan” conclusions, the PEIS limits its cost-benefit analysis (15 C.F.R. §1502.23) to quantifiable costs associated with engineering equipment and distance traveled. By limiting the analysis in the PEIS to only quantifiable components, in contrast to the requirement in NEPA § 102(B) requiring “presently unquantified environmental amenities and values [to] be given appropriate consideration in decision-making along with economic and technical considerations”, the PEIS eliminates the unquantifiable attributes of a beneficial use alternative from its cost/benefit calculations and dismisses the alternatives as unaffordable. Habitat restoration is a prime example of an alternative given insufficient consideration in this manner. Sections 3.7 and 3.8 list only the few habitat restoration projects that were identified in the DMMP. The PEIS should discuss the potential need, impacts and benefits of developing habitat restoration sites, especially tidal wetlands, in light of potential loss of habitat due to climate change and increased sea level.

We also note that the PEIS states that the DMMP will “increase opportunities to beneficially use dredged material for purposes of coastal resiliency and environmental restoration and enhancement.” It is not clear that this is true as the DMMP continues to identify in-water placement as the base plan for almost all dredged material generated in LIS. Through its Tidal Wetlands Trends Analysis, New York State has identified an array of potential restoration opportunities that might be suitable beneficial reuse candidates.

A preferred approach to evaluation of alternatives would be to thoroughly summarize the full range of impacts resulting from use of a given alternative management measure, providing a baseline for comparison of the similarities and differences among the various alternatives. For example, the PEIS is not consistent in addressing the impacts to sensitive life stages of fish, shellfish and other marine organisms across the discussions of the alternatives. A comprehensive

summary would ensure a complete assessment for each alternative. In addition, although the impacts caused by on-land dewatering of dredge material are discussed, there is no mention of on-barge dewatering. On-barge dewatering has been successfully implemented at other dredging projects in the Region. Double handling the material on land prior to upland beneficial use or disposal will increase both the environmental impacts and the costs. Both the feasibility and potential costs of utilizing on-barge dewatering should be investigated and presented in the PEIS.

The PEIS makes the further mistake of considering all alternatives in isolation, rather than discussing the potential for combining alternatives. In Sections 3.1 and 5.2, there are five scenarios listed under the No Action Alternative. The discussion that follows is based on an “all or nothing” approach in which only one scenario is implemented at a time. While complete reliance on any one of the five scenarios may not be sufficient to address all dredging needs, a sixth scenario utilizing a combination of scenarios 1 through 5 should be added for consideration. For example, if the majority of dredged material were managed according to scenario 5 (land-based, in-harbor, nearshore, beneficial use, or CDF placement/use alternatives), the remainder might be managed with a combination of any/all of the remaining scenarios (alternative sites; project delay/cancellation). In this sixth scenario, sediment load reduction should also be discussed as an important means of decreasing the need for dredging, thereby making a combination of the No Action scenarios more feasible.

In assessing impacts of different alternatives, the PEIS (as well as the DMMP) also falls short in considering the cumulative effect of continued physical disturbance from disposal events. The PEIS notes that the impacts to benthic organisms from a dredged disposal event would require months to years for a mature biological community to re-establish. However, a NOAA technical memorandum (NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-NE-209) cites studies showing that repeated disposal may prevent mature (Stage III) communities from ever establishing. With the increase in dredging quantities and frequencies expected with the listing of the open water disposal sites, and with these sites not limited to single discreet events but to repeated occurrences for the next thirty years, the biological communities would no longer be able to continue and no longer be able to provide the ecosystem services formerly available to users of the Sound.

### **Other New York State Regulatory Issues**

The DMMP and PEIS do not consider a number of State regulations that are necessary to address for development of a workable Plan. Firstly, neither document mentions nor assesses the impact of the Long Island Landfill Law (ECL §27-0704) and its implementing regulation, 6 NYCRR Subpart 360-8, on the feasibility of upland dredged material disposal or beneficial use in Nassau and Suffolk Counties in New York. The law prohibits the disposal in these counties of anything except “clean fill” as specifically defined in ECL 27-0704(1)(a) and 6 NYCRR 360-8.2(a). Dredged material is not specifically included in the definition of clean fill in 360-8.2(a), but could be designated by DEC as “other recognizable inert material”, with “inert material” being further defined as “material that contains neither leachate constituents at concentrations in excess of [New York State] groundwater quality standards nor putrescible material”.

DEC would be willing to develop a protocol for use by USACE for sampling and analysis of dredged materials, making use of in-situ sediment characterization and other data that may already have been obtained, which would allow DEC to determine whether dredged materials from specific projects may constitute 360-8 Clean Fill. In addition to sampling and analysis, this protocol may be able to utilize grain size analysis and total organic carbon content to determine whether dredged materials may consist primarily of sand and gravel, and can be regulated as though they are upland soils of this gradation.

A 6 NYCRR 360-8 Clean Fill designation would clear the way for disposal in active Long Island landfills mentioned in the DMMP (if allowed by the specific landfill permit), and would also be a first step for review of dredged materials for beneficial use in Nassau and Suffolk Counties where land placement is proposed, e.g., use of dredged materials as fill, cover, or in manufactured topsoil.

The DMMP also fails to note that shoreline and in-water dredged material management options fall within an exclusion in 6 NYCRR 360-1.2(a)(4)(ix) for materials dredged from the waters of New York State and placed or disposed in accordance with a Water Quality Certification issued by DEC under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, provided the WQC addresses the placement. This exclusion typically encompasses beach nourishment and wetland creation/improvement, two of the prominently mentioned options for beneficial use of dredged materials. This exclusion also encompasses disposal in CADs, other in-water disposal, and shoreline CDFs. Though not regulated as solid waste, dredged materials used in these projects are subject to other applicable state requirements.

In a further effort to encourage beneficial use of dredged materials, DEC established in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in November, 2013 that soils and dredged materials are not regulated as solid wastes when used at a remedial program (Superfund, Brownfield or Petroleum Cleanup) site in accordance with a DEC-approved cleanup plan. This agreement was intended to facilitate use of soil and dredged materials on remedial program sites as fill or cover by eliminating the need for solid waste program review for this beneficial use.

## **Conclusion and Next Steps**

In summary, the State Agencies would like to reiterate that while we continue to support the goals of the 2005 Rule, we recognize that the information and analysis contained in the DMMP and PEIS provide an inadequate basis for development of a responsible strategy for managing dredged material in LIS. While some of the work plan tasks have been finished, the majority fall short, primarily as a result of incomplete information or analysis. Elements of the work plan that have not been completed include studies on bio-accumulation, long term effects, risk analysis reflecting LIS current conditions, and revisiting the testing protocols and cap requirements, based on new data. Baseline information and data gaps have not been addressed. Additionally, the documents present insufficient information to allow DOS to complete its assessment of project impacts under its CZMA review authority. Instead, the draft DMMP rejects most alternatives as impracticable based on cost alone and identifies a 30-year pathway for the LIS region that is focused on substantially increasing the volume of dredged material disposal at open water sites, all the while assuming the continued availability of NLDS and CSDS as designated open water disposal options pursuant to Ocean Dumping Act. This is not acceptable to the State.

In order to move forward, NYS Agencies have re-evaluated the gaps and deficiencies in the DMMP and PEIS documents and have identified the following list of studies as critical for future action that should allow the DMMP to comport with the 2005 Rule:

- A comprehensive ecological analysis and summary of contaminant effects and disposal impacts, based on information catalogued in the Corps' Environmental Data Update Database.
- An inventory of applicable regulations and authorities for projects within the DMMP Study Area that includes identification and thorough evaluation of the implementation constraints of identified alternatives. This assessment should address the development of the policies and procedures for implementing practicable alternatives, including identification of funding sources to implement specific management components.
- A complete beneficial use analysis, with an economics analysis assessment of plan benefits, including a strategy for increasing upland capacity, identifying and prioritizing strategies and actions needed to reduce incremental costs of treatment and upland disposal, and a cost analysis of the establishment and operation of a new regional processing facility. The analysis should include valuation of lost or affected natural resources and uses.
- Climate change impacts are also expected to reduce the Sound's capacity to process additional contamination loads, especially because of warming of marine waters and potential ocean acidification. All alternatives presented within the draft DMMP and PEIS need to be re-evaluated to take into consideration resiliency benefits and climate change impacts, particularly the coordination of Coastal Storm Damage Reduction projects currently in design and those in the feasibility stage, for nearshore placement, dune construction, marsh restoration, CDF and containment island construction.
- The draft DMMP assumes a determination of suitability for open water disposal based on an outdated biological and chemical standards that have not kept pace with a changing climate and environment, while ignoring cumulative impacts and opportunity costs. The suitability determination is also premised on a false presumption that subsequent limited or no monitoring of open water mounds is necessary once annual multiple disposals have occurred. Due to the difficulty of monitoring dredged material deposited in an open water environment, especially in the context of increased intensity storm events, the NYS Agencies recommend that the draft DMMP more exhaustively evaluate the viability of capping using the types of finer-grained materials typically employed in LIS, as an appropriate method of protecting the environment from deposits of dredged material at disposal sites.

In addition to the need for these major studies, an issue that has been raised repeatedly by NYS Agencies is the lack of available testing standards and guidance suitable for LIS. The procedures that have been used for evaluating dredged material for placement in all ocean waters - Evaluation of Dredged Material Proposed for Ocean Disposal -

Testing Manual (EPA/COE-503/8-91/001), used in conjunction with the Regional Implementation Manual, do not include an analysis of the particular ecological characteristics of LIS. Testing protocols and models used to evaluate the appropriateness of dredged materials for open water disposal in accordance with the Ocean Dumping Act have been critiqued by scientific experts because of the inaccuracies and inadequacies for determining the safety for disposal in aqueous environments and marine sediments. While the State recognizes that development of a LIS-specific guidance document is beyond the scope of the DMMP, it highlights a further complication for the Corps and EPA in accurately assessing potential environmental impacts of continued open water disposal.

Long Island Sound is one of New York's and Connecticut's most valuable natural resources, one of the "estuaries of national significance" under the National Estuary Program. It is also the only embayment in the nation's territorial sea in which the Marine Protection Research & Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) - the Ocean Dumping Act (ODA) - applies.<sup>12</sup> Congressional history confirms that the ODA was made applicable to the Sound to afford greater protection to the marine environment from open water disposal than was otherwise available under the Clean Water Act. However, in practice, dredged material disposal of contaminated sediments into the Sound has continued.

New York and Connecticut each have a great interest in the cleanliness and health of Long Island Sound. The States have spent a combined total of more than \$8 billion to clean up its navigable waters. Notwithstanding these substantial expenditures, the Sound ecosystem is threatened by its continued use as a disposal site for dredged sediments, and the effects of dumping at one or more sites may affect all basins in the Sound. The public, as well as our local, state, and federal elected officials, have expressed grave concerns about the impacts of such continued unabated disposals on the Sound's marine resources.

The state looks forward to working with our state and federal partners to assist in completion of these tasks necessary for meeting the requirements set forth in the 2005 Rule, as well as providing DOS with necessary information for fulfilling its CZMA responsibilities.

Sincerely,



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Connecticut DEEP - Rob Klee, Commissioner

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<sup>12</sup> 33 U.S.C. § 1416(f). The MPRSA amendment was proposed in order to "amend existing law to consider the Long Island Sound as ocean waters for the purpose of ocean dumping regulation." H.R. Rep. No. 894, Part 1, 96th Cong., 2d Sess. 2 (1980).

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As an individual who uses our waterways, dredging is critical to ensure public access and to keep pleasure boating viable.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis A. Sulla". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Louis A. Sulla

October 16, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you to tell you that I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. A healthy Long Island Sound is important to me and others as well.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



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October 16, 2015

**Re: Dredge Material Management Plan**

Dear Ms. Quinn:

Connecticut Fund for the Environment and its bi-state program Save the Sound (“CFE/Save the Sound”) work to protect and improve the land, air, and water of Connecticut and Long Island Sound. We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Dredge Material Management Plan (“DMMP”) for Long Island Sound.

While many agree that dredging is frequently the best means of maintaining safe channels for navigation, accessible marinas for recreation, and open ports for commerce, the material that results from this effort is often seen as a by-product to be discarded rather than a resource to be harnessed. CFE/Save the Sound supports the beneficial re-uses identified in the DMMP, particularly as a resource for habitat restoration and coastal resiliency projects. While the DMMP began the process of evaluating the wide array of beneficial re-use options, it stops far short of being a “comprehensive planning process and decision making tool.”<sup>1</sup> Furthermore it fails to provide a sufficient path to significantly “reduce or eliminate the disposal of dredge materials in Long Island Sound,”<sup>2</sup> the goal agreed upon by New York and Connecticut.

CFE/Save the Sound has three key comments: 1) beneficial re-use is a real opportunity that requires additional assessment, project identification, and project coordination through the DMMP; 2) any economic analysis used to determine the “feasibility,” “practicability,” or “viability” of any project, must also include the environmental cost of using the Sound as a disposal facility to fairly reflect the true cost of disposal; and 3) additional information on the impact of disturbing, transporting, and disposing of nitrogen rich soils must be developed, analyzed, and monitored.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www3.epa.gov/region1/eco/lisidreg/pdfs/LISDredging070505-070506.pdf> page 1

<sup>2</sup> <http://www3.epa.gov/region1/eco/lisidreg/pdfs/LISDredging070505-070506.pdf> page 5.

## **Beneficial Re-use:**

The aftermath of Irene and Sandy—the two coastal storms that resulted in record or near-record storm surges within one year’s time—indicates that we are living along a coast that is now more storm and flood prone. This unwelcome reality demonstrates the need for a paradigm shift in the way we manage dredge materials. If we are going to work with natural systems to make our coast more resilient, we need to harness the substantial volumes of dredge materials within our region to restore and enhance dune, beach and marsh systems. For proof, we need look no further than the American Littoral Society’s rapid coastal assessment of Superstorm Sandy impacts along the Sound’s coastline.<sup>3</sup> This quick evaluation, while admittedly incomplete, does an excellent job of providing summaries of impacts to and restoration needs for beach, marsh, and coastal island systems along the Sound. Of those, at least twelve major restoration projects require substantial sediment inputs and nourishment.<sup>4</sup>

Unfortunately the DMMP identifies beneficial re-use opportunities but stops short of living up to its title: there is no Material Management Plan for implementing beneficial re-use, only lists of potential next steps. CFE/Save the Sound strongly believes a thorough evaluation of re-use opportunities must be evaluated in more detail; this would include meeting with habitat restoration or re-use entities to gather input and establishing a timeline to ensure coordination between the potential beneficial projects and dredge projects. This careful coordination is needed given the difficulty and lengthy permitting requirements. If this service is not provided through the DMMP, the likelihood of beneficial re-use is extremely slim.

## **Economic Evaluation of Disposal:**

Under the DMMP analysis most beneficial re-use methods are not considered economically practicable, and as such the Corps looks to open water disposal instead. First, protecting Long Island Sound’s environmental health is not a dollars in, dollars out proposition. Substantial investment has been made in protecting its water quality, reestablishing its habitats, and safeguarding its wildlife. To have a re-use option that does not impact the Sound available, but not use it because the price tag is somewhat higher than open water disposal runs counter to over forty decades of efforts to protect the Sound. Second, the equation used to establish that relied on cost is faulty; it is premised on an antiquated view that presumes open water disposal is

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<sup>3</sup> American Littoral Society, for NFWF, *Assessing the Impacts of Hurricane Sandy on Coastal Habitats*, December 17, 2012.

<sup>4</sup> See *ALS Assessment* at Exhibit 1, pp. 17-22. Resources identified as requiring some form of sediment sources include various beachfront parks on Long Island, Great Gull Island, NY; Silver Sands State Park and Milford Point, Milford, CT; Falkner Island, Guilford, CT; Menunketesuck Island and Duck Island, Westbrook, CT; Seaview Beach, Madison, CT; Rocky Neck State Park, East Lyme, CT; Harkness Memorial State Park along with Waterford Town Beach and Pleasure Beach in Waterford, CT; Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve on Long Island; and Manursing Lake in Rye, NY. This is an initial summation; there are additional sediment-based restoration needs as well. For instance, a proposed tidal marsh restoration project in Holly’s Pond at the mouth of the Noroton River in Connecticut will require significant sediment inputs. This does not begin to include potential beach and dune restoration options along privately owned and low-lying residential beach communities that suffered substantial wave and flooding damage scattered along the Connecticut, Westchester and Long Island coasts.



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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
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Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Long Island Sound dredging  
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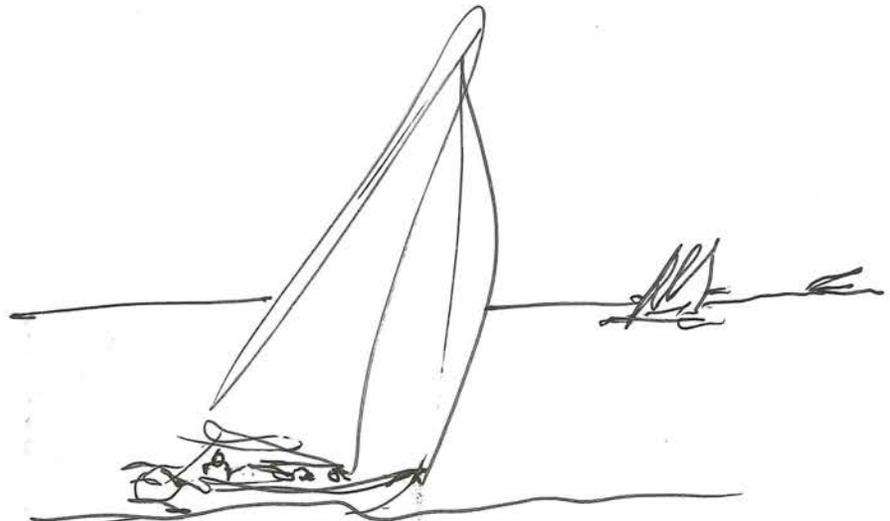
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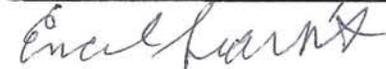
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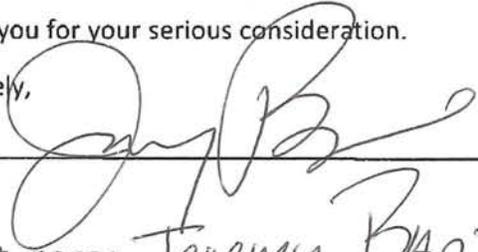
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Re: Comments on the US Army Corps of Engineers' Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound

Dear Ms. Quinn:

On behalf of Supervisor Judi Bosworth and the Town of North Hempstead, I offer the attached comments in an effort to make the final Dredged Material Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement as robust as possible.

The Town is very concerned that planning is performed to ensure that that the necessary infrastructure for environmentally responsible, regionally based dredge materials management is performed. I would like to thank the Army Corps of Engineers for the opportunity to review and comment on the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) for Long Island Sound, as well as for extending the comment period and offering additional public hearings.

Sincerely,

Erin Reilley  
Chief Sustainability Officer

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1. The draft DMMP does not achieve the goal of reducing or eliminating the use of open water disposal, and it does not respond to the spirit or the letter of the 2005 mandate from USEPA and the States of New York and Connecticut.

Although the goal to reduce or eliminate the use of open water disposal is quoted in a number of locations throughout the draft DMMP, the document is focused on continuing the status quo with regards to open-water disposal of the majority of dredge spoils.

One of the core purposes of the 2005 mandate was to communicate to the Army Corps that its mode of operation is unacceptable to the affected stakeholders; however, The Army Corps Spends the better part of Section 4 discussing why its enabling legislation and its federal mandate prevents it from performing the DMMP in the fashion that it was directed to by the States and the EPA. It is dismaying that the Army Corps failed to proactively communicate these limitations in advance of the formulation of the DMMP, and the result is that the draft DMMP represents a dismaying response to the public desire for environmental stewardship.

**2. The draft DMMP's cost/benefit analysis appears to be deeply flawed and non-responsive to the requested criteria.**

- a. The draft DMMP does not consider the economic losses associated with not pursuing beneficial re-use.

The draft DMMP does not include sufficient consideration of opportunity costs associated with continued reliance on open water disposal. Moreover, it does not provide the planning and guidance that local governments were counting on to support the creation of an informed, environmentally responsible regional dredge materials management system; Nor does it provide any guidance regarding the reduction of sediment deposition into surface water bodies, as the Army Corps was requested to do. Each of these has the potential to support regional economic development, as well as reduce costs for sediment management.

- b. The draft DMMP does not consider the ecosystem and financial costs that will be incurred by continued open water dumping.

The communities around the Long Island Sound have expended countless resources to rehabilitate and improve Long Island Sound. Yet, we still have along road ahead of us, and the Sound's long history of pollution, overfishing and contaminated dredged material disposal have compromised the Sound's health and resiliency. Continued open water dumping may have long-term impacts to the ecosystem of Long Island Sound, and thus to our regional economies; yet the draft DMMP does not attempt to quantify these costs or discuss them in an informed fashion.

3. The assessments performed for the Town of North Hempstead's Bays and Harbors appear to require additional development and research.

I would like to reiterate the comments that have been made on this topic by the Executive Directors of the Manhasset Bay Protection Committee and the Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee.

**It is unlikely that material dredged from Manhasset Bay would be suitable for open-water placement.**

Section 5.18 of the main report covers the Manhasset and Little Neck Bays Area Dredging Center. In this section (specifically page 5-256), the DMMP states that these two bays (Little Neck Bay and Manhasset Bay) would “generate suitable mixed sandy and fine-grained dredged material” for open water placement; however, it is unlikely that sediment dredged from Manhasset Bay would be environmentally acceptable to dump at an ocean site, as this has been the case in recent dredging projects where alternatives had to be found. As Manhasset Bay is lumped in with Little Neck Bay, it is difficult to parse out exact quantities and qualities in the DMMP for further comment.

**It is likely that material dredged from Hempstead Harbor would be suitable for upland placement for beach nourishment or marsh reclamation.**

The plan states that materials from Hempstead Harbor are assumed to be a mix of sandy and fine-grained materials that would not be suitable for direct beach placement with the least costly disposal being the Western Long Island Sound disposal site. However, it notes that the two most recent non-federal dredging projects next to the federal channel (1999 and 2004) showed that the dredged material was suitable for upland placement as beach nourishment and marsh restoration. It also mentions that the most recent grain size analysis performed in 1982 showed that the harbor sediment was mostly sand (78.6%) with silt (16.7%) and clay (5.1%). Despite this, the report takes the position that taken as a whole, the sediments show mixed results and are therefore assumed to be too fine-grained for beach placement. As such the Federal Base Plan calls for dredged materials from Hempstead Harbor to be disposed of through open water disposal at the Western Long Island Disposal Site (off of Norwalk Harbor). This overly conservative approach would all-but rule out beneficial use of this material.

**Further Details are needed to Break Out the Costs of Using the Proposed Confined Disposal Facility ("CDF") Adjacent to Hempstead Harbor.**

The plan notes that a "Confined Disposal Facility" (or "CDF") has been proposed "at Hempstead Harbor along the southwest shoreline...at a former sand mining company site that could accommodate the needs of other harbors in the western sound with its 2.8 million CY capacity". When analyzing the costs for disposal of sediments from Hempstead Harbor, it determined that it would be significantly less expensive to dispose of the dredged material at the Western Long Island Sound Disposal Site (\$32/CY) than it would be to use the CDF at Hempstead Harbor (\$94/CY). This seems to defy common sense. If it is not economical for a dredging project immediately adjacent to a CDF to use the CDF, then it is hard to imagine that any CDFs would be economical. Further details on the cost calculations are needed.

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**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredge Spoils in Long Island Sound  
**Date:** Friday, October 16, 2015 10:18:29 AM

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Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am **STRONGLY** opposed to this proposal. Just because it is the most cost-effective way to dispose of these dirty spoils, doesn't make it the right choice. I am a commercial fisherman and I am deeply concerned about the negative impact it will have on our fisheries.

**NO DREDGE SPOILS IN LONG ISLAND SOUND!**

Thanks for your consideration,

James J. Bogden

655 Oyster Ponds Lane

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**From:** [Hugh Switzer](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] draft Dredge Materials Management Plan (draft DMMP)  
**Date:** Friday, October 16, 2015 3:36:28 PM

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To: Meghan Quinn, LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager,

We are writing to state our strong opposition to your recommendation to continue dumping dredge spoils from Connecticut into Long Island Sound, an already threatened waterbody.

Please rethink your assumptions and analysis that led to this flawed proposal - a low cost option based on narrow parameters will always lead to 'out of scope' impacts, which in this case are highly negative to the larger waterbody impacted.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this issue. We understand that there are much lower impact solutions available to you, and our overall environment.

Respectfully,

Hugh and Susan Switzer  
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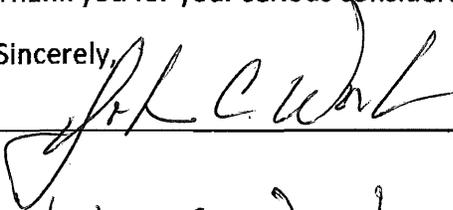
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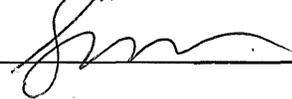
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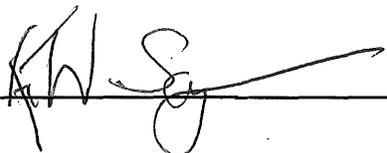
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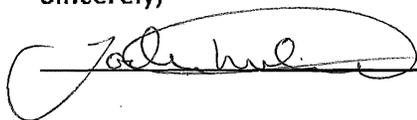
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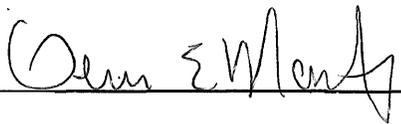
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Edward Miller

10 Laurel Dr.

Wallingford CT 06492

10/16/15

To: USACE

Please be advised that as a concerned neighbor living on Long Island, I definitely oppose the dumping of any and all Waste Materials into our waterways.

a very concerned citizen in  
Nassau F. C.

Rita A. Levy

Barbara Schoenenberger

October 16, 2015

238 Grant Avenue

Mineola, NY 11501

Dear USACE,

I oppose the USACE plan to continue to dump dredged material in the Long Island Sound. A new plan must be created that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and it must reuse those materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I appreciate all your efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'B. Schoenenberger', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Barbara Schoenenberger

10/16/15

To the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I am writing this to let you know I oppose your plan to dump dredging materials in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open dumping of these dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you,

Mary Wiercinski

Mineola, New York

October 16, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Subject: I oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound

Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A healthy Long Island Sound is very important and necessary for a healthy Long Island population.

Don't go the "cheap and easy way"!

All of Long Island is watching.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Patty Van Velsor  
158 Rudolf Road  
Mineola, NY 11501

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Sincerely,

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Linda Gorman  
109 Barwick Blvd.  
Mineola, NY 11501

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Oct 16, 2015

Hello! I work everyday to protect the water and my local environment. I hold myself and those around me accountable to be responsible stewards of the Earth, and I HOLD YOU ACCOUNTABLE TOO.

Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials. Do not give in to the short term convenience of disposing it into the beautiful L.I. Sound.

We can reuse and recycle the material into beneficial projects like reconstructing wetlands + filling in abandoned mines. Create jobs, teach sustainability, CARE for the environment and the lives of people whose health, safety + ~~wellness~~ livelihood depend on the Sound, and more important, a healthy planet.

Please respond to me, in writing, of your position.

Sincerely,

Lynn Golan

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73 Hope Drive  
Plainville NY 11803

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October 16, 2015

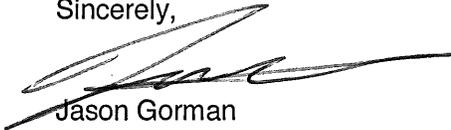
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Jason Gorman  
109 Barwick Blvd.  
Mineola, NY 11501

Mrs. Stacy Leckler  
171 Jerome Avenue  
Mineola, NY 11501

October 16, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

**As a native of Long Island, I am writing to protest the plan to dump dredged materials into the open waters of the Long Island Sound!**

As a Long Islander, it is imperative to preserve our natural resources. The Long Island Sound is a sanctuary on the North Shore of Long Island. It is a significant part of the fishing economy that yields between \$17-\$36 billion annually. The Sound is home to more than 120 species of finfish and an abundance of birds and natural wildlife. Numerous agencies, over the past years, have put forth countless hours and effort to protect and restore the Sound to its natural beauty. As you are aware, through news media, there has been an increase in beluga whales sightings, pods of dolphins, and an increase in bunker fish, all due to the efforts of these groups, which include the federal government, state, and local municipalities.

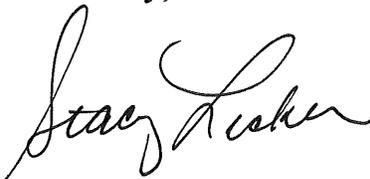
While dredging is necessary to main waterways and harbors, OPEN WATER DUMPING OF DREDGED MATERIAL IS UNNECESSARY AND HARMFUL! Open waster dumping of dredged materials have been linked to the increase of nitrogen loading and correlated with elevated toxins found in aquatic life. These negative effects have a direct effect on people, in a plethora of ways. To quote the United States Environmental Protection Agency, "Too much nitrogen and phosphorus in the water can have diverse and far-reaching impacts on public health, the environment and the economy." Therefore, you must rethink your plan! Open water dumping of dredged materials is not in the best interest of any parties that will be negatively impacted....which includes all of Long Island!

There are other means to get rid of the dredged material besides open water dumping. Dredged material can be reused! This material can be used to nourish the beaches, construct wetlands, cap landfills, and fill abandoned mines.

I urge you to please reconsider your plan. Please don't become part of the government that lies to public.! In 2005, NY and CT agreed that they would phase out open water dumping and begin to look at dredged material as a resource! Under this agreement, the USACE was requested to help draw out a blueprint of this plan. Now...the DMMP released by the USACE in August plans to use our Long Island Sound as a dumping ground! That is disgraceful and a break in trust!

I hope you will reconsider your plan and think about the ramifications your plan has on Long Island.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stacy Leckler". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stacy A. Leckler

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Dear Madam

As a STAMFORD resident  
I am vehemently oppose  
the continuing dumping  
in Long Island Sound.  
You must find an  
alternative solution.

Sincerely

Andrew Paulus

Andrew Paulus  
20 WILD HORSE RD.  
STAMFORD, CT 06905



Mr Andrew Paulus  
20 Wild Horse Rd  
Stamford, CT 06905

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers

A-2A-64 to Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

1000 WILSON RD

Dear USACE -

Please do not dump dredged material in the Sound or any other hazardous materials ever!!

Not for the next 30 yrs and beyond! A healthy Sound is extremely important to me and generations to come. We all eat fish and crustaceans and do not want to get sick or suffer adverse health problems.

Need to develop alternative options such as reuse - building wetlands, capping landfills, etc.

Please respond with your position and why you believe this is the only way to dispose of these materials -

John J. Sileo  
161 Shadow Ridge rd.  
Stamford, Ct. 06905

# STOP DUMPING IN THE SOUND

Joe + MARY Ayles ~~USA~~  
Just Myles  
273 Buddington Rd  
Shelton, CT. 06484



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*23 Lake Ave*  
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*Barrington, RI 02806*  
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*Raymond E. Snow*

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New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
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Attention: Meghan Quinn, P.E., LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager

RE: Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan and Programmatic  
Environmental Impact Statement (LIS DMMP/PEIS)

Dear Ms. Quinn:

This correspondence provides commentary on the above referenced subject, respectfully submitted on behalf of the Oyster Bay Town Board and the approximately 300,000 residents the Board represents.

The Town of Oyster Bay is located in western portion of Long Island Sound, more or less due south of the Western Long Island Sound Disposal Site. The northerly shore of the Town contains the Oyster Bay-Cold Spring Harbor (OBCSH) Complex and Hempstead Harbor, which are connected to Long Island Sound. Both of these embayments are recognized by federal, state and local agencies charged with the protection of natural resources as serving critical ecosystem functions. The OBCSH Complex includes a National Wildlife Refuge, which is the largest NWR on Long Island and is described by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as being "...unique in the National Wildlife Refuge System, serving as a marine refuge rather than a more traditional terrestrial refuge."

After reviewing the LISDMMP and PEIS, we do not believe that the proposed action, entailing continuation of the status quo allowing essentially un-curtailed open-water dumping of dredge spoils into Long Island Sound, provides adequate protection of vital marine resources in the Town of Oyster Bay and throughout the Sound. Our specific comments in this regard are provided below for your consideration.

1. The DMMP/PEIS identifies continued use of the Long Island Sound disposal sites as the "least cost environmentally acceptable plan" for the vast majority of the projects in the study area. However, the criteria by which the determination has been arrived at that this method of disposal is "environmentally acceptable" is not clearly and concisely explained. Although technical details factoring into this conclusion may be complex, it is important that the basis for decision-making be presented in a manner that can be readily understood by the public, a standard which all EISs are required to meet and in our opinion has not been accomplished in this case.
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3. The DMMP/PEIS will require review and/or approval by a number of federal and state agencies. One key approval is the issuance of a coastal consistency concurrence by the New York State Department of State (NYS DOS) with respect to the New York State Coastal Management Program (CMP). It is difficult to see how such concurrence is possible given that NYSDOS already has determined, by correspondence dated June 3, 2004 to the EPA Region I Office of Ecosystem Protection, that use of the Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound sites for the open-water disposal of dredged materials is inconsistent with the NYS CMP. The DMMP/PEIS does not appear to address the numerous, specific objections raised in NYSDOS's June 3, 2004 determination of non-consistency. Therefore, it seems unavoidable to conclude that the DMMP/PEIS entails significant, unmitigated adverse impacts with respect to implementation of the NYS CMP and, therefore, that the DMMP/PEIS is un-approvable on its face.
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We appreciate the opportunity to review and provide these comments regarding the DMMP/PEIS and look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,

  
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NEIL O. BERGIN  
COMMISSIONER  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

c: (w/ attachment)  
Hon. Supervisor Venditto and Members of the Town Board  
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Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
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Concord, MA 01742

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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

*Nancy O'Neill*  
NANCY O'NEILL

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OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870



Bill & Nancy O'Neill  
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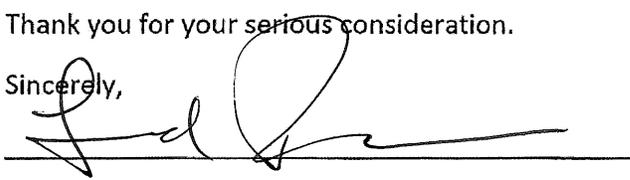
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**Leonard Borkowski**  
**19 Sunset Road**  
**Old Saybrook, Ct 06475**



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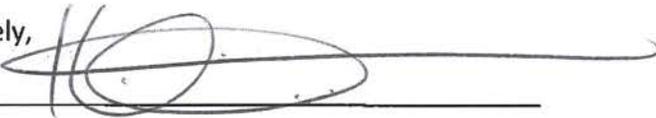
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Dear: Ms. Meghan Quinn

My name is Rami Baghdadi, 27 years old; Long Island resident. I am writing this letter in strong opposition to the Dredge Materials Management Plan (DMMP) that continues the open water disposal of harmful dredge waste dumping in the Long Island Sound. As an alternative, please develop a plan to phase out open water dumping and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
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I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound  
for the next 30 years. Please develop a plan  
that phases out open water dumping of  
dredged material and reuses this material  
in a safe and beneficial way

Very truly yours.

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# Connecticut Harbor Management Association

October 15, 2015

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**Subject: Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement, Connecticut, New York and Rhode Island, Public Review Draft, August 2015**

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Dear Ms. Quinn:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Harbor Management Association (CHMA), we are writing to provide some background information concerning the CHMA's interest in the Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) along with some comments and recommendations concerning the DMMP Public Review Draft.

We wish to thank the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for the opportunity to participate in the process for preparing the Public Review Draft. Through our participation on the DMMP Working Group, we believe we have contributed to development of an effective, evidence-based plan that will provide for sustainable use and conservation of Long Island Sound and continued viability of the water-dependent uses that depend on maintenance dredging of Federal navigation projects. Copies of our correspondence to the USACE during the working group meetings are enclosed for your convenience.

The CHMA is a State-wide, not-for-profit organization representing the interests of municipal harbor management commissions, State harbor masters appointed by the Governor, and others concerned with Connecticut's harbors and marine resources. In 2015, there are 20 Connecticut towns implementing state-approved and locally adopted harbor management plans; a number of other towns are considering such plans. In addition, there are more than 50 State of Connecticut harbor

masters and deputy harbor masters appointed by the Governor with authority for managing the state's waterways in the public interest.

Our mission is to share information and facilitate coordination among our member harbor management commissions, harbor masters, and State and Federal agencies to address issues of common interest and concern. Our Board members volunteer their time to advance this mission.

Since its formation, the CHMA has interacted with the USACE, Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's Office of Long Island Sound Programs (DEEP OLISP), Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT), and other Federal and State agencies on a number of initiatives to address dredging issues affecting Connecticut's ports and harbors.

It is our understanding that currently active Federal navigation projects authorized by Acts of Congress and maintained by the USACE, are found in 28 Connecticut waterways. These navigation projects, including channels and, in some locations, anchorage basins, are subject to naturally occurring siltation (shoaling). As a result, they require timely and economical maintenance dredging to maintain beneficial use by industrial, commercial, and recreational users. Such dredging is needed to maintain the advantages of waterborne transportation, the viability of water-dependent businesses, the competitive advantage of Connecticut ports to attract new businesses, and public access to Long Island Sound by the thousands of people who enjoy recreational boating, including visiting boaters and tourists.

Connecticut's municipal harbor management commissions established pursuant to Sec. 22a-113k of the Connecticut General Statutes have an important function and significant experience for advancing the dredging process to maintain the Federal navigation projects. A number of State-approved and locally adopted harbor management plans call for the harbor management commission to serve as the municipal advocate for requesting Federal maintenance dredging and to work cooperatively with the USACE, DEEP OLISP, and other agencies to advance the dredging process.

Among our early initiatives to address the dredging issues affecting Connecticut's ports and harbors, we conducted a multi-year study of the Federal maintenance dredging process with input from the USACE, representatives of Connecticut's congressional delegation, and many other agencies and groups. Our March 21, 2005 report "Summary of Findings and Recommendations from a Study by the Connecticut Harbor Management Association of the Federal Maintenance Dredging Process in the State of Connecticut" was released just prior to initiation of the DMMP planning process. Our report described the background for the dredging issues, including the requirements of the 1980 "Ambro Amendment" to the Federal Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act. We encouraged preparation of the DMMP and recommended other actions, some of which have been effectuated, to address the dredging issues, including establishment of a State of Connecticut program, now implemented through ConnDOT, to provide funds and coordination to advance the USACE's dredging process. A copy of our report is attached for your convenience.

While some of the conditions described in our 2005 report have changed over the past decade, some conditions remain the same and some of our recommendations are still timely and now applicable to completion and implementation of the DMMP. Those still-applicable recommendations, along with additional comments and recommendations developed as a result of our participation in the DMMP planning process, are presented below for consideration by the USACE.

#### COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Final Rule by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for designation of the Central Long Island Sound (CLIS) and Western Long Island Sound (WLIS) dredged material disposal sites provides the basis for preparation of the DMMP. The Final Rule is published in the Federal Register / Vol. 70 / No. 106 / Friday, June 3, 2005 / Rules and Regulations, and includes the following amendment to part 228, chapter I of title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

*“...the disposal of dredged material at the CLIS and WLIS sites pursuant to this designation shall not be allowed beginning eight (8) years after July 5, 2005 unless a regional dredged material management plan (DMMP) for Long Island Sound has been completed by the North Atlantic Division of the USACE in consultation with the State of New York, State of Connecticut and EPA, with a goal of reducing or eliminating the disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound ...”*

While the CHMA Board supports the goal of reducing the disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound, it is our opinion that the goal of eliminating open water disposal of dredged material is, for reasons stated below, not an appropriate solution to the current dredging issues and is economically and environmentally unfeasible and unnecessary at the present time.

2. A Federal Standard controlling the planning and implementation of USACE dredging projects is defined in Federal law and USACE regulations. That standard requires that dredging projects be planned, designed, and conducted in the least costly manner that is consistent with proper engineering practices and meets all Federal environmental requirements. In others words, disposal of dredged material must be according to the “least cost, environmentally sound” method. Amendment of this standard would require amendment of Federal law and regulations.
3. Material to be dredged from Connecticut ports and harbors is subject to rigorous testing to determine its suitability for disposal in Long Island Sound. Testing is according to national and regional standards jointly established by the USACE and EPA. Material deemed suitable for open water disposal may be subject to additional sediment management requirements, imposed by the DEEP OLISP, above and beyond the Federal requirements. Suitable material placed in open water disposal sites in Long Island Sound is also subject to rigorous monitoring by the USACE for the purpose of identifying any significant adverse impacts on coastal resources and environmental quality.

4. The CHMA Board is aware of no scientific data or study indicating that open water disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound as currently practiced, managed, and monitored is causing any significant adverse impacts on coastal resources and environmental quality, including water quality.
5. Much of the material that must be dredged to maintain the viability of Connecticut's ports and harbors is fine-grained sediment suitable, based on the national and regional standards jointly established by the USACE and EPA, for open water disposal. Experience of municipal harbor management commissions in Connecticut shows that alternatives to the open water disposal of this fine-grained sediment are economically and environmentally unfeasible for a number of reasons including, but not limited to: a) lack of fine-grained material suitability for beach nourishment and construction applications and for processing in concrete and/or asphalt plants; b) difficulties associated with locating dredged material de-watering facilities necessary to achieve upland disposal; c) problematic nature of truck-borne transportation of dredged material; and d) lack of commercial landfills and other suitable properties for accepting dredged material for landfill or other beneficial purposes.
6. Absent scientific data, the soundness of which can be independently verified, that would indicate that open water disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound as currently practiced, managed, and monitored is causing any significant adverse impacts on coastal resources and environmental quality, including water quality, the USACE should complete the DMMP. The EPA then should amend the previous site designations of the CLIS and WLIS dredged material disposal sites to allow placement of suitable dredged material in those sites after the current time extension for use of the sites expires in April 2016. In this regard, the EPA should revisit the 2005 Final Rule for designation of the CLIS and WLIS sites to incorporate procedures and standards for site use that are consistent with the recommendations of the DMMP.
7. The CHMA Board has given significant consideration to the role of state coastal management programs for addressing Long Island Sound dredging issues. The Federal Coastal Zone Management Act envisions coordination between coastal states such as Connecticut and New York sharing jurisdiction in a coastal water body. It is our experience that such coordination has historically been lacking with regard to Long Island Sound and this lack of coordination, in our opinion, has contributed significantly to the current dredging-related issues.

It has long been our opinion that the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and the New York State Department of State—the coastal management agencies of the states of Connecticut and New York—should recognize their responsibility to work together cooperatively to address Long Island Sound-wide issues through coordinated and effective planning and coastal management initiatives. We recommend that such coordination and cooperation should be stated as a specific objective of the DMMP.

8. Continued and increased attention should be given to the implementation (as distinguished from simply the identification) of feasible alternatives to open water disposal of dredged material, including but not limited to use of dredged material for structural and nonstructural fill (including fill for remediation of brownfields sites) and other beneficial applications such as beach nourishment, shore protection to increase coastal resiliency, and habitat creation, including wetland restoration and development of dredged material containment islands that would be managed eventually as wildlife habitat.
  - 8(a) Demonstration programs: The U.S. Congress should consider appropriating funds to develop demonstration/pilot programs for alternative methods for beneficial use of dredged material. Demonstration programs should be implemented through a Federal-State-local partnership involving the Corps of Engineers, Connecticut DEEP, Connecticut Port Authority, other State and Federal agencies, and local sponsors.
  - 8(b) Amendment of solid waste regulations: Connecticut statutes and regulations concerning solid waste management should be amended as necessary to facilitate the beneficial, environmentally sound use of suitable dredged material for upland applications. The Connecticut DEEP should complete the process of amending those statutes and regulations in the most timely manner according to a specific schedule.
  - 8(c) Increased use of Federal hopper dredges: Consideration should be given to increased use of Federal hopper dredges for maintenance of specific channels along the Connecticut coast. To facilitate increased use of these dredges, suitable nearshore dispersal sites for dredged material should be evaluated and designated by the DEEP OLISP in coordination with the USACE, other State and Federal agencies, and local sponsors.
9. A meeting of the Long Island Sound Congressional Caucus consisting of members of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives from the states of Connecticut and New York should be convened in the near future to hear and consider issues affecting the beneficial use and conservation of Long Island Sound. That meeting should include a presentation and discussion of dredging and dredged material management issues, including issues affecting the timely maintenance of Federal navigation projects in Connecticut and New York ports and harbors, as well as presentation and discussion of the DMMP and recommendations for DMMP implementation.

In conclusion, we continue to urge all stakeholders concerned with Long Island Sound dredged material management, including governmental agencies, environmental organizations, and business interests, to recognize and respect each others' objectives as important and legitimate, and to work together as partners to resolve the current issues in an objective, balanced, and practical manner.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our comments and recommendations. We look forward to continuing our participation with the USACE and other agencies in this important process to ensure the continued beneficial use and conservation of Long Island Sound and all of its ports and harbors. If you have any questions, you may contact us at the numbers and e-mail addresses below.

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## **Appendix Items**

### **Comments to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) on the DMMP**

#### **Attachment 1**

Letter of recommendation dated March 21, 2005

#### **Summary of findings and recommendations from a study by the Connecticut Harbor Management Association regarding the Federal Maintenance Dredging process in the State of Connecticut.**

*Highlights of this letter:*

*“The State of Connecticut should actively encourage and facilitate timely maintenance dredging, as needed, of the Federal navigation projects in Connecticut ports and harbors. The purpose of this State involvement should be to maintain and enhance: the viability of the State’s water-dependent economies; the beneficial quality of life associated with the Connecticut coast; and opportunities for public access to Long Island Sound. A specific State agency with powers and duties for this purpose and sufficient authority and resources to carry out those powers and duties should be designated by the Legislature. That agency should be considered the lead State agency for advancing and coordinating the interests of the State with regard to maintenance of Federal navigation projects.”*

#### **Attachment 2**

Letter dated April 8, 2011

Comments and recommendations from the CHMA after the first meeting of the DMMP Working Group regarding:

1. Opportunities to Share Information among Working Group Members.
2. Identification of DMMP Goals.
3. Discussion of Apparently Disparate Goals.
4. Review of Previous New York State Coastal Consistency Finding.
5. Coastal Management Coordination.
6. Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis (MCDA).

#### **Attachment 3**

Letter dated May 12, 2011

Comments regarding CHMA review of the multi-criteria decision analysis worksheet that was discussed during the April 26, 2011 meeting of the DMMP Working Group.

#### **Attachment 4**

Letter dated May 25, 2011

Additional comments for the DMMP planning process to consider opportunities for nearshore dispersal of sandy dredged material. Planning process should consider coordination with the Corps’ ongoing evaluations conducted through the Low Use Navigation Pilot Project program.

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Sent by Email (PDF Attachment) and USPS Mail

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Attached, please find written comments attached, in PDF format, for the public record with regards to the LI Sound draft DMMP. These written comments are made in addition to the comments the NFEC and its representatives have made at past public hearings.

The NFEC urges these and all comments you have heard and received to be thoroughly reviewed and discussed across the whole USACE team. The draft DMMP in its current state is not acceptable and needs to be reworked with the help of critical state, county and local partners, redrafted by the team and then put back for public review and comment with the clearly stated goals of 1) reducing and phasing out LI Sound dumping, and 2) identifying both current and potential alternatives to dumping of dredge materials.

The LI Sound needs to be protected by the USACE and not subject to attack by the outdated, unwanted and potentially disastrous practice of dumping dredge spoils, most of which can be reused and redirected for final disposition in a cost-effective manner with benefits to LI Sound, its ecosystems and surrounding communities.

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RE: L.I. Sound Draft DMMP

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Although the North Fork Environmental Council (NFEC) has spoken out on this issue in several public meetings over the past two years on behalf of its Board of Directors, its members – both local residents and business owners – and its friends and supporters, we wish to put forth the following additional comments to you in writing.

**Process**

The first issue that troubles us is the antiquated processes the USACE has taken with all aspects of this process. And in looking at a draft reported added to the DAMOS page on 11 August 2015, these concerns are backed up by the documentation.

First, the USACE said that they worked with local governments in creating the DMMP and its recommendations. So why was it a total surprise to Southold Town officials that agricultural land in the hamlet of Mattituck was identified to receive over 2 million cubic yards (cy) of CT dredge material for de-watering? The answer given in the public hearing was that “someone” checked with the Town and “someone” told them that this was an available site – all of this taking place over seven (7) years ago – is not acceptable, in theory or practice. And when the USACE consultants replied that the public meetings were the local governments' opportunity to comment on the plan, this is also not acceptable, in theory or practice.

It is the responsibility of the USACE to communicate and work with all levels of local, regional and state government agencies and departments **throughout the entire process**, including research, drafting, review and release. This was not done.

The NFEC realizes that the more people sitting around the table makes the planning process more burdensome at times but in this day of immediate interactive communication, having frequent and ongoing conversations with local, county and state government officials is easy and cost-effective. And to not talk with government officials for over seven years is ludicrous.

Over seven years, a lot could and has happened. Elected officials at all levels of local government – Supervisor, Town Board, Town Trustees – change. And with those changes come changes in Planning Boards, Planning Departments and other local departments and committees all of which have a say in any placement of DMMP materials either on land or in the marine environments around the Town.

And over seven years, other changes take place. A collapse of the LI Sound lobster fishery has occurred. Towns have adopted and/or updated their Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP) – a key to what can happen on land and in the marine environment within the Town. Ground and surface water quality has dramatically decreased, causing all Southold Town creeks and inlets to be put on the NYS list of impaired water bodies. In addition, algal blooms fueled by nitrogen loading has appeared earlier, gotten bigger, stayed longer and become more toxic. Eelgrass habitats and other benthic marine plant communities have all but disappeared in many spots, resulting in dramatic decreases in the successful spawning and early growth of several shellfish and finfish populations.

All of this and more has taken place and yet the USACE has not taken the time to either connect or, giving it the benefit of the doubt, reconnect with local governments about these and other changes. Nowhere does the draft DMMP reflect these issues and events.

Another process issue brought up in the public meetings was that the USACE and its consultants have been working with the CT fishing industry, at times, looking at catch records in order to have another tool to evaluate species populations after dumping events. However, it was disclosed that the same level of coordination wasn't being done with respect to NY commercial fishing operations. The reason given was that NY has a different reporting method from CT. Why should this be a roadblock that the USACE steers around? It should not be such.

If the USACE wants to come to firm conclusions about shellfish and finfish populations being affected by dumping, then this obstacle should be viewed – by all involved – as a opportunity to educate the fisheries in the two states about ways to improve data collection so that the status of the various fisheries in shared waters can be properly measured and evaluated. But again, a lack of communication and effort to start and continue ongoing communication with NY commercial fisheries and their reporting agencies shows a lack of proper and effective process.

This also shows why everyone, in both CT and NY, view the DMMP as a CT plan which ignores NY issues and needs. This needs to be corrected. The USACE must work with all relevant partners to identify and define appropriate catch data and procedures as part of any DMMP for it to have any meaningful data on which to base conclusions.

#### **DAMOS (Disposal Area Monitoring System) Shortfalls**

Above it was noted that, "...in looking at a draft reported added to the DAMOS page on 11 August 2015, these concerns are backed up by the documentation." This report is entitled: *Data Summary Report: New London Disposal Site and Vicinity Sediment-Profile and Plan-View Imaging Survey September 2014*

In this report, it says, "The most recent survey at NLDS (New London Dump Site) was conducted in July/August 2007 (AECOM 2009). Since the July/August 2007 survey approximately 20,000 cy (15,290 m<sup>3</sup>) of dredged material has been disposed of at NLDS."

What this shows is that despite ongoing dumping activity at the NLDS since 2007, not to mention several severe nor'easters and the tidal effects of hurricanes Irene and Sandy, no DAMOS surveys or data collection has taken place at this sensitive area. Just as it is inexcusable to not communicate and work with various levels of local, county and state government over a seven-year period, it is inexcusable to not do regular and ongoing DAMOS work on this active dump site over the same period of time.

As stated in this 2014 report, "Two primary goals of DAMOS confirmatory monitoring surveys are to document the physical location and stability of dredged material placed into the aquatic environment and to evaluate the biological recovery of the benthic community following placement of dredged material."

So how can these two primary goals be met if the site is not even being actively surveyed and data collected while active dumping of additional dredge materials has taken place and while the entire LI Sound estuary, from its shores to its deepest depths, has been pounded by severe winter storms and the effects of nearby hurricanes? The answer is, they cannot be met.

This one example reveals a much wider problem – the current draft DMMP is, for a large part, based on old data. How can the USACE as the drafter or local, county and state governments, as well as the general public, make wise and informed decisions on the DMMP without recent and reliable data? Again, they cannot.

In a recent public hearing on the preservation of Plum Island, a former NYS official testified that despite claims to the contrary made in the last USACE hearing in Riverhead, NY, there has been no marine life collection and no study of bio-accumulation of pollutants in plants or fish on or around the NLDS.

In the Appendix to this letter is a partial list of the publicly released reports regarding LI Sound dump sites taken from the USACE website. You will note that in December 2006, report 169, *Evaluation of Field Bio-accumulation as a Monitoring Tool*, was released. It said, at that time, that bio-accumulation studies of smaller, common benthic animals such as snails, is difficult, costly and because of the organism's size not a clear and reliable measure of accumulated pollutants. However, there has been no other publicly released reports on efforts to undertake meaningful bio-accumulation studies on these or other species.

So in fact, this backs up the claim that no marine life collection and no study of bio-accumulation of pollutants in plants or fish on or around the NLDS. The USACE and its consultants say that they rely on visual observation of recovery of certain types of benthic organisms in order to evaluate a site's recovery after dumping. This has two major flaws.

First, if you don't do active surveys and data collection of a site during and soon after dumping activity – and this would include visual surveys as well as core sampling and chemical testing of the material lying in the site – how can anyone make a proper evaluation of a site's ongoing and current states? They cannot. And as such work has not occurred at NLDS, any conclusions are based on assumption and not facts.

Second, there are plenty of examples where, after catastrophic events, local flora and fauna have recovered quickly and well. However, without bio-accumulation studies one cannot tell if those communities are toxic, either for their own well being or for those up the food chain...including humans.

We know that in Chernobyl, wildlife and plants have made a fantastic recovery. (*Chernobyl Wildlife Make a Comeback Despite Contamination* By Mike Wood, Nick Beresford and The Conversation US, *Scientific American*, October 6, 2015) However, we also know that these organisms, now several generations past the event, contain high levels of radiation making them unsafe for human consumption and perhaps endangering their own long-term species survival. We need comprehensive bio-accumulation studies performed throughout LI Sound to not just evaluate the effects of dumping on marine species but also address the issue of how safe human consumption of local shellfish and finfish species is.

Another problem we've noticed with DAMOS operations is that there have been no initial baseline and ongoing studies of benthic communities elsewhere in LI Sound to serve as a control group. What if visual surveys show that certain benthic communities are rapidly reappearing after a dumping operation but that these same species are actually on the decline elsewhere as LI Sound water quality rebounds? This would show that the dumping is possibly bringing a food source – say decomposing organic material – that may not be a natural component of the ecosystem either at this depth or in this location. This is a major problem.

The USACE also reports show that an assessment of lobster abundance was conducted at the Rhode Island Sound Disposal Site (RISDS) in 2005 as part of the USACE New England District (NAE) Disposal Area Monitoring System (DAMOS) Program. This assessment was designed to evaluate whether the disposal of dredged material from the Providence River and Harbor maintenance dredging project caused negative impacts on lobster populations at the RISDS compared to nearby areas.

Such a study was not done in the LI Sound, even after reports of a high die-off rate in the central and eastern regions of the Sound – “coincidentally” around recent activity at the Central, Cornfield Shoals and New England dump sites.

This a major flaw in DAMOS. From a scientific standpoint, more work needs to be done. Studies need to be done in three areas: 1) on the site, 2) in close proximity to the site, and 3) in removed control sites. And this research needs to be done immediately before, immediately after and then ongoing after the dumping event. This is not being done, especially at NLDS which serves as the eastern gateway to the entire LI Sound estuary.

So the question is, “Why isn't this critical work being done?” The assumed answer is simply, “Costs.” But that one, simple answer points into another critical flaw of the DMMP.

### **Costs**

The USACE has repeatedly stated that the federal government's position is that the best option is the option of least cost. However, the cost basis used by the USACE for the DMMP is greatly flawed. Just ask any economist or businessman.

The USACE bases the costs of dumping solely on the operations of dredging, transportation and dumping. However, the USACE is solely responsible for ongoing monitoring, testing and reporting of the dump sites and their geological and biological integrity and affect on the surrounding environment. That is part and parcel of the USACE's "cost of doing business" but these additional costs are not properly reflected in the costing estimates of each disposal option and this must be addressed, **whether the cost comes from the USACE's budget line or from some other government agency.** It is still a cost of operations and must be determined and incorporated into the DMMP cost estimates.

For example, let's look at a dredging contract which calls for the dredging of the harbor of Stamford, CT, the spoils of which are to be dumped and capped in the Central LI Sound site. The costs for this operation need to reflect the costs of:

- 1) initial sampling and testing of material to be dredged and formal report of such
- 2) initial survey, sampling and testing of both biological and geological material at proposed dump site and formal report of such
- 3) development of site-specific plan for the project, including but not limited to percentage of contaminated materials and its proposed final destination, percentage of materials that can be re-used and their final destination, and percentage of materials unfit for re-use and their final destination – all in consultation of local, county and state officials in which the final destinations of each type of dredge spoils is to be located
- 4) public posting of all reports and public hearings of such

Once a final, approved plan is set:

- 5) cost of RFP process in securing bids and selecting the appropriate contractor
- 6) cost of dredging, transporting and delivery of dredge material to their final destinations – this must not only include the "hard-dollar" cost of all dumped materials but for materials that require "capping" then the costs must also reflect either "lost revenue" or "lost benefit cost" related to the capping material which, according to the USACE report is typically clean spoils that could be used for beach or habitat restoration, among many other things, had this material not been used for capping
- 7) cost of ongoing monitoring of dumping operations by third party
- 8) cost on post dump and capping surveys of the site by USACE, DAMOS and other such studies and reports

These are the true costs of a basic LI Sound dredge spoils dumping operation and must be reflected in the cost analysis. In ALL cases, the cost for LI Sound dumping will increase over what has been presented in the draft DMMP.

Now let's take the same project but with the final destination being a deserted mine in PA. The first four (4) cost segments are basically the same as in the case presented above. However, everything after step four changes in the following ways:

- 1) the costs of RFP process in securing bids and selecting the appropriate contractor(s) may be higher do to over-land transportation component
- 2) the cost of dredging, transporting and delivery of dredge material to their final destinations may actually be less for the following reasons:

- a) distance from Stamford harbor to onshore loading may be far less than trip to LI Sound dump site
  - b) no capping material would be needed so that the "lost revenue" and/or "lost benefit cost" would be eliminated
  - c) either the mine operator or PA may be willing to pay for dredge spoils and its transportation as mine fill, thereby offsetting some or all dredge/transportation/dumping costs
- 3) as the third party contractor is delivering dredge spoils to an onshore loading point for delivery to PA, the USACE does not incur the cost of monitoring transportation of the spoils or the dumping of the spoils in the proper offshore sites, as has been a problem in the past
  - 4) as PA and/or the mine operator already is tasked with monitoring things such as groundwater contamination, gas emissions, air pollution and overall mine safety, the USACE would incur no monitoring costs

And this example does not even take into account the lower costs to the environment – this could be both in terms of habitat loss but also economic loss due to disruption of key fisheries for a period of time – and to any future needed LI Sound remediation projects due to problems associated with LI Sound dumping.

This simplified look represents a true cost analysis the the DMMP and the USACE should re-evaluate all available options and rework all cost estimates taking into account all of these factors which any business operation would have to include in a similar cost analysis. And this is particularly true of a government-based operation. To represent true costs of such a project as only that part coming from USACE contract or budget line and not take into account costs from other involved government agencies or departments is misleading and not an accurate barometer of costs of the whole project or even costs to the end payer – the taxpayer.

### **Organic vs. Inorganic Spoils**

In all of the public hearings and reports, there is almost no mention of inorganic material being part of the dredge spoils. This is a gross oversight.

We know that CT harbors, like all others, are repositories of all matter coming from upstream. This may be effluent from businesses/factories, effluent from sewage treatment plants, run-off from agricultural lands, decaying organics – leaves, plants, trees, etc. – run-off from roadways and dumping – done intentionally or not – from normal harbor operations which, over the years, could be overboard waste dumping of all kinds, loss of cargo, spills from garbage barges, etc. All of these materials sit at the bottom of these harbors. Some of these materials are still being sent down from the tributaries.

The writer of this letter has lived on the LI Sound shore in Southold Town within sight of the Cornfield Shoals site for over 55 years. Over the decades, as a kid and an adult, I've watch dumping operations through my telescope. And I can tell you, as other area residents have in letters and emails sent to you, within weeks of the dumping operation and continuing for months after, LI beaches have been the receiver of a dramatic increase in inorganic trash, mainly plastics, such as old degraded plastic bottles, bags, tampon applicators, shotgun shell casings, eating utensils, and more such as Styrofoam food products. So while the USACE defends the "safety" of the spoils in terms of chemical composition, the other material in the spoils is doing damage to the environment.

Currently, plastics in our marine environments is reaching a critical state. Some states and counties have awakened to the dangers of whole and degraded petroleum-based plastics showing up in marine birds, fish, turtles and mammals and what that may mean not only to the degrading health of this wildlife but what it may mean to the health of people eating local seafood. I myself, who has fished on these waters all of my life, have dissected the stomach of a bluefish recently and I found small bits of plastic. I was shocked and concerned as tests on people have shown an increase in petroleum by-products in humans. We've seen such bio-accumulation in the LI Sound estuary in the form of DDT and how it affected apex predators, like the osprey, and its affect on successful reproduction. These are dangers we must not ignore with respect to plastics.

The following article – *Plastic Breaks Down in Ocean, After All -- And Fast*, by Carolyn Barry for *National Geographic News*, August 20, 2009 – reported some disheartening facts. Among them:

- about 44 percent of all seabirds eat plastic
- 267 marine species are affected by plastic garbage

All of these face a real threat from toxic, plastic-derived chemicals.

Looking just at Styrofoam, once it breaks down the tiny polystyrene components start to sink because they're heavier than water, and, according to oceanographer and chemist Charles Moore, "...it's likely that this styrene pollutant is prevalent throughout the water column and not just at the surface." Add to that degraded plastic from the above-noted waste that washed up on our shores after a dumping event, let alone the plastic found from local littering and other source like micro-beads (recently banned in Suffolk County), and you have serious health concerns for marine life and the apex predators, such as humans.

According to Mr. Moore's research, along with the toxic chemicals released from the breakdown of plastics, animals also take in other chemicals that the plastic has accumulated from outside sources in the water. So the presence of historical, degraded plastics in the dredge spoils is a real threat to the health of the LI Sound estuary and the animals that live in it on its shores.

### **Conclusion**

This letter shares other concerns and arguments not shared in previous public meetings. But those concerns are no less important.

As we and many others have stated in public comments, letters and emails, the LI Sound has been on a rebound. We have seen cleaner waters, the re-emergence of critical forage fish populations and the rare appearance of porpoise, beluga whales and humpback whales swimming in these waters and staying because of an increasing amount of food sources. That's the good news.

The bad news is that shellfish populations, especially wild oysters and lobsters are at all time lows, so low that there is now a moratorium on commercial lobstering in the Sound. Is it coincidence that the hardest hit species that haven't rebounded from less frequent dumping of dredge spoils over the last decade are the benthic species? We don't think so. And if the USACE disagrees, then it needs to show the public the scientific data to support its position. The trouble is, as stated above, a lack of a comprehensive process with which to collect, test and measure bio-accumulation in such species – in fact, in all species – not just on but around the dump sites and around remote areas doesn't allow the USACE and its consultants come to a clear, fact-based position for its conclusions. And with a lack of quantitative data, qualitative data – including those findings of long-term residents and fishermen – must be given equal weight.

Continued dumping in LI Sound is the wrong solution. It creates more potential problems than it answers or solves.

The NFEC asks the USACE to take a huge step back and re-examine the DMMP process, goals and conclusions. It must redesign its cost models to properly reflect all costs in terms of budget, economic costs and environmental costs. It must then properly look at and value alternative disposal options, also in terms of budget, economic benefits and environmental benefits. No one can argue that the above example of CT dredge spoils being used to fill abandoned mines has fewer benefits and greater long-term costs than those same spoils being dumped in LI Sound. It's not just common sense. It's a business, economic and environmental reality.

Again, I don't think you heard one voice speak out against the need for dredging critical channels and harbors. But you did hear from many people what happened to their local areas when those spoils were dumped in LI Sound. So it makes sense for the USACE to rethink its DMMP and to follow the course set out for it by both NY and CT governors so many years ago – develop a plan that:

- 1) reduces and phases out LI Sound dumping of dredge spoils, and
- 2) help to identify and, if need be, help to jump start the development of both current and potential alternatives to LI Sound dumping

The current draft DMMP does neither.

Past DMMP and DAMOS processes and operations have not been updated to work within new issues and priorities of both CT and NY and the people and businesses who are located on or near LI Sound and rely on its continued rebound to a place of overall health and sustainability. And while they do not fully reflect what's going on in the waters of this estuary of national significance, they do not reflect at all what is going on "on the ground" both around LI Sound but also in extended areas which can make effective use of dredge spoils.

The NFEC, its Board of Directors, its members and its friends and supporters do not support this draft DMMP and urge the USACE to go back to the drawing board and work with area partners, especially local and county government officials, agencies and departments, to develop a cost-effective plan that ensures a phase-off of offshore dumping, ensures beneficial re-use of all materials and, above all, ensures the near- and long-term health of LI Sound.

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a Long Island sailor, I am aware that dredging is critical to insure public access and commerce.

The Dredged Material Management Plan researched and developed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

I believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Ms. Quinn:

As a coastal permitting consultant who represents more than 60 marinas and yacht clubs throughout Connecticut, I wish to express my full support for the US Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

As a permitting consultant, we have been extensively involved in all phases of dredging projects including the development of Sampling Plans, sediment coring, sediment chemistry testing, and sediment suitability evaluations. Based on my 20 years of experience in this field, we have found the sediment suitability process to be very thorough and scientifically sound.

As a project manager for many of our client's dredge projects, we have also been extensively involved in the Dredge Quality Management (Silent Inspector) operations on various dredge rigs. Again, we have found both the technology and human monitoring of the system to be very accurate and precise – assuring that material is being properly placed/capped where designed.

Based on my hands on experience with all phases of the dredge process, specifically the chemistry and disposal monitoring phases, I believe that the current system is sound and should allow for the continuation at all four disposal sites. Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark Jackson, President  
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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As an owner of a vessel in Connecticut relying on safe and reliable navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP). Dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce, and my business is one of many that depend on safe navigation in order to survive. I was recently elected Chairman of the Connecticut Marine Trades Association, and our membership has a vested interest in preserving access to these placement sites in order to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

The pressing issues of our time seem to come down to a common theme – Balance. I respect that the DMMP is 10 years in the making, and the ACOE seems to have left no stone unturned with tens of thousands of iterations calculated. The science this plan is based upon clearly indicates open-water disposal to be the most cost-effective AND environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely effecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. Additionally, the goal of offering other options for relocating dredge material depending on the make-up was achieved.

It speaks volumes that of the nearly 55 Federal Navigation Projects that are planned in the next few decades, over three-quarters of the material has been found to qualify for open-water placement in the four current disposal locations based on the parameters of the DMMP (physical, chemical, and biological testing). Certainly each project will be evaluated separately, so the actual placement is still yet to be determined. However, if there were to be “no action” on this plan, I am frightened to think about the consequences of losing the ability to maintain that 75% of navigational access.

The effort put into the draft DMMP really seems to plan into the next generation worth of navigational needs, and is the only document I know of that includes such a thorough understanding and review of the many factors involved in dredging. With continued diligence of testing, monitoring, and innovative alternative solutions, I believe the draft DMMP offers an acceptable balance to not only maintain Long Island Sound as the treasure that we all know and love, but also work to make it better.

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I have been a lifelong resident of the State of Connecticut. I graduated from NY Maritime College and began a lifelong career in the marine industry. I have worked in all areas of the marine trades including the Merchant Marine, private yacht clubs, municipal marinas, commercial marinas, and commercial boatyards. I was a LT in the US Naval reserve and I still hold and sail on my US Merchant Marine license. I can attest first hand to the importance of continued economically feasible and environmental sound dredge material management.

Maintenance dredging of our navigable waters is paramount to the existence of the marine industry, especially in the State of Connecticut. It affects all aspects of the marine trades as well as the many other industries that support and rely on the marine trades.

The Federal government is tasked with identifying the most economical and environmentally feasible methods for maintaining navigable waterways. After 10 years of study and a cost of \$15 million dollars, we now have a scientifically backed Dredge Material Management Plan for Long Island Sound.

This plan includes the continued use of open water placement sites for material which has been tested and is environmentally compatible. In fact most of today's dredge material has been found suitable for open water placement following extensive testing.

No Action on this Plan will result in astronomical dredging costs and the closure of the Long Island Sound open water placement locations. These closures will in turn result in fewer maintained ports and harbors. Economically feasible dredging insures continued maritime commerce, as well as occupational and recreational opportunities for residents and visitors to this State.

I believe that access to these open water placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge placement solutions.

In closing, I have personally been part of two dredge projects that were approved for open water placement, and can testify to the following;

1. The projects underwent extensive material testing prior to permit approval.
2. Had the open water placement sites not been available, the economics of the project would have exceeded any funding that could have been secured.
3. Both facilities would eventually have to be closed due to the lack of useable depth.
4. Both facilities are in operation today offering employment and recreational opportunities to residents and visitor alike.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jeffrey Freidag, CMM". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jeffrey Freidag, CMM  
Superintendent  
Marine & Facilities Operation Divisions

15 October, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a member of the Town Shellfish Commission navigational access to shellfish beds is important. Dredging is critical to ensure that additional silting does not continue to damage these areas by being delayed any further.

The dredging itself will not harm Shellfish beds in fact it will improve their health on the longer terms basis.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must, therefore, be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Roger Bowgen

Town of Greenwich Shellfish Commission

Greenwich CT.

October 15, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers, NE District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Attention: Meghan Quinn  
[LISDMMP@USACE.army.mil](mailto:LISDMMP@USACE.army.mil)

Dear Ms. Quinn:

As a business that is intimately involved in dredging project design, navigation improvements, and related maritime interests **ROBERGE ASSOCIATES COASTAL ENGINEERS, LLC (RACE)** strongly believes that continued access to the open-water dredged material relocation sites in LIS is essential to maintaining public, commercial, and recreational navigation.

It is obvious, based upon the assessment performed by the USACE, that open-water relocation of dredged materials is the most cost effective and environmentally compatible method for management of dredged materials in this region.

**RACE** believes that use of these open water sites must be continued to assure a vibrant dredging fleet and provide economically viable alternatives for the maintenance of our navigation infrastructure. In particular, Connecticut is particularly dependent on the maintenance of these sites. We fully support the USACE recommendation for continued open water relocation of dredged materials to the four (4) currently operating sites.

We appreciate the efforts of the USACE in these critical matters.

Very truly yours,

**ROBERGE ASSOCIATES COASTAL ENGINEERS, LLC**



John C. Roberge, P.E.  
Principal

**From:** [Phil Catalano Jr.](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging LI Sound  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2015 7:32:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

Our family has owned and operated a marina on the Byram River in Greenwich for three generations and for over 60 years. The Byram River has been filling in for years and we are hoping the river will be considered for future dredging.

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Sincerely yours,

Philip C. Catalano

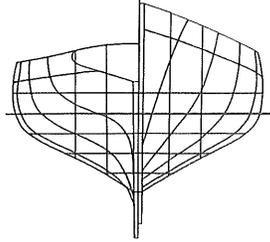
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US Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

I own Milford Boat Works and Milford Harbor Marina, located on Milford Harbor in Connecticut. It is a business started by my grandfather in 1946. We are home for summer and winter for approximately 200 boats. I also serve as a Harbor Commissioner in the City of Milford.

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by the ACOE. Access is critical to the survival of our business and for the recreational enjoyment of the shoreline by our customers. Milford Harbor is also home to many commercial fishing vessels as well as the State Aquaculture Lab and the NOAA labs. It is vitally important to my business that access to these placement sites be preserved to provide economically viable dredging solutions.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Bennett". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and legible.

Nancy Bennett  
President

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**From:** [Greg F. Morea](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Fw: The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2015 9:55:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a worker at a business (shipbuilder) whose lifeblood is navigational access, in my opinion, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Note that this is my opinion alone; not necessarily the same as my employer's.

Sincerely yours,

Greg Morea

**From:** [Greg](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging Comments  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2015 11:26:10 AM

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September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd. Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a 5th generation business owner whose lifeblood is navigational access, I feel dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions to keep our business strong and prosperous. Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer’s recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan. Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Greg Crocker  
Crocker's Boatyard  
56 Howard St  
New London CT 06320  
(860)-443-6304

**George H. Carey  
124 Crescent Street  
Closter, New Jersey 07624-1649  
(201) 767-8459 (hm)  
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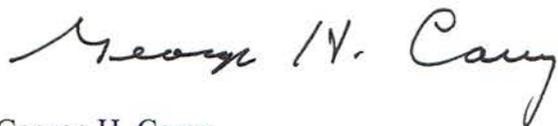
I am a dock owner of a 32' boat slip at the Schooner Cove Yacht Association marina located at 123 Harbor Drive, Stamford, CT, on the East Branch of Stamford Harbor. Our marina is a condominium marina with 105 slips that was built in 1985. The marina is silting up in some areas and we will have to do some dredging to maintain adequate depth for our boats.

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Sincerely yours,



George H. Carey

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Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

Enclosed are signatures from customers and employees in support of the draft Dredged Material Management Plan. Without affordable dredging, in short, our business as well as many others will be forced to close.

This will deny water access to thousands of Americans, and result in the unemployment of thousands of boat yard/marina workers.

The scientific plan which has taken a decade to prepare clearly shows that open-water disposal is the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of keeping our waterways open.

There are four current disposal locations and access to these placement sites is critical.

Thank you,

Sincerely,



Paul Muenzinger  
General Manager



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220 Forster Pl  
Bronx NY 10471

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Sincerely,

David Ladusso

1648 Mamaroneck Ave  
Mamaroneck N.Y.  
10543

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Sincerely,

Paul Satella

470 Halstead Ave  
Harrison NY

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STEPHAN FERNANDO

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94, WEBSTER AVE

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HARRISON, NY 10528

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Sincerely,

*Matthe Hill*

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*100 Lawn Terr.*

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*Mamaroneck, N.Y. 10543*

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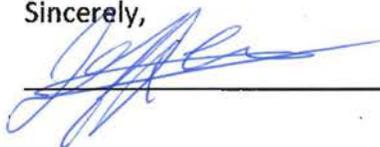
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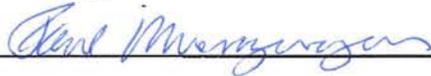
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Sincerely,

John D Brewer Jr

JWB

96 Mountainwood Rd

Stamford Ct 06903

Bonnie Cassone  
33 Talbot Lane, Unit 3  
Greenwich, CT 06830

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Ms. Bonnie Cassone  
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*U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn*

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

Please don't allow this dumping!

Sincerely,



*E. R. Keogh*  
PO 117  
Greenport, NY 11944

MID-ISLAND NY 117

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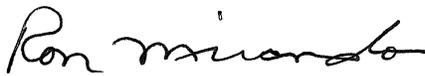
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1012 ROCK RIMMON RD  
STAMFORD CT. 06903**

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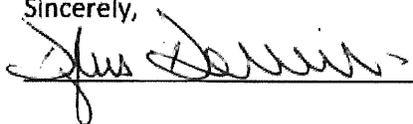
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Sincerely,



53 Ely's Ferry Rd  
Lyme Ct 06371

Brewer Dauntless Shipyard  
Brewer Essex Island Marina  
Rt 111 St. Essex Ct.

I have spoken at the New London public hearing  
as I manage several marinas, employing close to  
50 employees.

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Sincerely,

*Sydney Kingsbury*

27 SOUTH MAIN ST

ESSEX CT 06426

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Anthony Fasceon

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52 River Lane

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Deep River ct 06417

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Sincerely,



Larry Brainard  
50 Launching Area Rd,  
East Haddam, CT 06423

As working in the marine industry is how I support myself and my family, dredging is important to keep local marinas functioning, and if done properly, should not adversely affect anyone.

Thank you  


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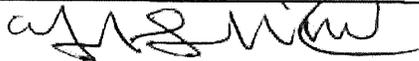
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Sincerely,

FRANK L. SPALOSKI III



60 RAMSDALL ST., GROTON, CT 06340

P.S. I MAKE MY LIVING, AND  
SUPPORT MY 2-YEAR OLD SON WITHIN  
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GARY LANGLOIR  
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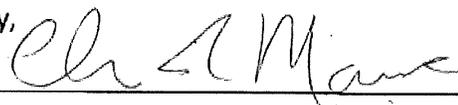
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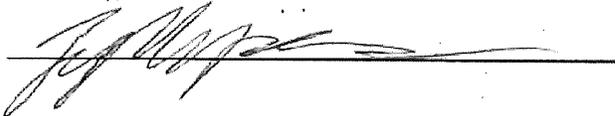
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Stacy Stachura

4 South View Terrace  
Old Saybrook, CT  
06475



October 15, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
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To whom this may concern:

My family lives on Long Island. The health of the surrounding water is important to us - especially the Long Island Sound which is beautiful.

We strongly oppose the USACE's plan to dump in Long Island Sound. We urge USACE to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

We support only beneficial reuse instead of open water dumping.

P.S. Please advise  
in writing to inform  
us of your position.  
Thank you

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Sincerely,  
The Tamke Family  
c/o Nicole Tamke

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
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My family opposes the plan to dump dredged materials in Long Island Sound



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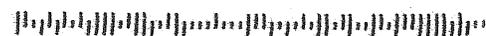
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Sincerely,

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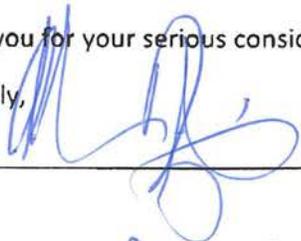
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Daniel Saravia

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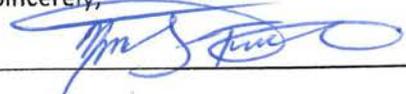
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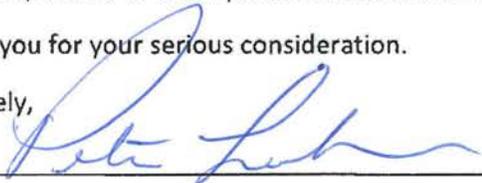
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**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2015 10:57:21 AM  
**Attachments:** [scan0027.pdf](#)

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

Please find attached several signatures of folks in support of the Dredged Material Management Plan.

Thank You for your help with this matter.

Best Regards,

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General Manager  
Brewer Wickford Cove Marina  
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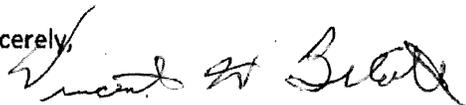
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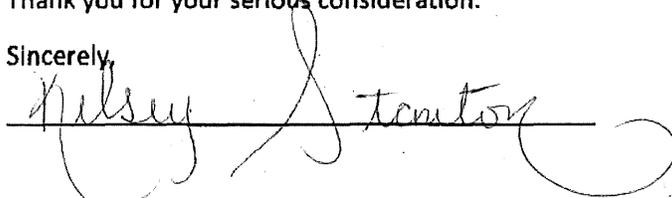
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Kelsey Stanton  
8 Autumn Circle  
Cumberland RI, 02864

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Casey M. Kelly

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323 Bowen Dr.

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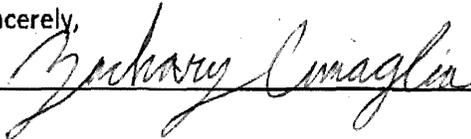
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25 Chandler Drive  
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Coventry, RI 02816  
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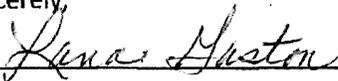
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66 Fowler St  
North Kingstown, RI 02852  
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Joshua Matteson  
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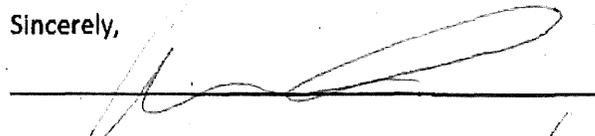
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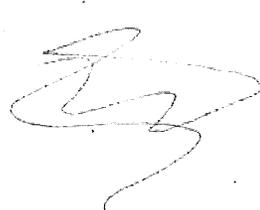
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Christopher Washburn

Coventry, RI 02816



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48 CORNELIUS DR.

PORTSMOUTH, R.I. 02871

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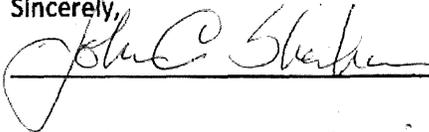
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STANFORD MARINE SAW

107 CARPENTER LN

STANFORD TOWN CT 02834

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Daniel Reid

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Martha Hoolihan MARTHA HOULIHAN

51 Webster Avenue  
Wareham, MA 02882

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Dear US Army Corp of Engineers,

Please don't dump into Long Island Sound! My family and I boat and swim in the sand every summer,

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'M. J. ...' with a stylized flourish at the end.

8 Sycamore Dr  
Shelton CT 06484

Oct. 15, 2015

I oppose the plan to dump  
in the Sound for the next 30 years!  
Please develop a plan that phases-out  
open water dumping of dredged materials  
and reuse this material in a safe +  
beneficial way.

I want a safe, clean sound  
for my grandchildren and their  
grandchildren after them!

Valerie Stasalovich

Valerie Stasalovich  
40 Sycamore Dr.  
Shelton CT 06484

OCTOBER 15, 2015

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEER  
C/O MEGHAN QUINN  
LIS DMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA RD.  
CONCORD, MA 01742

DEAR MS. QUINN,

I OPPOSE THE PLAN TO DUMP IN THE LI SOUND FOR THE NEXT 30 YEARS! PLEASE DEVELOP A PLAN THAT PHASES OUT OPEN WATER DUMPING OF DREDGED MATERIAL AND REUSES THIS MATERIAL IN A SAFE AND BENEFICIAL WAY.

NITROGEN POLLUTION IN LIS CONTRIBUTES TO FISH KILLS. STUDIES SHOW CONTAMINANTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN DETECTED WITHIN AND AROUND THE DISPOSAL SITES, INCLUDING ELEVATED PCBs IN FISH AND ELEVATED COPPER IN LOBSTERS.

I SPENT MY YOUTH SWIMMING IN A VERY HEALTHY LONG ISLAND SOUND AND ASK YOU TO SUPPORT BENEFICIAL REUSE OF DREDGED MATERIAL AS A SAFER ALTERNATIVE TO OPEN WATER DUMPING.

WOULD YOU BE KIND ENOUGH TO RESPOND TO ME TO INFORM ME OF YOUR POSITION ON THE ABOVE.



ARMIDA BUDD

39 TREELAND RD.  
SHELTON, CT. 06484

10/15/15

To Whom it may concern,

I oppose dumping in Long Island Sound.

M. J. P.  
Shelton, Ct.

10/15/15

US Army Corps of Engineers  
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LIS DMMP Project Mgr.  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA 01742

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Paul Coffey  
LCiOP

Paul Coffey  
Lisa Coffey  
19 Pepperidge Dr  
Stretton CT 06484



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BA-VILLE, NY 11709

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OSCAR GUERRERO  
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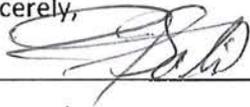
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Brentwood, NY

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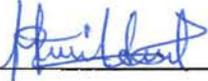
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15. Elk. st. apt. 5B

Hempstead NY 11550

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Carly Mochicote  
60 Valentine Street Flr 2  
Glen Cove NY 11542

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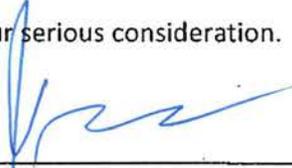
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MANHASSET, NY 11030

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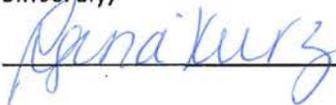
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Print name: Regina Kurz

Address: 19 Kunen Ave

City: Bethpage NY

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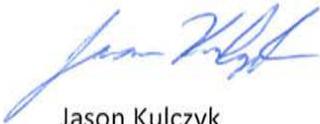
Dear Meghan Quinn,

I am writing to oppose the USACE plan to dump Connecticut dredge waste into Long Island Sound. I am not alone. In fact, I would say that practically nobody would agree with your ancient plan to just dump dredge waste into open water, let alone in an estuary of regional and national significance, if more people actually knew about it. This kind of thing doesn't reach the front page of the paper or the evening news, often, which works to benefit your awful plan.

You are engineers, so you know there are many ways to recycle dredged materials safely and beneficially. You should be leading, setting an example, for the private sector by being ethical, as well as resourceful. We are in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century now, and there is technology available that wasn't back in the heydays of ignorantly dumping toxins into our precious waterways and calling it a day.

I am requesting a response in writing, since I am submitting letter during an open public comment period.

Sincerely,



Jason Kulczyk

28 Bay Shore Ave.

Bay Shore, NY 11706

Dear U.S.A.C.E.,

Oct. 15, 2015

I oppose the plan to dump in our Long Island Sound! Please instead develop a plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and use them in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

*Jamie Wagner*  
From Massapequa Park  
New York

10-15-15

Dear USACE,

I oppose strongly your  
dumping in the Long Island  
Sound! Please, come up  
with a better Plan as I  
love my beach & ocean!

Thankyou

Trace Shad  
Resident of Massapequa  
& OF OBP, Fire Island  
NY.

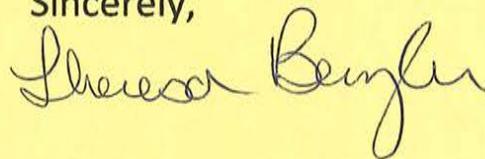
Theresa Berzler  
1091 Lakeshore Drive  
Massapequa Park, NY 11762

October 15, 2015

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I am writing to tell you that I oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge you to work to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. Keeping Long Island Sound healthy is very important to me as a voting taxpayer, mother, and long-time resident. I would appreciate a response from you in writing letting me know that my voice has been heard.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Theresa Berzler". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "B" and "L".

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

October 15, 2015

Dear Megahan,

I am writing to you to oppose USACE plan to dump in Long Island Sound. As a resident of Long Island for 42 years, I am disheartened to learn that such a plan based on a cheap, easy way of dumping harmful dredged material would take place in such a place where my family and friends rely on shore recreation year round.

I am a teacher at Sachem School district and plan to educate my students and parents within the district of you plan that threatens the land and waters in which we live.

I will continue to educate myself of the plan to dump dredged material on Long Island and will educate others to advocate against such a plan.

Sincerely,

  
Nancy Edzards

Oct 15, 2015

To The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose the plan of  
Dumping into Long Island Sound.

I have lived here all my life &  
raise my family here. this island is  
a beautiful place to live and  
we would stay for ever. I'm  
begging you to develop a better  
plan for the materials you are going  
to dump. We need to preserve our  
planet for the future of our children

Thank you

A-2A-20 Gandy Murphy  
Massapequa RK

10.15.15.

U.S. ARMY Corps of Engineers

C/o Meghan Quinn

HIS DAMP PROJECT MGR.  
696 VIRGINIA RD.

CONCORD, MA.

I Oppose any dumping in the  
Long Island Sound. Develop  
A Sound plan to keep the  
Sound the Sound

Stephanie Matuszalski

Stephanie Matuszalski  
228 ROOSEVELT AVE.  
MASSAPEQUA BEACH

201 McKinley Street  
Massapequa Park, NY 11762

October 15, 2015

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Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

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Melissa A. McSherry-Kelly

201 McKinley Street  
Massapequa Park, NY 11762

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Aiden Kelly

201 McKinley Street  
Massapequa Park, NY 11762

October 15, 2015

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James McSherry

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Thomas Eckert  
Nancy Eckert  
1125 park blvd  
mass pk NY  
11762

October 14, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

Sharon Gleason  
Sharon Gleason

October 14, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

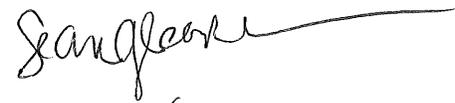
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**From:** [Habel, Mark L NAE](#)  
**To:** [Habel, Mark L NAE](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] Long Island Sound Dredging for Connecticut (UNCLASSIFIED)  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 7:48:28 AM

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Caveats: NONE

From: Polly Sanna [<mailto:2polly@optonline.net>]  
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 3:11 PM  
To: LISDMMP, NAE  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Long Island Sound Dredging for Connecticut

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer’s recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours

Polly Weintz Sanna  
2 Cedar Lane  
Cos Cob, CT 06807

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**From:** [Harry Watson](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#); [Harry Watson](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp"s Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 12:19:33 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am an elected member of Groton's Town Council and also an avid fisherman/small boat owner. We as a Town Council voted to support for our Mayor, Rita Schmidt send a letter supporting open water disposal.

I've been an elected official in Town for 25 years but a fisherman most of my 66 years of life.

This email is my personal support of open water disposal.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment,

Harry A. Watson  
175 Shennecossett Parkway  
Groton, CT 06340  
cell 860-705-4551  
hwatson5866@yahoo.com

Edward D. Cosden, Jr.  
26 Chesbro Avenue  
Noank, CT 06830

October 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As a boater and taxpayer in the Mystic River, Connecticut area, I know how critical access is to the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region.

I believe access to these placement sites in Long Island Sound must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood. We have kept boats in Noank, Connecticut for over 15 years and over that period have utilized the services of several small marina's in that area.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

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**From:** [Craig Anderson](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 9:49:42 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a recreational boat owner often navigating the Connecticut River and Long Island Sound, dredging is critical to ensure public access.

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Sincerely yours,

Craig Anderson  
47 Amato Circle  
Wethersfield, CT 06109

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Carmine DeVita](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DREDGING  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 3:10:05 PM

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Sincerely yours,

Carmine,

Carmine DeVita  
21 Annjim Drive  
Greenwich, Ct. 06830

**From:** [c560cpt](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP/PEIS Project  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 2:39:29 PM

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September 17, 2015

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Sincerely yours,  
Captain Gary S. Schmid  
Mystic, CT 06355  
8608239806 cell

**From:** [Beth Sklar](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DREDGE NEEDS  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 6:09:19 PM

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
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696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

Beth Sklar  
9 Bayview Ave.  
Niantic, CT 06357

October 14, 2016

US Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear US Army Corp of Engineers,

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Please respond in writing to let me know your position on this matter. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,



Amy Fishkow  
17 Hunting Lane  
Stamford, CT 06902

Oct. 14, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I have lived in Stamford all my life, and have taught in the Stamford Public Schools for thirty-one years. After teaching about Long Island Sound for all these years, I am truly disheartened and upset to think that any dredged materials will be dumped back into the Sound!! We MUST be more resourceful and find a better way to dispose of this material! Let's pursue ways to reuse it!! We teach our children the environmental 3 R's - reduce, reuse, recycle (as well as the academic 3 R's). We, as adults, must set an example for our children and preserve Long Island Sound.

Sincerely,

Deane Morelli  
149 Alpine Street  
Stamford, CT 06905

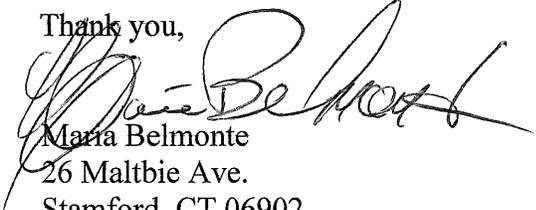
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Thank you,



Maria Belmonte  
26 Maltbie Ave.  
Stamford, CT 06902

Yordan Dimitrov Hariskov  
25 Jay Road  
Stamford, CT 06905-1023  
October 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

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Sincerely,

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Yordan Dimitrov Hariskov

25 Jay Road, Stamford, CT 06905-1023

FW by Saybrook Point Marina, CT – 14 Oct 2015

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Corps of Engineers, New England District  
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David Kinney

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888 Manchester Rd.

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Glastonbury, CT 06033

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Natalie A. Collins

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330 Old Orchard Rd.

Bristol, CT 06010

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Lorraine Dupont

23 Quail Hollow  
Enfield, CT 06082

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MATTHEW TRANT  
34 OAK FARM DR.  
COLCHESTER, CT 06415

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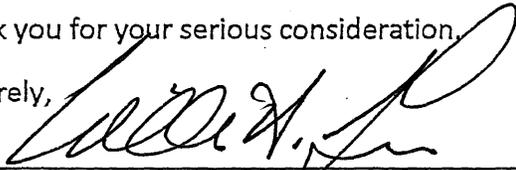
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William Greer

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8 ZACHARY DRIVE  
AVON, CT 06001

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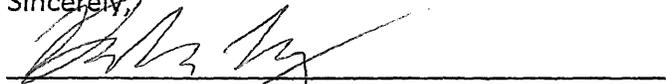
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Brendan Kelsey  
76 Eastern Blvd. Glastonbury, CT

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Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

October 14, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn

Please accept this letter as my strong endorsement of the draft Dredged Material Management Plan. Keeping our waterways dredged to navigatable depths is vital to our local economy now and into the future. Open water disposal is undeniably the most cost effective and environmentally safe manner of relocating of excess bottom sediments, and it is imperative that access to these locations stay open. The results of the EPA administered EIS from a few years ago confirmed that there was little if any negative impact to the environment from open water sediment relocation. I am confident that changing disposal locations or methods will negatively affect a community that has relied on access to waterways since the birth of this country.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rives Potts". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "R".

**Rives Potts**

President

Brewer Yacht Yards  
P - (860) 399-7906  
C - (860) 227-7005

351 Manhattan Ave.

Massapequa Park, NY 11762

October 14, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

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My family and I are depending on your decisions along with many other families and our future generations. PLEASE, DO THE RIGHT THING.

Sincerely yours,



Denise Curiale

351 Manhattan Ave.

Massapequa Park, NY 11762

October 14, 2015

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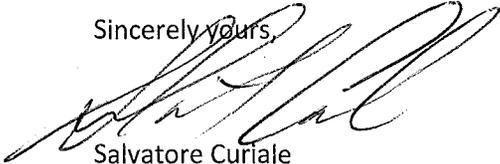
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Salvatore Curiale

351 Manhattan Ave.

Massapequa Park, NY 11762

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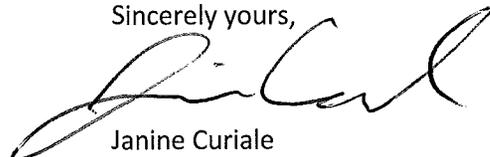
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Janine Curiale

351 Manhattan Ave.

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Andrew Curiale

240 Abbey Street  
Massapequa Park, NY 11762  
October 14, 2015

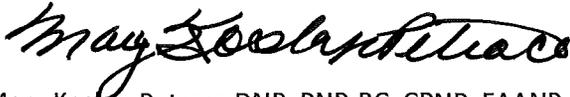
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696 Virginia Road  
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To the Army Corps of Engineers:

As a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner who is concerned about the health of all children and their families, I am opposed to your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. A plan must be developed that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. The western end of Long Island Sound is already facing dire consequences from inappropriate use of this valuable waterway. That area of the Sound is almost dead but can be restored with proper management. It is unconscionable to expose other areas of the Sound to further damage from dredged materials. This valuable body of water adds to the quality of life on Long Island.

A healthy Long Island Sound is important to me and to all of the citizens who call Long Island home. I request that you respond in writing informing me of the position you are choosing to take.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Koslap-Petraco". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary Koslap-Petraco DNP, PNP-BC, CPNP, FAANP

FW By CCE 10/14/2015

Dear Ms Quinn,

I'm writing this letter to let the USACE that I oppose the dumping of dredged material into the Long Island Sound.

Isn't there some other beneficial way to dispose of this material? Aren't our waters contaminated enough? Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses them in a safe and better way.

Sincerely,  
Eileen Dunne

FW By CCE 10/14/2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LCS DMMR Project Manager  
636 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA 01742

Dear Sir/Madam

I oppose your plan to dump in  
Long Island Sound! I urge you  
to develop a plan that phases out  
open water dumping of dredged materials  
and recycles these materials in a safe  
and beneficial way.

Thank you for your attention to  
this request

Cynthia L. DeCruz

FW By CCE 10/14/2015

Att: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

As a concerned citizen of Long Island, I greatly urge you to reconsider the plan to dump contaminated materials into the Long Island Sound. More consideration for the eco-friendly re-use of dredged materials needs to be ~~be~~ taken seriously.

As a new parent, I see it as essential to the health of not only the environment, but also Long Island's inhabitants; present and future.

Please respond to this letter and inform me of where you stand on such an important issue.

Thank you for your concern in this matter.

FW By CCE 10/14/2015

To Whom It May Concern at the U.S Army Corps of Engineers:

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Todd H Conis  
Todd H. Conis

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
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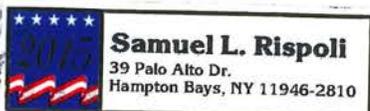
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Please don't allow this dumping!

Sincerely,

*Sam Rispoli*

*I am a Long Island Sound  
Commercial Fisherman targeting Conchs,  
Striped Bass + still Lobstering. I dock my  
boat, Phyllis Ann, in Mattituck Creek  
and have fished out of Mattituck  
since 1991.*



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Sincerely,

Sam Knoblock *Sam Knoblock*

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

David Johnson *David Johnson*

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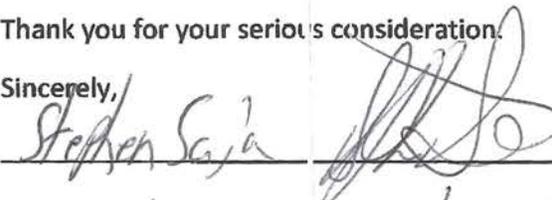
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JAMES HIGGINS

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Sincerely,

Timothy Mose  
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*Janet Berg* Janet Berg

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**Jeffrey S. Geiger**  
**President**

October 14, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn, LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I write this letter to express General Dynamics Electric Boat's support for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Draft Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound (LIS), which was released on August 17, 2015.

Electric Boat's shipyard is located on the Thames River, downstream of the Naval Submarine Base. Electric Boat has built submarines for the U.S. Navy for over 100 years, and is the only shipyard in the U.S. focused primarily on building submarines.

As stated in the DMMP, navigation-dependent activity in the LIS region is approximately \$9.4 billion per year, and this includes Electric Boat's shipbuilding activities. Electric Boat and its employees also make a significant contribution to federal and state revenues. Our shipyard currently employs approximately 10,000 people in its Groton and New London, CT locations.

Economic activity at Electric Boat is forecasted to grow substantially in the next ten years, providing thousands of new jobs to the area. Over 5,000 submarine suppliers in all 50 states across the country will also see economic growth during this time period. Much of this predicted growth will be generated by a new submarine program, the Ohio Replacement program. Programs such as this one come along only once every other generation. The Ohio Replacement program is of great strategic importance not only to the U.S. Navy, but also to U.S. national security.

This program will require dredging both in the next three to four years and in the foreseeable future. The DMMP offers many options to support cost effective and environmentally safe dredging disposal, which in turn, will support the economic growth predicted in the submarine shipbuilding industry in Connecticut and across the country.

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Groton, CT 06340-4989  
Tel 860-433-1985  
Fax 860-433-6400  
jgeiger@gdeb.com

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Further, Electric Boat relies on maintenance of deep-water access for delivery of construction materials and submarine modules to the shipyard, transit of submarines for maintenance and modernization, and for final ship delivery to the Navy. Ensuring sufficient and cost-effective disposal options for dredged material is important to maintain these activities to support the U.S. Navy and our country's national defense.

Electric Boat strongly supports the USACE DMMP. The DMMP is a thorough product, which offers many options for dredging material disposal that take into consideration our country's national defense while balancing environmental and economic concerns.

Please let me know if I can be of any assistance in providing additional information that may be helpful.

Sincerely,

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Jeffrey S. Geiger

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a lifelong boater and patron of businesses whose lifeblood is navigational access, I recognize that dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

  
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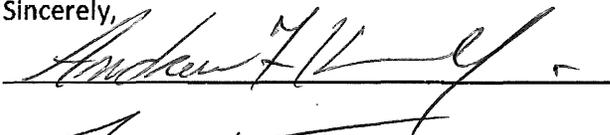
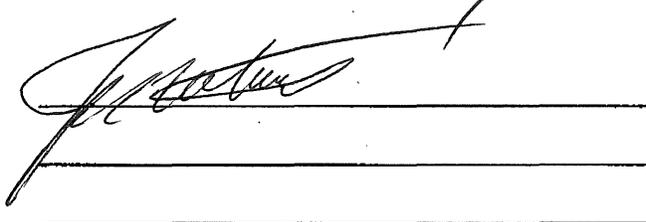
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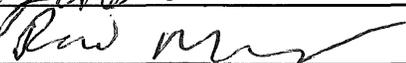
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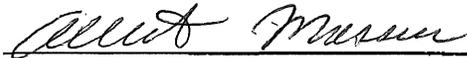
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Stop dumping in Long Island  
Sound

The Sound is an Estuary  
of National Significance and  
should not be dumped on.

William Lushy

CCE October 14, 2015

To Whom it May Concern

Do the Right Thing

Vote against the dumping,  
in the Long Island Sound,

So many people enjoy it  
and need it for driving  
things are bad enough  
on Long Island. Don't  
Ruiner that too.

William Barbajallo  
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Sincerely,

Albert Kalimian

Print name:

Albert Kalimian

Address:

814 Chicken Valley Rd.

City:

Locust Valley, NY 11560

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P.O. Box 645  
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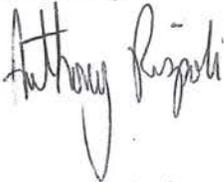
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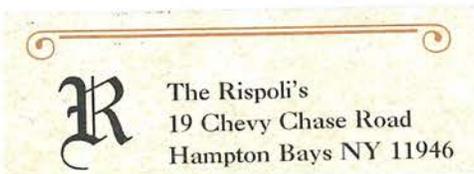
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Sincerely,



Long Island Sound Commercial Fisherman



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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 10742

Dear Sirs,

I oppose the plan to dump in the LI Sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses this material in a safe and environmentally beneficial way.

Various toxins and excess fertilizer residues that have accumulated in these sediments are bound to have a harmful effect on the open water environment of the sound, adversely affecting fish and other wildlife and endangering a vital natural resource.

Various beneficial reuse options, such as beach nourishment, constructing wetlands, capping landfills and brownfield sites, and filling in abandoned mines, should be considered.

Sincerely,  
Charles Harless



268 Dogwood Ln.  
Stamford, CT 06903

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Cecilio J. Rivers  
91 Horsley Ave  
New Haven, CT. 06512

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o: Meghan Quinn LIS DMMP Project Manager

Subject: Dredging of Long Island Sound/Dumping in New Haven Harbor.

I understand the short sighted cost savings of dumping locally, but long term how do you explain the health aspects of dumping in an area where hundreds of fishermen support their families or put food on their tables. Is the land and water clean in Concord, MASS?

I am all for saving money but, not at the expense of long term destruction of MY local environment and banning of fishing which will inevitably come about because of your short sightedness. We have many problems in this country and state but, lets not make it worse. Thank you for your consideration

Respectfully Submitted

Cecilio Rivers

Vice President Local 12000 USW

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Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

I am a commercial fisherman, who relies on a healthy marine environment to make a living. I urge you to take steps to help clean up our waterways - not harm them! The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for marine life.

We have already experienced a die-off of lobsters and a decline in the numbers of conch in Long Island Sound. We need a healthy marine environment to restore these and other fisheries!

Stop the dumping!

Sincerely,

Donald Bennett Jr  
PO 698  
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Sincerely,

*Marcella Bennett*

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Westhampton NY  
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Sincerely,

A commercial fisherman  
slowly going broke!!  
Joseph T. Reiter  
55 Birch Lane  
Cutchogue, NY  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
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TO US ARMY Corps of Engineers

I Am opposed to your plan to dump  
in long island sound, Dredged Material  
can be reused in a safe and beneficial  
way. Please help keep the sound clean

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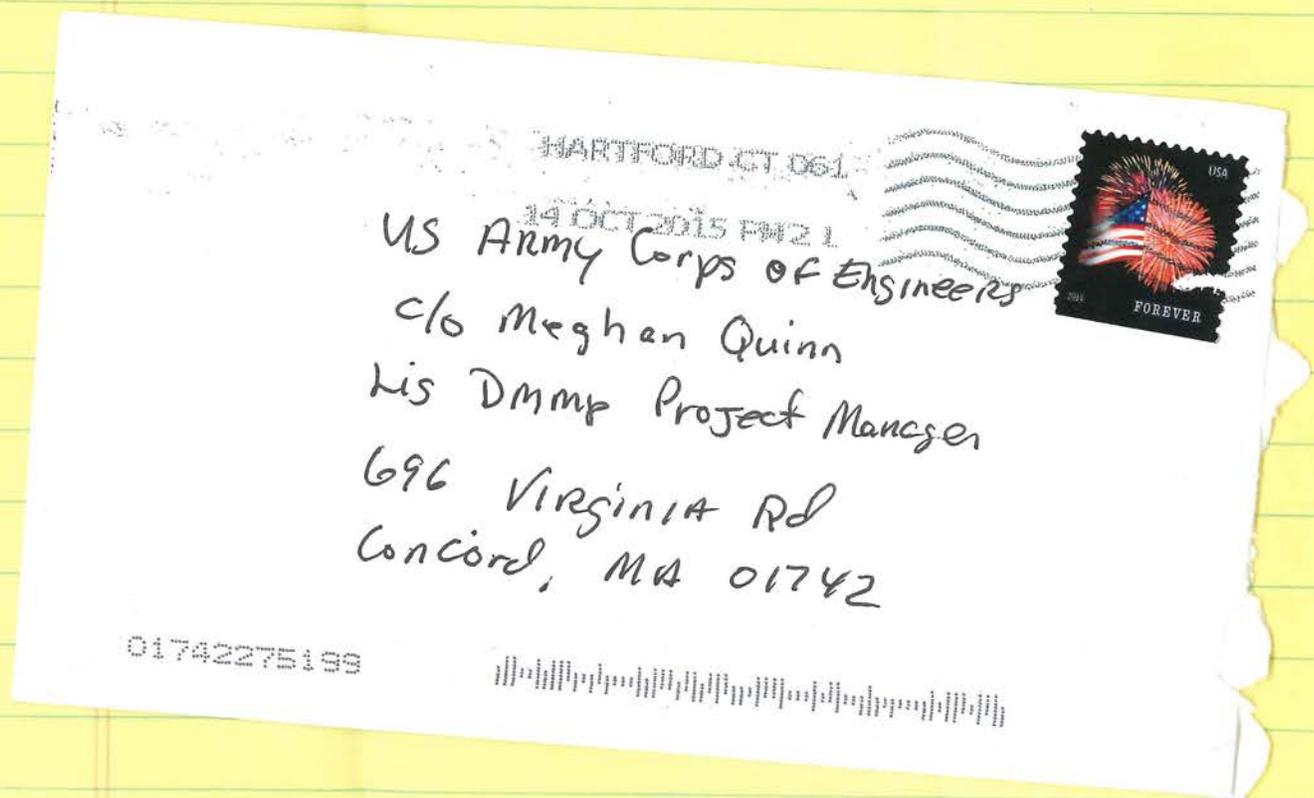
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to make every effort to help clean up the  
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Michael Abruzzo  
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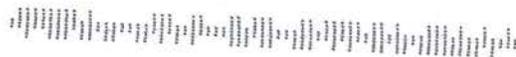
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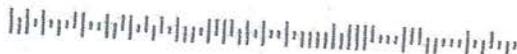
Please stop open water dumping in Long Island Sound. Please develop plans that phases it out and recycles the material in a safe and beneficial way

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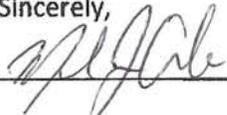
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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing in support of the draft Dredged Material Management Plan. Dredging is vital to our economy and to ensure public access to our waterways. This scientific plan currently under public review after a decade of preparation clearly shows that open-water disposal is the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. There are four current disposal locations; access to these placement sites is critical.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As a boater and taxpayer, access is critical to the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Glasfeld

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Meghan Quinn  
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696 Virginia Road  
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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing you on behalf of the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) proposed by the USACE. I am a resident of Long Island, and the health and preservation of the Long Island Sound is incredibly important to neighbors and I. We spent our childhood on the sound and now we are raising our children there. The addition of nitrogen pollution and toxic contamination introduced by excess dumping blatantly threatens to livelihood of the sound and the quality of life the residents have come to enjoy.

Please consider additional options for the dumping of dredged material in the sound, particularly ones that are environmentally friendly. A suggested solution to dumping in the sound would have mines in Pennsylvania filled with the waste material. We should be phasing out dumping and finding alternate solutions, not prolonging our past mistakes.

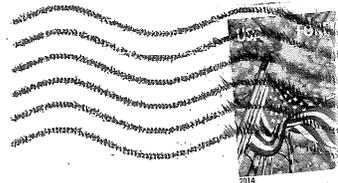
Thank you for your time. I look forward to your response and please consider the repercussions of the proposed plan.

Sincerely,  
  
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DEAR MEGHAN QUINN,

I OPPOSE YOUR PLAN TO DUMP IN THE  
LONG ISLAND SOUND. PLEASE DEVISE A PLAN  
THAT PHASES OUT OPEN WATER DUMPING OF  
DREDGED MATERIALS AND INSTEAD REUSE  
THESE MATERIALS IN A SAFE AND BENEFICIAL WAY.

— THANK YOU,

CCE October 14, 2015

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
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Louis Brei Hoach  
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Dear, *Megan Quinn*

We face a lot of problems in this world and dumping in the Long Island Sound does not need to be one of them! The dredge material management plan is no good! It does not address contamination or pollution issues with heavy metals or nitrogen and blatantly disregards the beneficial reuse options!

Please reconsider your plan! And give us a response on how you will address our concerns.

Sincerely,

*Michael Nasti*

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As a concerned lifelong Long Island resident, outdoor enthusiast, and cancer survivor, the environment including clean water and safe living conditions are crucial components of our daily lives. The only way to protect these inalienable rights is to urge our elected officials and government agencies to fight for us. Any disruption of natural resources such as open water dumping and wide scale dredging exposes we citizens to the hazards of pollution, and worse yet, destruction of wildlife and natural environment. Long Island sound is a national treasure that deserves better. Please let me know you are protecting our interests and not special interests. Thank you for your time

Sincerely, Greg Lane

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Hello Meghan,

Please see my personal comments, viewpoint below.

I am writing to support the DMMP plan issued on August 17, 2015. I reference my earlier public hearing statement from September 17th, 2015 as per the economic significance to both states, employment and business opportunities and tax base support which needs no further clarification.

The DMMP is a summary document to a process that has extended nearly four decades. My concern with the current plan as previously stated in 2012, 2013 and 2014 and those comments refer to sections of the current plan also that describe the dredged material as "fines." "Fines" does not adequately describe the comments made at that time, formation of marine humus or Sapropel commonly referred to as "black mayonnaise." Nowhere in the DMMP can I find a reference or definition of Sapropel, a sulfuric acid, sulfide rich ooze that emits sulfur odors when disturbed. The final plan should include Sapropel and its widely accepted definition.

This material is created by the purification of organic matter without oxygen and consists along our shore, mostly as the remains of leaves, primarily oak, which contain a high amount of drought protection, leaf paraffin (wax). Organic matter (leaves) allows sulfate-reducing bacteria (SRB) in heat to slowly digest it, and in the process, naturally complex heavy metals and now it also appears to even concentrate/complex mercury compounds. This condition worsens as Sapropel ages; the bacteria continue to digest it at times creating a deadly sub tidal habitat. Sapropel can produce huge amounts of toxic ammonia and poisonous sulfides including hydrogen sulfide gas (what makes the marsh stink in hot weather). These discharges kill shellfish and finfish eggs upon contact, and aluminum seeps can kill adult fish. As Sapropel continues to age, it discharges methane gas as it concentrates any carbon residues. It has been studied since the 1930s. Fresh marine humus (Sapropel) was a valuable fertilizer harvested from our shores north into the Canadian Maritimes. In fact, the New Haven Agriculture Experiment Station used to issue nitrogen content analysis of "marine mud" for farmers here a century ago. Essex CT and eastern CT Rivers were once producers of Sapropel fertilizer.

Sapropel formation is accelerated in hot climate cycles which make full disclosure and discussion of its negative habitat impacts on fish and shellfish populations all the more important. Eastern New York has had Sapropel deposits from Duck farms that operated there (Duck Sludge).

Although its presence is now unfortunately very familiar along our shores, its removal by dredging is an activity that can have a positive habitat enhancement or improvement aspect. Therefore, its definition and absence in CFR Subchapter H Part 230 Section 404 (b)(1) - 230.42 - mud flats needs a review, especially as Sapropel's negative habitat impacts are heightened during extended hot/warm climate conditions. The benefits of Sapropel removal (classified as "fines") should be mentioned in the final DMMP. Several states currently are investigating its previous uses as a top dressing upon salt marsh (hay) or its soil nourishment to land. In southern states, it is being recycled into barriers to protect salt marshes in high energy environments. In Europe Sapropel has been declared a "green" fertilizer.

There is no reason to allow Sapropel to remain a mystery or for the sulfate-reducing bacterial metal and toxic discharges from it not mentioned. Sulfur and sulfate-reducing bacteria have been detailed and reported since the

1930s (attached report by Claude ZoBell, 1939).

I also would support the Draft Programmatic Environment Impact Statement (PEIS) if it excludes eelgrass as a significant habitat quality indicator. It has a designation as a special aquatic site in CFR Subchapter H - Ocean Dumping Part 230 Section 404(b)(1) — 9-1 and mentioned in Chapter 1- Section 230.43 - Vegetated Shallows. I do not support the inclusion of eelgrass in the PEIS as its habitat services now are suspect in a bias use of point in time reference observations often termed “snapshot ecology.” The use of these timeframe observations that excludes or ignores marine habitat succession is evident in this case. I see no greater habitat services over time for eelgrass than estuarine shell or cobblestone/kelp forests. It is, however, included in both the Federal description and by name and in Section 230.43 - Vegetated Shallows as a predetermined negative dredging impact to this habitat type or population. This is not accurate; Connecticut and New York should reexamine its eelgrass policies. Also not mentioned are any positive impacts to eelgrass by dredging, falling under a broader category of natural or unnatural bottom disturbance. The habitat history (long term) of eelgrass is actually helped by coastal energy and not hindered as presented in spatial distribution over long periods. Some of the densest eelgrass concentrations occur after cold water storm events, that by the way of natural wave and current “energy,” rinses sub-tidal marine soils of acids and improves soil pore water circulation, ridding marine soils of any residual sulfides. It is no different from cultivating terrestrial soil and seeding a terrestrial lawn (eelgrass is a “true” grass). As with any grass, eelgrass is an aggressive and highly successful colonizer (over long periods) of disturbed marine soils. Over time sub-tidal marine soils “age” and they become filled with wax and sticky, and in hot weather, sulfide rich. It is in the soil conditions in high heat that eelgrass naturally dies off as part of the habitat succession process.

Dredging or any bottom disturbance that frees sub tidal soils of acids, wax or sulfide can therefore improve soil habitat conditions as to encourage “green and clean” eelgrass growth. These new, healthy eelgrass populations could occur after dredging (channel edges) as would after any storm. In time, however, these eelgrass meadows trap organics, and in heat, become the fungus covered or the brown and furry eelgrass; that is natural.

Many years ago when eelgrass got thick, fishers would thin it and purposely cut into it to improve tidal circulation and flows (similar to thinning a row of garden carrots for example). The action of waves and currents after dredging would improve the chances of eelgrass to grow again in the soil representing in a small way successional event after forest fires and terrestrial grasses as hurricanes in Connecticut’s past has done; much the same would occur for eelgrass. After coastal energy and cool waters, eelgrass populations naturally expand coverage.

Therefore any dredging (soil cultivation) may actually improve or cause new grass growths to occur (such as grass on land) in a long successional habitat reversal. Its position has a negative impact (dredging) over time (energy) and needs a review of the overly positive ecological values. In times of habitat succession, eelgrass has displayed very negative habitat functions and suffocated many forms of shellfish (detailed in numerous state and federal reports).

The recent series of Nor’easters and hurricanes have cultivated sub tidal soils in our more exposed sections of eastern Connecticut. A complete habitat history of eelgrass is now essential. It is these areas that should see renewed eelgrass growths from this coastal energy. Section 4.11, pages 4-67 to 4-168: Submerged Aquatic Vegetation habitat services needs a review and rewrite that includes natural temperature and energy natural cycles.

Since it is the eastern, more energy prevalent Long Island Sound areas that may see natural eelgrass habitat expansion first, Congressional members of these areas are on copy to this communication as well as marine trades and CT Environment Committee members. As my memorandum from February 25, 2013 detailed, eelgrass may often reestablish itself in marine channels complicating the issuance of any further 401 water quality certificates.

I would like these attached five appendices to be put in the public record as well. I thank you for your opportunity to comment.

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Subject: Eelgrass and 401 Water Quality Certificates for Navigational Dredging

To: Army Corps of Engineers/NOAA Habitat Specialists New England and Dredge Teams – Marine Trades - Request for Information  
Reestablishment of Eelgrass *Zostera marina* Species in Dredged Channels – Mooring Basins

Questions were raised during an eastern Long Island Sound Dredge Material disposal site public hearing (November 14, 2012 Avery Point Campus University of Connecticut) regarding the potential impacts of navigational dredging to eelgrass populations. In April 2012 the Long Island Sound Restoration work group heard a presentation about the Tampa Bay Estuary Program about holding the line regarding sea grass biotopes as part of a “no net loss” aquatic vegetation policy. Last August Governor Cuomo signed the New York State Seagrass Protection Act (The Nature Conservancy Press Release, August 1, 2012).

In temperate regions sea grasses are very susceptible to changes in climate and energy levels. Attempts to define sea grass populations solely to limiting anthropogenic factors (direct or indirect) (Nelson - June 2009, EPA/600R-09/150) is inconsistent with sea grass/eelgrass habitat histories for the New England region. My historical research for habitat quality parameters indicates that New England eelgrass populations soared and reached incredible densities after two cold and energy prevalent periods. The opposite is evident during extended high heat and low energy periods such as now. Although much attention has been into regulating ambient nitrogen levels, marine soils ph appears to be the significant eelgrass habitat quality indicator.

Shellfishers on Cape Cod became concerned about low pH marine soil in the early 1980s. Poorly flushed coves were the first to experience Sapropel (Black Mayonnaise) build up – from warmer waters and few storms. Changes in eelgrass populations can be associated with temperature and energy cycles – nitrogen is only an indicator of those changes. In the cold and energy prevalent 1870s, and 1950s nitrogen and Sapropel was quickly washed from bays and coves leaving firm estuarine habitat types often containing estuarine shell, which was followed by two decades of eelgrass growths. As in 1931 and 1981 also marks of period of eelgrass die offs – first seen in Buttermilk Bay in 1982 (personal observation as USDA employee/Extension Service). Nitrogen levels are influenced by Sapropel shedding ammonium from acidic and sulfide rich conditions. The 1931 and 1981 eelgrass die offs events were worldwide and signify periodic monoculture habitat failures in stressed populations enhancing disease mortalities. These die offs are reversed by colder temperatures and increased energy which then eliminated temperate Sapropel deposits. Short term eelgrass studies rarely examine the long term eelgrass population changes attributed to climate and energy cycles – not nitrogen pollution. When I lived on Waquoit Bay on the Cape it was as other poorly flushed coves or those with long connections to the sea the first ones to contain Sapropel.

The biology and reproductive capacity of eelgrass benefits from cultivation and marine soils once rinsed of organic acids and sulfides. Post the last North Atlantic Oscillation (1950-1965) eelgrass populations reached again densities matched by the last intense cold energy period of the 1870s two natural cycle events. Hurricanes and powerful Nor'easters washed thousands of acres of sub tidal soils preparing these once acidic soils for bivalve recruitment only to be suffocated later by dense eelgrass growths 1960-1978 (April 2000 ACE Baymen interviews,

Mass Marine Series Bulletin #7, 1967 Nature Conservancy 2006).

Shellfish biologists also noted the positive acidic reduction process of navigational dredging decades ago. Paul Galtsoff (1964, *The American Oyster*) details a dense set of mercenaria (quahogs) in dredged material from the Cape Cod Canal 1935-1938. In an earlier report, Dr. David Belding working for the State of Massachusetts in his soft shell clam fishery bulletin describes large clam sets (*Mya*) “occurring on barren flats which had been covered with material from dredging operations are on record.” He also details a 1905 Annisquam River – Gloucester set upon soil taken from the channel. He details other dredged material obtaining very dense sets of clams. Other researchers have detailed the successive nature of eelgrass after storms washed acids from marine soils. Although bivalve sets were noted after 1 to 3 years post dredge or storm disturbances – eelgrass also returned into the “black sands” 3 to 6 years later. Eelgrass appears to benefit from coastal energy pathways.

In other words dredging can be a restoration process for eelgrass and complicate reassurance of section 401 water quality certificates under a no net loss eelgrass proposal. This could already be happening in light of our increased storm activity.

I seek any information or perhaps long term dredging monitoring projects (dredged areas not dredged material disposal sites) that show eelgrass moving into or adjacent to channels recently dredged. Some hard shell clam farmers to our south have already noticed this washed soil/disturbed habitat enhancement for eelgrass.

Please let me know if your organization incurs any expenses or photocopy charges – I shall of course be willing to cover expenses or to reimburse any fees. Our next habitat working group meeting for the Long Island Sound Study is March 12, 2013.

I will appreciate any information provided.

Appendix #2

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES

A Study of the Marine Resources of the Westport River is the seventh in a series of monographs initiated by the Division of Marine Fisheries in 1963. These reports relate the extent and value of the marine resources of the major bays and estuaries in Massachusetts (page 32).

The major factor limiting quahog abundance seems to be lack of favorable bottom. During the past decade eelgrass has been rapidly spreading on bottom areas which were formerly productive in quahogs. Quahogs sampled in eelgrass areas have reflected poor growth suggesting that the dense eelgrass interferes with circulation and food supply to the quahog. Soft bottom and dense eelgrass is especially obvious in the west branch of the river. The tendency toward less forceful ebb and flow of the tide in the west branch may be associated with hydrographic changes which have occurred with the gradual filling in of the lower harbor. Future dredging projects may bring about hydrographic changes which will favor the ecology of the quahog. (Page 31).

It has generally been acknowledged that current, or circulation is of major importance to the growth of the scallop, although certain studies in recent years (Cooper and Marshall, 1963) have suggested that current may not necessarily be the main factor accounting for the condition of the scallop. While no extensive sampling was conducted in the Westport River to compare the size of the scallops from areas of good and poor circulation, the shellfish officer and fishermen have reported that scallops growing on the flats among dense growths of eelgrass are considerable smaller in size than those growing on the adjacent relatively clean channel bottoms. On September 23, 1966 biologists made a survey of scallops occurring on an extensive shallow eelgrass flat in the west branch of the river. This sampling occurred about one week before the opening of the scallop fishing season. The average size (dorso-ventral height) of 60 scallops gathered in the area was 54.8mm, or about 2 3/16 inches. The “eyes” were notably small and not of commercial quality. Because of the small size of the scallops and the density of eelgrass in

the area which hampers dredging, fishing during the scallop season was confined to the deeper areas further downstream in the estuary (page 31).

### Eelgrass

Below mean low water, eelgrass (*Zostera marina*) is the most prevalent vascular plant growing in the Westport River. In recent years eelgrass has been rapidly spreading in the Westport River just as it has in other protected bays and estuaries of Southern Massachusetts. In moderate density, eelgrass is beneficial to many forms of marine animals. For instance, bait fishes and the juvenile forms of large species find shelter amidst the eelgrass clumps. Young bay scallops, upon reaching the setting stage, anchor themselves to the grass blades. Decomposing eelgrass forms detritus which is fed upon by many mollusks and crustaceans (page 43).

Detriment to shellfisheries also occurs when dead eelgrass accumulates in dense mats and smothers beds of shellfish (page 44).

Because of the increasing growth of eelgrass on shellfish beds, considerable research is presently being conducted to find an effective method of control. To date, no attempted methods have proven themselves completely practical. One town on the south shore of Massachusetts has attempted to cut eelgrass with an underwater mower designed for cutting submerged vegetation. At best, this method is only temporary since the plant stalk is cut off above the substrate surface leaving the stems and roots to produce new growth. Experimentation by various agencies with herbicides is presently being conducted. While certain chemicals such as 2, 4-D have effectively destroyed eelgrass, the toxicity of the chemicals to associated fauna is not clearly known. Similarly, it is still not known to what degree herbicide residues may accumulate in the live bodies of shellfish within and adjacent to the treatment area. Further investigation and analysis may pave the way for future practical and safe use of herbicides in the estuarine environment. Until such time, no herbicides should be introduced indiscriminately into our coastal bays and rivers. (Page 44).

An experimental attempt was made in 1961 to improve bottom conditions in areas void of shellfish by applying lime. Fifty-two tons of lime were spread over 12 acres of the river. During that same year fishermen were hired to dredge and remove starfish from the river. Similarly, dredges were used in 1962 to thin out blue mussels which had become a problem by encroachment in mats upon valuable quahog producing bottom (page 30).

The blue claw crab is a species which were formerly abundant in the south shore of Massachusetts but has been declining in numbers for at least the last decade. Such decline has also been observed in waters south of Massachusetts. Jeffries (1966) noted that the blue crab began to decline in Rhode Island in the mid-1930's and that by 1938 they had diminished to the point that it was no longer profitable to fish for them commercially. The cause of the decline of this crab in our waters is unknown. Many fishermen along the shore have expressed the belief that the loss of blue claw crabs- also fiddler crabs (*Uca* spp.) is due to the careless use of pesticides in coastal areas. While it is certainly possible that pesticides have had a detrimental effect upon crab populations no conclusive evidence has been documented in this regard. (Page 39).

### Appendix #3

#### Recent Marine Sediments

#### A Symposium

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OCCURRENCE AND ACTIVITY OF BACTERIA  
IN MARINE SEDIMENTS

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ABSTRACT

Aerobic as well as anaerobic bacteria are found in marine bottom deposits. They are most abundant in the topmost few centimeters of sediment below which both types of bacteria decrease in number with depth. A statistical treatment of the data on their vertical distribution suggests that aerobes are active to a depth of only 5-10 centimeters whereas anaerobes are active to depths of 40-60 centimeters below which they seem to be slowly dying off. However, microbiological processes may continue at considerably greater depths owing to the activity of the bacterial enzymes that accumulate in the sediments. The organic content is the chief factor which influences the number and kinds of bacteria found in sediments.

Bacteria lower the oxidation-reduction (O/R) potential of the sediments. Vertical sections reveal that the reducing intensity of the sediments increases with depth but the muds have the greatest reducing capacity near the surface. Three different types of oxygen absorption by the reduced muds are described, namely, chemical, enzymatic, and respiratory.

Bacteria that decompose or transform proteins, lipins, cellulose, starch, chitin and other organic complexes occur in marine sediments. These bacteria tend to reduce the organic matter content of the sediments to a state of composition more closely resembling petroleum although methane is the only hydrocarbon known to be produced by the bacteria. The precipitation or solution of calcium carbonate as well as certain other minerals is influenced by microbiological processes that affect the hydrogen-ion concentration. Other bacterial processes influence the sulfur cycle and the state of iron in the sediments. The possible role of bacteria in the genesis of petroleum is discussed.

#### DECOMPOSITION CAUSED BY BACTERIA

Various physiological or biochemical types of bacteria have been demonstrated in the sediments that are capable of attacking most kinds of organic matter present in the sea. The rate and end-products of decomposition of the organic matter depend upon environmental conditions and the types of bacteria that are present. Waksman and Carey (49) have shown that diatoms, Fucus, alginic acid, copepods and other marine materials are utilized by bacteria with the rapid consumption of oxygen and the production of carbon dioxide and ammonia. More resistant fractions of marine plants and animals such as lignins hemicellulose-protein complexes may be only partially decomposed to give rise to marine humus (50).

Approximately one-fourth of the bacteria isolated from marine sediments are actively proteolytic (18,56) as indicated by their ability to attack proteinaceous materials and in so doing liberate ammonia, hydrogen sulfide and carbon dioxide. Presumably the topmost layer of sediment is the zone of greatest proteolytic activity below which there is a gradual, but not very appreciable, decrease in the nitrogen content of the sediments (30). According to Trask (45) amino acids and simple proteins constitute a very minor part of the organic-matter content. Hecht (23) reports that most simple proteins are completely decomposed even under anaerobic conditions and are not converted into adipocere. He records that about 90 percent of the nitrogen content sediments is due to chitin. Chitinoclastic bacteria are widely distributed (57) throughout the sea but chitin is only slowly attacked by bacteria even in the presence of oxygen and it may be more resistant under anaerobic conditions.

Most simple carbohydrates are readily decomposed (54) by the bacteria that occur in bottom sediments. Under aerobic conditions the end-products of the fermentation of carbohydrates are chiefly carbon dioxide and water. In the absence of oxygen, carbohydrates may be attacked and thus yield organic acids, methane, carbon dioxide, hydrogen and other products. Buswell and Boruff (9) noted the production of acetic, butyric and lactic acids, alcohol, methane, hydrogen, and carbon dioxide from the bacterial fermentation of cellulose under anaerobic conditions. Several types of cellulose-decomposing bacteria (48,49,51) have been isolated from bottom deposits but very little is known concerning their metabolism. The fact (45, 46) that less than 1 percent of the total organic-matter content of recent sediments is carbohydrate, whereas ancient sediments contain none, is indicative of the vulnerability of this class of compounds to bacterial attack. However, much remains to be done to ascertain the end-products of the reactions.

Perhaps bacteria have a greater influence than any other form of life on the hydrogen-ion concentration and O/R potential of sediments; properties that in turn tend to modify both the chemical composition and physical

characteristics of the sediments. They may deplete the oxygen as noted above, they may liberate nitrogen from nitrites or nitrates and they may produce carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and methane in appreciable amounts.

#### Appendix #4

### CHAPTER 1 - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### SUBCHAPTER H - OCEAN DUMPING

### PART 230 - SECTION 404(b) (1) GUIDELINES FOR SPECIFICATION OF DISPOSAL SITES FOR DREDGED OR FILL MATERIAL

(q-1) Special aquatic sites means those sites identified in subpart E. They are geographic areas, large or small, possessing special ecological characteristics of productivity, habitat, wildlife protection, or other important and easily disrupted ecological values. These areas are generally recognized as significantly influencing or positively contributing to the general overall environmental health or vitality of the entire ecosystem of a region. (See § 230.10(a)(3))

(s) The term waters of the United States means:

(1) All waters which are currently used, or were used in the past, or may be susceptible to use in interstate or foreign commerce, including all waters which are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide;

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§230.43 Vegetated shallows.

(a) Vegetated shallows are permanently inundated areas that under normal circumstances support communities of rooted aquatic vegetation, such as turtle grass and eelgrass in estuarine or marine systems as well as a number of freshwater species in rivers and lakes.

(b) Possible loss of values: The discharge of dredged or fill material can smother vegetation and benthic organisms. It may also create unsuitable conditions for their continued vigor by: (1) Changing water circulation patterns; (2) releasing nutrients that increase undesirable algal populations; (3) releasing chemicals that adversely affect plants and animals; (4) increasing turbidity levels, thereby reducing light penetration and hence photosynthesis; and (5) changing the capacity of a vegetated shallow to stabilize bottom materials and decrease channel shoaling. The discharge of dredged or fill material may reduce the value of vegetated shallows as nesting, spawning, nursery, cover, and forage areas, as well as their value in protecting shorelines from erosion and wave actions. It may also encourage the growth of nuisance vegetation.

#### Appendix #5

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§230.42 Mud flats.

(a) Mud flats are broad flat areas along the sea coast and in coastal rivers to the head of tidal influence and in inland lakes, ponds, and riverine systems. When mud flats are inundated, wind and wave action may resuspend bottom sediments. Coastal mud flats are exposed at extremely low tides and inundated at high tides with the water table at or near the surface of the substrate. The substrate of mud flats contains organic material and particles smaller in size than sand. They are either unvegetated or vegetated only by algal mats.

(b) Possible loss of values: The discharge of dredged or fill material can cause changes in water circulation patterns which may permanently flood or dewater the mud flat or disrupt periodic inundation, resulting in an increase in the rate of erosion or accretion. Such changes can deplete or eliminate mud flat biota, foraging areas, and nursery areas. Changes in inundation patterns can affect the chemical and biological exchange and decomposition process occurring on the mud flat and change the deposition of suspended material affecting the productivity of the area. Changes may reduce the mud flat's capacity to dissipate storm surge runoff.

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Hi Ms. Quinn,

Please find attached Citizens Campaign for the Environment's comments on File #0-2015-0025-US Army Corps Dredged Material Management Plan for the Long Island Sound Region.

Thank you,

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## **Comments on Draft DMMP**

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**RE: File #0-2015-0025-US Army Corps Dredged Material Management Plan for the  
Long Island Sound Region**

CCE is a not-for-profit grassroots environmental organization in New York and Connecticut. For 30 years CCE has been engaged in campaigns to protect our environment and public health. We are active members of the Long Island Sound Study Citizens Advisory Committee and have been engaged in this issue for over 20 years.

The 2005 agreement between the states of NY, CT, and the EPA called for the development of a Dredged Materials Management Plan (DMMP), which phases out the antiquated practice of open water dumping in Long Island Sound, while providing guidance and tools for a robust beneficial re-use program. What USACE actually released is a long term plan to continue using our Long Island Sound as the primary waste disposal plan. An estimated 17 million cubic yards of dredged material has already been dumped in LIS. This plan seeks to allow additional 30-50 million cubic yards to be dumped over the next 30 years.

The DMMP does not fulfill the mandate set forth in the agreement signed in 2005. The evaluations in the draft DMMP and the accompanying Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS), assign value in the decision making process only to the cost of beneficial reuse options, and omit any and all value to beneficial re-use as a function in protecting the Long Island Sound. It appears the draft DMMP neglects to assign any value to environmental consequences attributable to open water disposal. In fact, it seems that the document is based on the false premise that open water disposal is environmentally benign. **By emphasizing only the short-term costs instead of long-term solutions, USACE fails to live up to the 2005 agreement.**

CCE has the following concerns about the draft documents.

- 1. The DMMP should adopt regulations and disposal guidance that prioritizes environmental impacts over costs.**

The document appears to be prioritizing the *costs* of beneficial reuse as the compelling reason to continuing open water dumping. This was NOT the mandate prescribed in the 2005 agreement. Ten years ago, when NY & CT signed the agreement for the creation of the DMMP, it was clearly stated that the document, “would identify feasible and environmentally sound alternatives and establish future protocols for dredged material management. These alternatives include, but

are not limited to, reducing sediment sources, reducing contaminate loading, and developing feasible beneficial reuses for dredged material, with the goal of reducing or eliminating the need for open water disposal.”

Unfortunately, the Draft DMMP only evaluates disposal options using cost calculations that act as if adversely impacting the LI Sound is cost effective and free. The Draft DMMP does not take into account the costs of degradation associated with polluting Long Island Sound. It also does not mention or evaluate the creation of jobs and businesses that would evolve and grow if NY and CT invested in beneficial re-use.

In section 6.1 of the draft DMMP, there is a chart detailing dredge material disposal options for each federal navigation project. The majority of these projects plan on disposing dredged materials in open water dump sites. The chart does list re-use options, but only to demonstrate that they are not cost-effective. In each cost comparison, the Army Corps focuses solely on the direct costs associated with each option instead of exploring the overall costs and benefits of reuse projects. *By failing to consider the potential long-term costs of continued dumping in the Sound, or the long-term benefits of beneficial reuse, the draft plan unfairly dismisses beneficial reuse solutions.*

While marshland creation or beach nourishment may carry a higher initial cost, dumping contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound for the next 30 years comes at much a far higher long-term cost. The Long Island Sound generates between \$17 billion and \$36 billion each year, with millions of people relying on the waterway to support local businesses, tourism, fishing, and recreation. Using dredge material to fortify our beaches, improve coastal resiliency, and restore critical habitat is a far better 30 year investment than open water dumping. The Army Corps itself, in section 6.6 of the draft DMMP says, “Continued climate change is expected to increase the demand for using dredged material beneficially, thereby reducing the need for open water placement”. Yet the agency chose to ignore this eventuality and instead focused on short-sighted and disingenuous cost comparisons when evaluating beneficial reuse.

CCE strongly recommends that the USACE use a disposal guidance similar to that of Rhode Island’s. RI regulations prohibit open water dumping unless it can be proven that dumping will not contribute to water violations or degradation of waters, or unless all other alternatives would be more harmful to the environment. It does not allow cost alone to be the driving factor as, unfortunately, the Draft DMMP does. ***This reasonable approach sets up a process that supports and encourages beneficial re-use and uses open water dumping*** as a method of last resort. This Draft DMMP fails to meet the mandate of the 2005 agreement and instead is a 30 year plan to continue dumping in the LI Sound.

**2. Although the DMMP was mandated to focus on re-use alternatives, the proposed DMMP lacks a clear focus on reuse alternatives.**

While on the surface, the draft DMMP and draft PEIS seem to evaluate many of these environmentally preferred solutions, including beach nourishment, berm placement, near shore bar nourishment, Brownfield redevelopment, backfilling mines, habitat restoration and marsh

creation, as well as alternatives such as confined disposal facilities and upland landfills, these documents fail to adequately and holistically consider these options.

When referring to beneficial reuse options, the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement states, “these sites would not be reasonable, long-term alternatives to open water placement. Although both state and federal agencies are pursuing alternatives to open water placement, the potential areas identified either do not have sufficient long term material placement capacity or are not cost effective...”

This is despite the fact that some of the re-use options having capacity for all of the identified dredging needs in the plan. **In the Army Corps own analysis, noted in section 5.2, page 5-41 of the PEIS, they note that their re-use options could accept 25 million cubic yards of material—which is 50% of the material that is projected to be dredged in the next 30 years. Finding re-use options for 50% of the material is a great starting point—not something that should be dismissed.**

Additionally, in the EPA’s Final Rule, it clearly states that beneficial re-use options should not be discounted because of higher costs. The Final Rule states, “The final rule recognizes that use of practicable alternative may mean that there will be additional costs (in comparison to open-water disposal). The Final Rule also states that the EPA’s ocean dumping regulations defines “practicable alternative” as an alternative which is,

“Available at reasonable cost and energy expenditures, which need not be competitive with the costs of ocean dumping, taking into account the environmental benefits derived from such activity, including the relative adverse environmental impacts associated with the use of alternatives to ocean dumping.”

Unfortunately, this is not the guiding language that the Army Corps uses in evaluating beneficial options for dredged material. The Final Rule recognizes that even when dumping dredged material in the Sound may be “acceptable” there may be more preferable environmental alternatives. These should be used, despite additional costs. Instead of a comprehensive Dredged Material Management plan, the Army Corp provides us a LIS Dumping Plan.

It is also noted in the final rule, that “even if a practicable alternative is available for a portion of the dredged material, it must be used for disposal of that portion of the material in order to at least reduce” the use of open water dumping. Meaning, USACE should clearly not discount that re-use options could accept 50% of material dredged.

- a. ***The document fails to thoroughly asses viable alternatives to open water dumping, such as mine reclamation.***

This same lack of vision found in the beneficial reuse analysis can also be found when evaluating the other alternatives to this project. One major flaw is the choice to focus only on the Long Island Sound instead of considering a regional approach dredged management approach. For example, when considering mine filling, the draft DMMP mentions the Hazelton Mine in

Pennsylvania, a 277 acre abandon mine seeking to receive dredge materials. However, this option is quickly dismissed because it is not in the study area and is estimated to be more expensive due to shipping costs (with no data given to support that claim). Failing to thoroughly consider a beneficial project like this one simply because it is outside the watershed is emblematic of the larger problem with this document.

Ten years ago, when NY and CT were engaged in a rigorous discussion of beneficial reuse of dredge materials, the Pennsylvania DEP was advocating to take dredged materials to help with the reclamation of over 3,000 abandoned mines throughout their state. They cannot be the only state who has this need, and yet, no mention of this option is in the plan.

***b. The document dismisses holistic approaches, such as Confined Disposal Facilities, that have the potential to accommodate all of the proposed dredged material.***

A similar problem arises when discussing Confined Disposal Facilities (CDFs), which are one proven alternative to open water dumping. The Craney Island Dredged Material Management Area in Norfolk, Virginia, which was built in the 1940s, is still held as an example of sustainable dredge material management today. Several of the potential CDF sites mentioned in the draft DMMP have a large enough capacity to “accommodate the entire region’s long-term dredging needs”, such as the New Haven Breakwaters CDF, which has a capacity of over 52 million CY, with others able to accommodate a large percentage of the materials, including the Stratford Point and Penfield Reef CDFs, which can each handle over 33 million CY (Table 4-11). However, these CDFs were not given adequate consideration.

The draft DMMP dismisses CDFs because they “require significant public investment to implement” and there would need to be coordination between all levels of government, with long-term site management by a state agency or port authority. However, this document was *meant* to provide guidance to these agencies and create a coordinated plan to implement re-use and other alternatives to open water dumping. Stakeholders, agency officials, and elected officials at the local, state, and federal level have been actively involved in shaping this process and working to end the dredge dumping in the Long Island Sound. ***The plan should not discount options due to a “perceived” lack of public interest or initial funds.*** The public has already invested millions in Sound restoration measures - that is the investment that we need to be protecting.

***c. The Draft DMMP relies on dangerous and antiquated nearshore Confined Aquatic Disposal cells for disposal of highly contaminated, untreated dredged materials.***

In the draft DMMP, USACE recommends the continued use of Confined Aquatic Disposal (CAD) cells for the disposal of contaminated material determined to be “unsuitable” for open water dumping. The three CAD cells identified in the document are the Bridgeport Outer Harbor East and West sites, and the New Haven/Morris Cove borrow pit. “Unsuitable” materials typically contain elevated levels of toxics such as PCB’s, VOC’s and heavy metals such as mercury, lead and copper. CAD cells built for disposal of contaminated sediments are usually constructed in harbors or rivers, and consist of sub-aqueous borrow pits which are filled with contaminated materials and capped with sand. This practice is dated and counterproductive as it

requires disposal of the most toxic, contaminated dredge waste in close proximity to the general public, where the likelihood of impacts to humans and aquatic wildlife are highest.

The draft DMMP acknowledges that the CAD cells recommended for disposal of unsuitable material are located in Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) areas for Atlantic salmon, winter flounder, windowpane flounder, bluefish, summer flounder and several others, yet offer no additional measures to ensure that contaminated sediments deposited in nearshore CAD cells will not interfere with the health and integrity of these habitats.

In addition, in the Draft PEIS, Table ES-2 identifies General Impacts by Alternative Type and compares them to open water disposal. Confined Nearshore Placement of Dredged Material (placement in CAD cells) was consistently identified as increasing turbidity and contaminant concentrations potentially leading to intermittent, localized, short term changes in water quality. Page ES-10 indicates CAD cells could destroy and/or bury bottom-dwelling resources living within the footprint. Despite this, USACE's dumping plan prefers the use of CAD cells over treatment and upland disposal methods for contaminated dredged materials, again referencing cost constraints as the limiting factor.

Continued reliance on CAD cells to dispose of contaminated dredged materials is contradictory to the goals of the 2005 bi-state agreement. A key mandate in this agreement was to reduce the physical impacts that open water disposal can have on aquatic ecosystems and wildlife in LIS, with a focus on more environmentally sustainable and protective alternatives. Instead, the USACE proposes to simply move unsuitable contaminated material from rivers and embayments to other areas that may cause harm. This practice poses inherent risks to the health of LI Sound and its marine life and perpetuates the toxic legacy of dumping in LIS waters.

**3. Under the “No Action Alternative”, within the PEIS, USACE appears to have grossly overestimated the costs of eliminating open water disposal.**

The PEIS claims that if open water dumping is terminated, then the Long Island Sound region would experience losses in the Gross State Product of \$853 million over 20 years. The document goes on to say thousands of jobs would be lost and millions in tax revenue would be lost. CCE is calling on USACE and the EPA to release an independent report that validates these numbers or remove the erroneous numbers from the document. *Fear mongering does not belong in science documents.*

**4. The DMMP and the PEIS fail to evaluate the increase in potential harmful pollutants such as Nitrogen and Phosphorus from dumping dredged material.**

The Long Island Sound Study created a TMDL for Nitrogen, mandating a 58.5% reduction in nitrogen entering the Sound. This spurred the investment of millions of dollars to upgrade sewage treatment plants discharging into the Sound. Despite the progress, more reductions in Nitrogen are needed, and new science is questioning whether reductions in Phosphorus are needed as well.

In section 4.6 of the PEIS, USACE acknowledges the role that excess nitrogen plays in the deterioration of LIS water quality and the growth of Harmful Algal Blooms that lead to hypoxia. However, the document fails to articulate how much nitrogen is added to the Sound based on their disposal plan of 30-50 million cubic yards of dredged material.

It is understood that dredged materials often contain varying amounts of organic plant matter, which are a significant contributor to nitrogen loading in marine environments. Laboratory studies using sampling data from more than 20 marine testing sites across the U.S. (including Norwalk, Bridgeport and Stamford, CT) show that nitrogen content from dredged sediments can range from approximately 200 to 4,000 mgN/kg, with a mean nitrogen concentration of about 1,550 mgN/kg. These quantities are sufficient to stimulate the growth of excessive amounts of algae and other aquatic plants if they were released in available forms during dredging and disposal (Jones & Lee, 1981)<sup>1</sup>.

*Studies show that dumping of dredged material increased the release of Nitrogen and Phosphorus into the waterway.* A 1.5 million cubic yard dredging project in Baltimore Harbor, which is slated for disposal at a cove south of the downtown, is estimated to have the potential to put more than 200,000 lbs of nitrogen back into the water annually. Due to this increase in Nitrogen, to an already impaired waterway, state regulators are mandated to offset that Nitrogen<sup>2</sup>.

Currently, New York State DEC is engaged in crafting a Nitrogen Action Plan for all Long Island Estuaries including Long Island Sound. The objective is to obtain a science based document that sets nitrogen standards for our waterways in order to ensure the recovery and sustainability of healthy ecosystems. Nitrogen has been identified as the “number one enemy” of poor water quality in the Sound. How will the disposal of dredge material into LIS add to N loading already affecting the Sound? The document fails to review any and all benthic flux conditions that may occur from dredging river bottoms that are loaded with decaying matter into the LIS. In order to fully assess the cumulative impacts of open water dredge disposal in the Sound, the DMMP and PEIS must be revised to quantify the nitrogen and phosphorus loading potential of dredged materials dumped into Long Island Sound.

**5. The draft PEIS is deficient in quantifying the effects from open water dumping will have on the LIS water quality, bottomlands, marine species and aquatic ecosystem.**

The PEIS ignores the guidance provided by NYS Department of State in their June 3, 2004 **Objection to Consistency Determination** ruling which, on page 7, requests the EPA analyze a range of parameters that would be affected by disposal activities including:

- Chemical parameters such as dissolved oxygen (which will be reduced in the water column during dumping activities), carbon dioxide, acidity, dissolved solids, nutrients,

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<sup>1</sup> Jones, R.A., and Lee, G.F., “The Significance of Dredging and Dredged Material Disposal as a Source of Nitrogen and Phosphorus for Estuarine Waters,” p. 517-530 (1981)

<sup>2</sup> The Baltimore Sun, November 26, 2010 “State Pledges to limit Pollution from Dredging”

organics and pollutants such as heavy metals, toxics and hazardous materials (which will be released in the water column and will be present after dumping is completed.)

- The EPA must consider and evaluate the impacts from different dredging projects. Documentation on sediments from the Thames River, CT is relevant and compelling. Contaminants in this river can bioaccumulate and have far reaching consequences. Sediments in the river contain varying concentration of metals, poly-cyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH), pesticides, PCBs and other chemicals above naturally-occurring background levels.

As we are aware, LI Sound has historically had a diverse, robust marine fisheries industry. However, the last two decades have seen a dramatic decline in several of the Sound's key species including lobster and winter flounder. The Western Long Island Sound has experienced the greatest decline of marine life and oxygen. It is not yet determined why this is happening, so the additive impacts of dumping dredged materials cannot be simply dismissed for convenience.

Section 4.5 Sediment/Soil Quality, Contaminants and Bioaccumulation, discusses sediment quality and suitability is determined based on the level of contamination and ability to support good ecological functions. However, there does not appear to be a cumulative analysis of ecological impacts associated with dredge materials dumped in the Sound. It is imperative that EPA provide an assessment of cumulative effects of dumping that also assess inputs from all sources into the LI sound. **Without a cumulative analysis the assessment to maintain good ecological functions is without merit.**

- 6. According to the PEIS, contaminants within and around the disposal sites are already found, including elevated PCB's in fish and elevated levels of copper in lobsters. The Army Corps fails to address how dumping 30-50 million cubic yards of additional sediment will not add to the contamination.**

EPA, NOAA, and USGS have tested in vicinity of the four current open water dumping sites for contaminants. "Contaminants analyzed included metals, PCB congeners, PAHs, chlorinated pesticides, butyltins, dioxin/furans, radionuclides, and lipids in the tissue from fish, lobsters, worms, and clams, representing organisms that either live in close association with the sediments or are likely to accumulate elevated tissue levels of these contaminants." Aquatic life exposed to the sediments near the dump sites tested positive for many of these contaminants, with tissue from bluefish, striped bass, winter flounder, and scup containing high levels of PCBs and heavy metals, even compared to similar sediments throughout the Sound.

The draft PEIS also notes that, "At the active WLDS, CLDS, and NLDS placement areas, the metals silver, copper, cadmium, mercury, and lead were elevated". These elevated levels are very disconcerting. USACE does not present a plan to reduce contaminants already found at disposal sites, nor are there plans to ensure that additional dumping will not add to the contaminants. These heavy metals bioaccumulate and become more harmful in some species over time. In fact, the draft PEIS seems to suggest that contamination at low levels is an acceptable consequence of dredge dumping.

Hundreds of millions of dollars have been spent over the last 30 years on restoring the Sound's water quality and reducing toxic contaminants. After years of investments into the health of LIS it is unconscionable that USACE would produce a plan that will knowingly increase contamination into the Sound's waters.

**7. CCE severely questions the characterization of the New London Disposal Site as a non-dispersive site, when the Cornfield Shoals Disposal Site is listed as a dispersive site.**

The proposed plan states, "Open water placement sites are characterized as either being non-dispersive or dispersive, depending on the physical dynamics present at the location (currents, waves, etc) and the intended purpose of the site." Apparently, the plan claims that material at non-dispersive sites is intended to remain at the site where placed and will form mounds that assist in containing any contaminants. However, at dispersive sites, material "may be" dispersed either during placement or transported from the site over time by currents or waves.

The plan claims that the New London Disposal Site is a non-dispersive site, yet the Cornfield Shoals Disposal Site is a dispersive site. *CCE questions the analysis of the New London site, with its close proximity to the RACE, which has fast moving currents and the Cornfield shoals site, which is a dispersive site.*

**8. Cornfield Shoals is identified as a "dispersive site" with no additional measures in place to control the dispersion of dredged materials at the site.**

Cornfield Shoals is identified as a dispersive site, however, the draft DMMP recommends no additional precautions or mitigation for open water disposal at this site. The proposed plan lists 11 federal dredging projects with the proposed preferred "least cost environmentally acceptable" disposal as the Cornfield Shoals Site. The 11 projects could total an additional 2,295,600 cubic yards of material to a site that already has had 1.3 million cubic yards of material dumped. *This site is identified by the Corps as a dispersive site because material is known to move during or after placement.* Dredged Materials can contain heavy metals, pesticides, and other toxic contaminants and should not be disposed of in places where material is known to be readily transported, contaminating other areas of the Sound. It is unclear why the designation even exists if no differentiating safety criteria are mandated. The plan acts as if dispersal should simply be accepted and not mitigated or better yet, avoided altogether.

**9. The draft DMMP and PEIS fail to meet an additional mandate set by EPA, NY, and CT which is to identify ways to reduce overall dredging needs.**

In the letter signed by the Governors of NY & CT it states, "Alternatives should include, but are not limited to, reducing sediment sources, reducing contaminate loading..." Nowhere in the document does the Army Corps discuss ways to reduce sediment loading and contaminants in our rivers, harbors, and bays. This should have been included in a comprehensive plan that focused on phasing out open water dumping of dredged material.

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Ms. Quinn:

As a Lloyd Harbor, New York resident and a member of the Lloyd Harbor Conservation board, I am outraged by the planned dumping of Connecticut's dredge material in the Long Island Sound in New York State waters. This is a travesty. Connecticut's rivers would be dredged to keep them navigable for Connecticut's industry and commerce while dredge material is then dumped in Long Island waters harming our navigation, industry, human and aquatic health.

These materials, which are planned to be dredged from Connecticut's rivers and dumped near our homes and beaches, would not only fill in our beautiful harbors, making these waterways less useful for Long Islanders. They are also laden with chemicals and heavy metals from Connecticut's Industrial activity endangering swimmers' health and polluting our waters. Moreover, these dredge materials, which are *too tainted to be dumped out at sea* under the Federal Clean Water regulations would be dumped *closer* to human swimming and fishing activity simply because the State's standards are less rigorous than the Federal legislation.

From a human health standpoint, it is an abomination that Long Island is the trash receptacle for Connecticut's pollutants. And from an economic perspective, our economy is vastly dependent upon the use of our waters, just as Connecticut is dependent upon use of their waterways. Long Island and the Long Island Sound has long been known for its wonderful fishing and seafood such as oysters and clams. Fishing and the seafood industry represent a huge portion of Long Island's economy, as well as sailing, boating, kayaking, water skiing, swimming and more. People flock to areas all along Long Island's North Shore for these nautical activities. While Long Island has experienced a decline in water quality for our surrounding waters in recent years, many groups of concerned citizens, across the Island, are working hard to bring these waters back to their once, clean, abundant and thriving ecosystems. We will not sit idly by as Connecticut dumps in our backyard. This is not an acceptable solution for Connecticut's waste.

Very truly yours,

Emily S. May

FW By CCE 10/14/2015

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Please tell the USACE that you  
oppose their plan to dump in Long Island  
Sound! Urge them to develop a plan  
that phased out open water dumping  
of dredged materials and reused  
these materials in a safe and  
beneficial way.

Sincerely,  
Steve Berger  
Manhasset, NY



DATE: 10/14/15

TO: Mr. Meghan Quinn

**From:**

Citizens Campaign for the Environment  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
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Please stop dumping dredged material  
into Long Island Sound. Sure you  
can do better things with it.

Sincerely,  
Luth & Morwin Meiss  
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TO: Mrs. Meghan Quinn

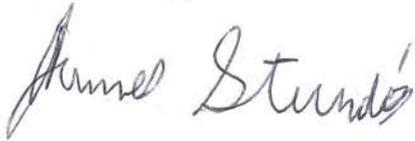
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Dear U.S. Army Corps Engineers,

I believe that open water dumping of dredged material is not a solution. There has got to be a way to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. It is harmful to the ecosystem, the planet, the fishing community, and beach goes all over Long Island. Please stick to the 2005 plan of phasing this dredging out.

Sincerely,



James Stundis

FW By CCE 10/14/2015



**DATE:** 10 / 14 / 15

**TO:** *Mrs. Meghan Quinn*

**From:**  
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October 14, 2013

USACE,

Stop dumping in the sound!

J. G.  
- the platts Family  
North Stamford

FW by CCE-14 OCT 15

To the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers:

I strongly oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead, use a plan that reuses the materials in a safe and beneficial way. A clean and healthy Long Island Sound is very important to me and my family.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shannon".

FW by CCE - 14 OCT 15

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers,

Please do not dump in Long Island  
sound, we want it to be clean and healthy  
for future generations

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing you to oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I really urge you to develop a different plan one that phases out open water dumping. It will reuse the material in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you.

Please respond back in writing  
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To whom it may concern,

The Army Corps of Engineers of New England, the CT D.O.T and FEMA have been most helpful in assisting the Town of Guilford, Connecticut, Marina Commission in dredging the boat basin and the federal channel leading to the boat basin after Super Storm Sandy filled in both areas with silt that made it impossible to use.

Before dredging began in the late fall of 2014, all avenues of dredge material (spoils) being depositing on our land were explored. The final conclusion was made to use the mid Long Island Sound spoils area. This took several Local, State (Connecticut and New York) and Federal agency approvals. As no usable land spoils sites could be found, we went ahead with a very successful project.

The undersigned, all Guilford CT Marina Commission members and staff support the proposed DMMP Update advanced by the Army Corps of Engineers.

We realized that the determination of this proposal will affect not only small communities like Guilford but also large cities like New London, New Haven and Bridgeport on this side of Long Island Sound.

Thank you for considering once more agencies support for this LIS DMMP/PEIS project.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Henry Graver Jr.  
Commissioner Charles Detelich  
Commissioner Bernard Lombardi  
Commissioner Clifford McGuire  
Commissioner Fred Brisbois  
Commissioner Roger Celesk, *Alternate*

Dear Mrs. Quinn,

10/13/15

I am writing to tell you that I oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound, ~~and~~ <sup>specifically</sup> the USACE's plan to continue dredged material dumping for at least the next 30 years.

Sincerely,  
Maureen Kennedy  
42 Temple St  
Wellton Pt, NY  
11596

Chris Aspinall  
220 Thompson Shore Road  
Manhasset, NY 11030-2241

October 13, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to you regarding the use of the Long Island Sound as a dump for dredged materials. I am concerned that the convenience of dumping material into the Long Island Sound ignores the importance of the Sound. I oppose the plan to dump material into the Sound and I urge you to develop a plan that is more sensitive to the Sound and the environment.

As a lifelong New Yorker and with nearly twenty years in Long Island I urge you to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Sound for at least thirty years. Please consider other alternatives such as the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

A healthy Sound is import for my family and the families of New York. Please let me know your position on this important issue.

Respectfully,



Chris Aspinall

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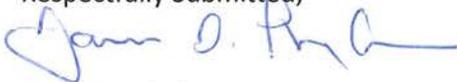
Dear Ms. Quinn,

My name is James Phyfe, and I am Vice President of Brewer Yacht Yard Group. Brewer is a privately owned boat yard and marina company that operates 17 locations in Connecticut and New York. We employ approximately 180 full time employees at these locations, with an additional 100 seasonal staff during the summer months. The ability to regularly conduct dredging operations at a reasonable cost is vital to our operations and the sustainability of our industry. Continued access to open-water disposal in Long Island Sound is the only way that we can conduct these operations in an efficient and cost effective manner.

The draft Dredge Materials Management Plan (DMMP) is the result of a scientific process undertaken over almost ten years and at tremendous expense. Its conclusions are indisputable. The draft DMMP clearly demonstrates that open-water disposal is the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of handling dredge material originating from the Long Island Sound watershed. With the ever increasing regulatory framework developing around our industry, small businesses already face escalating expenses in daily operations. We are already limited to short dredge windows and intense scrutiny when digging and then offloading materials from barges. Closing off access to the open-water disposal sites would be the final nail in the coffin for many of us. When presented with the conclusions that such disposal does not present significant adverse risks to the environment as this draft DMMP provides, it seems indefensible that any actions to limit access to these dumping sites could be restricted.

Failing to act of this plan would result in skyrocketing dredging costs, fewer maintained ports and harbors and a reduction in access that will substantially weaken the regional economy.

Respectfully Submitted,



James D. Phyfe  
Vice President



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Janet Hitschler  
105 Caramel Road  
Commack, NY 11725

October 13, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
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LIS DMMP Project Manger  
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Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am dismayed and extremely concerned about the USAEC's proposed long term dangerous plan to use the Long Island Sound as a dumping ground for dredged materials instead of developing a plan to reuse/recycle this material, which in open water adds nitrogen pollutants and toxic contaminants.

I live about 10 minutes' drive from the Sound, and I use the whole surrounding area for recreation, exercise and meditation. The Sound and environs are beautiful resources which we are blessed to have so close. So the thought of harmful, dangerous substances being regularly dumped into these lovely waters is sickening. And unnecessary, since dredged materials can be beneficially reused in a number of ways, e.g., filling in abandoned mines or capping landfills.

Besides the beauty of the Sound and its benefits to people, it is also an economic resource which will be diminished and eventually lost if this dumping continues.

I urge you to review and then abandon this short-sighted, foolish and ultimately disastrous policy of open water dumping, and to develop an ecologically sane plan to reuse the dredged material safely.

Sincerely,

  
(Mrs.) Janet Hitschler

October 13, 2015

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

I recently learned about the plan to dump dredged material into the Long Island Sound. As a resident I am concerned about the environmental impacts to our region, Long Island and Connecticut. I oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Patricia O'Brien

October 13, 2015

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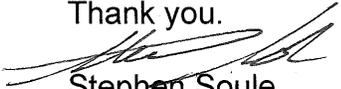
Ms. Quinn;

It is my understanding that the Army Corps of Engineers plans to dump dredged material in Long Island Sound for up to the next 30 years. I oppose that plan and join with others to ask that a new plan be developed that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses dredged material in a safer and more beneficial way.

Having grown up on Long Island and now living in Connecticut, I am well aware of the years and millions of dollars that have been spent restoring the water quality of Long Island Sound. The risk of a setback by introducing unknown harmful elements is certainly counter productive to a multi-decade effort to improve the ecosystem.

Please reconsider the current plan. I urge those on the cc: list to put this issue on their agenda.

Thank you.



Stephen Soule  
15 Chestnut Hill Lane  
Stamford, CT. 06903

CC: The Honorable Dannel P. Malloy  
Governor  
c/o Constituent Services  
210 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT. 06106

The Honorable Chris Murphy  
U.S. Senator  
One Constitution Plaza  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, CT. 06103

The Honorable Richard Blumenthal  
U.S. Senator  
90 State House Square  
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Hartford, CT. 06103

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

Please don't allow this dumping!

Sincerely,

*Elinor J. Spohn  
Resident of Orient Pt.  
Mother Nature isn't helping either!*



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*U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager*

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Dear Mepha Quinn,

I am writing you in regard to the proposed dumping of dredge material into the Long Island Sound. I have been a resident of Long Island for almost 60 years & have seen the sound go from a murky, unswimmable body of water to an almost clear natural resource. The current proposed plan would reverse all the studies we have made & I am vehemently opposed to it.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,  
Janet Levinson  
49 Pickwick Rd.  
Manhasset, N.Y. 11030

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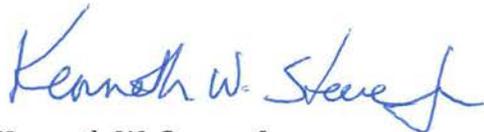
I am writing to you today to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. I live locally; pay local taxes and I sail my boat out of Noank, Connecticut from which I experience the pleasure of using the access Fishers Island Sound and Long Island Sound. I have sailed in this area for over fifty years and have personally experienced areas both in my harbor and other local areas where dredging is needed.

I believe access to the placement sites noted in your report must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions. In my town there are several marinas and local commercial fishing/lobstering small businesses that also rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Very Respectively,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kenneth W. Steere, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kenneth W. Steere, Jr  
63 Macdonald Court  
Noank, CT 06340

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Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

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Sincerely yours,

*Peter J. Zeale*

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*ATTN Meghan Quinn*

*696 Virginia Rd*

*US Army Corps of Engineers, New England District*

October 13, 2015

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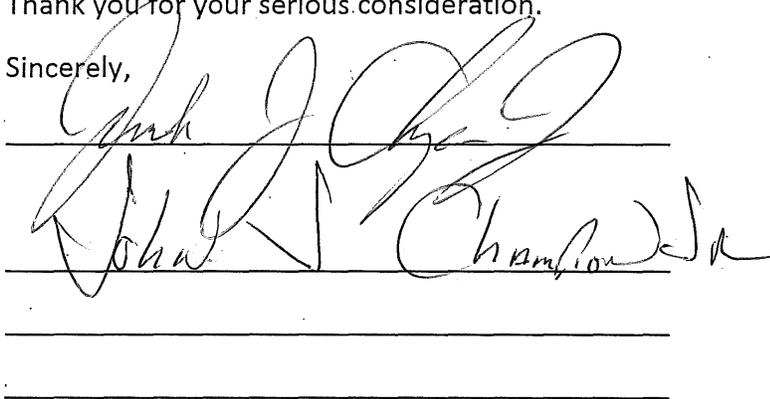
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John J. Champion, Jr.

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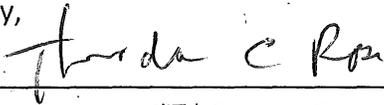
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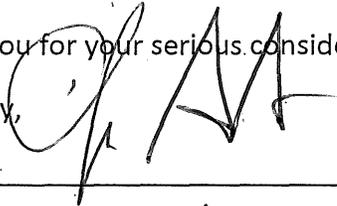
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76 Jones Hill

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West Haven CT 06516



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*Re: Comments on the US Army Corps of Engineers' Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound*

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The Manhasset Bay Protection Committee is an inter-governmental organization focused on improving water quality and restoring Manhasset Bay on the north shore of Long Island, NY. On behalf of the 15 local governments represented by the Committee, we offer the attached comments in an effort to make the final Dredged Material Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement as robust as possible.

Our Bay has many maritime interests for which dredging is a necessity, but we would like to see that dredging done in as environmentally-sensitive a manner as possible. We would like to thank the Army Corps of Engineers for the opportunity to review and comment on the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) for Long Island Sound (public review draft dated August 17, 2015) as well as for extending the comment period and offering additional public hearings.

Sincerely,

Sarah Deonarine

Our efforts would not be possible without the assistance of the NYS Dept. of State, the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation, and the Long Island Sound Study, and NY Sea Grant.

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Manhasset Bay  
Protection Committee

**Comments  
on the  
US Army Corps of Engineers' Draft Dredged Material Management Plan  
and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long  
Island Sound**

The Manhasset Bay Protection Committee represents the following 15 local governments on the north shore of Long Island, NY: the County of Nassau, the Town of North Hempstead, and the Villages of Baxter Estates, Flower Hill, Great Neck, Kensington, Kings Point, Manorhaven, Munsey Park, Plandome, Plandome Heights, Plandome Manor, Port Washington North, Sands Point, and Thomaston. We offer the following comments:

**GENERAL COMMENTS**

**A definition of “environmentally acceptable” is needed.**

The US Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) uses the term “environmentally acceptable” multiple times throughout the entire Dredged Material Management Plan, but it is never defined. What is meant by “environmentally acceptable?” If it is defined in separate legislation, please provide a reference.

**It is unclear what the criteria used to determine suitability of dredged spoils for open-water placement was.**

There is no definition (or reference) given of the criteria used to determine the acceptability of dredged materials. Please provide reference within the main report (if not specific details) to the location of information pertaining to the criteria used to determine the level of acceptability of dredged materials for placement at the open-water sites.

**Clarification is needed on the statement that 65% of the dredged material produced over the next 30 years “is expected to be fine-grained materials suitable for open water placement.”**

In the Executive Summary, page ES-7, the last paragraph describes the volume of dredged material expected to be produced and what percentage of this is of various grain-sizes. Some clarification is needed on the statement that “65% is expected to be fine-grained materials suitable for open water placement;” is this referring only to the grain size or does it also refer to the contaminant level? If this is referring to both the grain-size and contaminant level, we feel strongly that this estimation is far too high.

**Further investigation of alternatives and beneficial reuses is warranted.**

The draft DMMP only focuses on the costs associated with the alternatives given and does not appear to consider at all the long-term benefits of utilizing alternatives or beneficial reuses which could perhaps make them cost-competitive with open-water disposal. This seems like a major oversight of the DMMP. If given the opportunity, ACE should pursue the benefits of disposal alternatives and beneficial reuse further as this will certainly help with achieving the goal of phasing out open-water disposal over the next thirty (30) years.

**DREDGING CENTER-SPECIFIC COMMENTS**

**It is unlikely that material dredged from Manhasset Bay would be suitable for open-water placement.**

Section 5.18 of the main report covers the Manhasset and Little Neck Bays Area Dredging Center. In this section (specifically page 5-256), the DMMP states that these two bays (Little Neck Bay and Manhasset Bay) would “generate suitable mixed sandy and fine-grained dredged material” for open water placement; however, it is unlikely that sediment dredged from Manhasset Bay would be environmentally acceptable to dump at an ocean site, as this has been the case in recent dredging projects where alternatives had to be found. As Manhasset Bay is lumped in with Little Neck Bay, it is difficult to parse out exact quantities and qualities in the DMMP for further comment.

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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,



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DAVID C. ANDERSON

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Sincerely,

Tenny Reno

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2720 STATE STREET

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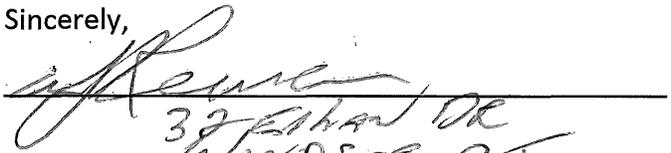
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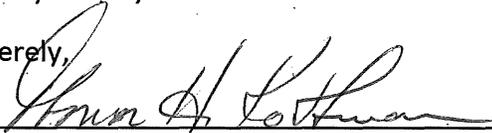
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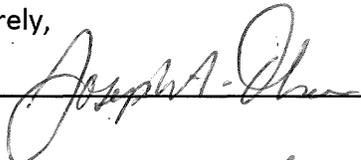
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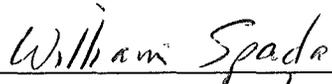
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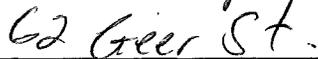
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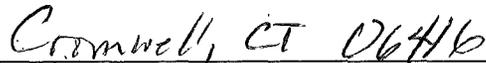
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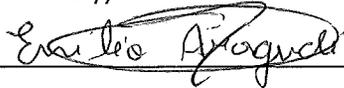
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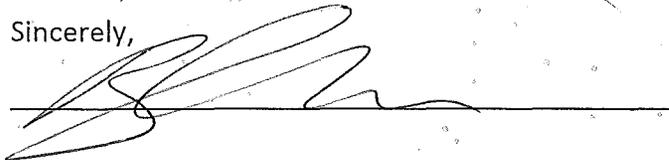
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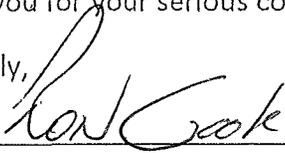
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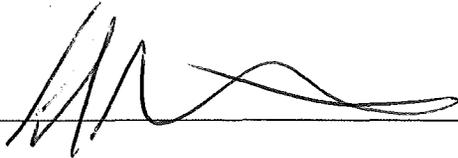
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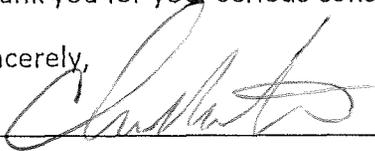
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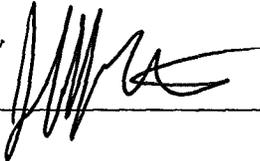
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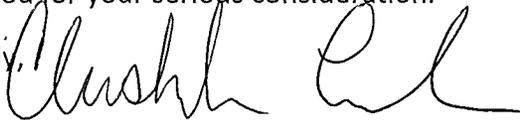
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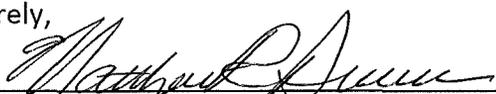
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Sandra J. Bannon

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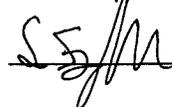
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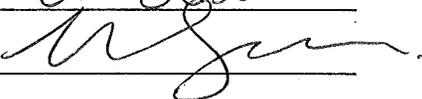
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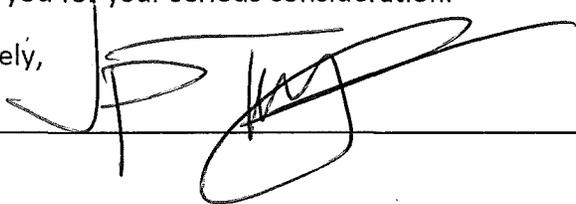
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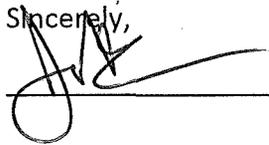
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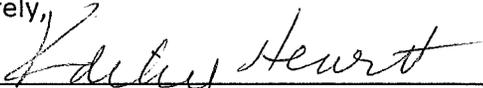
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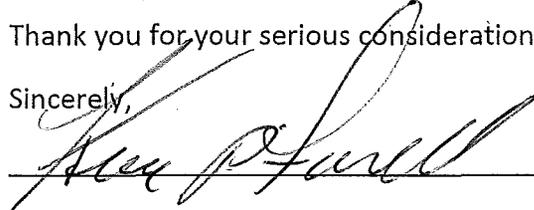
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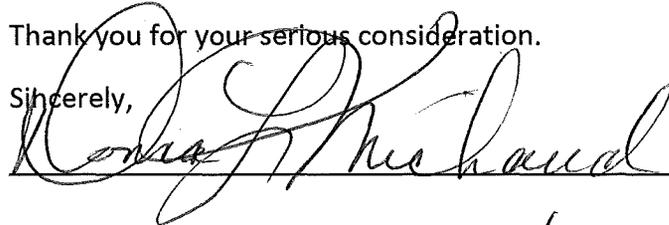
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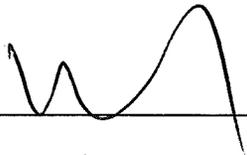
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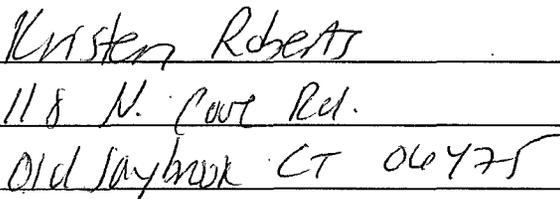
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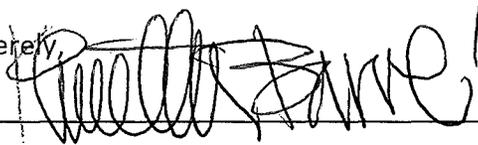
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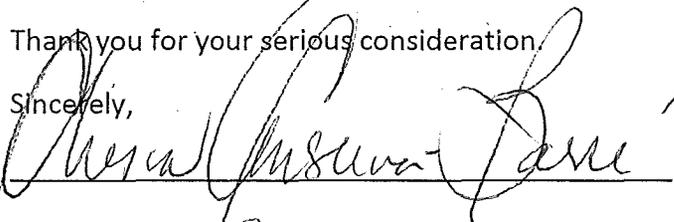
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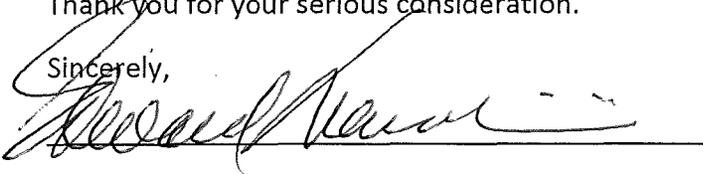
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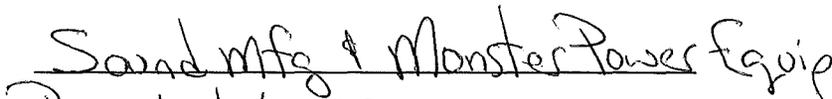
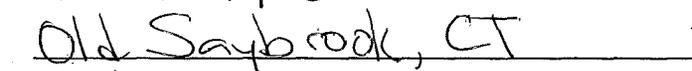
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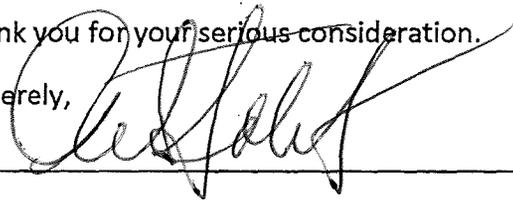
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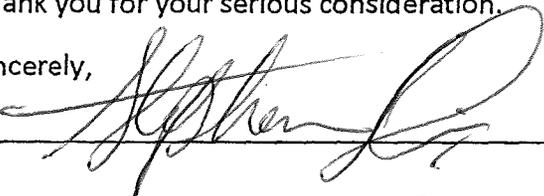
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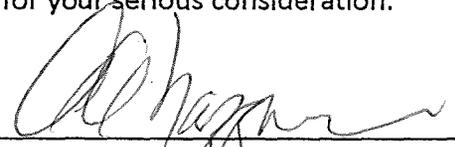
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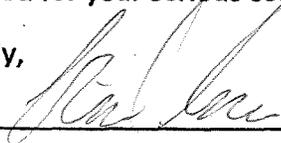
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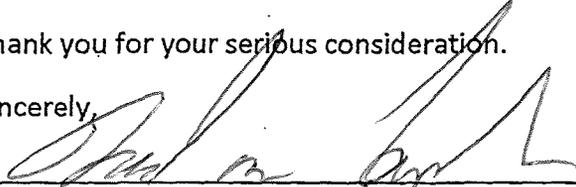
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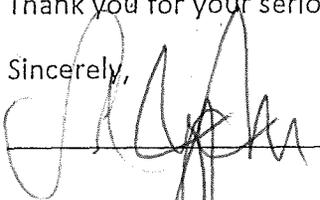
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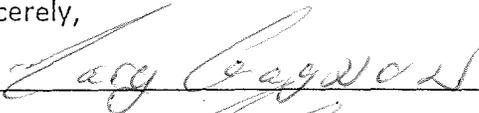
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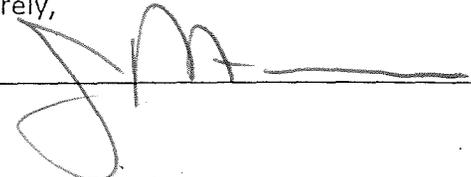
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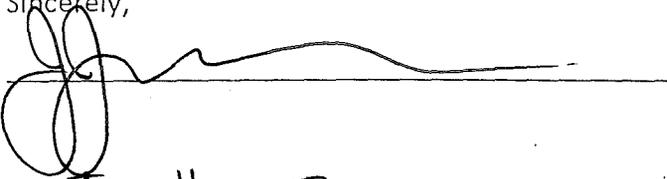
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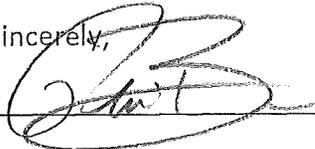
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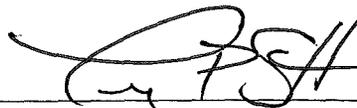
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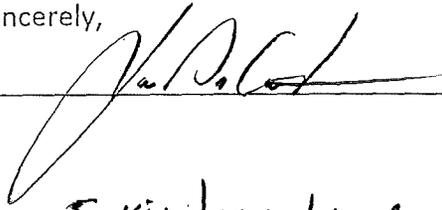
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81 Meadowview Lane

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Vernon, CT 06066

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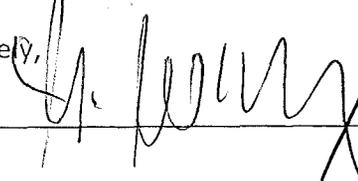
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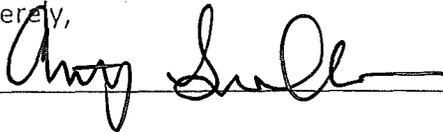
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162 Arundel Ave  
West Hartford CT 06107

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Roger Feltz

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*Wilma Fick*

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1. Failure to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution.
2. Failure to address impacts of toxic contamination.
3. Ignores important beneficial reuse options.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter,

*Thelma Goldberg*  
Thelma Goldberg

Goldberg  
12 Blot Drive  
LlCGrove NY  
11777

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DNMP Project Manager  
Gate Virginia Road  
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Fern Fier



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### Stop the dumping

***Fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution.*** Nitrogen pollution in LIS contributes to fish kills and algal blooms, and millions of dollars have already been spent to reduce nitrogen in the Sound. In other estuaries, open water dumping of dredged materials has contributed significantly to nitrogen loading.

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**Major problems  
with the USACE  
Dumping plan**

Sincerely , Troy Weinrich

35 Jay Court  
Northport, NY  
11768

Hey USACE.....

I oppose your plan to continue dumping in MY Long Island Sound. I have lived on Long Island for my entire 41 years and have chosen to raise my 3 kids here on the north shore. I am livid at the idea that you feel empowered enough to dump your waste into the lives of so many. If you continue, I will get my very, very famous wife/radio producer to expose your lies and put it to an end. And trust me, you don't want her involved.

Sincerely,  
The Vitale Family

x Emma Age 5

Michelle Age 42

Jack Vitale Age 12

Olivia Vitale Age 11

MAA Age 41

111 yrs total on Long Island!

FW: CCE: 10/13/15

Pavone  
12 Harding Street  
Smithtown, NY 11787

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To Meghan Quinn,

I oppose the plan to dump in long Island sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,



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I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Breuer".

Lisa Breuer  
20 Smith Street  
Nesconset, NY 11767

October 13, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA. 01742

Ms. Quinn;

It is my understanding that the Army Corps of Engineers plans to dump dredged material in Long Island Sound for up to the next 30 years. I oppose that plan and join with others to ask that a new plan be developed that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses dredged material in a safer and more beneficial way.

Having grown up on Long Island and now living in Connecticut, I am well aware of the years and millions of dollars that have been spent restoring the water quality of Long Island Sound. The risk of a setback by introducing unknown harmful elements is certainly counter productive to a multi-decade effort to improve the ecosystem.

Please reconsider the current plan. I urge those on the cc: list to put this issue on their agenda.

Thank you.

Stephen Soule  
15 Chestnut Hill Lane  
Stamford, CT. 06903

CC: The Honorable Dannel P. Malloy  
Governor  
c/o Constituent Services  
210 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT. 06106

The Honorable Chris Murphy  
U.S. Senator  
One Constitution Plaza  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, CT. 06103

The Honorable Richard Blumenthal  
U.S. Senator  
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Hartford, CT. 06103

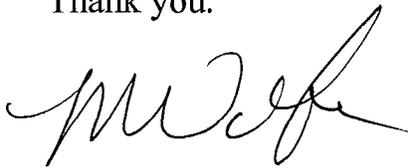
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c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melissa Wolfe', written in a cursive style.

Melissa Wolfe  
Stamford, CT

To: US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager

I strongly oppose your plan to  
Dump in the Long Island Sound.  
I urge you to come up with a  
plan that Phases out open  
water dumping of Dredged  
materials and reuses these  
materials in a safe and good  
way.

It's very important issue with  
me. Please stop dumping in  
the Long Island Sound.

Thank you,  
Marie Grecco

Grecco  
35 Redden Dr.  
East Williston NY 11596

MID-ISLAND NY 11

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976 Edgewood Rd  
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06107

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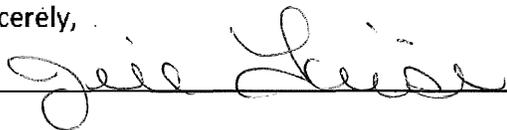
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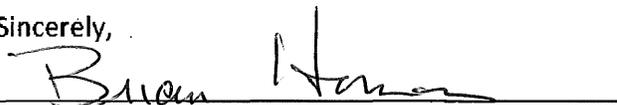
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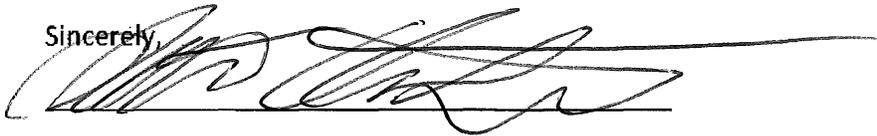
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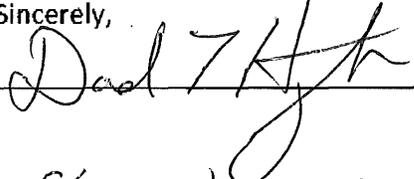
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Frank Lawther

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Address: 179 BAIXTON ROAD. SO.  
City: GARDEN CITY SO, NY

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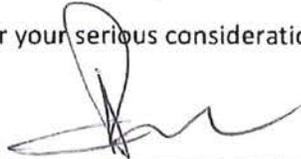
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Address: 4 STIRKUP LANE  
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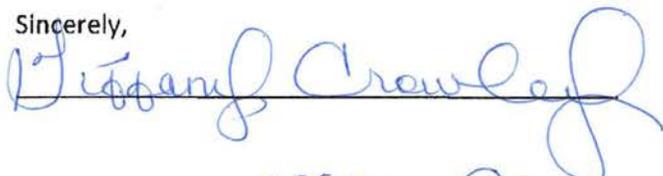
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Address: 23 Quatrof St,

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ALAN BRULL

Address:

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Address: 121 E. 13TH. ST.

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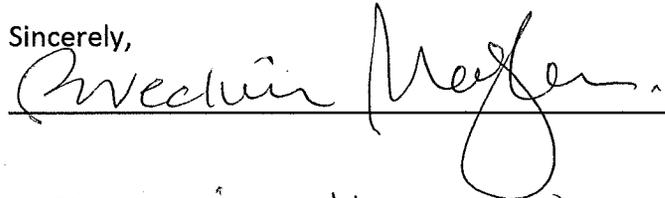
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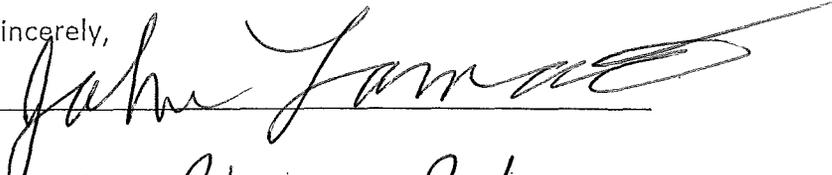
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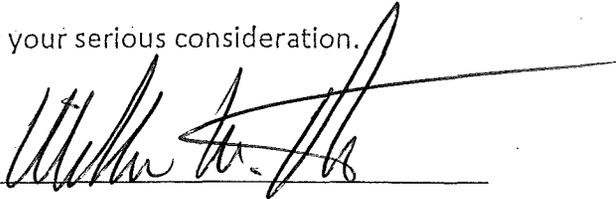
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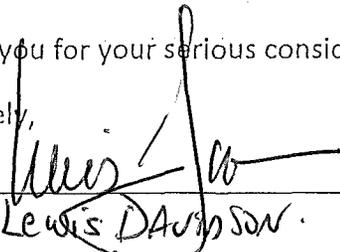
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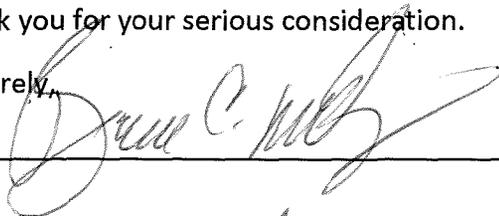
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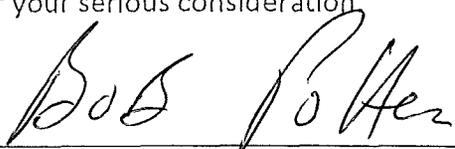
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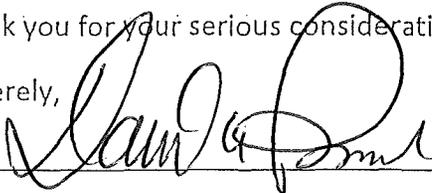
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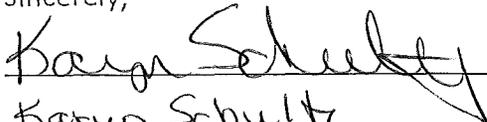
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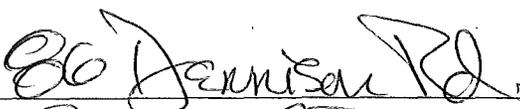
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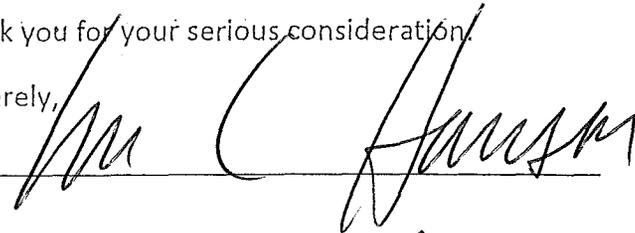
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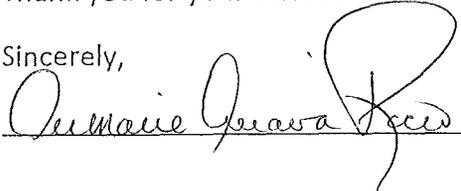
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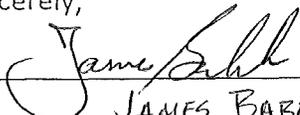
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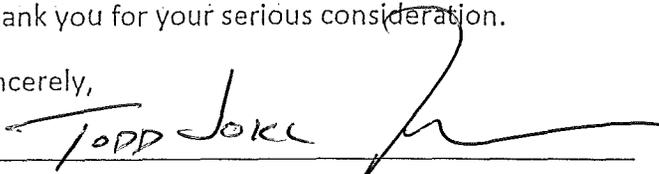
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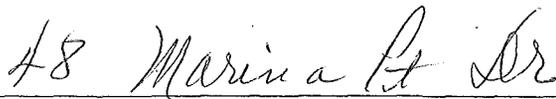
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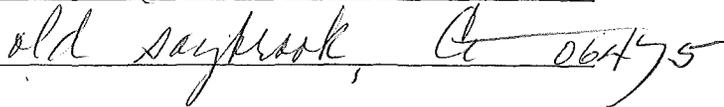
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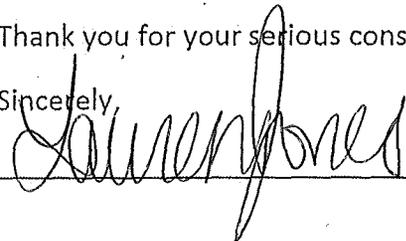
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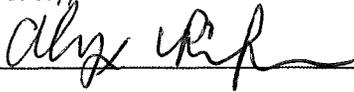
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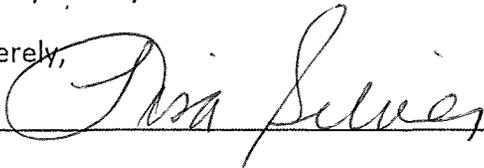
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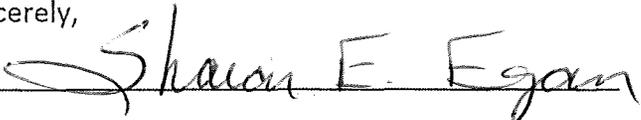
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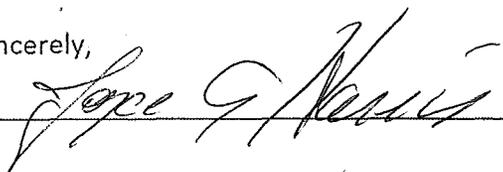
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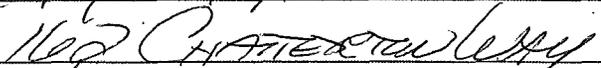
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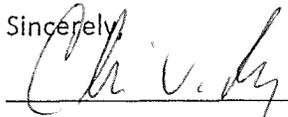
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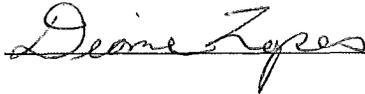
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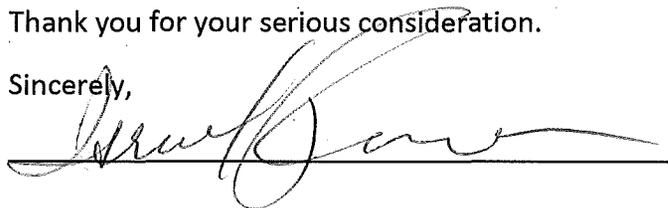
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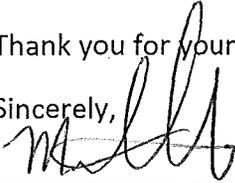
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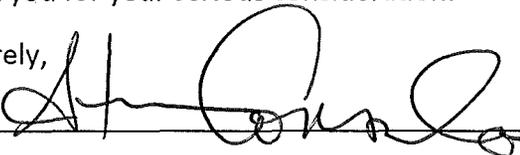
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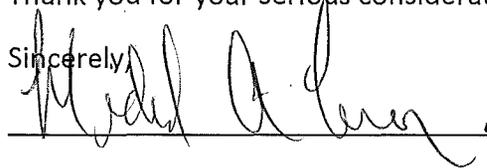
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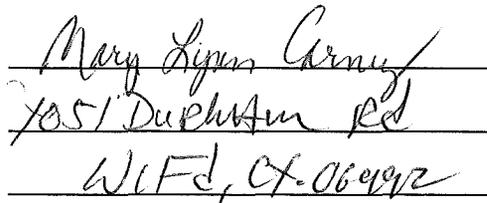
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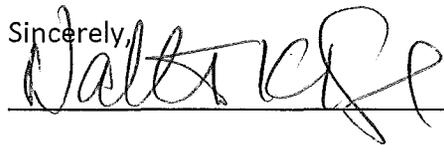
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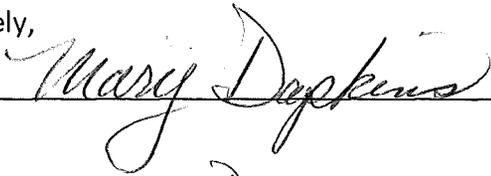
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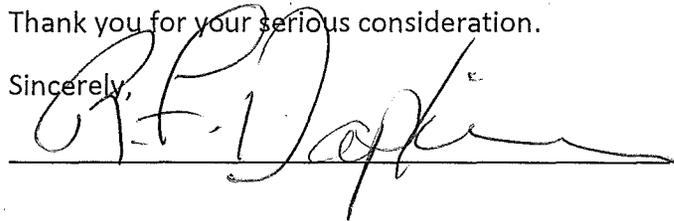
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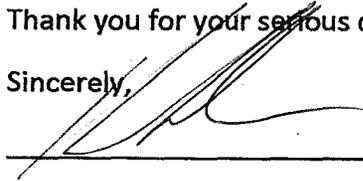
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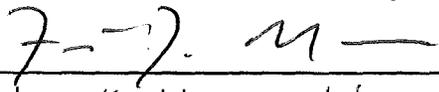
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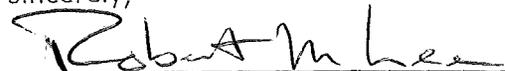
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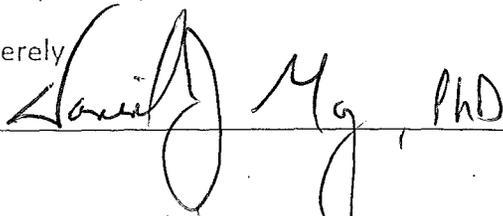
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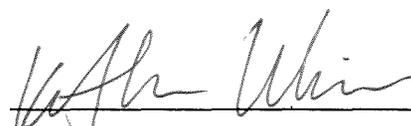
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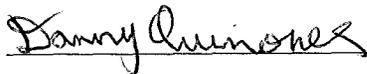
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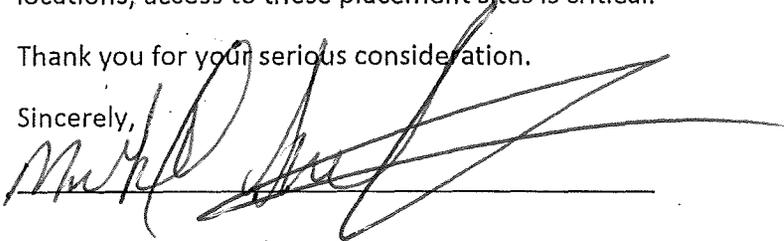
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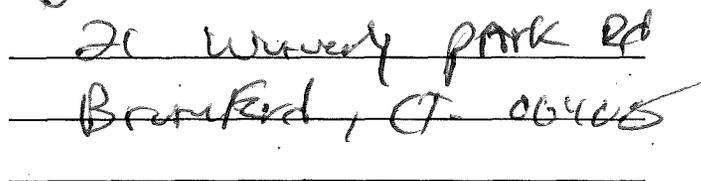
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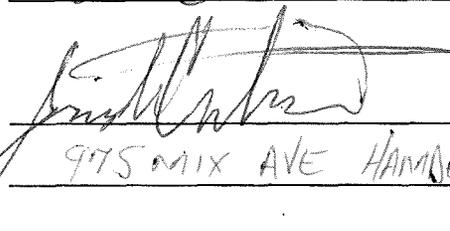
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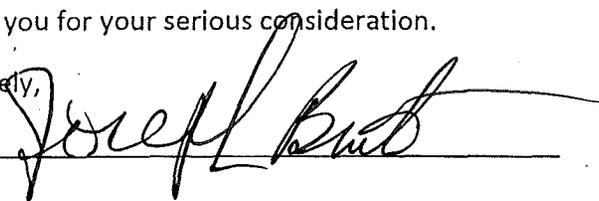
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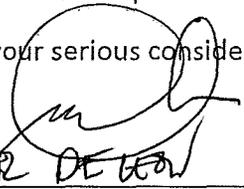
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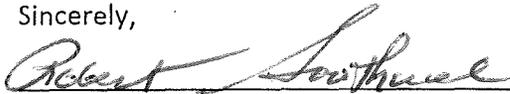
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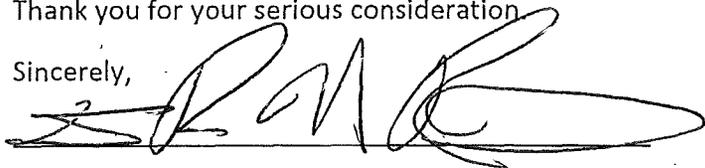
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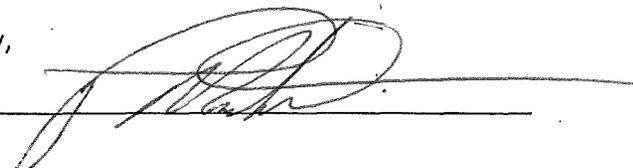
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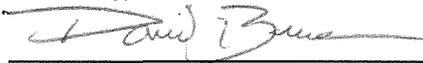
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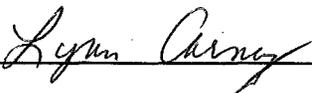
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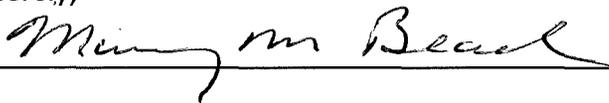
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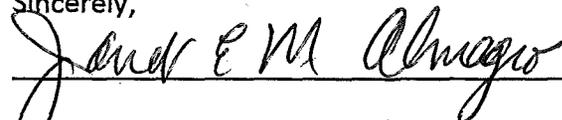
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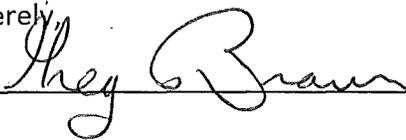
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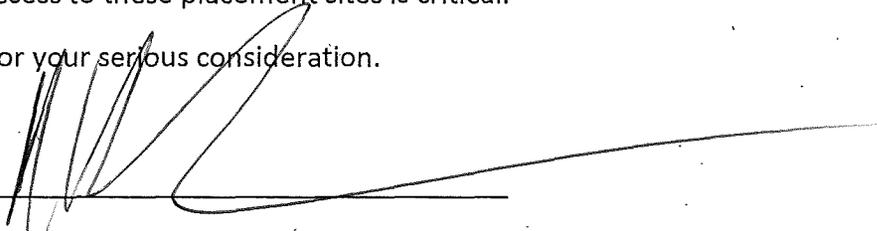
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MERIDEN, CT 06451  
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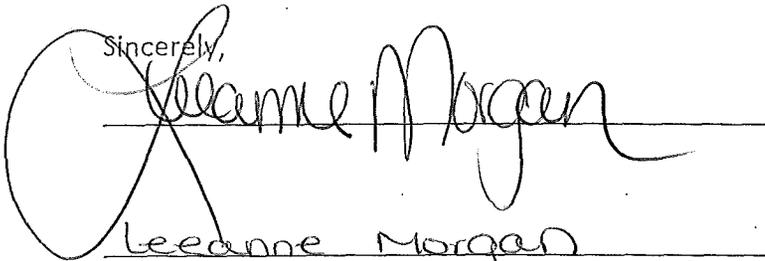
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Sincerely,

  
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Leanne Morgan  
\_\_\_\_\_  
9 Schalk Road  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Lebanon, CT 06249

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63 Nathan Hale Rd  
Groton CT, 06340  
Zack Perry

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Rory DelGiudice

Rory DelGiudice  
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Viktorija Ruzimyte

28 MISTAKEET AVE

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Kevyn L. Wilson  
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38 PALMICH. CT  
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GROTON, CT. 06340  
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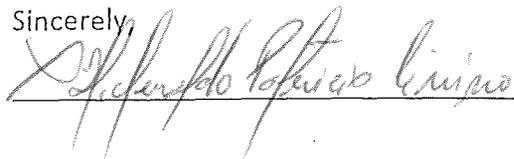
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58 NANucket Drive, Mystic  
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Waterford, CT

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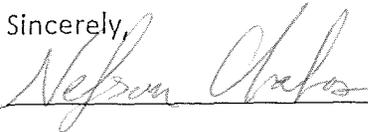
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*Nelson Chalas*  
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*42 Georgiana St*  
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*New London, CT, 06320*  
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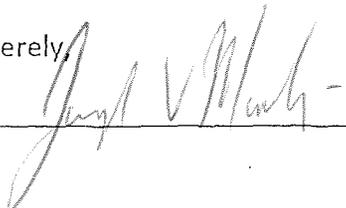
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Joseph V Masilli

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Old Saybrook CT

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James Branchi  
8. Canterbury Lane  
Clinton, CT 06413

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Sincerely,

Maria Bell

MARIA BELL

16 Old Boston Post Rd #2

Old Saybrook CT 06475

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Jennifer Braiden

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8 Falls River Circle  
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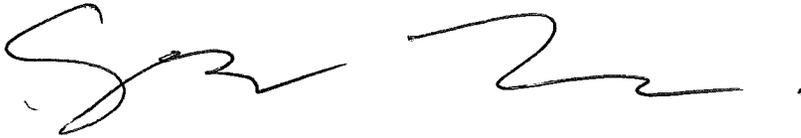
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Gary Thomas  
27 Earl St  
Shelton, CT 06484

To whom it may concern,

I wish to express our family's and my opposition to the proposed plan by USACE to dump in the sound for the next 30 years. An alternative plan must be developed that promotes the continued use of the sound for recreation and promotes the ecological value of the sound.

Yours Sincerely,



Gary Thomas

US Army Corps

Dear government,

FW BY CCE 10/13/2015

Please don't dump old equipment into the long island sound. If you do I and my family won't be able to go to the many Connecticut beaches. I also enjoy swimming, snorkeling and many other things at the sound.

Yours sincerely,

Michael  
Thomas

Michael Thomas

Age 11

U.S Army Corps

FW BY CCE 10/13/2015

Tracey Carroll  
39 Maple Lane  
Shelton, Ct

**To Whom it may concern**

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years. This will polute our waters and cause irreversible damage to one of our greatest resource the water. In all respects,we need to think about the future for our children and grandchildren. Instead, please support beneficial reuse of dredged material as a safer alternative to open water dumping.

Concerned,

Tracey Carroll

TCARROLL

TO USALE:

FW BY CCE 10/13/2015

IT IS IMPORTANT TO OUR SEAFOOD INDUSTRY TO STOP DREDGING IN THE LONG ISLAND SOUND. IT AFFECTS OUR FISHERMAN AND OUR RESTAURANTS STATEWIDE. IT AFFECTS THE HEALTH AND WELL BEING OF THOSE WHO EAT SEAFOOD FROM THE LONG ISLAND SOUND. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU PHASE OUT THE DREDGING AND DUMPING OF MATERIALS IN THE SOUND TO ACHIEVE A HEALTHY LONG ISLAND SOUND AND A MORE HEALTHY STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Sincerely

VIN ANASTASIO

To:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

FW By CCE 10/13/2015

I oppose dumping any toxins of any type into the Long Island sound or any other body of water. My family and I recently relocated to Connecticut and would like to see the sound continue to improve.

Regards,



Zachary Turner

35 Mulberry Lane

Shelton CT 06484

John Lando  
J. Lando  
6 Elizabeth St.

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To U.S.A.C.E.,

Stop dumping harmful materials into the Long Island Sound! Let us phase out open water dumping in the sound while creating an environmentally sound reuse program. We only have one planet. Stop being so careless! Our waters need to be clean for our children and animals. Let's do this for the greater good.

Sincerely,  
John

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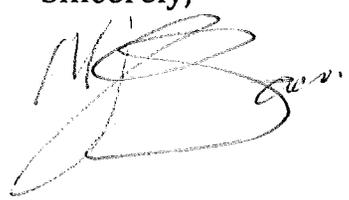
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The Soccio Family  
82 Buckingham Ridge Rd.  
Wilton, CT 06897

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. Soccio', written over a large, loopy flourish.

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MADDIE

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LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, Ma. 01742

Stop Dumping In The Long Island Sound

A. Appel

FW By CCE 10/13/2015

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I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years!

Please develop a plan that phase-out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Marina and Valery Schmidt  
50 Constance Ln  
Stamford CT 06903

Fw By CCE 10/13/2015

The LIS serve as feeding, breeding and nursery areas for many species. The Sound's coastal communities are also home to more than 4 million people. The Sound is used to transport people and goods into deep water harbors. Boaters and sunbathers by the thousands enjoy the Sound's beaches and ports. Nature centers offer educational opportunities to learn for kids. The LIS is very important to us. Let's STOP plan to dump in the Sound.

Monika Szymonowicz  
MONIKA SZYMONOWICZ

115 HARDESTY RD  
STAMFORD, CT. 06903



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John Girardi  
150 Tuttle Drive  
New Haven CT, 06512

TO Whom It May Concern and SHOULD Concern -

There needs to be a change in the way you're handling the dumping situation in the L.I.S. The whole world needs to have cleaner environments in general but I'm writing today to defend the L.I.S. because it's where I live (specifically the shoreline of Morris Cove New Haven). I've grown up around here for 35 years and now my children will also be growing up here. I'm an avid fisher who always has <sup>been</sup> and always will be. I love my home and love the open ocean that I share with everyone in the L.I.S. I was shocked when I learned as a kid about an area not far from where we fished on our boats where tons of crap was dumped into the ocean without caring about the earth or our own health risks. That's ridiculous. I'm very well aware that we can't stop all pollution but that go unexecuted. Why is it so hard to use the dredged material to our benefit? It cracks me up when I hear what this country spends money on and what they should be spending it on! Let's cut the crap here people! You have better options right in front of your face. You have factual and beneficial alternatives yet you ignore them. Please phase out the open water dumping of dredge materials and do the ~~right~~ <sup>A-2A-668</sup> thing for all of us.

P.S. Have a Great Day!

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I urge Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years. I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping. This is very important to my family and myself. My children and grandchildren are in the water all summer and it's very important to us that it stay healthy.

Thank you.

Camille

Camille Laubano  
340 Upson Ter.  
New Haven Ct  
06512

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US Army Corps of Engineers.  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Projects Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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M. Laudano

Michelle Laudano  
340 Upson Ter  
New Haven, CT  
06512

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300 Upson Terr  
New Haven, CT 0652

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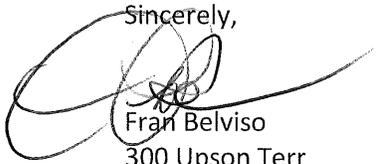
Us Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn  
LIS SMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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I oppose the plan to dump in the sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phases-out open water dumping of dredged material and reuse this material in a safe and beneficial way. *We have one planet and need to look after it for future generations to come.*

Please oppose the USACE plan to continue dredge material dumping in the Sound for the next 30 years, and instead support beneficial reuse of dredged material as a safer alternative to open water dumping. *Please think of the future generations, as well as, our eco system.*

Sincerely,



Fran Belviso  
300 Upson Terr  
New Haven, CT 06512

Dear USACE, Governor Malloy , Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal:

I hereby would like to see a cleaner Long Island Sound from Stonington to Greenwich. A careful examination of the debris that is dumped into our sound ever year means that a plan needs to be devised to protect our beaches from careless dumping of bad materials and be replaced with a better way to reuse the dredged material.

Sincerely,



Jim Alling

19 Docker Drive

Wallingford, CT 06492

FW By CCE 10/13/2015

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I Courtney Tolokan oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe beneficial way. The screening and reuse of these materials also offer more job opportunities. If you ruin the ocean theres nothing left. Plus the sound is so nasty anyway work on making it better not worse. I personally hate driving to another state if I wanna go in the water Rocky Neck was closed over a month this summer. Really that wasn't enough and thats at the end of the sand where it should be the cleanest.

89 Marist Dr.  
Wallingford

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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Hello Meghan,

I am extremely disappointed that you have decided to allow such actions. Long Island Sound should be protected for this generation and future generations. This will change the lives of those who live in the area and visit the area along with local businesses.

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years!! Please develop a plan that phases –out open water dumping of dredged material and reuse these material in a safe and beneficial way.

Please respond in writing, informing of your position.

Regards,



Jennifer Quinones  
19 Sovereign Rdge  
Cromwell, CT 06416

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
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LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
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Regards,

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Michael Quinones  
19 Sovereign Ridge  
Cromwell, CT 06416

TONG NGUYEN  
3 HORSE RUN Hill Rd.  
CROMWELL, CT 06416

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Dear US ACE,

There has to be a less ENVIRONMENTALLY  
HAZARDOUS WAY FOR your organization TO  
get rid of waste. The ENVIRONMENT is  
ALREADY recovering FROM other sources  
of pollution due TO our doing.  
we must think of the future effects  
OF our actions TODAY before it TOO late  
please! reconsider dumping waste in  
the SOUTH FOR the next 30 years.

Tong Nguyen

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses the material in a safe and beneficial way. Our natural resources should be protected.



Donna Salvatore

120 Washington Road

Cromwell, Ct 06416

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
c/o MEGHAN QUINN  
LIS DMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA RD.  
CONCORD, MASS. 01742

TELL THE USACE THAT I OPPOSE THEIR PLAN TO DUMP IN LONG-ISLAND SOUND! I URGE THEM TO DEVELOP A PLAN THAT PHASES OUT OPEN WATER DUMPING OF DREDGED MATERIALS AND REUSES THESE MATERIALS IN A SAFE AND BENEFICIAL WAY.

I URGE GOVERNOR MALLOY, SENATOR MURPHY AND SENATOR BLUMENTHAL TO OPPOSE THE USACE PLAN TO CONTINUE DREDGED MATERIAL DUMPING IN LIS FOR AT LEAST 30 YEARS. I SUPPORT THE BENEFICIAL REUSE OF DREDGED MATERIALS INSTEAD OF OPEN WATER DUMPING.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME TO HAVE A HEALTHY LONG ISLAND SOUND.

PLEASE RESPOND IN WRITING AS TO YOUR POSITION.

THANK YOU: *F.M. Sadick Jr.*

SIGNED: F.M. SADICK JR.  
41 MATILDA LANE  
SHELTON, CT. 06484

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FW by CCE - 13 OCT 15

TO: U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
C/O MEGHAN QUINN  
LIS DMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA RD  
CONCORD, MA 01742

A healthy Long Island Sound is important to all of us living around it as children play in and around it. People go fishing and it is not healthy to eat the fish.

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phases-out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you

Brian Mackenby

3 SENATOR DR

CROMWELL, CT 06416

FW by CCE - 13 OCT 15

To the Army Corps of Engineers:  
Attn: Meghan Quinn

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years. Can you imagine all the pollutants and what harm to the environment it would cause! (30 years!) Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank You,  
Linda Tucker  
Linda A. Tucker

Please respond. My address is:  
18 Isinglass Road  
Shelton, Ct. 06484

To

U.S Army Corps of engineers

Please do not use the sound for a freaking dumping ground! I fish and swim in it with my family and friends. My Grand kids need a clean and healthy environment to love and grow.

Dumping in the sound it just outrages'!

*Loren Manginelli*

Loren Manginelli

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L. Manginelli  
36 Edgerton rd  
Wallingford CT 06492

U.S Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia rd  
Concord MA 01742

~~Edward Gannon~~  
Edward Gannon  
20 South Side Dr.  
Wallingford, CT 06492

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the Sound for the next 30  
years!

Thank you

FW By CCE 10/13/2015

USACE c/o Meghan Quinn  
Hon Malloy  
Hon Murphy  
Hon Blumenthal

I oppose the dumping  
of dredging waste into  
the Long Island Sound.  
As a resident of Morris  
Cove I will be directly  
affected.

*Erin Kabalet*

22 Tow Sand Trs  
New Haven CT 06512

FW By CCE 10/13/2015

USACE-

We need a healthy  
Sound - fish, aquatic  
life need to be safe -  
no toxic residue -

BARBARA CREW  
8 Docker Dr.  
W/Fel, CT. 06492

FW By CCE 10/13/2015

# Just A Note

MCJAY Quinn

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

PLEASE STOP DUMPING IN THE  
Sound

  
Peter Whittman

13 BAKSAMBA WLF, 06496

FW By CCE 10/13/2015



FW by CCE-13 OCT 15

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Ma 01742

A healthy Long Island Sound is important to our future.

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuse this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Dave M.  
99 Washington Road, Cromwell, CT

FW Ry CE 10/13/2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn

Dear Ms Quinn,

I'm writing this letter to let you know that I oppose the USALE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Sound.

Please Stop the dredged material dumping and protect our Sound.

Sincerely,

*Era Barreira*

FW By CCE 10/13/2015

TO USAEC:

I oppose the plan to dump in the sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phases-out open water dumping of dredged material and reuse this material in a safe and beneficial way.

TO U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Please oppose the USAEC plan to continue dredged material dumping in the sound for the next 30 years, and instead support beneficial reuse of dredged material as a safer alternative to open water dumping

Very Respectfully,  
Taylor Piper  
303 Fort Hale Rd  
New Haven, CT 06512

FW By CCE 10/13/2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am opposed to the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years.

A plan should be developed to use dredged material in a safe and beneficial way.

Long Island Sound is a valuable resource and should be preserved.

Please keep me informed in writing regarding your position.



Karen S. Wellman  
124 Upson Ter.

New Haven, CT 06512-3608



Karen Wellman  
124 Upson Ter.  
New Haven, CT 06512

A-2A-684

**From:** [Sheldon Severs](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Long Island Sound Dredging Support  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 12:44:02 PM

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September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a Connecticut residents and boat owners we believe navigational access through dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer’s recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon & Nancy Severs  
407 New Sweden Road  
Woodstock, CT 06281

Richard Farr  
26 Dover Lane  
Madison, CT 06413  
October 13, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Richard Farr

**From:** [Nancy White](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 7:46:39 AM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

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Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,  
Nancy white

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [jzeboat@aol.com](mailto:jzeboat@aol.com)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 6:38:06 AM

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours      John Zorick

**From:** [David Air](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredge material dumping in Long Island Sound  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 12:24:23 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a resident of Long Island, New York, I am very opposed to the dumping of dredge spoils into Long Island Sound.

Our state and counties have worked for years in cleaning up the Sound so that native species can return and thrive, and we've made progress. This plan would set us back and threaten fish, shellfish and the struggling Long Island fishing industry.

We urge you to reconsider and find another place to dump dredge spoils that will not be environmentally dangerous.

Thank you.

David J. Air  
855 Soundview Road  
Orient, NY 11957

October 13, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As an avid boater and sailor, being on the water is what makes me happy. I am not rich; I just have my priorities set to maximize my time on the water. To support my escape from the daily grind of work, I need navigable water for myself and my friends.

The Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) is a fact based plan that clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. As I have stated previously, I am not rich. If the cost of boating increases too much, I will forced to spend my valuable, available time tied to the shore.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Dennis M. Doherty  
10 Latham St  
Mystic CT - 06355

A-2A-690

**From:** [brotherbean1018@aol.com](mailto:brotherbean1018@aol.com)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 4:18:38 AM

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Dear Ms. Quinn, As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce. This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions. Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan. Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort. Sincerely yours,  
Captain Robert R Anderson

**From:** [Barbara](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Long Island Sound  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 7:38:36 AM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my opposition to the plan to dump dredge spoils into Long Island Sound. The ecosystem of this body of water has been compromised enough without this additional introduction of potentially toxic waste material.

There must be a better solution.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Friedman

**From:** [millers1@aol.com](mailto:millers1@aol.com)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Disposal of Dredge Materials  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 8:21:52 AM

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September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a life long user of local Connecticut waters I am deeply aware of how dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

The scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions. Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge needs and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer’s recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you,  
R/S

Arthur F. Miller

31 Stanton Lane  
Mystic, Ct. 06355

# Harry Bird

22 Maple Avenue Essex CT 06426  
860-767-9763

October 12, 2015

LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I write in regards to the Dredge Plan for LI Sound entitled the “Dredged Material Management Plan” or DMMP. As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

I believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Harry Bird". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Harry Bird

**From:** [John Haskell](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 5:29:59 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As an individual who values navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

J. T. Haskell Jr.  
POB 253  
West Mystic, CT 06388

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [generousj@att.net](mailto:generousj@att.net)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp"s Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 4:48:30 PM

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October 12, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of the above dredge plan for LI Sound. As a sailor, I enjoy boating in the Sound and dredging is critical to allow my access into the many beautiful harbors and coastal areas.

This plan shows that open-water disposal is the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. Having access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions in our area. Connecticut has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer’s recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for efforts on our behalf

Sincerely,

Paul Generous  
131 Atwoodville Road  
Mansfield Center, CT 06250

**From:** [Lesley Freeman](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 2:59:50 PM

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer’s recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

As a member of a marina this will effect our cost if the dredging locations are changed.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely,

Lesley Freeman  
Steven Adil  
PO Box 407  
Columbia, CT 06237

**From:** [Lillian Ball](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Cc:** [Al Krupski](#); [Bill Toedter](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Long Island Sound  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 6:32:46 PM

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Dear Meghan Quinn and US Army Corps,

Long Island Sound is an estuary of national significance. I am entirely against the proposed Draft DMMP.

The Sound has only recently made a comeback with improved water quality statistics.

We also have seen a resurgence of wildlife such as whales and porpoise.

Please do not put these improvements in jeopardy by beginning a new dumping program simply because it is the cheapest option for CT dredge spoil disposal. We see by the quantity of floatables with CT addresses that make their way across the Sound, that the drift comes directly to NY shores. Please do not compound that insult with additional hazardous materials that are easily preventable.

As a taxpayer who swims in LIS nearly everyday, I fear the needless ramifications of such shortsighted actions on the human public health as well as on wetlands and marine ecosystems .

Sincerely,  
Lillian Ball

LILLIAN BALL STUDIO  
2045 Lake Drive  
Southold, NY 11971  
631.765.3495, 917.453.5040 mobile

WATERWASH® Projects  
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ReOrient Film's Bronx River WATERWASH documentary trailer:  
Blocked<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8PE3N09iF70&feature=youtu.be>

**From:** [Habel, Mark L NAE](#)  
**To:** [Habel, Mark L NAE](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Dredged Material Management Plan (UNCLASSIFIED)  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 7:20:56 AM

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Classification: UNCLASSIFIED  
Caveats: NONE

-----Original Message-----

From: JD McHenry [<mailto:jd@globaljetservices.com>]  
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2015 7:53 PM  
To: LISDMMP, NAE  
Cc: Pine Island Marina ([droman@pineislandmarina.com](mailto:droman@pineislandmarina.com))  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Dredged Material Management Plan

September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

Attn: Meghan Quinn

696 Virginia Rd. Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

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We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer’s recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

J D McHenry  
792 Shennecossett Road  
Groton, CT 06340  
(860) 985-6090

[jd@globaljetservices.com](mailto:jd@globaljetservices.com)

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Caveats: NONE

**From:** [jacmd1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jacmd1@sbcglobal.net)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp"s Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 3:27:09 PM

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Sirs:

As a long time recreational fisherman, and boat owner I have watched the effects of storm deposits make navigation inshore difficult, and in places impossible. The red tape involved in getting permission to dredge, and the costs of spoil disposal make life difficult for me and my fellows, and expensive for the marinas and clubs we use. There is a proposal for disposal of spoil in open water nearby which I support, and solicit your support.

John A Calogero  
West Hartford, CT

**From:** [Harry Holt](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Cc:** [Pine Island Marina](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 3:30:22 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Harry Holt

Stonington, CT

**From:** [David Malchman](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS dredging  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 6:07:06 PM

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October 12, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742 Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As an active boater in Mystic CT and as a taxpayer, I realize that access is critical to both the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region.

I believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the

U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

David Malchman

**From:** [David Bourque](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 2:37:50 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

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Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Sent from David Bourque

**From:** [Charles Estabrooks](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 9:24:00 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a Connecticut harbor master and recreational boater, I recognize that dredging is critical to ensuring public marine access and commerce. Open-water disposal is the most cost effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

I believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions. I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Charles Estabrooks  
Deputy Harbormaster  
Stonington, CT

**From:** [Charles Bruckerhoff](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 3:16:20 PM  
**Attachments:** [Charles Bruckerhoff.vcf](#)

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a Connecticut resident whose summertime enjoyment is navigational access for recreational boating and fishing, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

I believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Charles Bruckerhoff  
charles@creus.com

"Courage is being scared to death ... and saddling up anyway."  
- John Wayne

**From:** [Bill Clark](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The Army Corp's Dredged Material Management Plan  
**Date:** Monday, October 12, 2015 11:10:35 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

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Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

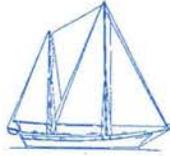
Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Bill Clark

390 Flanders Rd  
Mystic,CT

Sent from my iPhone



**YANKEE SAILING LLC**

*Gordon Van Nes  
19 Parkers Pt.  
Chester, CT 06412*

October 12, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort. Sincerely yours,

Sincerely,

W. Gordon Van Nes

Yankee Sailing LLC.

John Cox  
235 Townsend Avenue  
New Haven, Connecticut 06512

12 October 15

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am submitting comments on the ACE's Draft Dredged Material Management Plan. I spoke at the public meeting in New Haven on September 17<sup>th</sup> and these comments elaborate on points I made at that meeting.

I appreciated the ACE's willingness to offer the public an opportunity to speak on an important environmental issue near one of the more controversial dumping sites. I live across from the seawall, which faces the Morris Cove borrow pit. I, and many of my neighbors, were actively involved five years ago when the concept of dumping "unsuitable material" in the Cove was first proposed as part of the Bridgeport harbor dredging plan. In short, dumping toxic sludge in the middle of a residential, recreational area is a bad idea. Here are some of my concerns about that analysis.

The report, prepared in 2010 as part of the Bridgeport plan, contained several important infirmities:

1. It was based on an 8 year old analysis. Now that analysis is 13 years old. New Haven Harbormaster and Navy diver Michael Pimer, who is familiar with the borrow pit, stated in 2010 that it is in constant change. Surely a new analysis is warranted.
2. The unique ground water situation in Morris Cove was not addressed in 2010 or now. A study is needed to determine whether the toxic material will enter the high water table
3. Morris Cove is a residential community and the source of recreational activities for people throughout the City and the region, as it has the only sandy beaches on the Sound in New Haven. Having the toxic sludge dropped in Morris Cove and uncovered for 9-12 months would eliminate swimming, kayaking, paddle boarding, fishing and water skiing for an entire season. And even with a cap, there is no guarantee that the water would again be usable for marine recreation.
4. The economic analysis, which drove the Corps choice of Morris Cove for dumping the Bridgeport toxic sludge, was flawed. No funds were identified to compensate the New Haven oyster farmers, whose operations would be disrupted. The Cross Sound Cable project included compensation of \$5 M for this disruption. The cost effective choice changes when an appropriate economic study is conducted.

I am not opposed to dredging. I understand the marine industry is important to the economy around Long Island Sound and periodic dredging is critical to sustaining these businesses. I

also believe that filling the Morris Cove borrow pit, but not with toxic material, will offer important environmental benefits by eliminating an ecological dead zone. In fact, one interesting idea put forward at the public meeting was allowing the marinas, whose dredged material is clean, to place it into the borrow pit to begin the process of refilling it with clean material.

During the public process associated with the Bridgeport plan, the Morris Cove community provided a significant amount of scientific and empirical information for the record. I believe that there would be value including that information in the public record of this proceeding.

In closing, I would like to thank the ACE for the more open approach to the public this time in contrast to the 2010 experience. In particular, I commend Colonel Christopher Barron for being actively involved at the New Haven meeting, making eye contact and listening to speakers, taking notes on key points and conducting an informal sharing of ideas following the formal meeting.

I understand that this is a draft and not a decision document, but I hope that some of the concerns raised about the Morris Cove borrow pit will be acknowledged in the final document.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Cox". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and email address.

John Cox  
johncox235@gmail.com

35 Macintosh Lane  
Glastonbury, Connecticut 06033

October 12, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Massachusetts 01742

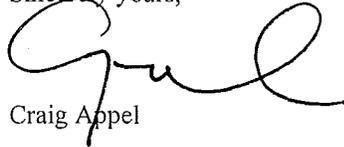
Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a customer and supporter of marine businesses serving Fisher Island Sound whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce. This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

I believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions. Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Craig Appel', written in a cursive style.

Craig Appel

October 12, 2015

Dear USACE,

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,  
Antonio J Pires



MR. ANTONIO PIRES  
577 LIBERTY AVE  
Williston Park, NY 11596

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U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
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We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort. Sincerely yours,



David J. Smith



David J. Smith  
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LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, M.E. District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Ma. 01742-2751

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October 12, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I value navigational access for business and recreation and I agree that dredging is critical to providing such access. The DMMP clearly shows that open-water disposal is the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of disposing of the majority of bottom material without adversely affecting Long Island Sound.

I believe that access to the current placement sites for dredge materials must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you,

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Michael E. Stein  
4 Riverview Road  
Waterford, CT 06385

October 12, 2015

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Sincerely yours,



Diane Bergman  
536-A Shennecossett Rd.  
Groton, CT 06340-5240

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineering, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
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October 12, 2015

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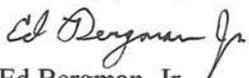
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Sincerely yours,

  
Ed Bergman, Jr.



**Ed Bergman, Jr.**  
536-A Shennecossett Rd.  
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**Attn: Meghan Quinn**  
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MADÉLOINE PHELAN  
94 LEHIGH STREET  
WILLISTON PARK, N.Y. 11546

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIB DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms Quinn,

Its 2015... do we really need to dump  
dredged material into the LI. Sound or  
any water system? I can't believe  
that this is even a consideration.

**RECYCLE + REUSE!** If there is no

Knowledge on how to accomplish this—find  
out. ~~Learn~~ + teach, so we and our future  
humanbeings can enjoy our beautiful waters.

I oppose the USACE plan to dump  
dredged materials or any other garbage into  
the Long Island Sound. A-2A-716

Sincerely,

Madeline Phelan

October 12, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

Please don't allow this dumping!

Sincerely,

Jay A. McKarty (Mrs. John)  
P.O. Box 207, Orient, N.Y. 11957

P.S.

Out by us here in Orient, the lobsters are finally returning to decent numbers after a 5 year downturn.

In our local little bays and Orient Harbor, while the oysters are thriving, usually under private farming, we've lost our scallops due to algae blooms.

Let Connecticut handle their own dredge spoils. Let that state possibly contaminate their own water.

P.P.S. - We've lived here 26 years. Thank you, Jay A. McKarty

October 12, 2015

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Sincerely,

*John McKasty* (JOHN MCKASTY)

**John McKasty**  
PO Box 207  
Orient, NY 11957-0207

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers New England  
Attn: LIS, D.M.M.P./P.E.I.S. Program  
Meghan Quinn  
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Nicole and Mert Gollaher  
10 Pepperbush Lane  
Guilford, CT 06437

October 12, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

*Re: Support for the DMMP for Long Island Sound*

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As a boater and taxpayer, access is critical to the enjoyment of our waters and the economic health of Connecticut and New England.

We believe that access to the placement sites outlined in the DMMP must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for small businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Connecticut, of the three subject states, has the greatest dredge need and we fully support the US Army Corps of Engineers' recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely,



Nicole Gollaher



Mert Gollaher

cc: The Honorable Richard Blumenthal  
Senator for Connecticut

The Honorable Christopher S. Murphy  
Senator for Connecticut

Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro  
Representative for Connecticut



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Meghan Quinn

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

**Re: Long Island Sound Drafted Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement**

Dear Ms. Quinn:

On behalf of Group for the East End, please accept the following comments and questions regarding the Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement.

**Position Statement:**

Group for the East End strongly believes that the Plans, as written, fall woefully short of addressing the ecological impacts of the proposed continued practice of open water disposal and should not be adopted. Although we recognize the importance of dredging for navigational purposes, the Plan's suggestions to allow the continued dumping of roughly 30-50 million cubic yards over the next 30 years, is simply unacceptable given Long Island Sound's ecological, economical and regional significance.

For the record, Group for the East End is eastern Long Island's largest professionally staffed environmental advocacy and education organization. Since 1972, we have represented the conservation and community planning interests of some 3,000 member-households, businesses and individuals from across our region.

Please consider the following questions, concerns and recommendations related to the draft Plans.

**Plans Contradict Original Intent to Phase-Out Open Water Disposal**

In 2005, New York, Connecticut and the United States Environmental Protection Agency called for the creation of the Dredged Materials Management Plan.

*"On June 3, 2005, EPA issued a final rule to designate the Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound disposal sites for long-term use, but with restrictions that are intended to reduce or eliminate the disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound" ([www.epa.gov/region1/eco/lisdred/](http://www.epa.gov/region1/eco/lisdred/)).*

Further, the EPA rule noted,

*"the DMMP for Long Island Sound will include the identification of alternatives to open-water disposal and the development of procedures and standards for the use of practicable alternatives to open-water disposal, so as to reduce wherever practicable the open-water disposal of dredged materials."*

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Table ES-2, *Federal Projects and Likely Base Plans for Placement* (ES-9 Draft Executive Summary) illustrates that the likely plan for the vast majority of dredged materials over the next 30 years will be disposed of using the open-water disposal method. Unfortunately, the conclusions drawn in various sections of the Plans suggest that cost is the priority decision-making factor in determining the suitability of utilizing this method and discounts the full range of alternatives (Executive Summary, ES-10; Section 4.9.1, Summary; Section 6.1). Further, in analyzing the cost issue, it does not appear that the Plans took into consideration the costs associated with the potential negative environmental impacts of continued open-water disposal.

For instance, the Plans continue to suggest the usage of Confined Aquatic Disposal (CAD) cells for the disposal of contaminated material determined to be unsuitable for open-water disposal. The draft Plans acknowledge impacts (Draft PEIS, Table ES-2) however, conclude that CAD cells should be utilized and site costs as a limiting factor in recommending alternative treatment options.

*Recommendation:* The Plans should include a discussion of how other areas along the East Coast evaluate alternatives. Rhode Island's model should be considered, as it does not focus on cost alone, rather, prohibits open-water disposal until it can be proven that the practice will not produce negative environmental impacts and alternatives would be more harmful to the environment.

### **Plans Lack Discussion and Analysis of Impacts of Nitrogen Contamination Associated with Dredged Material**

The Long Island Sound has a Total Maximum Daily Load for nitrogen with a mandated 58.5% reduction in nitrogen entering the Sound. Additionally, New York State is currently creating a Nitrogen Action Plan for Long Island waterbodies.

The Plans fail to discuss and analyze the impacts associated with how much nitrogen could be added to the Sound over the thirty-year period. Studies have illustrated that dredged materials do contain nitrogen and can be found at levels high enough to cause adverse ecological impacts.<sup>1</sup>

*Recommendation:* The Plans should fully quantify and assess how much nitrogen could be added to the Long Island Sound ecosystem and how this could impact existing conditions. The Plans should also discuss how these impacts relate to existing goals to reduce nitrogen pollution in Long Island Sound.

### **Plans Fail to Adequately Address Potential Environmental Impacts of 30-50 Million Yards of Additional Materials**

Section 4.5 of the DPEIS acknowledges the presence of contaminants in a number of species tested at the sampling locations associated with the open-water disposal sites. For example, "At the active WLDS, CLDS and NLDS placement areas, the metals silver, copper, cadmium, mercury, and lead were elevated (p.4-63, DPEIS). The DPEIS also states, "Mercury was detected in all of the samples and was notably higher in striped bass tissue samples from WLDS, CLDS and NLDS..." (p. 4-65). These examples are just two of many that acknowledge contamination.

Aside from the recommendation of continued testing, the Plans do not contain provisions to ensure that these situations will not worsen, nor do they contain recommendations for how to mitigate the current situation. In essence, by not recommending mitigation measures or future protocol to ensure that existing conditions will not worsen, the Plans conclude that the environmental impacts of open-water disposal at these sites are acceptable.

*Recommendation:* The Plans should provide a detailed discussion and analysis of how toxic contaminants will be tested for, analyzed and mitigated for all sites utilizing the CAD and

Jones, R.A. and Lee, G.F., "The Significance of Dredging and Dredged Material Disposal as a Source of Nitrogen and Phosphorus for Estuarine Waters," *Estuaries*, 2:157-163 (1981).

open-water disposal methods. Additionally, a robust plan for mitigation measures should include a discussion of how alternative disposal methods could improve or mitigate these circumstances.

**Conclusion:** Long Island Sound is an Estuary of National Significance, generating 17-36 billion dollars for the regional economy and is a centerpiece to our regional way of life. Billions of dollars have been allocated to ensure that the ecological health of the Sound is revitalized and preserved. The Plans are undoubtedly flawed and conclude that the practice of open-water disposal should continue for the next 30 years. Alternative methods of disposal were not provided due diligence within the discussion as cost issues remain a priority in the decision-making scheme. Please do not adopt the Plans as drafted and fully analyze and consider alternative methods than the proposed open-water disposal method.

Thank you for taking the time to consider these comments. Please feel free to reach me at your convenience should you have any questions. I can be reached at (631) 765-6450 ext. 213 or at [bdeluca@eastendenvironment.org](mailto:bdeluca@eastendenvironment.org).

Sincerely,



Robert S. DeLuca  
President

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To whom it may concern:

Please stop dumping in the Long Island Sound.

Let's keep our environment clean and safe for our generation and those to come.

Please reuse & recycle materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Please oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Long Island Sound.

Stop Open water Dumping.

This is a great concern to me and my family. We utilize the beaches on the North Shore of Long Island and would like to continue to do so for years to come.

Please Stop Open water Dumping!

Sincerely

Donald 

26 Lehigh St  
Williston Pl  
NY 11596

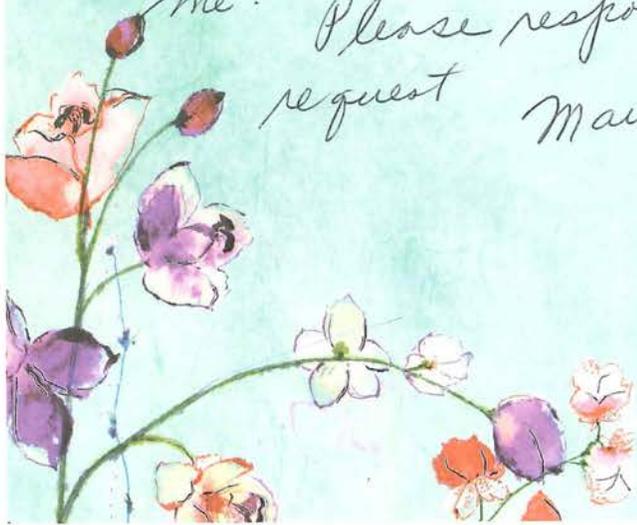
October 12, 2015

USACE

I oppose your plan to dump  
in L.I. Sound. Please work on  
a plan that phases out open  
water dumping of dredged  
materials and reuses these  
materials in a safe and  
beneficial way.

It is important a  
healthy L I Sound is to  
me.

Please respond to this  
request Thank you  
Maui B. Colahan



10/12/2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
215 DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose your plan to  
dump in Long Island Sound!  
You need to develop a plan  
that phases out open water  
dumping of dredged materials  
and reuse these materials  
in a safe and beneficial  
way.

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Cindy Vely (Velez)  
88 Ferdham St, WP NY 11596

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, October 12, 2015

I vehemently oppose the plan to dump into Long Island Sound. This plan fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution, fails to address the impacts of toxic contamination, and ignores important beneficial reuse options. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you,  
Deane Jellema  
25 Lehigh St.  
Millston Park, NY 11596

Date: 10/12/15

C/O MEGHAN QUINN  
DM MP HO. MGH.  
CORCORD MA 01722

Dear Ms Quinn,

I oppose the plan to dump in the CT  
Sound under any circumstances

Please develop a phase-out plan  
and no dredging!!!

DAVID J. GRIMALDI

David J. Grimaldi  
95 Washington RA  
Lanham CT 06416



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October 12, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Please respond in writing informing me of your position. Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'J Walsh', followed by a long horizontal flourish line extending to the right.

Jacqueline H. Walsh  
157 Shunpike Rd.  
Cromwell, CT 06416

October 12, 2015

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Julie Testa

13 Congress Drive

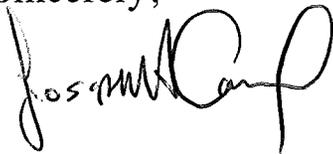
Cromwell, CT. 06416

October 12, 2015

USACE:

This letter is to advise you my opposition for the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years. Please develop a plan that phases out all open water dumping of dredged materials and instead reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

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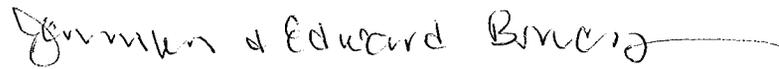
Joseph A Cannata  
23 Congress Drive  
Cromwell, CT 06416

10-12-2015

Dear Meghan Quinn,

Dumping in the Long Island sound is not smart. We are totally against dumping in the open waters.

Sincerely,



Jennifer and Edward Bonczek

28 Winthrop Blvd

Cromwell, Ct 0641

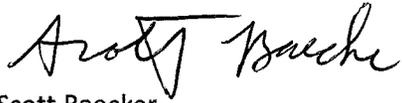
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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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Best Regards,

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Scott Baecker  
71 Geer St  
Cromwell, CT 06416

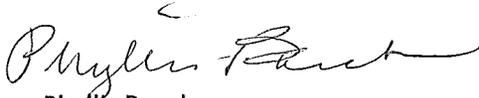
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Phyllis Baecker  
71 Geer St  
Cromwell, CT 06416

10/12/2015

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LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
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Michael Baecker  
71 Geer St  
Cromwell, CT 06416

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Megan Quinn,

October 11, 2015

to help + please hear our plea  
Island Sound and the cleanliness  
of the ocean and the sound!  
We are all so very  
passionate about the health  
and well being of our  
ocean and oceanic life  
as well our own health  
and well being pertaining to  
the sound!

Thanks for a  
listening ear + a moment of your  
time;

Let me know if I can  
be of any help to you in regards  
to this matter.

Sincerely,

Amy L. Finn

11 Scott Ln.

Cromwell

CT.

06416

860 788-3978

43 Smt Mrs  
Manhasset, NY 11030  
October 11, 2015

U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
US Dredging Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms Quinn:

I am writing to oppose your  
plan to dump in Long Island Sound.  
I urge you to develop a plan that  
phases out open water dumping of  
dredged materials and reuse of  
these materials in a safe and  
beneficial way.

Trusting you will do the  
right thing and that will keep  
the beautiful Long Island Sound  
environmentally safe.

Respectfully  
Carol Kehoe

October 11, 2015

Beatrice E. Heney  
227 Brown St.,  
Mineola, NY, 11501

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Madam,

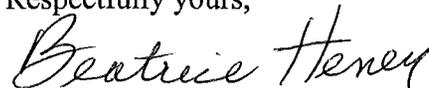
Now is the time to consider your responsibility to the citizens of Nassau County concerning our water. Specifically, open water dumping is threatening both water quality and our beloved waterways. Our water is perhaps the most important resource we still have the ability to monitor and correct. Symptoms of nitrogen loading and elevated levels of toxins occur, according to current studies, from open water dumping. I invite you to consider alternatives to this abusive practice.

Dredged materials have others uses. Instead of the practice of dumping, consider these alternatives:

Capping landfills  
Filling in many abandoned mines in Pennsylvania  
Beach nourishment  
! Innovations of your design!

As you know, water will replace oil as the nation's persistent concern. Now is the time to rethink old policies, be in the forefront of policy makers who matter. If you make water quality a first priority others will follow your lead. Take the initiative.

Respectfully yours,

  
Beatrice Heney

October 11, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers,

I Daniel Miller oppose the USACE of dumping in the Long Island Sound and urge you to find an alternative way.

Sincerely yours,

Daniel Miller

78 Hempstead Avenue  
Miller Place, NY 11764  
October 11, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Ms. Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMPP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am proud of being born and raised and continuing to reside in New York during retirement. I value the New York environment, among them the environmental cleanup of the Hudson River and its return to aquatic vitality.

I live on Long Island, where contamination of water sources is of great concern. Long Island continues to devote great acreage to ground water recharge, and continues to address sewage outfall and other issues. Preserving water quality in Great South Bay is important to Long Islanders, and preserving water quality in the Long Island Sound is important to folks living on Long Island, New York City, and Connecticut.

I understand that maintaining waterways and harbors, but I am distressed by the plan to dump dredged material into Long Island Sound. This is exactly what happened when harmful material was dumped, years ago, into the upper Hudson River, and it has taken years and years to clean the river up. Why would anyone deliberately do the same, years later, to contaminate Long Island Sound?

Please reconsider the plan to dump dredged materials into Long Island Sound, and consider instead implementing an environmentally sound alternative program.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, which concerns not only me but also many of our fellow New Yorkers.

Yours truly,



Barbara M. Curtiss

78 Hempstead Avenue  
Miller Place, NY 11764  
October 11, 2015

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LIS DMPP Project Manager  
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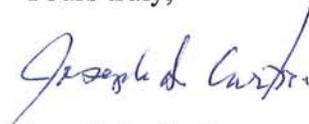
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Yours truly,



Joseph A. Curtiss

11 October 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To whom it may concern:

I unequivocally oppose the plan to dump  
dredged materials in the Long Island Sound.  
Understanding the need to dredge, I find  
it unconscionable to put contaminated wastes  
in a fragile ecosystem like the Sound.  
Solving one problem by creating another  
is not justifiable.

Sincerely,

✓ Pran Kuttarbie  
39 Hempstead Ave. Millis, MA  
NY 11764  
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10/11/2015

MARINA SZMALA  
79 ST. JAMES AVE  
MILLER PLACE, NY  
11764

U.S. ARMY CORPS of ENGINEERS

C/O MEGHAN QUINN

LIS DMMP PROJECT MGR.

696 VIRGINIA Rd.

CONCORD, MA 01742

DEAR MS. QUINN,

IT HAS COME TO MY ATTENTION THAT  
THE USACE PLANS TO CONTINUE DUMPING  
DREDGED MATERIAL INTO THE LONG ISLAND  
SOUND. PLEASE BE ADVISED I AM IN TOTAL  
OPPOSITION OF THIS PLAN SINCE IT ADDS TO  
NITROGEN POLLUTION AND TOXIC CONTAMINATION  
IN THE SOUND. PLEASE DEVELOP ALTERNATE,  
SAFE PLANS FOR THE USE OF DREDGED  
MATERIALS AND STOP THE OPEN WATER  
DUMPING.

SINCERELY,

Marina Szmalá

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**From:** [Linda's Sabatino](#)  
**To:** [LISDMMP, NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LI Sound dumping  
**Date:** Saturday, October 10, 2015 1:57:08 PM

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US Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

Please do not allow this dumping.

Sincerely,

Linda Sabatino

Professor Emeritus Biology SCCC

**CARL W. GEHRING, ESQ.**  
**POST OFFICE BOX 98 - WEST MYSTIC, CT 06388**

October 10, 2015

Lt. General Thomas P. Bostick  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
441 G Street NW  
Washington, DC 20314-1000

**RE: LONG ISLAND SOUND DREDGED MATERIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN AND EIS DATED AUGUST 2015**

Dear Lt. General Bostick:

I am writing in support of the Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan and EIS dated August 2015 ("Plan") recently released by your agency.

Navigable waterways used for commerce, recreation, and national security have always been a vital component of our national heritage. From sea to shining sea, and everything in between, including the Great Lakes and our nation's extensive inland river systems - our country's history and livelihood has been tied to navigation from its inception.

The amount of present-day commerce affiliated with the marine trades, both commercial and recreational, make up a substantial part of our national and states' economies. Dredging is one of the vital maintenance activities required to keep the aforementioned healthy and operational.

I have reviewed the submitted Plan and in my opinion it clearly meets the standards and the obligations of Sierra Club v. Mason in that all relevant risks and alternatives have been thoroughly analyzed and vetted.

Any public project, especially one involving potential environmental impact, will necessarily give rise to naysayers and opponents. However, our democratic process requires a big picture analysis that weighs the overall benefit to the public safety, convenience, use and enjoyment against any harm or perceived harm that may result from the proposed activity. In the case of the subject Long Island Sound dredging analysis, the benefits clearly outweigh the risks.

Accordingly, I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendations as outlined in the Plan.

Sincerely,



Carl W. Gehring  
Mystic, CT

cc: Megan Quinn - US Army Corp. - New England District

To the USACE:

I am writing to inform you that I strongly oppose your plan to dump dredged material in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial manner.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,  
Stacey Scholem



Stacey Scholem  
17 Candy Ln  
Commack NY 11725-1005

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS Dmmp Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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To USAC,

I am writing you to encourage  
your organization to develop a plan to  
phase out <sup>open</sup> water dumping of dredged  
materials and reuse these materials in  
a beneficial way, a safe way.

Sincerely,  
Keith Maguire

P.S. In the Long Island Sound

31 Hampshire Drive  
Farmingdale, NY 11735  
October 10, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

You should appreciate the concern of all Long Island residents when it comes to caring for and preserving the delicate environment that makes the island one of the most beautiful and diverse places in the United States.

As a lifelong Long Island resident, I am deeply distressed and concerned about the intention of the USACE to use the Long Island Sound as an open-water dumping ground for dredged material to the detriment of the environment and the wildlife therein when there are other options available. You should be working to develop a plan that ends open-water dumping of dredged material and reuses these materials in a way that is safe for wildlife and beneficial to the environment.

As a responsible citizen I take the time to recycle papers, cans, and plastics on a daily basis and observe the standards established by the Town of Oyster Bay to do my part in whatever way I can to help maintain the integrity of Long Island. I certainly hope that I am not wasting my time.

Long Island has been and will continue to be my cherished home. I am quite proud to say this and wish to continue. Let's work to preserve the Long Island Sound; it is not a landfill.

Very truly yours,



Susan Frances Ferrara

65 Spielman Avenue  
Farmingdale NY 11735  
(516) 293-2952

October 10, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Attn: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager

I oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredge materials and reuse the materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,  
  
Matthew DiCarlo

65 Spielman Avenue  
Farmingdale NY 11735  
(516) 293-2952

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Attn: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager

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Sincerely,



Thomas DiCarlo Jr.,

65 Spielman Avenue  
Farmingdale NY 11735  
(516) 293-2952

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Attn: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager

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Sincerely,



TJ DiCarlo

65 Spielman Avenue  
Farmingdale NY 11735  
(516) 293-2952

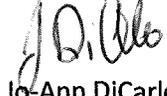
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US Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Attn: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jo-Ann DiCarlo". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

Jo-Ann DiCarlo

10-10-2015

Dear US Army corps of engineers,

I am urging you to come up with a plan to stop the plans to dump and pollute our LI waters, please urge our Governor's and Senator's to oppose open water dumping.

I am a concerned citizen and I vote.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wendy Brofman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Wendy Brofman

Northport, NY



**TOWN OF EAST LYME**  
EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

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**Stephen Dinsmore**

Treasurer  
**Donald F. Landers Jr.**

Secretary  
**Joseph L. Hitchery**

October 10, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing on behalf of the East Lyme Harbor Management/Shellfish Commission to express our support for the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by your agency.

The slated closing date of December 2016 would adversely affect our local marine activities and navigability in the Niantic river. These two closings will create a hardship to many local marine businesses including commercial and charter fishing, and access to local marinas. It will create safety a hazard along the federal navigational channel including the increase likelihood of groundings, which could endanger human lives.

The current disposal sites are highly regulated and have more than adequate monitoring to ensure that the dumping is contained, that there water quality is maintained and that there is minimal impact to surrounding marine life.

Closure of the current sites will severely impact the ability our town to maintain public access to one of the most pristine waterways in the state of Connecticut. The needs of our local community, both economic and environmental, are met with this plan.

Thank for providing our commission the opportunity to comment on this very important issue.

Sincerely,

Stephen Dinsmore  
Chairman, East Lyme Harbor Management Commission

Frederic Fischer  
26 Main Street  
Noank, CT 06340

October 10, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As a boater and taxpayer, access is critical to the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Frederic Fischer

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn.

As an individual who uses our waterways, dredging is critical to ensure public access and to keep pleasure boating viable.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U. S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely, *Anthony V. Lovallo & Barbara J. Lovallo*

Address: *90 ORCHARD STREET  
COS COB, CT. 06807*

Tony & Barbara Lovallo  
90 Orchard Street  
Cos Cob, CT 06807

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*U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT*

**Dennis and Linda Angarano**  
**27 Danner Avenue**  
**Harrison, NY. 10528**  
**914-835-0835**

October 10 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Dennis and Linda Angarano



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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

**The Sound is not a dump. Please stop the dumping!**

Sincerely,

Halley A. Weingart  
Byron R. Weigart

Jennifer Pugh  
170 Kneeland road  
New Haven, CT 06512

October 10, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

Long Island Sound is an important and irreplaceable economic, recreational and scenic resource for the state of Connecticut. In recent years progress has been made on cleaning up the water in the Sound to preserve and protect aquatic life. We can ill afford to subject this fragile and unique body of water to continued open dumping of dredged material which threatens to undo all of the positive efforts to improve water quality.

I am opposed to the US Army Corps of Engineer's plan to dump dredged material in the Sound for the next 30 years when there are alternative options available for beneficial reuse of dredged material which would better serve to protect the environment. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

I would appreciate a written response letting me know your position on this issue.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Pugh,  
Connecticut Coast Resident

10/16/15

To whom it may concern,

I disagree to any dredging in Long Island sound, Because it will destroy the clean water that we have now, Our children and granddildren won't have the clean water for swimming, fishing, lobstering, etc. in the future.

Thankyou  
Christine Perry  
125 Ash St.  
Stpd, ct. 06615

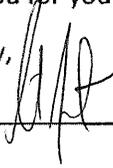
Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing in support of the draft Dredged Material Management Plan. Dredging is vital to our economy and to ensure public access to our waterways. This scientific plan currently under public review after a decade of preparation clearly shows that open-water disposal is the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. There are four current disposal locations; access to these placement sites is critical.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

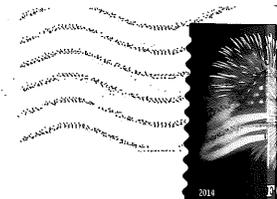
Sincerely,



Print name: STEVEN JACOWITZ  
Address: 500 EAST 83<sup>RD</sup> ST  
City: NY, NY 10018

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MEGHAN QUINN  
LIS DMMP/PEIS PROJECT MGR  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

October 10, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Connecticut's economic lifeblood is navigational access; it provides access for commercial use, personal recreation and is the heart of our region's tourism industry. Dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

The Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Robert Price  
132 Fog Plain RD  
Waterford, CT 06385

FW By CCE 10/10/2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

To: USACC

We oppose your plan to dump dredged material into Long Island Sound!!

Please develop a plan that phases out any open water dumping of dredged materials that could be, and have been harmful to the environment. There have been many cases of algae bloom in the waters of Long Island Sound and the additional nitrogen pollution and toxic contamination from this dredged material very likely contributes to this problem.

Please develop important beneficial reuse options before it's too late!!

Long Island Sound must stay clean and healthy to benefit all New Yorkers and the environment of the entire nation. Please respond in writing as to your position.

Best Regards and with great concern,

  
Mrs. Diane Popowytch

341 Foch Blvd  
Minneapolis NY  
11501

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

FW by CCE - 10 OCT 15

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound!! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

Jim McRae

FW by CCE - 10 OCT 15

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound!  
Can you develop a plan that phases out open water  
dumping of dredged materials and reuses these  
materials in a safe and beneficial way. A healthy Long  
Island Sound is important to our family.

Thanks,  
The Bartons



Paul Raeder  
63 Compo Rd. South  
Westport, CT 06880

October 10, 2015

US Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Let this correspondence serve to voice my concern and opposition over the plan for open water dumping of harmful dredged materials. I believe it imperative to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

I would appreciate your response to the issue at hand.

Respectfully,

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Paul Raeder

October 9, 2015

Dear Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy, and Senator Blumenthal,

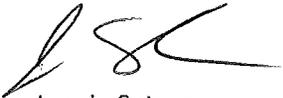
I am writing to ask you to stop the dumping of dredged material back in the Sound and find healthier alternatives. I understand the need to dredge but we need to take care of our environment and stop destroying the waters ecosystem with little concern for the future impacts. I enjoy boating, fishing, beaching, and everything that comes with living on the sea coast and Long Island Sound.

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phases-out open water dumping of dredged material and reuse this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Please oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Sound for the next 30 years and instead support beneficial reuse of dredged material as a safer alternative to open water dumping.

I ask each of you to write back to me with where you stand on this important issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Setaro', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jennie Setaro  
47 Edgerton Rd  
Wallingford, CT 06492

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DATE	

10/9/15

1 Dear USACE :

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5 Sand for the next 30 years! Please  
6 develop a plan that phases out open  
7 water dumping of dredged material  
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9 beneficial way.

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11 Please respond in writing, informing  
12 me of your position.

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15 Thank you

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17 Linda McCarthy

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19 27 Edgerton Rd  
20 Wallingford, CT 06492

10/9/2015

**To Who it may concern, Governor, Dannel F. Molloy, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honorary Chris Murphy, Honorary Richard Blumenthal,**

**I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuse this material in a safe and beneficial way.**

**Respectfully,**

**Your Constituent,**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kenneth A. Burt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending from the end.

**Kenneth A. Burt**

October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

To whom it may concern,

I oppose the plan to dump in the band  
for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that  
phases out open water dumping of dredged materials  
& reuses this material in a safe & beneficial way.

Anna Ramsey  
4 PROSPECT RD  
WILSON CT 06890



## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

NAVAL SUBMARINE BASE NEW LONDON  
GROTON, CONNECTICUT 06349-5000

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October 9, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn, LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The Naval Submarine Base New London (SUBASENLON) is submitting this letter of support for approval of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Draft Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound (LIS) released August 17, 2015.

SUBASENLON commends the USACE on compiling ten years of data and conducting a rigorous analysis and evaluation of economic and environmental alternatives for dredge disposal options including open water disposal. Submarine operations at SUBASENLON are critical to national defense and SUBASENLON depends on dredging to maintain required depths to homeport Ohio and Virginia class submarines and provide access to our piers to support our mission.

The DMMP identifies beneficial disposal alternatives in proximity to SUBASENLON in addition to placement of dredged material in Confined Aquatic Disposal (CAD) cells or via open water disposal. Over the next three years, SUBASENLON plans to dredge approximately 60,000 cubic yards to support the demolition of two piers and construction of a new pier to accommodate the newest Virginia class submarine. In addition, SUBASENLON will require additional future maintenance dredging and concurs with the estimated volumes of material that will need to be dredged for maintenance purposes of improvement projects. While placing dredged material into a CAD cell is an option for unsuitable materials, SUBASENLON supports the option to include open water placement for disposal of dredged material that meets the strict federal and state requirements that determine eligibility of sediments to be disposed of in LIS.

The DMMP recommends that the Regional Dredging Team (RDT) engage those agencies which have not actively participated in the RDT up to this point, including the U.S. Navy. SUBASENLON

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welcomes an opportunity to engage with the RDT on reducing wherever practicable the open water disposal of dredged material.

Should you require further information, or if you have additional questions, please contact Mr. Michael Brown, at (860) 694-3976.

Sincerely,



C. A. LAHTI  
Captain, U.S. Navy  
Commanding Officer

**JAMES R. BEARD**  
**762 Wheelers Farm**  
**Milford, CT 06461**

October 9, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Att: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I have been a commissioner and past Chairman of the Milford Harbor Management Commission for 20+ years.

The development of Lisman Landing (a transient marina built and run by the Harbor Management Commission and the City of Milford) was instrumental in the revitalization of downtown Milford. Downtown Milford is now the envy of New England and a model for older New England towns.

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As a boater and taxpayer, access is critical to the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood, and the downtown Milford community.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corp of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



James R. Beard

JRB:ser

**NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**

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October 9, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
Project Manager, LIS DMMP  
U.S. Department of the Army  
Corps of Engineers / New England District  
Civil Works and Interagency / International Project Management Branch  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Re: File # O-2015-0025 – U.S. Army Corps preparation of a Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) for the Long Island Sound (LIS) Region

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The New York State Department of State (NYS DOS) and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC) request that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) extend the comment period for the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) for Long Island Sound (LIS). The draft DMMP is over 1,000 pages in length, and the State and public need more time to review the complex proposals and technical data in the DMMP. Additionally, NYS DOS and NYS DEC request an extension for the final DMMP regulatory deadline to August 2016; this final completion deadline change will afford the Corps additional time to fully examine public comments and suitably revise the DMMP.

Specifically, we recommend that the Corps schedule webinars and conference calls with New York government agencies, community leaders and the not-for-profit community, among others, to present the DMMP in more detail and to listen to concerns. A timeline extension will help ensure that key stakeholders are meaningfully engaged, that the billions of State and federal dollars already invested in LIS do not go to waste, and that the original 2005 agreement for a LIS DMMP to “reduce or eliminate” open water dumping can be fulfilled.

LIS is a critical environmental, commercial, and recreational resource located along one of the most densely populated areas in the nation. In 1987, Congress recognized the Sound's importance to the nation and designated it an Estuary of National significance. Since then, the State and federal governments have invested billions of dollars to rehabilitate and restore LIS water quality. NYS has invested over \$7.2 billion through wastewater treatment upgrades, storm water runoff abatement, and fisheries and habitat restoration, while the federal government has also invested over \$75 million through the Long Island Sound Study and Long Island Sound Restoration Act.

In 2005, New York State, Connecticut, the EPA, and the Corps all agreed to develop a DMMP that would "reduce or eliminate" the need for open water disposal of dredged materials in the Sound. This agreement was embodied in the EPA's 2005 Rule for the Central and Western Long Island Sound disposal sites and New York State has always maintained the position that any draft DMMP must be consistent with this agreement. Our analysis thus far raises significant concerns consistent with those identified in our July 10, 2015 letter regarding the pre-draft DMMP. While 17,878,265 cubic yards of sediment have already been dumped in Long Island Sound in the last 33 years, the Corps projects in the draft DMMP that an additional 34,375,705 cubic yards of sediment will be dumped over the next 30 years. The draft DMMP either ignores or fails to address important issues such as the State's opportunity costs, economic losses associated with foregoing more environmentally friendly disposal options, and ecosystem resilience, among others.

Additionally, the NYS DOS has determined that the DMMP will have reasonably foreseeable effects on uses and resources in New York's coastal area. Because the preparation of a management plan for activities authorized under the Clean Water Act and the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act constitutes a direct federal agency activity, the management plan is thus subject to consistency provisions of both the federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) and the State's Coastal Management Program (NYCMP). The Corps should submit a consistency determination for the DMMP to NYS DOS in accordance with CZMA implementing regulations in 15 CFR 930 Subpart C, and Part II Section 9 and Table 2a of the NYCMP. That determination must be submitted to NYS DOS at least ninety (90) days prior to a federal agency decision to proceed with publication of the final DMMP. If you have any questions or would like to discuss consistency review matters further, please contact Jeffrey Zappieri at (518) 473-2476 (e-mail [Jeffrey.Zappieri@dos.state.ny.us](mailto:Jeffrey.Zappieri@dos.state.ny.us)).

The original purpose of a DMMP was and remains the development of a solution that reduces open water dumping. Although New York had hoped for a swifter resolution of this challenging issue, we must reluctantly urge an extension to allow the Corps sufficient time to share information on the DMMP and more completely analyze public comments and potential solutions.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Moser  
Assistant Commissioner  
Office of Natural Resources



Sandra Allen, Esq.  
Deputy Secretary of State  
Office of Planning and Development

- c: Gen. William Graham, Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, North Atlantic Division  
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102 Baxter Street  
Tolland, CT 06084  
October 9, 2015

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Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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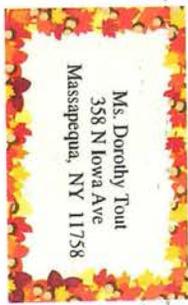
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Respectfully,

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John Robinson

Ms. Dorothy Tout  
358 N Iowa Ave  
Massapequa, NY 11758



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Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
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Sincerely, *Edel M. Quillin*  
*181-5th St*  
*Greenport,*  
*11944*

1 Clinton Court  
Sound Beach, NY 11789  
October 9, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms Quinn,

This letter is in reference to the ACE proposed plan to continue to dump dredged spoil into the Long Island Sound.

In 1985 this plan was blocked by the governors of New York and Connecticut, now, it seems a new plan has been released with no other alternatives for the use of the dredged spoil and now the AEC is proposing to continue the dumping for the next 30 years.

This body of water has been under attack for many years for many different reasons, none of them have been good. We have lost many different types of fish from the Long Island Sound, there used to be dolphins that would swim in this water, not any more.

Also why were there only two hearings held a week after the plan was released with an October 16, 2015 deadline for written comments. I believe there should be more public hearings to be held.

I and many Long Islanders who live on the North Shore feel this project deserves a second more closely look at the dumping of what the ACE call Dredged Spoil which in reality is sludge. **THE LONG ISLAND SOUND IS SOMETHING TO BE PRESERVED, NOT DESTROYED!**

Sincerely,



Henrietta Saccomano

October 9, 2015

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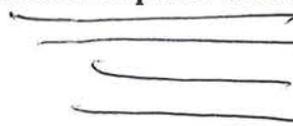
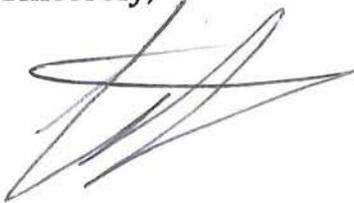
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509-7<sup>th</sup> St.  
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Sincerely,

Miriam Foster  
Orient

Foster  
PO Box 115  
Orient, NY  
11957

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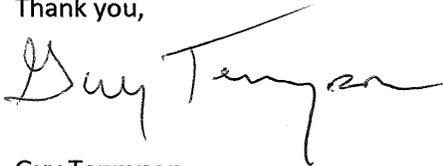
Meghan Quinn/To whom it may concern:

Growing up in Waterford CT, I have a special affinity for Long Island Sound and the CT shoreline. With all environmental concerns, we must take a stand and make changes where we can. Every positive change we make impacts local, regional, national and global efforts, especially when combined with other positive efforts; in essence, a domino effect of beneficial changes.

With this concept in mind, I ask for your support in phasing out the open water dumping of dredged material in Long Island Sound, planned for the next thirty years. The harmful effects on sea life, the ecosystem, and ultimate adverse effects on human life must be addressed and alternative methods that include beach nourishment, wetlands, capping landfills, and filling abandoned mines must be considered.

Thank you for hearing my concern. Please act in the best interest of Long Island Sound, Connecticut, its residents and the general well being of our environment. I would like to hear your position on this matter.

Thank you,

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Guy Tennyson  
35 Edgerton Rd  
Wallingford, CT

10-9-15

Please donot dump  
any waste into the  
hong Island Sound.

Angela

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Oct. 9, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I'm writing to tell you the plan to dump dredge waste in the Long Island Sound is one that I am opposed to.

Long Island Sound is a beautiful part of our treasured environment.

We want it to remain as pollution free as possible.

Please reply.

Linda Napoli  
Robert Napoli

463 Wilson Blvd  
Mineola, NY 11501

Gloria-Jean Berberich  
346 Foch Blvd., Mineola, NY11501  
October 9, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Ms. Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd., Concord, MA 01724

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**SAVE LONG ISLAND SOUND !**

Respectfully,



Gloria-Jean Berberich

Roy Berberich  
346 Foch Blvd., Mineola, NY11501  
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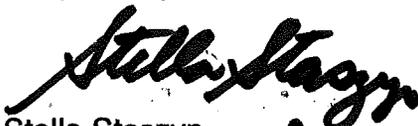
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Stella Staszyn

Oct. 9 - 2015

I oppose your  
plan to continue dumping  
in Longsland Sound.

Thank you.  
Rajamma Munn

325 Hosten Highway.  
Mineola, N.Y. 11501.

Patrick Coyne  
316 Burkhard Ave,  
Mineola, NY 11501-1408  
October 9, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road,  
Concord, MA 01742

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter to register my opposition to the dumping of dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. As you are well aware, the health of our sound is intimately tied to the health of Long Islanders and the health of our economy. The dangers of dumping potentially toxic sludge into the sound cannot be overstated.

I urge you to please consider alternative plans/uses for the dredged materials that do not put the Long Island sound, its marine life and the inhabitants of Long Island and Connecticut at risk. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patrick Coyne', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Patrick Coyne

Donna Strein  
362 White Road  
Mineola, NY 11501

October 9, 2015

US ARMY Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

After speaking with a representative of the Citizens Campaign for the Environment who informed me of the dredging efforts and dumping in Long Island Sound, I would like to voice my opposition to this plan. I would like you to investigate a plan that is more safe and beneficial to the environment.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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Donna Strein

OCT 9, 2015

U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
% MEGHAN QUINN  
LIS DRAMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA RD  
CONCORD MA 01742

DEAR MEGHAN QUINN,

I OPPOSE THE USACE'S CONTINUED DUMPING OF  
DREDGE MATERIAL INTO THE LONG ISLAND SOUND.  
TO CONTAMINATE THE SOUND BECAUSE IT'S THE  
CHEAPEST OPTION IS FOOLHARDY AND IRRESPONSIBLE.  
WE PAY VERY HIGH TAXES IN NY AND NOTHING IS CHEAP  
IN NY SO PLEASE FIND A MORE RESPONSIBLE WAY TO  
REUSE THE DREDGED MATERIAL.

SINCERELY,

Shouh Memon

172 FERNCROFT RD

MINEOLA NY 11501

P.S. A RESPONSE IS APPRECIATED

Rudy Hroziencik  
6 Fairview Terrace  
Greenwich, CT 06831

October 8, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

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Sincerely yours,



Rudy Hroziencik

10/8/15

I oppose the plan to dump  
in the sound for the next  
30 years.

Develop a plan to phase-out  
water dumping of dredged material  
reuses material in a safe and  
beneficial way.

Theresa Houde



Mr. Richard Houde  
211 Hyde St.  
New Haven, CT 06512-3156

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U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
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696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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October 8, 2015

Dear Meghan Quinn,

Please stop the dumping of dredged material into our Long Island Sound — I kayak and swim there — Our Sound is not a Land Fill!

Thanks — Susan Marchese  
12 Bruce Ln  
Wallingford, CT. 06492

Do your job, help to keep the Sound Clean!



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**Delia DeRiggi-Whitton**  
Legislator, District 11



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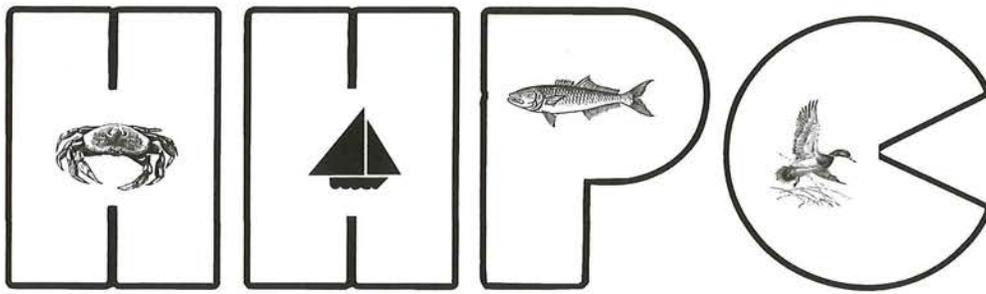
Dear Ms. Quinn,

The 11<sup>th</sup> Legislative District surrounds Hempstead Harbor and takes in the eastern shores of Manhasset Bay. Water quality issues are very important to me. I recognize that to keep our many marine businesses thriving, dredging is a necessity, but also that it needs to be done in the most environmentally sensitive fashion. Thus I was anticipating the findings of the new DMMP pointing the way a future where the Sound is not used as a dumping ground.

The DMMP does not achieve its goal of phasing out open-water placement as was the charge given to the Corps in 2005. Instead, it increases potential projects and cubic yards over the next 30 years. The Corps spends a great deal of time justifying this failure as being statutory unachievable. However, though the Corp may be required to do projects in the most economical way, this 10 year, multi-million dollar study could have pointed out what changes and actions were needed to begin to move away from open water disposal.

I found the DMMP as presented to be a disappointment. More work needs to be done to bring this document to achieve its goal.

Delia DeRiggi-Whitton  
Legislator, 11<sup>th</sup> District



**Hempstead  
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Protection  
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[www.HempsteadHarbor.org](http://www.HempsteadHarbor.org)

An Inter-municipal Watershed Protection Committee of the County of Nassau, the Towns of North Hempstead and Oyster Bay, the City of Glen Cove, and the Villages of Sea Cliff, Roslyn Harbor, Roslyn, Flower Hill and Sands Point

*"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." - Helen Keller*

October 8, 2015

Ms. Meaghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

*RE: Comments on the Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan*

Dear Ms. Quinn:

On behalf of the nine local governments that comprise the Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee (on the north shore of Long Island, New York), we hereby submit our comments on the Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan.

We appreciate this opportunity to comment and for your decision to extend the comment period and offer additional public hearings.

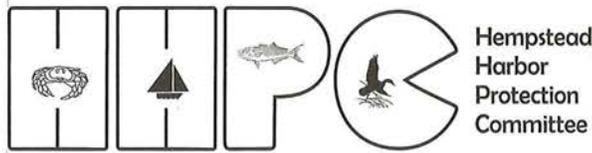
If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (516) 677-5921.

Sincerely,

Eric Swenson  
Executive Director

*Copy to: Tom Powell, Chair and Village of Sea Cliff Representative  
Abby Kurlender, Village of Roslyn Harbor Representative  
Susan Shaw, Village of Roslyn Representative  
Erin Reilley, Town of North Hempstead Representative  
Sean Jordan, Town of Oyster Bay Representative  
Catherin Chester, Village of Sands Point Representative  
Daniel Fucci, County of Nassau Representative  
Tab Hauser, City of Glen Cove Representative  
Karen Reichenbach, Village of Flower Hill Representative*

Our efforts would not be possible without the assistance of the NYS Dept. of State, the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation, NY Sea Grant, the Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor and the Glenwood / Glen Head Civic Association



**COMMENTS**  
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**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS'**  
**DRAFT DREDGED MATERIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN ("DMMP")**

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Hempstead Harbor has many maritime interests for which dredging is a necessity, but we would like to see that dredging done in as environmentally-sensitive a manner as possible. We would like to thank the Army Corps of Engineers for the opportunity to review and comment on the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) for Long Island Sound (public review draft dated August 2015). We offer the following comments in an effort to make the DMMP as robust as possible.

**GENERAL COMMENTS**

**A "Blueprint" for phasing out all or most of open water disposal needs to be completed.**

The draft DMMP has not met the objectives set forth in 2005 by the States of New York and Connecticut and the US EPA in that it does not provide a blueprint for phasing out open water disposal in Long Island Sound. While it does discuss various beneficial uses, it does not provide the steps necessary, a timeline or the costs and legislative initiatives necessary to achieve this overall mission. Rather, it essentially concluded that continued use of two Long Island Sound disposal sites are the least costly environmentally-acceptable alternatives and therefore constitute the method that the federal government will support financially over the next 30 years. With its extensive experience in dredging and access to information, the Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) is in the best position to provide such a blueprint.

**The Army Corps of Engineers should have sought changes to its enabling legislation or communicated at the outset why it could not do so.**

The better part of Section 4 is spent discussing why enabling legislation prevents the ACE from drafting a DMMP in the fashion that it was directed to do by the States of New York and Connecticut and the EPA. One of the prime motivations behind the 2005 directive to the ACE was to communicate that the ACE's current mode of operation (i.e. the restrictions imposed by the enabling legislation that it operates under) was unacceptable to the affected stakeholders and needed to be changed in order to facilitate the phase out of open water disposal. Rather than effectuating such changes to the enabling legislation or setting forth the framework to do so, the ACE now points to that very same framework to justify continued use of open water disposal for most of the anticipated dredging needs for the next three decades. If there were reasons why the enabling legislation could not be changed, these reasons should have been made clear to stakeholders at the outset of this ten year process. Since they were not, we find the ACE's failure to proactively communicate these limitations in

advance of the formulation of the draft DMMP has contributed to a tremendous waste of public resources.

**A detailed definition of “environmentally acceptable” is needed.**

The ACE uses the term “environmentally acceptable” multiple times throughout the entire draft Dredged Material Management Plan, but it is never fully defined. What is meant by “environmentally acceptable?” If it is defined in separate legislation, please provide a reference.

**It is unclear what the criteria used to determine suitability of dredged spoils for open-water placement was.**

There is no definition (or reference) given of the criteria used to determine the acceptability of dredged materials. Please provide reference within the main report (if not specific details) to the location of information pertaining to the criteria used to determine the level of acceptability of dredged materials for placement at the open-water sites.

**Clarification is needed on the statement that 65% of the dredged material produced over the next 30 years “is expected to be fine-grained materials suitable for open water placement.”**

In the Executive Summary, page ES-7, the last paragraph describes the volume of dredged material expected to be produced and what percentage of this is of various grain-sizes. Some clarification is needed on the statement that “65% is expected to be fine-grained materials suitable for open water placement;” is this referring only to the grain size or does it also refer to the contaminant level? If this is referring to both the grain-size and contaminant level, we feel strongly that this estimation is far too high.

**Further investigation of alternatives and beneficial reuses is warranted.**

The draft DMMP only focuses on the costs associated with the alternatives given and does not appear to consider at all the long-term benefits of utilizing alternatives or beneficial reuses which could perhaps make them cost-competitive with open-water disposal. This seems like a major oversight of the DMMP. If given the opportunity, ACE should pursue the benefits of disposal alternatives and beneficial reuse further as this will certainly help with achieving the goal of phasing out open-water disposal over the next thirty (30) years.

## **EMBAYMENT-SPECIFIC COMMENTS**

**It is likely that material dredged from Hempstead Harbor would be suitable for upland placement for beach nourishment or marsh reclamation.**

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federal dredging projects next to the federal channel (1999 and 2004) showed that the dredged material was suitable for upland placement as beach nourishment and marsh restoration. It also mentions that the most recent grain size analysis performed in 1982 showed that the harbor sediment was mostly sand (78.6%) with silt (16.7%) and clay (5.1%). Despite this, the report takes the position that taken as a whole, the sediments show mixed results and are therefore assumed to be too fine-grained for beach placement. As such the Federal Base Plan calls for dredged materials from Hempstead Harbor to be disposed of through open water disposal at the Western Long Island Disposal Site (off of Norwalk Harbor). This overly-conservative approach would all-but rule out beneficial use of this material.

**Further Details are Needed to Break Out the Costs of Using the Proposed Confined Disposal Facility (“CDF”) Adjacent to Hempstead Harbor.**

The plan notes that a “Confined Disposal Facility” (or “CDF”) has been proposed “at Hempstead Harbor along the southwest shoreline...at a former sand mining company site that could accommodate the needs of other harbors in the western sound with its 2.8 million CY capacity”. When analyzing the costs for disposal of sediments from Hempstead Harbor, it determined that it would be significantly less expensive to dispose of the dredged material at the Western Long Island Sound Disposal Site (\$32/CY) than it would be to use the CDF at Hempstead Harbor (\$94/CY). This seems to defy common sense. If it is not economical for a dredging project immediately adjacent to a CDF to use the CDF, then it is hard to imagine that any CDFs would be economical. Further details on the cost calculations are needed.

**Andrew J. Wagner  
73 Beachside Ave  
Westport, CT 06880**

October 8, 2015

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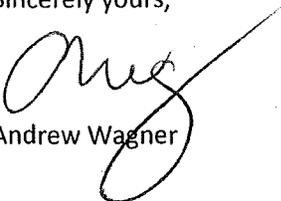
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Andrew Wagner

Dale Bidwell  
196 Overlook Rd  
Glastonbury, CT 06033

October 8, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Tim Bidwell

Joseph Montana  
58 No. Main Street  
Essex, CT 06426

October 8, 2015

Megan Quinn  
U.S. Corps of Engineers - NE  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I support the Dredged Material Management Plan recently completed by the Corps of Engineers.

As a sailor on Long Island Sound, I know that we have urgent dredge needs. As a Connecticut taxpayer, I know that access to the subject placement sites is critical to our economy.

Navigational access to these placement sites must be preserved for our marine-related businesses, as well as for recreational purposes.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Montana

**Stanley M. White, PE**  
47 Front Street  
Noank, CT 06340

October 8, 2015

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Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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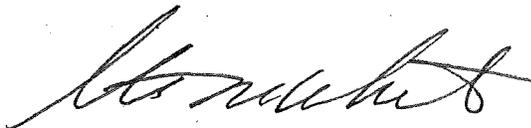
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**Thomas S. Halsey**  
**28 Riverview Avenue**  
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# TOWN OF GREENWICH

Department of Police, 11 Bruce Place, Greenwich, CT 06830  
Telephone: (203) 622-8000 Fax: (203) 618-8866



**James J. Heavey**  
Chief of Police

**Mark A. Marino**  
Deputy Chief

October 8, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

As the Chief of Police for the Town of Greenwich Connecticut, I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by your agency. The evidence that has been presented has identified the most fiscally and environmentally-suitable means for managing dredged materials for the future.

As the Chief Law Enforcement Officer for the Town of Greenwich, I am greatly concerned for the safety of our boating community, and the hazards caused due to the silting in our harbors and navigational channels. The Town of Greenwich has three harbors - Byram River/Port Chester, Greenwich, and Cos Cob that are served by federal navigation channels authorized by the U.S. Congress. All three are vital to safe passage and free navigation.

Two of our harbors, Greenwich and Cos Cob, have become so restricted due to silting that vessels have bottomed out (grounded) and others have narrowly avoided collision. This safety concern is due to a lack of depth and width of the channels caused by many years of silt buildup.

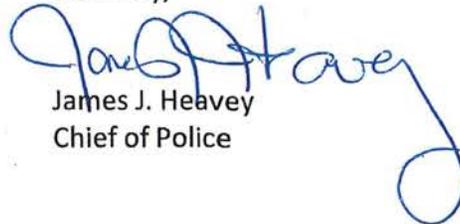
The Town of Greenwich owns and operates three ferry boats out of Greenwich Harbor which service two Town-owned recreational islands, Captains Island (Island Beach) and Great Captains Island. Both are located within Captains Harbor approximately one to one and a half miles off shore. The ferryboats transport approximately 45,000 people a year during season. The largest ferry can accommodate 294 passengers. The boat captains have complained of near misses (collisions) with

other boaters for years. They state that due to the reduced depth of the Federal Channel, they, as well as other craft, are limited in their ability to maneuver, which causes life-safety issues.

Cos Cob Harbor also poses the same collision dangers as Greenwich Harbor. This is due to extreme silting of the Federal channel which reduces the width and depth to operate safely. This harbor is home to five high school rowing clubs in addition to other rowing clubs resulting in hundreds of individuals utilizing the same waters as recreational and commercial vessel operators. Vessels colliding are not the only danger; additionally, the possibility of collision exists between vessels and the bridge piers that support both the Metro North Train Bridge and the I-95 Bridge that span Cos Cob Harbor.

As the Chief of Police responsible for the safety of our community and guests, I strongly lend my support to the DMMP Study.

Sincerely,



James J. Heavey  
Chief of Police

/nra  
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**Anne S. Hopkins**  
**380 Platt Road/PO Box 82**  
**Orient, NY 11957-0082**

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England Division  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

October 8, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn,

The announced plan to dump dredge materials from Connecticut into the waters of eastern Long Island Sound is totally unacceptable to those of us who live on the North Fork of Long Island. These potentially toxic materials will undoubtedly have a negative impact on our marine ecosystem which in turn will result in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

Just as efforts to clean Long Island Sound are beginning to succeed, this plan of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is a step backward. Please dump the dumping plan.

Sincerely,

*Anne S. Hopkins*

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

The Sound is not a dump. Please stop the dumping!

Sincerely,

*Leslie B. Hege* 10/8/2015

LESLIE B. HEGEMAN

1560 BUCKNOCK RD

GREENPORT NY, 11944

September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

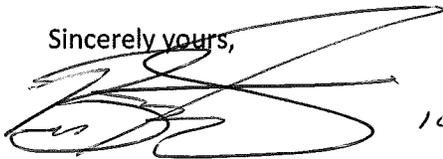
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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



10/8/15

Brett H. Gnan  
Southpaw Yacht Sales

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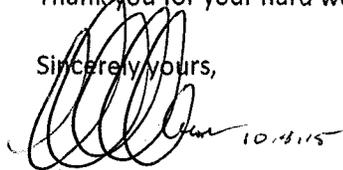
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Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Magnus Leidstrom", with a date "10/18/15" written below it.

Magnus Leidstrom  
Southport Yacht Sales

85 CHESTER ST.  
LAKE GROVE, N.Y. 11735

DEAR SIR,

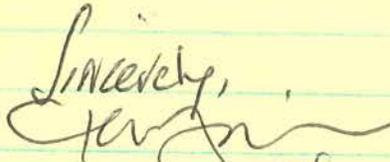
OCT. 8, 2015

I wish to express my opposition to  
the work being completed in Connecticut  
regarding sludge dumping in the  
Long Island Sound.

This is poorly conceived.

This impacts Conn. and Long Island  
in a negative way.

Please reconsider the program so  
as to eliminate the negatives  
ON WATER QUALITY FOR the entire  
Long Island region.

Sincerely,  
  
THOMAS P. McLAUGHLIN

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas McLaughlin  
85 Chester Street  
Lake Grove, New York  
11755-3049

MID-ISLAND NY 117

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US Army Corps of E  
New England District

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMNP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA. 01742

I oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! Please keep the sound free from dredged materials. As a resident of Long Island, a clean Long Island Sound is very important to me.

Respectfully,  
Bruce Franklin



FW:CGE:10/2/15

To The USACE,

I oppose your plan to dump in long island sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Please stop the dumping in the LIS for at least 30 years. I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

I live on long island and the sound is very important to me and my family.

Can you please respond to me in writing on your position in this matter.

Thank you

Angela asmussen

FW:CCE: 10/8/15

Gina Dosso  
51 Hayrick Lane  
Commack, NY 11725

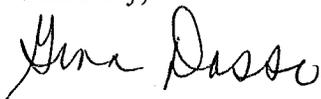
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms Quinn,

As a strong supporter for a cleaner environment, I am dismayed to hear that the USACE plan to dispose of dredged material in our Long Island Sound is to continue for another 30 years. As citizens we are taught to protect the environment and must recycle, reuse and renew. Why wouldn't the USACE consider another option be to explore?? Our waters are already struggling with the toxins dumped there and the fish and wildlife continue fighting to thrive, if not survive. Please make an effort to rewrite the draft that plans for this continued misuse of a possible source to fill in abandon mines all over Pennsylvania. The USACE is quite aware of other possible reuse options and should pursue them instead of taking the easy way out. PHASE OUT OPEN WATER DUMPING!

Thank you for your consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



Gina Dosso

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose the dumping of waste  
from dredging into the Long Island Sound.

Hammie Shalley

Herbert Johnston  
21 Magnolia Avenue  
Nesconset, NY 11767  
Harley572@yahoo.com

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn/USACE,

I am informing you that I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. It is extremely important to me, my children and all residents of Long Island to keep the Long Island sound healthy for many years to come. I am asking for you to please respond back to me in writing, informing me of your position on this matter. Thank you.



Sincerely  
Herbert Johnston

Stop Dumping In Long Island Sound!

It sickens me to see how we continue to allow the pollution of our waters to continue.

This Dumping is a Major Problem and must be stopped now! The USACE draft plan is based on what is cheap, easy and fails to recognize the environmental impacts of open water dumping as well as the economic impacts dumping will have on the region.

The USACE Dumping Plan fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution, fails to address impacts of toxic contamination and ignores important beneficial reuse options.

I oppose the USACE plan to dump in LI Sound. And I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

It is so important we stop the contamination now before we are unable to undo the damage to our environment. I have lived on LI my entire life and am now raising my two children here. It is important that we live a healthy life and the health of the LI sound and environment is equally important to me and my family.

Please advise on how my concerns and the concerns many of us Long Islanders have on this Dumping Problem will be handled.

Thank you,

*Theresa Chiancone*

Theresa Chiancone

216 Howard Street  
East Williston, NY 11596

October 8, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

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Sincerely,

Antonio Papa

216 Howard Street  
East Williston, NY 11596

October 8, 2015

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696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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216 Howard Street  
East Williston, NY 11596

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696 Virginia Road  
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Thomas Papa

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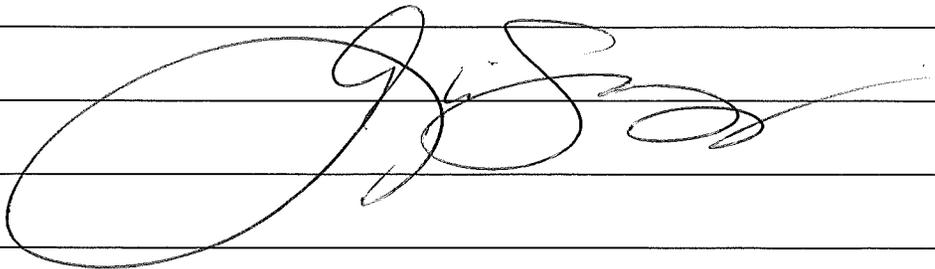
Sincerely,

Cristina Migliaccio

10/8/15

USACE,

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Island Sound! Please develop a plan  
that phases out open water dumping of  
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materials in a safe + beneficial way!



Neyl Ferdin  
184 Brown St  
Muncie IN 47301  
516-428-0440  
October 8, 2015

Army Corps of Engineers

I oppose your plan to  
dump into LI Sound.

Please come up with  
a new plan that  
is better for our  
environment & the people  
of Long Island.

Neyl Ferdin

October 8, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
US DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' plan to dump poisons into Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

It is very important to me that we have a healthy Long Island Sound. It is such a beautiful body of water that offers recreation, peace and solitude to so many. Please don't destroy it.

I request a response in writing informing me of your position on the matter of dumping in Long Island Sound.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew D. Kuntz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A" and a distinct "D".

October 8, 2015

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US DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marbeth T. Kraus". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Mr. George Poarch  
206 Concord Street  
East Williston, NY 11596  
516-294-5166  
Gpoarch01@hotmail.com  
October 8, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quizz  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers:

I am writing to you to express my concern regarding the plan to continue to dump dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan as soon as possible to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and that instead can reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. There are other solutions.

Please consider the future in all of your decisions!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Poarch", written in a cursive style.

Mr. George Poarch

# U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Thursday, October 08, 2015 5:48 PM

c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 virginia rd  
Concord. MA 01742

I understand that the army Corps is planning to dump dredged materials from the Long Island Sound back into the sound...I oppose that plan and would hope you could find a better and more beneficial way to dispose of this material.

It is important to me and my family to continue living near a healthy Long Island Sound.

Please let me know in writing what your reponse is to my letter.

Sincerely,  
Joyce B Tenney

8 October 2015

US Army Corp of Engineers

c/o Meghan Dunn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Mrs Dunn -

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

The area adjacent to New Haven Harbor where the proposed dumping is to occur is an open recreational zone for boaters & fishermen and is close to the shores of Morris Cove, New Haven. This is an area to play with, potentially toxic materials leaching toxins into the environment. I oppose unclear dredged material to be used for this purpose.

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water  
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Respectfully,

David Zakur  
David Zakur  
95 Kneeland Rd.  
New Haven, CT 06512



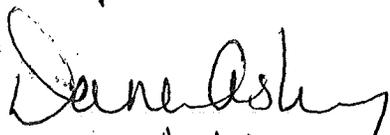
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Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

The Long Island Sound is my back yard!  
Please do not dump dredged material in  
the Sound.

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound  
for the next 30 years! Please develop  
a plan that phases-out open water  
dumping of dredged material & reuses  
this material in a safe & ~~beneficial~~  
beneficial way.

Thank you for addressing this  
issue promptly.

  
Dana Ashby  
200 Upton Terrace  
New Haven, CT 06512

230 Upson Terrace  
New Haven, CT 06512  
October 8, 2015

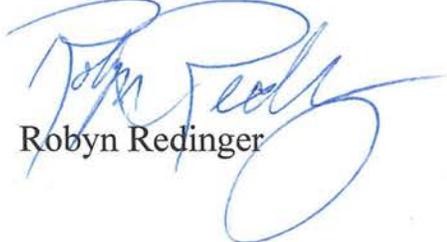
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to oppose the USACE plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I live near the Long Island Sound and it is important to me. I would appreciate a written response informing me of changes in your plan.

Sincerely,



Robyn Redinger

Michael Paulaitis

120 Kneeland Road

New Haven, CT 06512

October 8, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

Ladies and Gentleman:

I am asking you to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Long Island Sound for the next 30 years. I do support the beneficial reuse of dredged material as a safer alternative to open water dumping.

I am a veteran with 8 years of service to the U.S. Coast Guard and know the importance of dredged waterways for shipping traffic and I also know the importance of the nature along the coastline. Connecticut's ports are important to the economy and the natural coastline is important to both humans and wildlife of all types. Both can exist together but we must always work to protect the natural coastline, it cannot protect itself.

Sincerely:



Michael Paulaitis

101 Kneeland Rd.  
New Haven CT 06512

Oct. 8, 2015

To the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
Meghan Quinlan, LIS DMARP Project Manager,

It has come to my attention that the USACE has drafted a plan to continue dumping dredged materials into Long Island Sound, and specifically New Haven Harbor, for the next 30 years, apparently because it is cheaper and easier than to reuse it.

This is a logic-defying move which undoes the millions of dollars worth of work done in recent decades to clean up the Sound and restore its wildlife and beaches, its safety and economy. It is a short-sighted plan of 'expediency' which betrays the health of this area's residents, who are already forced to contend with poor (and increasing) sewage waste practices in the same harbor, and endangers our wildlife.

My daughter attended high school at The Sound School and studied Aquaculture there. Are we now to tell her and her classmates that everything they learned about water ecology and fish habitats was pointless, because the USACE is not really concerned about the health of Long Island Sound or New Haven Harbor?!

My fiancé, a decorated Navy Seabee Veteran who suffers from significant PTSD, finds that one of

the few activities that calms him is to go out on a boat in the Sound and fish. He proudly cooks his catch for his family. Goodbye to that.

While my family is directly affected by this plan, it ripples far further out from the personal sphere, to the community, to the State, and if we lower our values and expectations, to the nation and the planet.

This is simply not acceptable; we expect better from the USACE and from our elected officials.

Please find an alternative, acceptable solution and withdraw this disgusting proposal.

I respectfully request a reply indicating your intentions.

Thank you for your attention,  
Sincerely,

Katherine Blossom

(Arts Director, The Connecticut Hospice)

KATHERINE BLOSSOM

101 KNEELAND ROAD

NEW HAVEN CT 06512

**10/8/2015**

**US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn**

**I oppose the plan to dump in the sound for the next 30 yrs.**

**Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this materials in a safe and beneficial way.**

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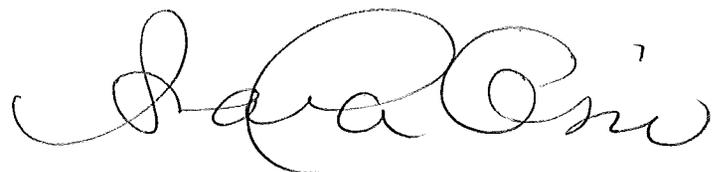
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**10/8/2015**

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C/O Meghan Quinn**

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way.**

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**10/8/2015**

**US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn**

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sianda O'ne". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S' and a distinct 'O'.

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October 8, 2015

A healthy Long Island Sound is extremely important to our family! We swim in this water! We sail on this water! We need it to be safe for all of us to enjoy for years to come!

I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years!!! Please develop a plan that phases-out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way!!

I am asking that Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Sound for the next 30 years, and instead support beneficial reuse of dredged material as a safer alternative to open water dumping.

PLEASE LISTEN!! WE ARE THE RESIDENTS THAT UTILIZE THE BEAUTIFUL LONG ISLAND SOUND!!

Sincerely,



Salvatore J. Punzo

203 Kneeland Road

New Haven, CT 06512

October 8, 2015

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Sincerely,



Jennifer Punzo

203 Kneeland Road

New Haven, CT 06512

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Tucker C. Punzo

203 Kneeland Road

New Haven, CT 06512

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Tristan J. Punzo

203 Kneeland Road

New Haven, CT 06512

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Tanner E. Punzo

203 Kneeland Road

New Haven, CT 06512

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Sincerely,



Tatum G. Punzo

203 Kneeland Road

New Haven, CT 06512

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
1916 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

10/8/15

This letter is being sent to let you know I am opposed to the plan to dump toxic sludge into Mt Saend. You need to develop a better plan that phases out dumping of dredged material and should investigate a better plan on how to re-use this in a safer way. This can be done!

Please respond to me in writing re your position in this matter.

Thank you,  
Susan Mazda Wehner  
102 Kneeland Rd  
New Haven CT 06512  


October 8, 2015

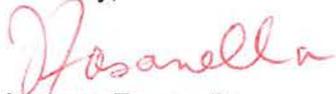
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696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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The more you choose open-water dumping, the less you choose the health of the people in Connecticut, especially those of us who live on the shoreline. There has got to be another way, a better and safer way, to dispose of dredged materials. Can't it be reused?

Please don't sign on to dump more dredged materials into my Sound for another 30 years. It's not fair to us, and it's not fair to our children.

Sincerely,



Vanessa Fasanella  
151 Hyde Street  
New Haven, CT 06512  
203-468-6384

October 8, 2015

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LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Chris Fasanella  
151 Hyde Street  
New Haven, CT 06512  
203-414-4372

Oct. 7, 2015

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c/o Meghan Quinn  
15 DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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and beneficial way.  
Please respond.

Leonard L Lovell  
Leonard L. Lovell  
358 Den Rd  
Stamford, CT 06903

OCT. 7, 2015

Dear Ms. Meghan Quinn

Please stop dumping in  
the sound, and support  
beneficial reuse of dredging  
material as a safe alternative  
to open water dumping.  
I have been a long term CT.  
resident and really feel that  
there are alternative routes to  
stop dumping into the Sound!!

24 Valley View Dr.  
Stamford CT

Sincerely,  
Donna Ryder  
Donna Ryder

Oct. 7, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn.

Please note that I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phase-out open water dumping of dredged materials + reuses this material in a safe & beneficial way!

The children of the future appreciate your help.

Plz protect the Sound.

Thanks you.

Arleen G. Weber  
171 Woodchuck Rd.  
Stamford, CT 06903

October 7, 2015

Thomas A. Thompson  
84 Barclay Drive  
Stamford, CT 06903

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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*Thank you,*  


October 7, 2015

Patricia J. Thompson  
84 Barclay Drive  
Stamford, CT 06903

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696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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*Thank you,*

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Oct. 7, 2015

To the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, c/o Meghan Quinn,

I have been living in Connecticut for the past 25 years. One of the great assets and trusts of our State is The Long Island Sound.

I am deeply opposed to the plan to dump in the sound over the next 30 years.

Please - please - formulate a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial manner. We must have a safer alternative to open water dumping.

Please let me know in writing of your position.

Thank you,

Cannon Garber

40 Woodchuck Road

Stamford, CT 06905

Karen & Robert Tonne  
477 Den Road  
Stamford, CT 06903  
914-433-4091

US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
ATT: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA ROAD  
CONCORD, MA 01742

October 7, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to you regarding a disturbing issue that is happening in the Long Island Sound. Keeping Long Island Sound clean and sustainable is extremely important to me and my family. We have lived on or near the sound for over 80 years. My dad, brother and husband have been avid fisherman and have never seen such a decline in fish than they have over the past 5 plus years. Besides the decline in fish – are the fish and the shellfish we are catching and eating safe? We rely on you to protect us from toxic waters. We want our families to stay safe and healthy. Please stop the dumping!!

My family and I are asking that you develop a plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead reuse the materials in a safe and beneficial way. We would appreciate a response in writing letting us know your position.

Thank you for your time and for listening to the concerned families that enjoy living on the sound.

Regards,

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Karen Tonne

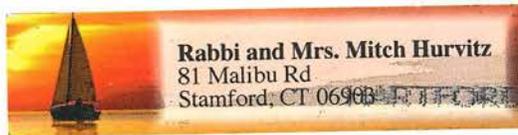
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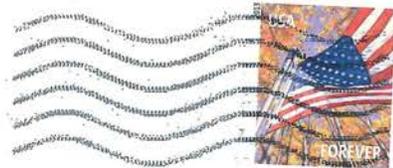
Rosanne I. Hurvitz  
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81 Malibu Road  
Stamford CT 06903



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81 Malibu Rd  
Stamford, CT 06903

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
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LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Sir:

Please don't dump in Long Island Sound.  
Please make a plan that phases out  
open water dumping of dredged materials  
& releases these materials in a safe way.

As someone who enjoys swimming  
in the Long Island Sound I look  
forward to having a safe  
environment to do so.

Sincerely,

Shirley Kish  
Shirley Kish

32 Montrose Dr.  
A-2A-855  
Commack, N.Y. 11725



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Contact:  
Tim Dugan, 978-318-8264  
cenae-pa@usace.army.mil

## Long Island Sound DMMP PEIS - Addressing Concerns

**CONCORD, Mass.** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers released the Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for public review and comment on Monday, August 17, 2015. The DMMP and PEIS can be found on the Corps website at: [www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/ProjectsTopics/LongIslandSoundDMMP.aspx](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/ProjectsTopics/LongIslandSoundDMMP.aspx). The public comment period will run through Oct. 16, 2015.

Based on feedback received from the public at six recent public hearings, the New England District of the Corps would like to address some confusion about the project.

### ***The DMMP and PEIS are not decision documents.***

The Long Island Sound DMMP & PEIS are not decision documents, nor do they recommend locations for dredged material placement. They examine and present a variety of placement options. Recent concerns that the Corps is recommending placing millions of cubic yards of dredged material into Long Island Sound are simply incorrect. The post-screening alternatives listed are just possible options for potential future dredge material management. As each dredging project is evaluated in the future, a more detailed study must be performed to evaluate the Federal Base Plan (FBP), i.e. the least costly, environmentally sound alternative, and practicable alternatives that may be available since the completion of the DMMP. The alternative FBPs listed in this draft DMMP and PEIS will change over time, and actual future placement recommendations may be different as new studies for future projects are completed.

### ***Beneficial use is a primary focus in identifying potential alternatives.***

Since 1986, there has been a major evolution of law and policy concerning the beneficial use of dredged material. As such, the Corps looks at beneficial use potential for every project. Several programs exist that allow the Corps to team up with non-Federal cost-sharing partners to implement beneficial use projects that are not the FBP. Often, sandy dredged material is repurposed as beach renourishment or placed near shore to reduce wave energy and subsequent erosion of beaches. Educating the public and potential Corps-partners for beneficial use opportunities remains one of our greatest challenges.

### ***Federal law requires the least costly, environmentally acceptable management option.***

People frequently suggest that the Corps select dredged material use options other than open water placement. However, the Corps is required by Federal law to evaluate all potential alternatives and to select the least costly, environmentally acceptable management alternative as its base plan. As mentioned above, the Corps has programs that allow partnership with non-federal sponsors to support environmental restoration or hurricane and storm damage reduction projects. Locally preferred alternatives may be implemented if non-federal partners contribute funds for the additional costs of those projects.

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## Long Island Sound DMMP PEIS - Addressing Concerns/2-2-2-2-2-2

### ***Dredged material is tested to insure compatibility with placement sites.***

Before any material is dredged, it is always thoroughly analyzed chemically, biologically, and physically (grain size). Testing includes comparing the dredged material to the material in the proposed disposal location to ensure that the material is environmentally acceptable. The required testing is very conservative and includes risk assessments that the material must pass before the dredged material is determined to be suitable for ocean placement. The test results and suitability determination must be independently reviewed and confirmed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Material that does not pass the testing (i.e. material that is declared unsuitable) cannot be placed in open water under Federal law.

### ***The physical characteristics of dredged material is key to how, or if, it can be used beneficially.***

Dredged material must meet specific particle size requirements for certain beneficial use options. For example, dredged sand can be placed on beaches and dunes, if the sand size and particle distribution is close to that of the proposed placement location. This is why silt, which has a much smaller particle size than sand, cannot be placed on beaches. Silty material – a very common product of dredging – can be used for marsh creation, but generally has limited beneficial use options as it usually is not compatible with beach renourishment, is not an appropriate construction material, and has a salt content too high for landscaping.

### ***Dredged material placed in open water containment sites remains where it is placed.***

Over the years, many studies have been performed on the placement of suitable dredged material in open water. These studies clearly demonstrate that dredged material can be placed where it is intended at open water containment sites, and that the dredged material does in fact remain within the sites, unless a site is specifically chosen to achieve dispersive effects. Very little dredged material (~1%) is suspended when the material is placed at the site. Additionally, none of the final alternatives in the DMMP/PEIS evaluated placement of dredged material in “the Race” or similar fast current areas. The Corps’ Disposal Area Monitoring System (DAMOS) Program has continuously monitored open water placement sites for decades. Information on the DAMOS Program and DAMOS reports are available on the Corp’s website: [http://nae.usace.afpims.mil/Missions/DisposalAreaMonitoringSystem\(DAMOS\).aspx](http://nae.usace.afpims.mil/Missions/DisposalAreaMonitoringSystem(DAMOS).aspx).

### ***The amount of projects to be dredged in the next 30 years will be less than identified.***

The DMMP estimates the amount of material that could potentially be dredged from each Federal Navigation Project (FNP) over the next 30 years if all the projects were funded for dredging. However, history shows us that it is extremely unlikely that all of the FNPs will be dredged during this time frame due to fiscal constraints, both federally and non-federally, and limited need. The DMMP simply includes all potential projects, and identifies a maximum potential quantity of dredged material, not a guarantee of what will be dredged.

### ***Open water placement has reduced over the past 10 years.***

Contrary to perception, there has actually been a 35% average reduction in the amount of dredged material placed at Long Island Sound ocean sites between 2006 and 2014, when compared to those sites between 1984 and 2004. This is due in large part to New York and Connecticut's efforts to beneficially use sandy dredged material for coastal resiliency projects. As described previously, beneficial use is always a preferred option for Corps dredging projects.

Public comments on the Draft DMMP and Draft PEIS should be forwarded no later than October 16, 2015 to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, (ATTN: LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager Meghan Quinn), 696 Virginia Road, Concord, MA 01742-2751.

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely,

*Deborah + Gary Berner*

Address:

*86 Dandy Drive  
Cos Cob, Ct.  
06807*

WESTCHESTER, NY 105

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*of Engineers, N.E. District*

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*Harold Fletcher*

Address:

*Harold Fletcher  
70 Loughlin Ave  
Cos Cob Ct.*

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** ecandrc@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 07, 2015 11:02 AM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging

ATTN: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751 October 7, 2015

Dear Madam & Sirs:

I am writing to you today in support of your DMMP study. As a boater and marina commission member, I believe that these 4 open- water placement sites need to be maintained and kept open. Connecticut, out of the three subject States in this study, has the greatest dredge need.

The existing open-water placement locations, Western, Central, Cornfield Shoals and New London have all proven to provide the most economically viable placement locations for the projects from their geographic regions without adversely affecting Long Island Sound. The Connecticut DEEP Commission is in full support of this study and has attested to this publicly.

Too much time and money has been spent on this project to see it put on hold. Failure to act on this Plan will result in skyrocketing dredging costs for all who must dredge, the closure of the LIS open-water placement locations within a year's time, fewer maintained ports and harbors, and significant reduction in access, all of which will substantially impair the regional economy.

We must keep access to all Connecticut waterways open for the State's economic health, private, commercial, and government.

In closing let me thank you for all the hard work that has been put into this study; I as a stake holder appreciate that.

Sincerely yours,

Roger Celesk  
Guilford Marina Commission

25 Sheryl Crescent  
Smithtown, NY 11787

October 7, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I'm writing in opposition of the USACE's plan to dump harmful dredged material into the Long Island Sound. With numerous beneficial reuse options for the dredged material, treating the Long Island Sound as a dumping ground for toxic material is not only unnecessary, but disrespectful, careless, and shortsighted.

We must bring the ethic of compassion to the political stage. The Dredged Material Management Plan devised by the USACE fails to evaluate the consequences of additional nitrogen pollution and toxic contamination of our land, our waters, and the creatures that live in and upon it. The cheap, easy, and so-called convenient disposal of dredged materials established by the DMMP fails our earth and our people, neglecting to recognize that what we do to our planet matters.

By moving forward with blind bravado on the plan to dump dredged materials into the Long Island Sound without understanding or taking note of its harmful and toxic consequences, the USACE participates in a plan that is a sin upon the earth. Both we and our waters deserve more.

We speak often about the earth as a mother—Mother Earth. But we must recognize that we, too, must care for our planet. We were not given dominion over the earth to do with it as we please; we have a responsibility to serve and protect the earth as its stewards and now is the time for us to take action.

I urge the USACE to re-evaluate their stance on this issue, developing a new plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a mindful, carefully and compassionately considered way.

Sincerely,



Ashley Asti

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** c.air@rcn.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 07, 2015 8:30 AM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredge Dumping in Long Island Sound

Dear Ms. Quinn,

We are opposed to the dumping of dredge materials in Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials into the Sound will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem, as a whole, and will certainly have an adverse effect on the struggling fishing industry on the north fork of Long Island.

Please do not allow this dangerous plan to go forward.

Thank you.

Clare L. Air

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

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Sincerely,

*John Dispensa*

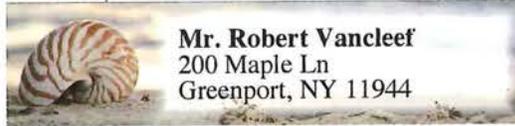
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580 OYSTER POND LAKE  
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NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT



October 7, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Sincerely, Robert Van Cleef

Robert Van Cleef

Ann M. Van Cleef

Ann M. Van Cleef

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696 VIRGINIA RD.  
CONCORD, MA, 01742

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Scott Stevenson

37 Ramsey Rd.

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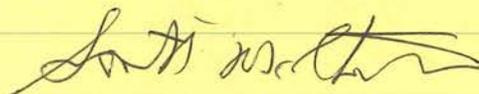
Dear Mr. Quinn,

This letter is to inform you and the US Army Corp. of Engineers that I oppose any plan to dump in Long Island Sound.

I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and re-uses these materials in a safe and beneficial way!

Sincerely,

Scott M. Stevenson



October 7, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a resident of Long Island for 60 years, I oppose the dumping of anything into the Long Island Sound. Long before it was hip, my family reused and recycled.

Please devise a plan that stops the dumping of dredged materials and reuses them, instead.

We don't own our planet, we're just taking care of it for the rest of time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara De Sonne". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Barbara De Sonne

10-7-15

To - U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
C/O MEGHAN QUINN  
LIS DMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA RD.  
CONCORD, MA 01742

I OPPOSE YOUR PLAN TO DUMP IN THE  
LONG ISLAND SOUND!! PLEASE STOP AND KEEP  
THE WATERS SAFE FOR OUR FUTURE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME



GERARD ANISICH

P.P.S. THERE IS ALSO THE HUMAN HEALTH CONCERN. A LOT OF PEOPLE SWIM IN THE SOUND ON A DAILY BASIS. POLLUTION OF THE SOUND AT TIMES IS ALREADY A PROBLEM. I GUESS IT THIS WERE A QUESTION OF SAVING THE SMELT (BELOVED?) IN THE SACRAMENTO RIVER, THERE WOULD NEVER BE ANY QUESTION WHERE THE SPOILS SHOULD GO.



Mr. Walter Strohmeyer  
PO Box 266  
Orient, NY 11957-0266

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

October 7, 2015

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Sincerely,

Walter Strohmeyer

P.S.

Additionally, I fail to understand why you are making a special effort to dump these potentially toxic material approximately 20 miles to the west of where they originate in New London harbor or the Thames (River?) really an estuary! Furthermore, if these spoils are coming from the Ct River, the toxicity is probably greater as four states' river trash is now involved. In Orient, we are receiving daily trash from the latter source.

By all means, go ~~east~~ west with it and dump in the Atlantic Ocean at least 100 mile from the U.S. Mainland.



Elizabeth R. Rowe  
PO Box 266  
Orient, NY 11957-0266

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*and Humans! We love to swim in the sound! My husband swims daily in the sound six months of the year.*

The Sound is not a dump. Please stop the dumping!

Sincerely,

*Elizabeth R. Rowe*

*Do you want his death or premature demise on your conscience?*

# COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



STEVEN BELLONE  
SUFFOLK COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## SUFFOLK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

DAVID L. CALONE  
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October 7, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn,

The Suffolk County Planning Commission, the regional planning agency for Suffolk County, appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP).

The Long Island Sound is an Estuary of National Significance, contributing \$17-36 million to our regional economy annually. Eight million people live within 50 miles of the Sound's shores. The Sound is home to more than 120 species of finfish and countless varieties of birds and other animals. Between New York and Connecticut, the Sound's coastline stretches more than 600 miles. The federal government, the states of New York and Connecticut, and local municipalities have spent millions of dollars to protect and restore the Sound. While we support dredging and safe navigation, we do not believe it should come at the expense of federal and local efforts to protect and restore the Sound.

The Army Corps was mandated by New York, Connecticut, and the EPA, to create a blueprint, the DMMP, to phase out open water dumping in the Sound while providing guidance and tools for a robust beneficial re-use program. It was clearly stated in a 2005 letter co-signed by the Governors of New York and Connecticut that the DMMP's mandate, "would identify feasible and environmentally sound alternatives and establish future protocols for dredged material management. These alternatives include, but are not limited to, reducing sediment sources, reducing contaminate loading, and developing feasible beneficial reuses for dredged material, with the goal of reducing or eliminating the need for open water disposal."

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Instead, the document released by the Army Corps of Engineers is a long term plan to continue using our Long Island Sound as the primary waste disposal plan for dredged materials. An estimated 17 million cubic yards of dredged material has already been dumped in Long Island Sound. This plan seeks to allow an additional 30-50 million cubic yards to be dumped over the next 30 years. The DMMP does not fulfill the mandate set forth in the agreement signed in 2005. The evaluations in the draft DMMP and the accompanying Programmatic EIS, assign value in the decision making process only to the cost of beneficial reuse options and omit any and all value to beneficial re-use as a function in protecting the Long Island Sound. It appears the draft DMMP neglects to assign any value to environmental consequences attributable to open water disposal. In fact, it seems that the document is based on the false premise that open water disposal is environmentally benign. **By emphasizing only the short-term costs instead of long-term solutions, the Army Corps fails to live up to the 2005 agreement.**

**The DMMP appears to be inconsistent with prior federal and local efforts to preserve the LI Sound.** The Suffolk County Planning Commission notes that Long Island Sound has been named a Federal Estuary of National Significance, which designation was made to provide for enhanced environmental protection. The Commission also notes the millions of dollars provided in part by Federal funds (congressional appropriations from both sides of the Sound) to establish the Long Island Sound Study and provide for enhanced protection and rehabilitation of the Sound, along with the massive infrastructure investments and cooperative efforts of New York and Connecticut to reduce nitrogen impacts and other pollutants on the resource. Suffolk County itself has spent millions of dollars to protect the water quality of the Sound. The DMMP is inconsistent with and a retreat from these efforts to enhance protection.

**New York no longer allows the disposal practices set forth in the DMMP.** Dredging and spoil disposal is heavily regulated in New York by the ACE and NYSDEC. New York's spoil disposal practices differ significantly from those proposed in the DMMP. Suffolk County no longer dumps spoil in open water due to recognized environmental harm and recognition of the less than effective modes of dumping into borrow pits. Suffolk County accepts increased costs from upland disposal of poor spoil. The DMMP would however turn back the clock and allow practices that New York rejects, and accept dangers that New York and Suffolk County no longer wish to face.

**Suffolk County has labeled water quality as a top priority and has declared Nitrogen pollution as "public enemy number one".** Sewage Treatment Plants, discharging into the Sound, have been upgraded to reduce harmful Nitrogen and to meet the federal mandate to reduce Nitrogen into the Sound by 58.5%. Suffolk County is currently evaluating advanced on-site septic systems that would reduce nitrogen from homeowner septic systems. The Planning Commission has also issued guidance documents to help encourage the use of Green Infrastructure and reduce polluted run-off from entering the Sound. All these efforts are countermanded if we allow continued open water dumping in Long Island Sound.

**The Planning Commission is also very concerned that the draft DDMP and PEIS fail to comprehensively evaluate the addition of Nitrogen into the Sound from the dumping of dredged material.** In section 4.6 of the PEIS, USACE acknowledges the role that excess nitrogen plays in the deterioration of the Sound's water quality and the growth of harmful algal

blooms that lead to hypoxia. However, the document fails to articulate how much nitrogen is added to the Sound based on their disposal plan of 30-50 million cubic yards of dredged material.

*Studies elsewhere show that dumping of dredged material has increased the release of Nitrogen and Phosphorus into the affected waterways.* A 1.5 million cubic yard dredging project in Baltimore Harbor, which is slated for disposal at a cove south of the downtown, is estimated to have the potential to put more than 200,000 lbs of nitrogen back into the water annually. Due to this increase in Nitrogen to an already impaired waterway, state regulators are mandated to offset that Nitrogen<sup>1</sup>.

Cooperating together, both New York and Connecticut have been successful in reducing Nitrogen inputs from STPs significantly. This progress should not be hindered by a plan to increase dumping of dredged material in the Sound.

**The Suffolk County Planning Commission is concerned that the contaminates in the dredged material will degrade water quality in the Sound, and cause undue harm to recreational and commercial fishing and lobstering in the Sound.** The Planning Commission's role is to set forth a path of sustainability and growth for Suffolk County. That sustainability and growth requires a healthy and productive Long Island Sound estuarine system. According to the PEIS, contaminants have already been found within and around the disposal sites, including elevated PCBs in fish and elevated copper in lobsters. The Army Corps fails to address how dumping 30-50 million cubic yards of additional sediment will not add to the contamination.

**The Suffolk County Planning Commission believes the draft DMMP and PEIS fail to meet the mandate by EPA, NY, and CT to identify ways to reduce dredging needs.** The letter signed by the Governors of New York and Connecticut states, "Alternatives should include, but are not limited to, reducing sediment sources, reducing contaminate loading..." Nowhere in the document does the Army Corp discuss ways to reduce sediment loading and contaminates in our rivers, harbors, and bays. This should have been included in a comprehensive plan that focused on phasing out open water dumping of dredged material.

We thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,



David L. Calone  
Chairman  
Suffolk County Planning Commission

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<sup>1</sup> The Baltimore Sun, November 26, 2010 "State Pledges to limit Pollution from Dredging"

ON BEHALF OF:

The Members of the Suffolk County Planning Commission

Ramon Accettella, Jr. – Town of Babylon  
David L. Calone – At Large  
Jennifer Casey – Town of Huntington  
Matthew Chartrand – Town of Islip  
Samuel Chu – At Large  
Adrienne Esposito – Villages Over 5,000  
John Finn – Town of Smithtown  
Carl Gabrielsen – Town of Riverhead  
Kevin Gershowitz – At Large  
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October 6 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As an avid boater navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

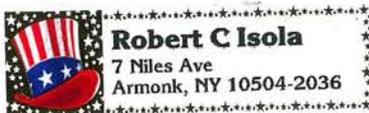
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Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert Isola*  
*7 Miles Ave.*  
*Armonk, N.Y. 10504*



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ATTN: MS MEGHAN QUINN  
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CONCORD, MA 01742

October 6, 2015

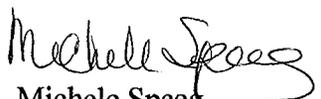
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c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

We need to preserve our earth and everything on it. We shouldn't be destroying everything that our children will one day inherit. There is no reason to turn the Sound into a dumping ground.

I strongly oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan that phases-out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses this material in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

  
Michele Speeg  
6 Courtland Drive  
Wallingford, CT 06492

Douglas Schweitzer  
Monique Schweitzer  
65 Audubon Street  
Nesconset, NY 11767

October 6, 2015

U.S. Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Sirs, Mesdames:

We are vehement in our opposition to the continued dumping of dredged material into our Long Island Sound. We strongly urge you to develop an alternative plan which will eliminate dumping of dredged materials into open waterways. It would behoove us all if you would seek and develop an alternative which could instead reuse/repurpose this material in an otherwise beneficial manner. Get with it and get to work!

Sincerely,



Douglas Schweitzer



Monique Schweitzer

Mr. & Mrs. William Fagan  
1515 Plum Island Lane  
Orient Point, NY 11957

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Please don't allow this dumping!

Sincerely,

*Laurel & William Fagan*

Mr. & Mrs. William Fagan  
1515 Plum Island Lane  
Orient Point, NY 11957

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U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, N. England Dist  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Mgr. Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Sharon C Bogden  
655 Oyster Pond Lane  
Orient NY 11957

October 6, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

We are commercial fishermen, who rely on a healthy marine environment to make a living. We urge you to take steps to help clean up our waterways not harm them! The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

We have already experienced a die-off of lobsters and a decline in the numbers of conch in Long Island Sound. We need a healthy marine environment to restore these and other fisheries!

Stop the dumping!

Sincerely,



Sharon Bogden

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP / PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA 01742-2751

10/6/15

Dear MS Quinn:

Having attended the USACE public hearing in Port Jefferson on 8/24/15 we, members of the Sound Beach Property Owners Association, have some comments on the Federal Navigation Project to maintain shipping channels in Connecticut rivers and harbors.

Looking at disposal sites for dredged material in and around Long Island Sound responders to the reports by Mr. Mark Habel and yourself pointed out that tidal flows bring the dredgings all over the waters of the Sound. This is particularly so from eastern sites such as the New London and Cornfield Shoals Disposal Sites, some of dredged material being unsuitable.

Since the shipping channels are in Connecticut it is not appropriate that New York's Long Island has to suffer the pollution of its waters which puts swimmers at risk and contaminates the fish that people eat.

Other places should be found for disposal of the dredged materials and the cost needs to be born by Connecticut, aided by federal funds.

Sincerely,  
Hannah G. Robinson  
Joanne Forman  
Patricia Patten



Hannah Robinson  
108 Shore Dr  
Sound Beach NY 11789-1133

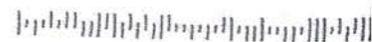
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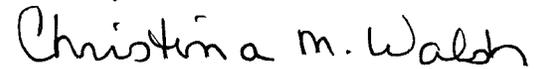
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Dear Ms. Meghan Quinn,

I am writing you to let you know that I am opposed to the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. It is very important to have a healthy Long Island Sound.

I am requesting a response from you informing of your decision regarding this important matter. Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this important matter.

Sincerely,

  
Christina M. Walsh

October 6, 2015

## U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

C/O MEGHAN QUINN | LIS DMMP PROJECT  
MANAGER  
696 VIRGINA RD | CONCORD, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to you to express my opposition to your plan to dump dredged material in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out the dumping of dredged materials in open water and instead innovates a safe, beneficial way to reuse these materials.

You are a team of the brightest engineers and scientists in the country and I am confident that you will come up with a more sustainable solution that will not hurt our water and ecology. Please take responsibility to implement a more sustainable solution that coincides with the terms agreed upon in 2005.

We have enough excess nitrogen run-off from the many conventional farms on Long Island. I have been working hard as an organic farmer to restore the ecology of Long Island and hope that you too will help support its health and longevity for our families and unique wildlife.

I would appreciate a written response outlining your position on the matter. Thank you for your time.

SINCERELY,

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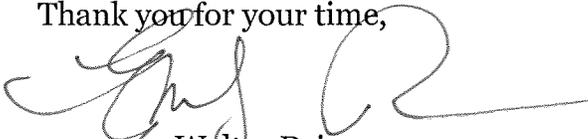
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Dear Ms. Quinn

I oppose the plan to dump dredged material into the Long Island Sound. I support reusing dredged material rather than dumping it in open water. I am a Smithtown resident and I frequent the beaches on the Long Island Sound. It is very important to me that the Sound is healthy. Please tell me in writing how you stand on this position.

Thank you for your time,

Emily Pernal



25 Walter Drive  
Nesconset NY 11767

David Graff  
56 Harvest Lane  
Commack, NY 11725

10/6/15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear USACE Officer Quinn,

I am writing to tell you I am firmly opposed to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's plan to continue using the Long Island Sound as a dump for dredged material. I urge you develop a DMMP that phases out open water dumping and focuses on reusing dredged material in a safe and beneficial way.

Most Sincerely,

*David Graff*

Michael Graff  
56 Harvest Lane  
Commack, NY 11725

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c/o Meghan Quinn  
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Most Sincerely,

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

10/6/15

Dear Ms. Quinn.

As an individual who uses our waterways, dredging is critical to ensure public access and to keep pleasure boating viable.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

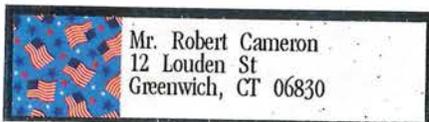
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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely,



Address:



**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Lilian S. Fong [park8888@optonline.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2015 4:18 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Harbor concern  
**Attachments:** harbor letter 20150001.pdf

The the US ARMY CORPS.

The waterway is so critical to the legacy of the Ct shoreline.

Please help us preserve the Marine Trades.

Best

Lilian Fong

Lilian S. Fong, Broker

Park Allyn Realty Associates, Inc.

64 Lewis Street

Greenwich, CT 06830

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**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Betty Satterwhite [basatterwhite@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2015 12:07 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredge dumping in Long Island Sound

Dear Sirs:

I strongly object to the plan to continue to dump dredged materials, some of which are contaminated, into the waters of Long Island Sound. As a part time resident of Orient on Long Island, I am aware of how important commercial fishing is to the livelihood of our local fishermen. Surely there must be other options to dispose of these dredged polluted materials. Please consider other sites, on land, that will not spoil our local waters.

Sincerely,  
Betty Satterwhite  
P.O. Box 121  
Orient,, NY 11957

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Jesse Gordon [jessegordon@costellogordon.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2015 5:25 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Draft DMMP LI Sound

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to voice my opposition the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' plans to dump dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound pursuant to the draft Dredge Materials Management Plan (DMMP). I am opposed to the dumping of any and all dredge spoils in the two eastern sites of the L.I. Sound-located at Cornfield Shoals (off of Greenport) and New London (off of Fishers Island). Additionally, I am opposed to re-opening the western and central sites, which have been long closed due to poor water quality.

Much of the progress that has been recently made in cleaning up the L.I. Sound- the return of bunker, porpoise, beluga whales and even a humpback whale will be compromised if the dumping of dredge spoils into the L.I. Sound moves forward. The L.I. Sound is a vital estuary of national significance. It's not a dump! Again, I am opposed to any and all dumping of dredge spoils in any area of the L.I. Sound and it is my hope that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will reconsider their plans in this regard.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jesse Gordon

Jesse Gordon  
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Suite 710  
New York, NY 10019

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
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The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

The Sound is not a dump. Please stop the dumping!

Sincerely,

*Margorie K Nugent*

*Have lived here 83 years. Don't dump in my Sound!!*



Nugent  
709 Flint St  
Greenport, NY 11944



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## Kaminski, Mike NAE

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**From:** Venetia Hands [venetia@handsconsulting.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2015 2:52 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Cc:** North Fork Environmental Council; Bob Hanlon; Bob DeLuca  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] A very strong request that the DMMP plan to DUMP dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound be DUMPED  
**Attachments:** PastedGraphic-1.pdf

Dear Ms. Quinn and others involved in this project,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to this plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

I am a former President of the Orient Association, an extremely active civic association at the eastern end of the North Fork of Long Island. Bob Hanlon, copied, is current President. We and many in our community are doing everything we can to improve the waters surrounding us for the benefit of all marine life and the livelihoods of many of our neighbors.

DMMP runs completely counter to this.

Please find an alternative solution,

Venetia Hands,  
P.O. Box 398  
Orient, NY 11957

Past President Orient Association

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

October 6, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing today to express my intense opposition to the USACE plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

As a lifelong resident of Long Island, a healthy Long Island Sound is imperative to the quality of life of all Long Island residents.

I look forward to hearing your response to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Arnold', written in a cursive style.

Greg Arnold  
35 Lawrence Drive  
Nesconset, NY 11767

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA 01742

Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015

I oppose the plan to dump  
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years! Please develop a plan to  
phase-out open water dumping of  
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material in a safe and beneficial  
way.



Lidia Botero  
135 Hardesty Rd  
Stamford CT 06903

10-6-2015

From - Rosa M. Franzese  
2 Pondview Dr., Shelton, CT.  
06484-

To: USACE -

1. A healthy Long Island Sound is important to me and my family because we use the beaches on the Sound and we care about clean water -  
And the dredged material could be treated and put to a better use -

2. I oppose the plan to dump in the Sound for the next 30 years! Please develop a plan the phases-out open water dumping of dredged material and reuse this material in a safe, beneficial way -  
Letter sent also to the followings:

4. Gov. Malloy, Senator Murphy and Sen. Blumenthal;  
Please oppose the USACE plan to continue dredging material dumping in the Sound for the next 30 years and instead support beneficial reuse of dredged material as a safer alternative to open water dumping.

October 6, 2015

U.S Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials where the materials are used in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank Vozzo', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Frank Vozzo

Oct 6, 2010

Attn: Meghan Quinn

A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to the people of Connecticut. Our beaches are disgusting. I'm afraid to let our kids swim in it. I have to go to another state to swim in clean water. Please stop the dumping in the sound!

Sincerely, The Cappiello's  
of Shelton  
Save what fish we have left.

Thank You.

Isaac Seyer  
17 Mulberry Ln  
Shelton, CT 06484  
203-513-2216  
October 6, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn:

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The health of the Long Island Sound is essential to the health of the marine life and to those who use it for recreational purposes.

I look forward to receiving a written response from you stating your position on this issue.

Sincerely,



Isaac Seyer

Lydia Seyer  
17 Mulberry Ln  
Shelton, CT 06484  
203-513-2216  
October 6, 2015

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Steve Seyer  
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Shelton, CT 06484  
203-513-2216  
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Steve Seyer

Jane Seyer  
17 Mulberry Ln  
Shelton, CT 06484  
203-513-2216  
October 6, 2015

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LIS DMMP Project Manager  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Jane Seyer

10/6/15

To whom it may concern,

I am opposed and appalled that we, as a country, would consider to willingly dump dredged materials that are toxic and contaminated into the Long Island sound, or any body of water for that matter. Clearly there are alternative solutions that would be more beneficial for the environment.

The healthier more environmentally conscious option would be better not only for ourselves, but for our families and our children's children. In today's economically challenged environment, wouldn't this also represent an avenue through which you could help promote additional jobs for people living within our country legally? If you are going to send money on programs to fund/support the unemployed, this would be a way to employ them versus giving them handouts. You can accomplish two things in one such stand.

On that note, I strongly urge you to oppose the USACE plan to continue dumping dredged material in the Long Island Sound. My family spends time at the beaches on Long Island Sound. Keeping them clean and healthy will ensure that the enjoyment we see there will continue for generations to come.

I would love to hear back from you as to what your position is on this matter.

Sincerely,



Bill Dolbier

12 Princess Terrace

Shelton, CT 06484

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10/6/2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manger

696 Virginia Rd

Concord, MA 01742

RE: STOP DUMPING IN LONG ISLAND SOUND

I oppose the USACE plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I am urging Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping LIS for at least 30 years. I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

Please respond in writing to inform me of your position.

Kelly Farmer

183 Waverly Rd

Shelton CT06484

Kelly\_farmer@sbcglobal.net

10-6-15

Dumping waste in Long  
Island sound is harmful  
and disgusting! You really  
need to come up with a  
plan that ELIMINATES  
open water dumping!

Find a Safer Solution!

Buzzelli's  
15 Matilda Lane  
Snelton 06484

Gavin Martin  
33 Matilda Ln.  
Shelton, CT 06484

October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015

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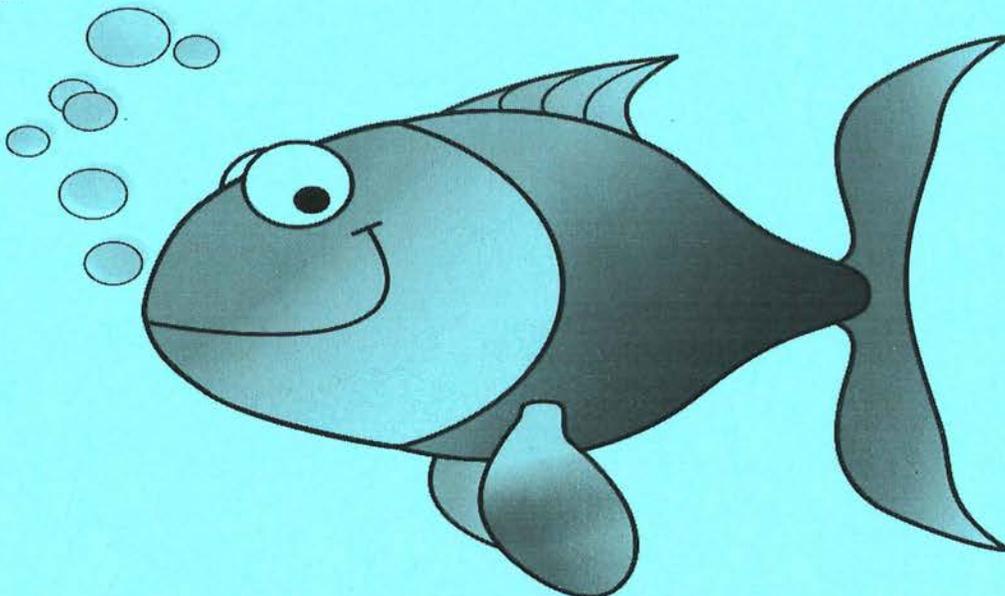
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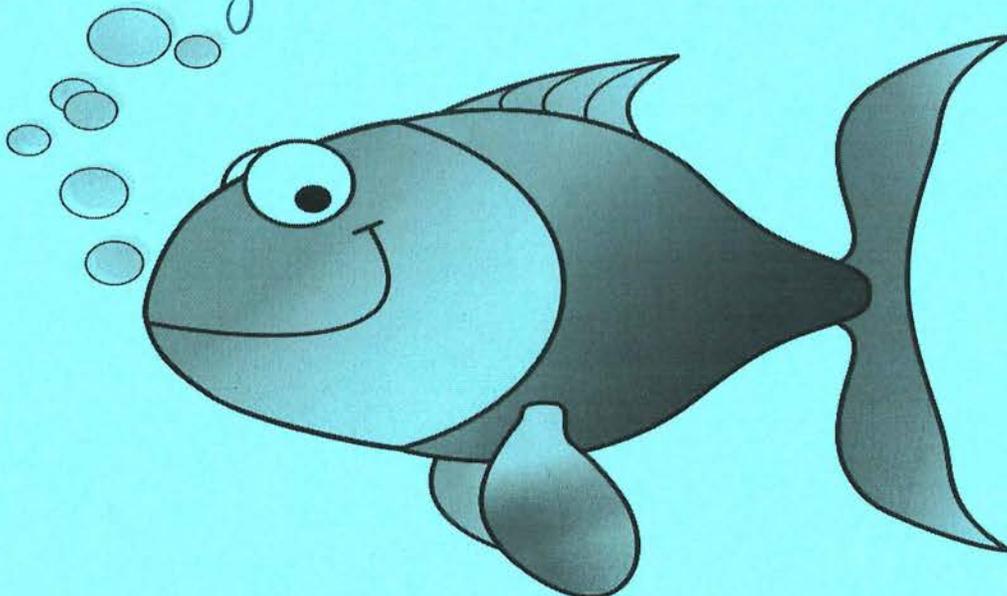
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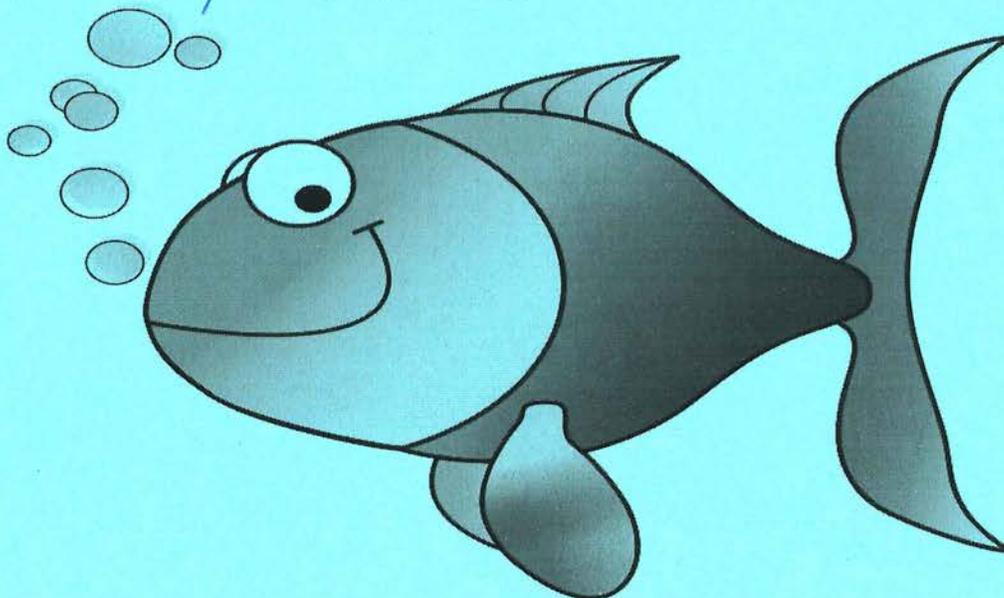
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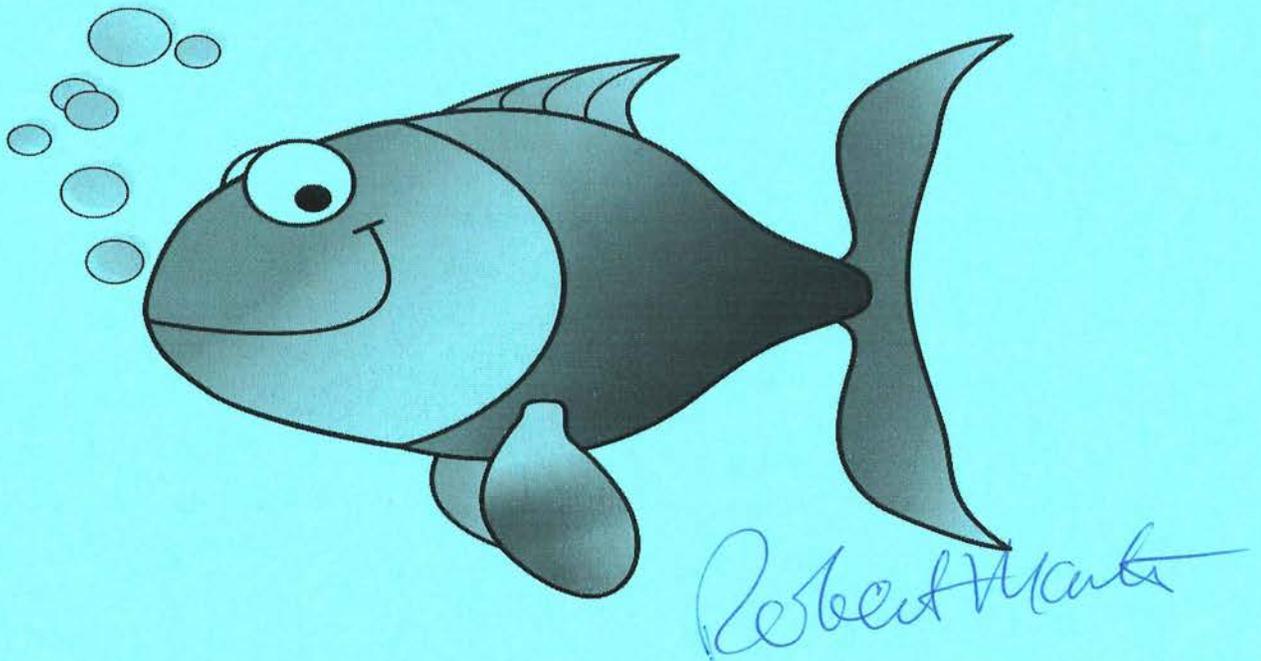
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**From:** [acmbarb@yahoo.com](mailto:acmbarb@yahoo.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 06, 2015 7:37:48 AM

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The Long Island Sound is an estuary of national significance, with millions of people living in and around its watershed. It is unacceptable to allow the continued dumping of contaminated dredged material in this important water body.

In 2005, New York and Connecticut agreed to phase out dredge dumping and requested that the Army Corps develop a Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) focusing on beneficial reuse and sustainable solutions. This agreement was supported by the public and was a critical step toward protecting our beloved waterway. However, the draft DMMP fails to deliver on that promise and instead allows for another 30 years of dirty dredge dumping.

I oppose the continued dumping of contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound and urge the Army Corps of Engineers to honor the original agreement and focus on beneficial reuse options as an alternative.

This DMMP took ten years to complete and, with the supporting documents, totals over 1,000 pages. Yet, the draft was only released one week before the initial public hearings, and we were given a comment period of less than 2 months. The Long Island Sound is a public asset, and we deserve adequate time to read through this document and give substantive feedback. I urge the Army Corps of Engineers to extend the comment period to 120 days.

Barbara Miller  
10 Arrowhead Road  
Pittsford, New York 14534

6 Twin Oak Lane  
Lifton, CT. 06897  
October 5, 2015

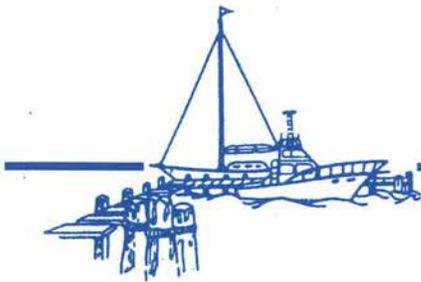
US Army Corps of Engineers  
40 Meghan Quinn  
US Dredging Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose dumping dredged materials into Long  
Island Sound. Another plan is necessary  
to reuse these in a safe beneficial way.

A healthy Long Island Sound is very  
important to everyone.

Please respond in writing informing me of  
your position on this matter.

Sincerely,  
Marie Donahue



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October 5, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Re: Open Water Dredge Disposal

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a follow up to my brief testimony in Long Island Sound in New London on August 27, 2015 during your public presentation of the DMMP and DEIS for open water disposal of dredged sediments I would just like to offer one point of view that was not discussed by any of the other speakers.

New York State, the Department of State in particular, has not been cooperative or agreeable in this effort at all. It is ironic that New York can be so disagreeable and contrary in the use of open water disposal when many projects from New York utilize the Western or Central Long Island Sound open water disposal sites for their dredge projects each year.

It is also hard to accept statements by various residents who spoke at the Long Island presentations that Connecticut's discharges into Long Island Sound are "industrial" compared to the residential nature of Long Island's discharges. This point of view completely ignores the obvious storm water discharges from streets, Villages, Cities of Suffolk County and the Municipal infrastructure and the heavily populated areas of Nassau County, Queens County, the Bronx and Westchester whose storm water discharges get into the west end of the Sound.

Clearly your DMMP and DEIS have endeavored to be objective and balance these concerns of all neighbors on Long Island Sound. I support the DMMP and the DEIS. I applaud the time and effort that have gone into the process and I agree with your findings.

I have spent a fair amount of time educating our local elected officials about the importance of this process and your documents and the conclusions you have reached so that their support can be clear and, hopefully, decisive. If there is anything more that I can do to be of assistance in moving this acceptance forward, please let me know.

Yours truly,  
DOCKO, INC.

Keith B. Neilson, P.E.

KBN: cc  
CC: US Senators: Blumenthal, Murphy  
US Congressmen Larson, Courtney, Himes  
US Congresswomen Delauro, Esty

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**John R. Evans**

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guilford1@sbcglobal.net 203.214.6748

October 5, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Ms Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Re: Dredged Material Management Plan

Dear Ms. Quinn:

Please consider this letter as solid support Dredged Material Management Plan as recently released by your agency. I am a lifelong boater and a taxpayer who recognizes the critical need for and to maintain access to our regional waterways. This access assures our State and the New England region strong economic growth, on-going employment and recreational enjoyment.

For me and my fellow boaters the Dredged Material Management Plan assures access to economically viable dredge material placement sites. This is especially true our smaller business that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Because of its location my state of Connecticut of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need. I fully support the U.S .Army Corps of Engineers' recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Please feel free to contact me at the above should I be needed to provide additional information and support. Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort and on behalf of everyone within the region.

Sincerely yours,



John R. Evans

CC: The Honorable Richard Blumenthal  
The Honorable Chris Murphy  
The Honorable John Larson  
The Honorable Joe Courtney  
The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
The Honorable Jim Himes  
The Honorable Elizabeth Esty  
Mr. Patrick Doyle  
Mr. Jeffery Hutchins

Oct 5-15

To Whom It May Concern,

I live in

Massapequa Long Island  
I am writing this letter  
to voice my opinion  
about our environment

The world is  
changing not for the  
better, but for the  
worst. We are polluting  
our air water, Ocean's  
More people young  
and old are coming  
down with disease  
alot coming from  
pollutants.

We cannot ignore  
this matter, its important

to humans, wildlife  
etc, down the road  
much more has to  
be done to protect  
us. It must be done  
in a beneficial way

Long Island  
is very important to  
us. We are a  
community that must  
stay strong for  
ourselves & our children  
we must keep our  
air, water, and our  
environment from  
becoming toxic

Please listen to  
us. We as a community

must fight for  
ourselves. Please  
take this matter  
serious

Thank you  
Baba-Dake

P.S. I also oppose  
the plan to dump  
in Long Island. a  
much better plan has to  
be put on the table!

Oct 5, 2015

To C/O US Army Corps of Engineers Megan Quinn  
If you love your country and took an oath to  
protect and do for the people don't let this happen  
there are other options don't dump in open water  
of Long Island Sound. ~~Now~~ or ever isn't  
there enough pollution now waterways, deep long  
Island sound. Safe ocean.

Stephane Toke

U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
L I & Dump Project Mgt.  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Lowell, MA 01744

10/5/15

Oppose dumping on  
L.I. Sound.

Need to save L.I. from  
dredging. A. Peimera

Pls help!

6 Carol Ct.  
Massapequa NY  
11758

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696 Virginia Rd.  
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696 Virginia Rd.  
Rosmond, MA 01144

12/5/15

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6 Carol Ct.  
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11758

October 5, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to tell the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers that I oppose their plan to continue to dump dredged materials into Long Island Sound.

The Corps of Engineers can develop better ways to safely reuse these materials. A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to me.

Any method you can use to significantly reduce pollution and toxic contamination would be very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joan Coyne".

Joan Coyne  
16 Seneca Drive  
North Massapequa, NY 11758-1026

October 5, 2015  
U.S.A.C.E.

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I am writing to oppose the plan to dump dredged material in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way!

Sincerely,  
Lauren Gerace

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Lauren Gerace', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT  
696 VIRGINIA ROAD  
CONCORD MA 01742-2751  
ATTN: MEGHAN QUINN - PROGRAM MANAGER

5 OCTOBER 2015

DEAR MS QUINN

WE ARE WRITING TODAY TO ASK YOU TO RE-CONSIDER THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS' PLAN TO DUMP DREDGED MATERIALS FROM THE CONNECTICUT RIVER INTO THE LONG ISLAND SOUND. THESE POTENTIALLY TOXIC WASTES WILL SURELY HARM THE ECOLOGY OF THE WATERS BETWEEN CONNECTICUT AND NEW YORK - PRIMARILY IMPACTING FISHERIES AND THE LIVELIHOODS ATTACHED TO THEM; AND SECONDARILY DEGRADING THE SCENIC AND RECREATIONAL ASPECTS OF THE WATERS WE ALL SITAKE AND LOVE.

PLEASE RECONSIDER THIS SIGHTED STOP-GAP SOLUTION AND TAKE THE TIME TO FASHION A LESS HARMFUL PLAN TO DEAL WITH CONNECTICUT'S POLLUTED RIVERWAYS. THANK YOU.

JEAN WARDLE



55 CHARLES STREET  
NEW YORK, NY 10014

600 BAYLINE  
ORIENT, NY 11957

RAY MORTENSON



**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Richard Way [RWay@AuroraProduct.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 05, 2015 2:42 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Morris Cove New Haven CT - LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager

LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager

Corps of Engineers, New England District

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742-2751

This is to express my opposition to using Morris Cove as a contaminated dredge spoils dumping ground. It is an environmentally unsound practice to dump contaminated spoils in an area within close proximity to swimming beaches and aquaculture production areas located within the confines of New Haven Harbor. This MUST not be allowed to happen.

Sincerely

Richard F. Way

Director of Quality Assurance and Product Development

Aurora Products, Inc.

(203) 375 - 9956 x 350



October 5, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
US DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Re: Public Comments on Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound.

Dear Ms. Quinn,

The following comments pertain to the **LONG ISLAND SOUND DREDGED MATERIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN: ECONOMIC DATA UPDATE:**

Page 30. 3.0 ANALYSIS OF ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE

The document fails to take a hard look at the potential economic impacts from all alternatives and subjectively dismisses the other identified alternatives in the analysis. The below statement links the No Action Alternative with the blanket cessation of dredging in the study area. We believe that this statement and hence, the analysis is incorrect; the purpose of the DMMP and PEIS is to attempt to identify alternatives to the open water placement of dredge spoil from federal and non-federal navigation projects.

*“For the purposes of this analysis, the No Action Alternative is a “no open water disposal” scenario. The analysis assumes that the lack of open water disposal sites precludes dredging within the study area. The resulting increase in shoaling is assumed to curtail navigation-dependent economic activity in harbors and waterways along LIS.”*

Will all dredging discontinue if an open water disposal site in Long Island Sound is not identified as acceptable?

The document uses 2008-2009 statistics, are current statistics available?

Please contact my office with any questions.

Supervisor

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October 5, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
US DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Re: Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound.

Dear Ms. Quinn,

The Southold Town Board is submitting the following comments and questions in response to the **Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound.**

It is the Town Boards understanding that the need for a DMMP was identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) June 3, 2005 Rule that designated two of the Sound's historic open-water placement sites, the Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound Sites (CLDS and WLDS) for continued use. The EPA's rule required preparation of a DMMP to examine alternative placement practices, with the goal of reducing or eliminating open-water placement of dredged material in the waters of Long Island Sound wherever practicable.

The DMMP identifies and assesses alternatives for future dredged material placement and beneficial use and identifies the likely Federal Base Plans (least cost environmentally acceptable plan) for future Federal dredging activities. Open water disposal has been identified as a viable, lower cost alternative for the disposal of dredge spoil.

It is further understood that without a DMMP, the current process of dredging and dredged material placement would continue to take place on a project-by-project basis. Furthermore, the conditions under which the long-term use of the CLDS and WLDS were designated (40 C.F. R.

228.15(b)(4)(vi)(D)) would not be met, and use of the sites would expire for MPRSA-regulated projects as scheduled on April 30, 2016. Expiration of the WLDS and CLDS placement sites would mean that open-water placement in Long Island Sound of MPRSA-regulated projects could occur only at the two USACE-selected sites (CSDS and NLDS) until they expire on December 23, 2016 (as per §116 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (2012 CAA), Public Law 112-74).

Furthermore, the PEIS will support the EPA's final decision on whether one or more dredged material disposal sites will be designated under the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA). It is also our understanding that the disposal in Long Island Sound of dredged material from Federal projects or from non-Federal projects involving more than 25,000 cubic yards of material, must satisfy the requirements of both CWA § 404 and the MPRSA. Disposal from non-Federal projects involving less than 25,000 cubic yards of material, however, is subject only to CWA § 404.

It is the Town Board's position that dredging of waterways for the safe and economically viable navigation for water-based commerce, transportation, national security, and other public purposes is necessary, however, the Town of Southold is strongly opposed to further open water disposal of dredge spoil in Long Island Sound due to the potential adverse impacts to the ecological and economic functions and values and the indirect and direct impacts to the Town of Southold.

#### **A. Southold Town Board comments**

The Southold Town Board comments and questions are underlined below. Each comment/question is stated under a recitation of the pertinent section. General comments follow.

#### **Cost Matrix**

A dredged material transportation and placement cost matrix was developed by the USACE and its contractors to enable cost comparison of the alternatives evaluated. Answers to the following questions are necessary to fully assess the costs of alternatives:

1. Does the assessment calculate potential costs for remediation in the event that significant adverse environmental impacts occur that were unexpected or not identified?
2. How would remediation be accomplished at each site in the event of failure?

#### **Non-Federal Projects**

The document states that an estimated 17 million CY of material may have been placed at these open-water sites in Long Island Sound from 1982 to 2013. The 30-year projected dredging volume of 52.7 million CY is expected to consist of about 29% sand, 65% fine-grained materials suitable for open-water placement, and 6% unsuitable for open-water placement.

Of the total volume, 63% is from USACE Navigation Projects, 1.5% is from other Federal agency projects, and 35.5% is from non-Federal dredging activities under permit.

The consideration of allowing the disposal of 18,727,300 cubic yards of dredge spoil from private, non-federal facilities in public waters is very concerning. Private projects should arrange disposal in upland beneficial sites where their impacts can be contained, and not in public waters where they may harm public natural resources.

A total of 2,175,200 cu yards of dredge spoil was calculated for Little and Great Peconic bays and Fishers Island (Page 2-22 Table 2-4). In the Peconic Bay most dredge material is used for beach nourishment, placed above the high tide line. The Town is not aware of the need to dispose of the dredge material outside of the Peconic Bay watershed and therefore, it is perplexing that the study includes dredge spoil from Peconic Bay Projects. This creates a false needs assessment.

The concern is the level of contamination in other area proposed to be dredged. It is not clear in the documentation that the sampling protocol of the sediments from the non-federal facilities is sufficient.

1. What is the sampling protocol of the sediments from non-federal facilities?
2. Are the federal and non-federal sediment testing protocol established and comparable?
3. What are the quality control measures on testing of non-federal sediments?
4. What are the costs to the private, nonfederal actions in the event that remediation is necessary?
5. Is a substantial remediation bond and/or, impact fees required from private (non-federal) operations?

#### **Concern on Suitability/Compatibility of Dredged Materials**

*The document states that the suitability of material was determined based on the most recent sediment testing results and/or most recent placement site used for each USACE and other Federal agency project. In some cases, the most recent testing occurred decades ago and may not reflect current conditions. All project material would be tested to determine suitability for placement before dredging occurred.*

The statement “that most recent testing occurred decades ago and may not reflect current conditions” is concerning in that the impact assessment of some areas does not reflect current conditions.

1. How can a discussion on cumulative impacts be made if such pertinent information on suitability of material is outdated and/or unknown?
2. How can the claim of approximately 6% of total “unsuitable” material for open water disposal be made?
3. How can the integrity of the PEIS be intact and a finding be drafted with such pertinent information missing? Information obtained decades ago should be discounted.

#### **Concern on Toxicity Tests**

The document states that: *Toxicity tests consist of exposing test organisms to the proposed dredged material and comparing survivability rates to selected organisms exposed to both reference and control materials. A reference material is whole sediment collected from a site that is near, but is not under the influence of, a placement site. A control material is a whole sediment that is essentially free of contaminants and is used routinely to assess the acceptability of a*

*toxicity test. Long exposure of test organisms to representative sediment proposed for dredging, followed by analysis of their tissues to determine the potential for uptake of contaminants from the proposed dredged material.*

1. What number of species that occur in the Long Island Sound have been exposed to control materials? Is there a list of “test animals”?
2. Have marine mammals been exposed to the toxicity tests and evaluated?
3. The discussion on the potential impacts on the American Lobster is deficient in the PEIS. The PEIS identifies that lobsters for testing were harvested in the year 2000; fifteen years ago (page 4-60).

*The document indicates that Lobsters, in particular, have been susceptible to multiple stressors within the Long Island Sound ecosystem. The fundamental shifts in the ecosystem, together with the persistent freshening, warming, hypoxia, and ongoing pollution, all likely have and will continue to impact the lobster populations (Varekamp, et al., 2010). Relative to these ongoing stressors, dredging-related impacts are not expected to be significant.*

This statement contradicts the discussion in the document.

4. Has there been **current** in depth scientific analysis on the effect of open water dredge spoil on the species?
5. It is concerning that the USEPA Evaluation of Dredged Material Proposed For Discharge in Waters of the U.S. - Testing Manual - Inland Testing Manual was created in 1998 and is 17 years old. Were these manuals used for testing?

#### **Concerns on exposure to ecological and human health.**

The document states that: *The test results are evaluated to determine the risk of exposure to ecological and human health. Dredged material that is determined through these testing protocols to pose no unacceptable risk to the human or ecological health is deemed suitable for ocean placement. These findings may be accompanied by placement management requirements.*

1. The above narrative specifies an “unacceptable risk” to humans or ecological health. Is there an “acceptable risk” from the contaminated sediments? If so, what are the maximum contaminant levels and risk?
2. What are the placement management requirements?

#### **Concerns on impacts from smaller dredging projects**

Page 2-14 states: *Materials from these smaller dredging projects that exhibit potential for adverse impacts may sometimes still be placed in open water under CWA with proper placement management.*

This statement is very concerning that such a practice would be determined to be acceptable in context of the Clean Water Act. Further the action grossly contradicts the Federal and State

programs to regulate contaminants and pollutants entering water bodies, including the NEPA process.

The action identified above is segmentation of the NEPA process using cubic yards (<25,000 CY) as a quantifying threshold without addressing cumulative adverse impacts of multiple events. According to the CEQ regulations, agencies are required, for environmental review purposes, to consider "connected actions", which are defined as proposed actions that: "(i) [a]utomatically trigger other actions which may require environmental impact statements; (ii) [c]annot or will not proceed unless other actions are taken previously or simultaneously; (iii) [a]re interdependent parts of a larger action and depend on the larger action for their justification."

The connected action in this instance is the assessment of all dredge spoil to be disposed and that has been disposed in Long Island Sound and the level of contaminants associated with each. The larger action in this instance is the maintenance of navigable waters in Federal waters and waters of the State.

Further, the admission above indicates that the PDEIS fails to take a "hard look" at the cumulative actions that could exceed acceptable contaminant thresholds and result in a significant adverse impact to Long Island Sound.

In preparing the PEIS, the federal agency (ACOE) must take a "hard look" at the environmental impacts of a proposal, alternatives capable of achieving the basic objective and measures to mitigate adverse impacts. The PEIS must also consider "cumulative impacts" the total of impacts from the action under consideration as well as those from reasonably foreseeable actions. The assessment cannot discount the placement of dredge spoil known to result in adverse impacts from "un-regulated" actions in the document.

*This concern is justified by the following narrative on page 7-7: The historic placement sites (i.e. Stamford, Norwalk, Eaton's Neck, Bridgeport, Milford, Orient, etc.) were all closed in the late 1970s or earlier, thus material that was placed in these sites did not undergo the rigorous testing and evaluation that dredged materials are subject to today. Few of these areas have been surveyed to determine if mounds are still present, to determine if more contaminated sediments are present and exposed or have been moved off-site, or whether the benthic community has recovered to levels comparable to areas not impacted by dredged material. Some of the more heavily used historic sites that may have received materials that likely could not be found suitable today (Stamford, the two Norwalk sites, Eaton's Neck) should be studied to provide information on these topics.*

The document points out that the impacts from past dredge disposal operations are unknown and it is these admissions that weaken the entire analysis and process. Any conclusions reached are flawed in failure to take a "hard look" of potential cumulative contamination of all past dredge disposal events and the other associated impacts from them.

### **Conflicts with New York State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) Permit for Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4 Permit).**

In New York State, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation regulates stormwater discharges in the Town under the New York State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("SPDES") Permit for Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems ("MS4s") GP-0-010-002 ("MS4 Permit"). The MS4 General Permit regulations establish a number of required planning, legislative and implementation actions that the Town must comply with.

The program is designed to reduce overall pollutant loads to waterbodies. The MS4 Permit requires that the Town accomplish these efforts based on six Minimum Control Measures, which include: public education and outreach, public involvement, illicit discharge detection and elimination, construction site stormwater control, post construction stormwater management and pollution prevention for municipal operations.

Compliance with the mandates has resulted in considerable annual costs to the Town including the hiring of new staff and infrastructure retro-fits.

### **Failure to assess impacts on marine mammals.**

The PDEIS and DDMP grossly fails to assess the potential adverse impacts on large marine mammals (porpoise and whales) in Long Island Sound and their habitat. Multiple sighting of porpoise and whales have been confirmed in Long Island Sound including pods with calves. Humpback whales have been observed. Multiple articles are available describing the sightings.

The humpback whale is a listed Endangered Species and the species and its habitat are protected.

*In 1970, the humpback whale (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) was listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Conservation Act, the predecessor the Endangered Species Act (ESA). When the ESA was passed in 1973, the humpback whale was listed as endangered throughout its range. In the same year it was designated as depleted under the Marine Mammal Protection Act.*

*The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended through the 108th Congress, states that*

*PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are to provide a means whereby the ecosystems upon which endangered species and threatened species depend may be conserved, to provide a program for the conservation of such endangered species and threatened species, and to take such steps as may be appropriate to achieve the purposes of the treaties and conventions set forth in subsection (a) of this section.*

*POLICY.—(1) It is further declared to be the policy of Congress that all Federal departments and agencies shall seek to conserve endangered species and threatened species and shall utilize their authorities in furtherance of the purposes of this Act. (2) It is further declared to be the policy of Congress that Federal agencies shall cooperate with State and local agencies to resolve water resource issues in concert with conservation of endangered species.*

It does not appear that a thorough discussion on the purpose and policy of the is included in the documents.

Page 5-74, of the PEIS include a discussion on other federally managed species stating that *the Atlantic sturgeon and several species of turtles are the Federally managed species most likely to be found in Long Island Sound. Changes to food resources and habitat, either adverse or beneficial, could affect some Federally managed species during particular behaviors, such as migration, spawning, foraging, and schooling. If additional sites were designated or selected within Long Island Sound, dredged material placement activities could increase turbidity and impair water quality and habitat. Potential issues from vessel strikes and/or harassment due to noise could also deter species from entering the area. Federally managed species could also experience increased impacts through climate change and sea level rise, including potential alteration of community as a result of changes to habitat type (grain size) and food resources.*

*However, dredging-related impacts are not expected to be significant compared to impacts associated with climate change.*

1. Has the potential adverse impacts to marine mammals (porpoise and whale species) and habitat been discussed/assessed?
2. What are the acceptable impacts to Federally Protected Species?
3. Can the statement “However, dredging-related impacts are not expected to be significant compared to impacts associated with climate change.” stated above be clarified in relation to impacts to Federally Managed Species?

**Failure to adequately assess the potential impacts on commercial and recreational marine species.**

*Page 7-7: The state of New York has raised the issue of the impact of active placement sites on recreational and commercial fishing and the economic impact of reduced activity in those sectors due to site use and presence. While the four active sites occupy a total area of about six square nautical miles, and the dredging season covers six months of the year, the sites are actively fished, especially the two eastern sites. An examination of fishing activity and catch yields at the sites, within their vicinity, and in areas of the Sound removed from the sites could provide useful information concerning this question.*

This recommendation justifies the elimination of the dredge spoil disposal in Long Island Sound. Fishers Island is located within the Town of Southold and many complaints have been received from commercial fishermen/women and residents about the declining populations of fish and crustaceans (American lobster) in waters surrounding Fishers Island and other areas.

The noted severe decline of the lobster fishery caused the Town of Southold to include goals in its Comprehensive Plan Update to address the decline of marine species.

*5-6. Work with the Federal and State governments and municipalities to develop regional fisheries management plans for commercially viable marine species located in Town waters.*

The potential impacts to marine species from dredging operations are assessed at the Town level to the Town of Southold The Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP).

The disposal of contaminated dredge spoil in Long Island Sound at the eastern sites does not support the goals and policies of the LWRP. The program provides strategies to encourage and protect the public waters and waterfront areas of the Town. It emphasizes the importance of coastal zone and traditional maritime uses in terms of the commercial and recreational qualities of the Town. The coastal policies of an LWRP are used to review a project for consistency if the activity will occur within or affecting that LWRP. All Federal and State actions require consistency with policies adopted under the program. Applicable policies include:  
**NATURAL COAST POLICIES**

Policy 5. Protect and improve water quality and supply in the Town of Southold.

Policy 6. Protect and restore the quality and function of the Town of Southold’s ecosystem.

Policy 8. Minimize environmental degradation in the Town of Southold from solid waste and hazardous substances and wastes.

Policy 11. Promote sustainable use of living marine resources in the Town of Southold.

**Please see comments on the LONG ISLAND SOUND DREDGED MATERIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN: ECONOMIC DATA UPDATE under a separate letter.**

### **Concern regarding alternatives**

*The list of potential alternative sites for smaller, non-Federal projects included 75 beaches, 30 concrete and asphalt plants, and 16 potential dewatering sites. These alternatives are not being evaluated in this PEIS.*

1. Could it be clarified why these alternatives are not being evaluated? NEPA requires a hard look of all alternatives.

As discussed at past public hearings clean sand and other suitable material is valuable to mitigate storm impacts and damage. It is recommended that the stockpiling alternative section be broadened for a beneficial re-use.

### **Concern about the adverse effects of discharged sediment**

*Page 3-6: The duration of convective descent lasts only seconds to minutes in relatively shallow waters, such as in Long Island Sound (EPA, 2004a). Field and laboratory studies indicate that most of the sediment reaches the seafloor, with approximately 1 to 5% of the discharged sediment remaining in the water column after the convective descent phase (Ruggaber & Adams, 2000); (Tavolaro, 1984); (USACE, 1986); (Gordon, 1974); (Bokuniewicz & Gordon, 1980).*

The document fails to assess the cumulative impact of the 1%-5% sediment loss that would be dispersed in the water column. What would be the total dispersal (in cubic yards lost) times the total number of loads over the project term be?

*Page 3-6 states: As the energy from the disposal activity dissipates, the remaining small amount of sediment entrained in the water column undergoes passive diffusion. During this phase, the ambient oceanographic conditions affect the transport and settling of the suspended sediments, which may last for several hours depending on the specific gravity and particle size of the sediment and physical dynamics of the area (Tramontano & Bohlen, 1982); (Arimoto & Feng, 1983). The suspended sediment concentration is reduced due to eventual settling and dilution (Gordon, 1974).*

The document fails to acknowledge the fate of dispersed contaminants to unknown areas/receptors. The open-water placement sites are characterized as either being non-dispersive or dispersive. The discussion does not present a clear resolution to sites that are dispersive and suggests that any level of dispersal of sediment (uncontaminated and contaminated) in the water column in acceptable (Page 3-7).

The general term “may”, used in the document when discussing dispersal during placement or transport from the site over time by currents and/or wave action is unsettling and indicates that

the existing conditions (currents and wave action) relative to sediment dispersal at the targeted sites are largely unknown and therefore the impacts are also unknown.

This is unacceptable when discussing potential impacts to Southold Town waters that have experienced a significant rebound in ecological functions and values and species diversity as a result of Federal and Multi-State funding and restoration efforts. Results of dispersal studies (e.g. Rhode Island Sound Disposal Site (RISDS) cannot be extrapolated to sites with different physical (tides, currents and bathymetry) characteristics. Further the differences in operations must also be contemplated.

Page 3-8 Section 3.2.2 states that “*WLDS, CLDS, and NLDS are non-dispersive sites, where dredged material placed at the site remains at the site.*”

How is this claim validated?

**Support of beneficial use of dredge spoil in Town of Southold Jurisdiction.**

The Town agrees that the following areas identified would continue to benefit from beach nourishment as outlined in table 3-7, however, the source of the sand/sediment used should be from Town of Southold jurisdictional waters only.

Table 3-7 (Partial)

454 East	NY	Southold	Hashamomuck Cove – County Road 48	162,800	219,800
454 West	NY	Southold	Hashamomuck Cove – Kenney’s Beach	50,700	68,500
455/82	NY	Mattituck	Mattituck Harbor 111/Bailie’s Beach	100,000*	100,000*
76	NY	Southold	Southold Town Beach	23,200	31,300
79	NY	Southold	Gull Pond Beach (Norman E. Klipp Park)	14,400	19,500

The Town of Southold supports the beneficial re-use of clean dredge spoil on Fishers Island. It is recommended that alternatives for beneficial re-use include a discussion on coastal resiliency and the accelerated erosion of the Block Island Sound exposed shoreline.

### **Town of Southold Comments on Section 7.4 Summary of Recommendations**

It is disingenuous to continually state that the purpose of the DMMP is “eliminating the need for open water placement of dredged material in LIS” when the path to qualify the action is linked to a flawed cost assessment (fails to incorporate remediation) and the overriding theme in the document attempts to convince the public that the long-term impacts of open water disposal has been thoroughly assessed and identified as the most cost-effective method available (Page 7-7).

### **General Comments**

The Town of Southold strongly supports the Army Corps of Engineers’ goal of eliminating the need for open water placement of dredged material in LIS.

The Southold Town Board is also opposed to the continued disposal of dredge spoil in open water of LIS based on insufficient or incomplete information as identified in the DDMP and PEIS on the potential adverse impacts of the action.

The continued, safe navigation of our waterbodies is paramount to our region and dredging is necessary to preserve the use. However, the right to clean waters, a safe food supply, viable jobs and quality recreation and tourism experiences is also paramount, and the citizens of the Town of Southold and New York State deserve no less.

Please contact my office with any questions.

On Behalf of the Southold Town Board



Scott Russell, Supervisor

Cc: Members of the Town Board  
William Duffy, Town Attorney  
Southold Board of Trustees  
Town of Southold Citizen Advisory Committee

**From:** [Joanne Forman](#)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dumping Dredge Spoils  
**Date:** Monday, October 05, 2015 2:18:15 PM

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Dear Meghan Quinn

I'm writing you to express my opposition to the Army Corp of Engineers' proposal to continue dumping dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound. I support the Town of Brookhaven and New York State officials who call for a stop to this harmful practice.

Dumping dredged spoils in the Sound poses a threat to the sensitive ecology of this estuary. Additionally this practice runs in direct conflict to efforts being made by our communities to improve the quality of this precious resource.

The necessity of keeping industrial, commercial and recreational waters opened is a priority. However, extending the practice as described is courting disaster.

Sincerely

Joanne Forman

PREPARED BY	
DATE	

I am opposing your plan to dump waste material in our Long Island Sound. I'm sure you can find some other solution to your dumping situation.

Thank You,  
Mrs Josephine Dolyak

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**NANCY VALENTE**  
**23 East Meadow Road**  
**Wilton, CT 06897**

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
6969 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I oppose your plan to dump waste in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out the open water dumping of dredged material. I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dredging.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nancy Valente', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nancy Valente

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Stop dumping in the Sound!



ZORIANA Melnyk  
14 Poplar Drive  
Shelton CT

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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develop a plan that phases  
out open water dumping of  
dredged materials and reuses  
these materials in a safe and  
beneficial way. Stop  
polluting Morris Cove

C. Piko  
37 Cove St  
New Haven, CT

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U.S. ARMY Corps of Engineers

I am opposed to the dumping  
of Contaminated Waste and  
Sludge into The Long Island  
Sound.

Thomas M. Hummel  
THOMAS M. HUMMEL  
95 MYRON ST.  
NEW HAVEN, CT  
06512





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5 OCT 15

C/O Meghan Quinn

1) Stop dumping crap in  
L Island sound

2) Stop dumping crap  
in L Island sound

3) Stop dumping crap  
in L Island sound

4) Stop dumping crap  
in L Island sound

gohrneywld



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Develop a plan that phases out  
open water dumping of dredged  
material and reuses these  
materials in a safe and beneficial  
way

41 Sunrise Cir.  
Shelton CT  
C. Boland

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Chen L. I. Sound

J. S. S. S.



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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Gentlemen:

I am definitely opposed to dumping in Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop some plan that eliminates open water dumping of dredged materials and instead uses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. It is important to me and Connecticut to have a clean, beautiful Long Island Sound.

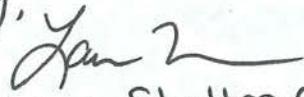
Sincerely  
Cord Ash

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To US Army Corps of Engineers -

I oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials. Please reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,



7 Norman Lane Shelton CT



From  
Mr. & Mrs. James Tchakirides

to: U.S. Corps of Engineers

Please refrain from dumping  
contaminated materials in  
Long Island Sound. Kindly  
develop a plan for using  
dredged materials in another way.

Respectfully,  
Edwin M. Tchakirides

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USACE

c/o MEGHAN QUINN  
LIS DMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA ROAD  
CONCORD, MA 01742

I OPPOSE THE PLAN TO DUMP IN L.I. SOUND  
IT MUST STOP! I'M APPEALING TO YOU  
TO STOP THE OPEN WATER DUMPING OF  
DREDGED MATERIALS + REUSE THESE  
MATERIALS IN A SAFE + BENEFICIAL WAY,  
SUCH AS FILLING THE 3000 ABANDONED MINES  
IN PENNSYLVANIA.

PLEASE PUT AN END TO THIS  
DESPICABLE PRACTICE!

ROSEMARY FATTIBENE  
110 THOMPSON ST  
SHELTON, CT 06484

Rosemary Fattibene

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TO THE U.S. ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS  
c/o MELHARD QUINN

IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO ALL OF US  
CITIZENS TO KEEP OUR LAND + WATERWAYS  
CLEAN.

USE THAT DREDGED MATERIAL FOR MORE  
CONSTRUCTIVE MEANS

STOP IGNORING THE NEGATIVE RESULTS OF  
OPEN WATER DUMPING

MICHAEL FATTIBENE

110 THOMPSON ST

SHELTON, CT 06484

Michael Fattibene

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Dumping dredged materials into Long Island Sound is not only harmful but stupid because the sound gives US 17-36 billion dollars into our regional economy annually, however were getting this money either by tourist or any other reason, but then we are dumping in it so when it smells and the water becomes nasty nobody will want to tour it, but then were spending millions of dollars to protect and restore the sound, you see how were just wasting tons of money here. But also another consequence of dumping in the sound your killing the wildlife that lives there = know you may be saying how does this affect me well there are thousands of people like me who want to or are pursuing a life in aquatic life for their career and by killing the life of 120 different kinds of fish you are depriving me and others of a future in aquatic careers. Where do you stand? How would your kids or future kids feel about not being able to see fish and aquatic life that they read about in stories and books and somebody has to tell them that they were killed by future people who thought it would be okay to dump in their waters and kill off millions of aquatic species. How do you think they would feel stand in their shoes for a second.

From Hailey McTague

Ana M. Rivera  
106 Myron St.  
New Haven, CT  
06512

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Dear U.S. ARMY Corps of Engineers, Gov.  
Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator  
Blumenthal,

I am a resident of Morns Cove in  
New Haven. I am opposed to the  
dumping of dredged material in  
the Long Island Sound. I support  
the beneficial reuse of dredged material  
instead of open water dumping.

The Long Island Sound not only  
makes our neighborhood beautiful  
and unique but is the home to  
a variety of animals that will  
surely suffer thanks to elevated  
levels of toxins.

Don't dump! Keep your promise!

Sincerely

Ana Maria and Julio  
106 Myron St.  
New Haven, CT

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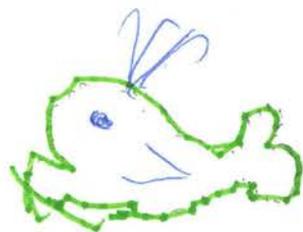
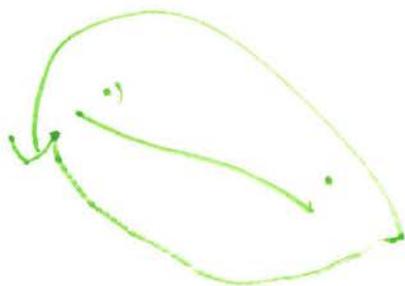
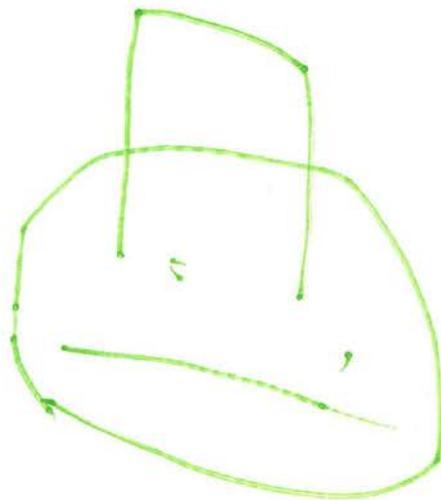
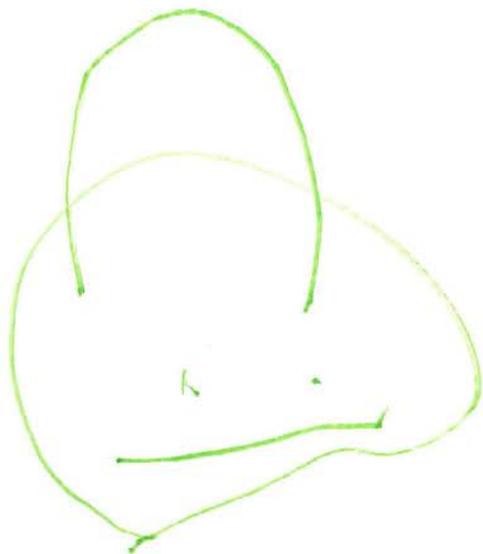
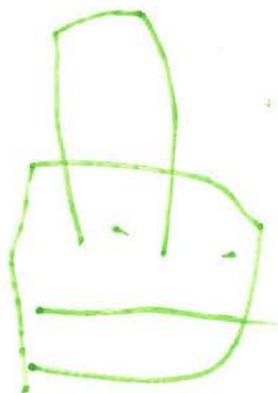
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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5 OCT 15

To Whom It may Concern,

Please Stop Dumping into Long  
Island Sound destroying the Eco  
System.

Sincerely  
Ruth Cramski  
15 Wigwam Dr  
Shelton, CT 06484



By Edward Czarneski  
4 yrs old

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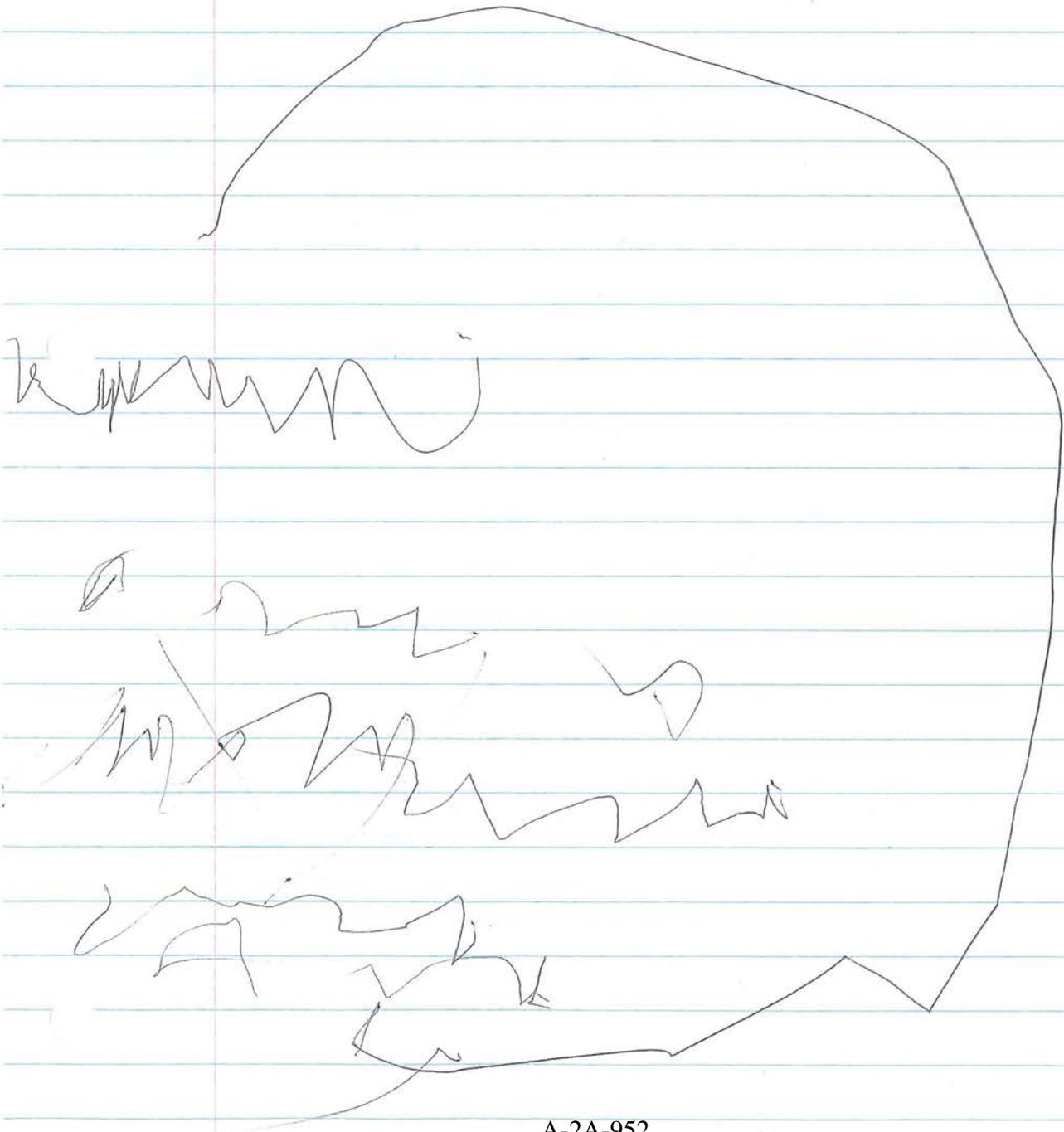
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To: U.S. Army  
Corp of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn

The work that the A.C.E. has done for our country has been so beneficial to the health and welfare of our great country.

How is dumping dredging back into our Long Island Sound in any way helpful to the deteriorating condition of the sound?

The wildlife, plant life and all who use this body of water will be adversely affected.

Please change this plan and reuse this material in a safer manner!

Paul Tomassetti  
111 Norman Ln  
Shelton CT

FW by CCE -  
- 5 OCT 15

From: 1046raps  
Shelton CT 06485  
Lindsay Gay

# Fish

The waste in the ocean  
is bad. Fish and other marine  
animals. Some animals can  
choke on the waste. you  
should recycle the waste to  
maybe make bottles and  
recycle materials.  
Littering is bad. healthy  
animals are important.  
you can't make them live  
with litter and waste.  
Think of the dolphins think  
of the children  
not of yourself!  
(not to be rude though)  
I care too. I love fish.  
I love dolphins.  
and I love oceans!!

This is by Lindsay Gay

(write back if you want)

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to let you know that I am opposed to their plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. Please don't allow any dredged material dumping in the LIS for at least 30 years.

Thank You,

Concerned Citizen

FW by CCE - 5 OCT 15

To: U.S. Corps of Engineers  
From: Michael D. Patrick  
Re: Dredging materials in Long Island Sound

This is to inform you I, as a taxpaying citizen, unreservedly oppose the plan to dispose of dredged materials in Long Island Sound.

The benefit of Long Island Sound as a natural resource for Connecticut cannot be overstated. It supports crucial shellfishing operations as well as being one of the state's top tourism destinations, both for state residents and from elsewhere.

The plan also seems to ignore the various ways dredged materials can be utilized, such as for capping landfills.

I urge you to reevaluate your plan and to explore more environmentally beneficial options than dumping these toxic materials in a natural environment our state has worked so hard restoring to life.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Patrick", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael D. Patrick  
9 Overlook Place  
Shelton, CT 06484

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From: Don Parker  
108 Gray St.  
Shelton, Ct. 06484

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord Ma. 01742

I am writing to urge you to make sure that all dredging, along with other actions taken in long Island Sound do not negatively impact the health of the sound. At some point in time there has to be other considerations other than money, and what is good for businesses at the expense our environment and society. One industry should not be chosen over the other namely our fisheries.

I would like to know where your support lies so I can consider this come election time.

My Best regards,  
Don Parker



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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Megan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd

Concord, MA 01742

Open letter to Megan Quinn,

Long Island Sound is a very delicate body of water that is slowly turning into a lifeless body of water because of the strains it endures due to its location close to high population areas. Industrial and commercial sediment has settle into the bays and rivers basins in Connecticut and New York. Dredging these areas should be treated like any hazardous waste and not be openly dumped into our Sound. We are trying to bring back life into the Sound but practices such as open water dumping of hazardous waste found in dredge sediment must not be allowed.

Please consider this request and find an alternative solution that better serves the one body of open water Connecticut has, Long Island Sound.

Sincerely,

Edward M. Finelli

21 Woods Grove Rd

Shelton, CT 06484

US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
C/O MEGHAN QUINN

THIS IS A REQUEST TO STOP  
DUMPING OF TOXIC WASTE INTO  
L.I. SOUND

Col R. Feeller

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom This Concerns:

I expect you to let the United States Army Corps of Engineers that many CT citizens oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound.

I urge USACE to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. Remember N.O. 10 years ago.

Although you didn't grow up on the Sound you be aware of the condition of the Sound not too long ago – awful, needles and other trash. Ms. Quinn, perhaps you've spend time boating or beaching with your family at the Sound or a similar body of water. This is very important for economics and health of Connecticut citizens.

Sincerely,



Carol Dauber

10 Spruce Hill Road  
Shelton, CT 06484  
203-339-1605

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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Dear Ms. Quinn,  
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I recently became aware of the campaign to stop dumping in the Long Island Sound. After learning about the amount of dredged material being dumped into the Sound, I am appalled! In 2005 NY and CT agreed to phase out open water dumping, but instead both states have failed their citizens by continuing to dump in the Long Island Sound. Not only have you agreed to continue dumping, you have comprised a plan to continue dumping over the next 30 years! This is unacceptable! As one of my beloved state representatives I ask you to please stop this dumping into our waters. Take action and make a positive change today! This state needs all of us to take care of it. As a mother of 2 children, I need to do all I can to help protect the Earth and do all I can to ensure my children and grandchildren can thrive in the future. Don't you want the same for your children and grandchildren? Hurting and damaging our waterways is just unacceptable! Please consider making this campaign a priority. Our future depends on it!

Sincerely,

Annabell Malumphy  
Shelton, CT

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP project Manager  
696 Virginia Manager  
Concord, MA 01742

I was contacted by a group of concerned Citizens Campaign for dumping hazardous waste into Long Island sound.

I can't believe that the government would allow for such dumping, I am a boater and we are not allowed to dump waste into the sound.

How could the government allow dumping toxic waste into Long Island Sound ?

First of all the government stopped the fishing of Lobsters to try to get the population back. I also go calming how could you allow dumping of toxic waste to damage our Long Island Sound?

How will we be able to eat any sea food taken from Long Island Sound?

Please have your office look into this matter and stop the dumping.

Thank You.

  
Joe & Nancy Kmetz  
244 Thompson St.  
Shelton, CT 063484

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Dear US Army Corps of Engineers,

We urge you to oppose the continual dumping of dredged material in Long Island Sound. Connecticut residents our entire lives both my wife and I have a long history with Long Island Sound. We wish to preserve that for our children and have seen the sound improve over the last 30 years. We need to continue to improve our actions locally that damage the environment. Allowing this dredged material to continue benefits no one and will only further deteriorate an already weakened habitat given the amount of waste that is put into the sound from the heavy population that surrounds it. Please vote no for the continued dumping. We urge you to push back for an improved policy to consider the environmental effects.

Sincerely the Baldwin Family

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "The Baldwin Family". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

50 Canterbury Lane

Wilton CT

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, Ma. 01742

We oppose USACE dumping in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Please oppose the USACE plan to continue dredging material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years. We support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to us!

Please provide us a response in writing on your position on this issue.

~~Alan M. Levin~~ *Catherine Levin*  
2 Rivergate Woods  
Wilton, Ct. 06897

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c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
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2 Rivergate Woods  
Wilton, Ct. 06897

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To whom it may concern,

As a resident of New Haven living next to Long Island Sound, I am opposed to the dumping of any elements in to the Long Island Sound that would have both short-term and long-term geological effects. I believe we can find better alternatives to treat potentially contaminated pollutants in alternate treatment facilities rather than unknowingly effecting the residents and geological life along our Long Island Sound.

Thank you,

Peter Angelini

104 Fort Hale Road

New Haven, CT 06512

Develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a SAFE and beneficial way.

# STOP POLLUTING MORRIS COVE!

Chris Scmentilli  
345 Lighthouse Rd.  
New Haven, CT

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I Anthony Rispoli, oppose their plan to dump in Long Island sound. Urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. We Need to Stop POLLUTING.....

My Flamy and I have lived in this area for 10 yrs. and have not use the beach once. because of the Filth.

Thank you.

290 Lighthouse Rd.  
New Haven, CT

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To Whome this may concern,

Please do not Pollute our water.

It will have a very negative impact on our future.

Thank you,

Hebe Du  
74 North St  
Shelton CT

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Dear Meghan,

Please stop dumping dredged materials  
into our sand. Thank You.

Sincerely, a concerned citizen,

Areta Heran

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these material in a safe beneficial way

Respectfully



Matthew Cacopardo  
48 Girard Ave.  
New Haven, CT 06512

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Julian Kidd  
1A Ira Street  
New Haven  
CT 06512

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord  
MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern

I am an 11 year old boy. I live near the Sound and I LOVE to swim and paddleboard in the Sound. The Sound is very important to me.

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please make a plan that stops open water dumping of dredged materials and rather reuses these materials in a safe and useful way.

Please can you write to me and let me know what you will do.

Yours sincerely,

Julian Kidd

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julian Kidd". The ink is dark and the signature is written in a fluid, personal style.

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October 4, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

RE: USACE draft DMMP

Ms. Quinn:

As a Connecticut resident, I feel it is my privilege and responsibility to be a good steward of the Long Island Sound.

For this reason, I oppose the current draft DMMP released by USACE in August, which continues the use of the Sound for open water dumping of dredged materials. Since dredged material can be used in beneficial ways, please explore those options, instead of continuing to use the Sound as a landfill.

I would appreciate your response in writing.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allison Slaughter", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Allison Slaughter  
175 Hurlbutt St  
Wilton CT 06897

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Neil Michelsen [nmichels@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 04, 2015 3:12 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging Cos cob Harbor

Meghan Quinn,  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

Dear Meghan,

I understand that Cos Cob Harbor and vicinity is scheduled for dredging. Believe me it is sorely needed as I have gone aground several times in the channel. This not only caused damage to my boat but was while I was aground it was hazard to other boats and navigation in general.

It is especially dangerous at night as it's hard to tell exactly where you are in the channel and if you are off just a little, you may go aground.

In addition, even if you are exactly in the center of the channel you still could go aground as the sand keeps shifting and filling as this area has not been dredged in many many years.

Please keep on schedule with this dredging project.

Thanks and regards,

Neil

Neil Michelsen

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** David Moore [dmoore3@optonline.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 04, 2015 9:48 AM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DUMPING DREDGE SPOILS IN LONG ISLAND SOUND

Attn: Meghan Quinn, Program Manager

The clean-up of Long Island Sound has been a long-term project, that has started to show some positive results. The dumping of probably-toxic waste from up the river, entirely from Connecticut, should not take place in our shared waterway. Whatever economic benefits came to Connecticut over the years through industrial and commercial activity along the river, should now be used to find a viable location inland (in Connecticut) to accommodate the dredge spoils.

Thank you for your time and attention to this e-mail from a private citizen from eastern Long Island.

David P. Moore  
Orient, N.Y. 11957

USACE

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I oppose your plans to dump dredged material in L.I sound. There has to be a better way to reuse this material instead of threatening our fish, birds and other animals living with us on Long Island

Diane Puccio  
78 Woodside Ave  
Northport NY 11768

Patricia Palumbo  
19 Horseshoe Drive  
Northport, NY 11768

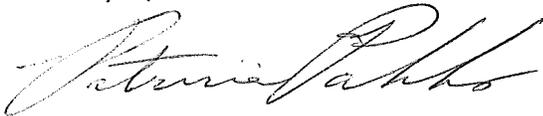
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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 07742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way for the sake of the environment, our children and future generations.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Patricia Palumbo".

Patricia Palumbo & Family

**From:** [ldeguzma@msn.com](mailto:ldeguzma@msn.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Sunday, October 04, 2015 9:30:55 PM

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We are seeing the return of many species including beluga whales, dolphins and sea turtles in our area and feel it is urgent to prevent anything that could interfere with the continued improvement of our marine environment.

The Long Island Sound is an estuary of national significance, with millions of people living in and around its watershed. It is unacceptable to allow the continued dumping of contaminated dredged material in this important water body.

In 2005, New York and Connecticut agreed to phase out dredge dumping and requested that the Army Corps develop a Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) focusing on beneficial reuse and sustainable solutions. This agreement was supported by the public and was a critical step toward protecting our beloved waterway. However, the draft DMMP fails to deliver on that promise and instead allows for another 30 years of dirty dredge dumping.

I oppose the continued dumping of contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound and urge the Army Corps of Engineers to honor the original agreement and focus on beneficial reuse options as an alternative.

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Respectfully,

Lisa de Guzman

Member Lloyd Harbor Village Conservation Committee

Three Harbors Garden Club Conservation Chair

Fiddlers Green Road Association

[ldeguzma@msn.com](mailto:ldeguzma@msn.com)

**From:** [Walters, Candice S HQ02](#)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#); [Rosenberg, Larry B NAE](#); [Wells, Kenneth NAN02](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] Headquarters U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Contact Form: Dumping of Dredged Materials into Long Island Sound (UNCLASSIFIED)  
**Date:** Monday, October 05, 2015 2:07:05 PM

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Caveats: NONE

All:

Not quite sure what to do with this so I am sending it to Meghan Quinn as requested, but wanted to let Larry and Ken know as well.

v/r,

Candy

Candice S. Walters  
Public Affairs Specialist  
HQ US Army Corps of Engineers  
202-761-5440  
202-528-4285 (BlackBerry)  
202-761-0010 (Main office number)  
candice.s.walters@usace.army.mil  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Petesr@aol.com [<mailto:Petesr@aol.com>]  
Sent: Sunday, October 04, 2015 2:45 PM  
To: Walters, Candice S HQ02  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Headquarters U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Contact Form: Dumping of Dredged Materials into Long Island Sound

This message was sent from the Headquarters U.S. Army Corps of Engineers website.

Message From: Peter J. Bonaventure, Sr.

Email: Petesr@aol.com

Response requested: Yes

Message:

Please forward this message to Meghan Quinn and any other(s) that may have an interest:  
For the sake of our children and our children's children, I implore you to end the practice of dumping dredged materials into Long Island Sound and, instead, put them to productive use.  
Why threaten life in the Sound with elevated nitrogen levels, PCBs, metals and other toxic substances in dredged materials when it is completely unnecessary? I understand there are many positive ways in which this material can be used included capping landfills and brownfield sites, filling abandoned mines, creating and/or augmenting wetlands, etc.  
You can opt to continue a practice which will certainly end much of the life in Long Island Sound over the years and decades to come or, with little more effort and/or expense, you can choose to be a positive force and bring about an

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end to this destructive dumping. I request and hope you do the latter. Thank you.

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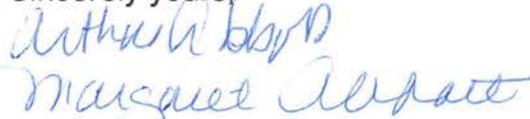
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

We are opposed to your plan continue dumping harmful material in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

As you know, once these waters are filled with dredged material, flora and fauna are destroyed and there is no going back. Please do not destroy the Sound.

Sincerely yours,



Margaret and Arthur Abbott  
P. O. Box 211  
Farmington, CT 06034-0211

Donna T. Kasinak  
85 Hyde Street  
New Haven, CT. 06512

U.S. Army Corps Of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manger  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

10/4/15

Dear Meghan Quin,

I am writing this letter out of grave concern and would like to request your attention to this critical matter. I am opposed to your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I URGE you to develop A plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

We as a nation have already damaged many of our grandchildren's opportunities to live healthy lives By breathing polluted air and drinking polluted water to name a few. What excuse will you give when a child suffering from the decisions made to dump away their health? It's no longer political, it's personal and you have the opportunity to make changes now that will turn back time.

Please remember, your family and friends will also suffer the same consequences as the general public. This plan is a no win for us all. I would appreciate a written mailed response sent to the address above. Thank you for your time and I pray that everyone returns to the drawing table and rethinks the options. It a matter of Life and Death!

Respectfully submitted



Donna Kasinak  
85 Hyde Street  
New haven, CT 06512

***Be the change you want to see in this world. ~Gandhi***

**From:** [skibs27@yahoo.com](mailto:skibs27@yahoo.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Sunday, October 04, 2015 7:59:29 AM

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- Michael Simoncic 900 Blossom Bend Mattituck, NY 11952

**From:** [whatsdemotta@aol.com](mailto:whatsdemotta@aol.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Sunday, October 04, 2015 9:22:44 AM

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It's time to do the right thing for our planet, our waters, our wildlife, our children and the future of the natural world!!

Linda De Motta  
Saint James, NY

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Carolyn McLaughlin [carolynmclaughlin111@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 03, 2015 2:02 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Long Island Sound

We are appalled at the possibility of dumping dredge in the Long Island Sound. Our environment is under so much stress that we must make much better choices than in the past. The lobsters have disappeared. Striped bass are rare. Bunker, although existent, are not as plentiful as they were 35 years ago. After years of decline, there have been some hopeful signs in the Sound recently-- a bit of eel grass, a reasonably healthy bottom, some increase in bunker. How can we possibly put this at risk by dumping dredge.

We must save what is left and not take risky chances with such a precious resource.

Please dump the plan to dump dredge in the LI Sound.

Carolyn and Jim McLaughlin

515 Narrow River Road

Box 195

Orient, NY 11957

## **Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Valerie Kilbridge [valerie.kilbridge@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 03, 2015 10:11 AM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Attention Program Manager Meghan Quinn: Regarding the DMMP

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to ask that the Army Corp of engineers and the EPA remove from the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) the open water placement of dredged spoils into the Long Island Sound (the Sound), as well as the proposed use of 450 acres of Mattituck agricultural land to de-water 2,085,000 cubic yards of dredge spoil.

Many steps have been and continue to be taken to improve the water quality of the Sound. While there have been positive results from this effort, like the recent sighting of dolphins frolicking, the task of reversing the damage caused by years reckless environmental disregard of this great body of water is far from over. Open water dumping is simply not an acceptable environmental alternative.

The use of agricultural acreage for de-watering dredge spoils is not an acceptable environmental alternative. Mattituck is an agricultural community, with active farms and vineyards. Using farmland to de-water dredge spoils would result in salt being absorbed into the fields, rendering the land unfit for farming.

It concerns me that the US Army Corps and their consultants have not met with local governments in over seven years. Before any local options are put into a public document, it is imperative that they consult and work with the town, hamlet, area residents and local businesses so that the impact to the community and local economy is fully understood. I want to add that the failure to include in the DMMP an outline for logistical requirements such as barging and trucking, and the failure to evaluate impacts to groundwater, prime agricultural soils, and traffic is poor project management.

The DMMP clarifies that "the Federal Base Plan for any particular project is ... the least cost environmentally acceptable alternative for constructing the project." As expressed above, open water placement of dredged spoils and the use of prime agricultural acreage to de-water dredged spoils are not environmentally acceptable alternatives. I respectfully ask that the DMMP consider other alternatives. One such alternative would be to transport the dredge spoils to fill the defunct coal mines of Pennsylvania. Some of these mines are threatened with the possibility of collapse. Another Pennsylvania mine is burning to this day. Placing the dredged spoil in these mine shafts would alleviate current environmental issues without compounding existing or creating new environmental problems.

Other alternatives might be costlier upfront, but the cost of reversing the damage to the Long Island Sound and the Mattituck farmlands, (if the reversal of damage is even possible), will be far greater.

Respectfully,

Valerie Kilbridge

Mattituck Resident  
1835 Reeve Road  
Mattituck, NY 11952

October 3, 2015

133 Lancer Rd.  
Riverside, CT 06878

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a local boater on the Mianus River the need for dredging has been obvious for many years. Now that the funding has been made available another concern comes up, where to dispose this material.

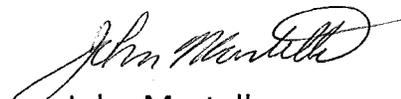
The plan you have proposed clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

I believe access to these placement sites must remain open to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Out of the three subject states, Connecticut clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and I look forward to see the project completed.

Sincerely yours,



John Martello

Please.

Stop Using Long Island Sound  
as a dumping ground. Now, not  
in 30 years.

Jim Lewis

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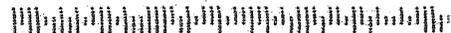
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U.S. Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, Ma. 01742

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To Whom it May Concern,

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! You must develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you for your time.

Michael K. Lathrop  
Hartford, Ct.

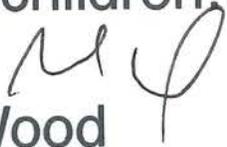
MK Lathrop  
64 Daniel Rd  
Hartford, Ct 06117

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LTS DMMP Project Manager  
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696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I STRONGLY your plan to continue dumping dredged material into the Long Island Sound. What sort of world and example are we setting for our children...and fish!



Mike Wood



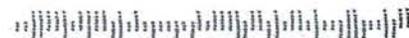
Ms. Sarah Wood  
7 Brookfield Dr  
Shelton, CT 06484

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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October 3, 2015  
509 7th St.  
Greenport, NY 11944

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

The Sound is not a dump. Please stop the dumping!

Sincerely,

*Betty J. Capon*  
*George F Capon Jr*



Mr. George F Capon Jr.  
509 7th St  
Greenport NY 11944

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New  
att: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Mgr.

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

October 3, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am strongly opposed to the plan to dump dredge material into Long Island Sound.

This is a very poor idea and strongly counter to the major efforts that have been made in recent years to protect the Sound and keep it safe for fish, lobsters, and other marine life. Dumping potentially toxic materials will be harmful to the marine life of the Sound.

Please don't allow this dumping to occur.

Sincerely,



Jane L. Smith  
1750 Platt Road  
Orient, NY 11957

**From:** [mdemusis1955@gmail.com](mailto:mdemusis1955@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Saturday, October 03, 2015 5:56:44 PM

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According to the US Coast Guard (another government branch) nothing is to go into Long Island Sound. However you want to word it, it is polluted. People should be prohibited from swimming or fishing in the already toxic waste.

The Long Island Sound is an estuary of national significance, with millions of people living in and around its watershed. It is unacceptable to allow the continued dumping of contaminated dredged material in this important water body.

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Here's some math and common sense.

This kind of disregard for aquatic and human life is exactly why we need politicians out of government. People know the US government lies, and therefore, you have to lie as well. And a good example of the Armt Corp not doing their job is the tragedy of Louisiana. The levy could have been fixed decades ago for \$1Million. But it was considered too expensive. Then the levy broke and it cost the government BILLIONS. What does the Army corp think would have been a smarter financial decision?

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October 3, 15

To Whom It May Concern:

As a Long Islander, I strongly oppose the USACE plan to dump numerous dredged materials into the Long Island Sound. As an avid supporter of the environment and a participant of Farmingdale High School's chapter of Environmental Club, I find this act absurd. For one, the government takes NOTHING into account in regards to the wildlife found within the sound. A basic high school biology class can reveal that harmful pollutants, especially in excess, decreases drastically the biodiversity of the habitat, thus killing numerous species and accelerating the rate of extinction in the oceans. As a human, moreover, I have strong regards for living things and I would, obviously, oppose the slaughter of them just to save money. Long Island Sound is not a landfill, and I find it comical that this plan thinks otherwise.

There are numerous other beneficial reuse options, for instance reusing the material for beach nourishment and capping landfills, which the plan blatantly ignores. It fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution, which contributes to fish kills and algal booms. Millions of dollars have been spent to reduce this high and detrimental quantity of nitrogen in the sound, so why would such a horrendous plan to begin with completely reverse the feats and efforts made? Not only is this plan detrimental to our Long Island aqua life, it is also offensive and unethical to many of us who care deeply about living creatures.

Please, do NOT pass this act. New York and Connecticut were smart enough in 2005 to phase out water dumping and look at dredged material as a resource rather than waste product. I would think that in 2015, bordering 2016, Long Island would be intelligent enough to do the same. Thank you for taking the time to read this, and please make the correct decision for not only our island's sake, but for the world's.

Sincerely,

A Native Long Islander

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**From:** [richardkobel@gmail.com](mailto:richardkobel@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
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Respectfully  
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Wantagh, NY 11793

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Derrick Tingley  
234 Ruth St  
Minoa, NY 13116

10/2/2015

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Mark H Homburg, RA  
168 Park Street  
West Haven, CT 06516

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn, Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd., Concord, MA 01742

**To whom it may concern**

I oppose any contaminated material currently in Bridgeport Harbor being moved to the New Haven Harbor, Morris Cove Borrow Pit any time in the future.

This environmental waste from the last 100 years, according to the Army Corps' 1998 Draft Environmental Assessment, contains arsenic, cadmium, chromium, copper, lead, mercury, nickel, zinc, poly nuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) congeners. Unsuitable for open water disposal. This dredge material will be hazardous for swimming, fishing, spawning winter flounder, impacts to leased shellfish beds, shell fishing, and may contaminate the as heavy metals settle into the ground.

(SOURCE) --<https://www.cga.ct.gov/2010/rpt/2010-R-0417.htm>

There should be no added toxic carcinogenic sludge in Morris Cove, a part of New Haven's outer harbor area. **The cove's shoreline has parks (with fishing and swimming), historic sites, and residential buildings.** In the 1950s, about 1 million cubic yards of fill was removed from Morris Cove to construct Interstate 95, creating a "borrow pit" on the harbor floor. The pit is about 650 feet wide, 2,450 feet long, and 30 feet deep. The cost to contain this waste in Bridgeport is (\$49.7M), which is \$7.6M more than dumping in New Haven (\$42.1M) which is why this is a problem for New Haven Shoreline.... Now?

I propose the following options for Morris Cove be explored further.

Option 1- Southeast CAD Cell. Is located just north of the east breakwater, bounded by the 35 foot entrance channel and has the capacity to store a majority of the unsuitable dredged material. In addition, no shellfish beds would be disturbed during construction. This SE CAD cell was retained as a proposed disposal alternative for unsuitable material, although the West



CAD Cell (18 acres) is carried forward as an option in case the Morris Cove borrow pit is not supported as a disposal alternative (Pg.13).

Option 2- Investigation (pg.9) identified two areas as potential Confined Disposal Facility (CDF) locations in Bridgeport, the Powerhouse Creek canal and the upstream portion of Yellow Mill Creek.

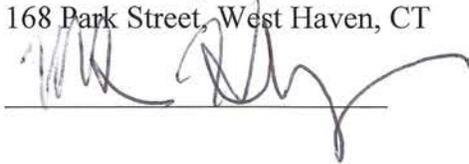
Option 3- There are two specific technologies that seem promising to treat the dredged material that will allow it to be used in a beneficial manner. One process involves thermal treatment of dredged material where the resulting end product can be mixed with Portland cement. This "blended cement" can be used in construction. (pg.15)

Option 4- Another process washes the material under pressure and adds surfactants to clean the material. The end result of this process is a soil that can be mixed or amended with other material that can be used in landscaping (pg.15)

We object to ANY material being moved out of Bridgeport Harbor unless it is removed from Long Island Sound, The money saved and potential damage relative to Federal Resources is not an acceptable reason to poison this environment.

Sincerely

Mark Homburg  
168 Park Street, West Haven, CT

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Homburg', is written over a horizontal line.

Suzanne Young

83 North Walnut Street  
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October 2, 2015

US Army Corps Of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn

I am writing this letter to inform you of my opposition of the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a different plan that phases out water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. A healthy Long Island Sound is of great importance to me.

Please respond in writing informing me of your position.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Suzanne Young". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Suzanne Young

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** George Dey [george.dey@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 02, 2015 3:36 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging in Long Island Sound

October 2, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

Attn: Meghan Quinn,

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As an individual who has a variety of boats which have had boats moored or docked in the waters of Captains Harbour and its individual harbors, requiring periodic dredging which is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost - effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

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George Dey

Paul Pranzo  
57 Stanley Drive  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
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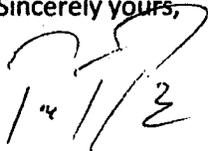
I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As a boater and taxpayer, access is critical to the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



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Paul Pranzo



October 2, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

**RE: Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound.**

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As the owner of Boats Incorporated and its 31 employees along with our 186 slip occupants, I am writing to urge the US Army Corps of Engineers to adopt the draft Dredged Materials Plan (DMMP).

Although we appreciate the offering of a Public Hearing period, you are and have been the ones most qualified to make this decision, and it is a good one. You were entrusted to develop a plan and you did. Too much time and money has been spent on the research to date to be shot down by a few. We (Marina Operators) in Connecticut are also bound by zoning and are required to be Marine Related (CAM Act) for access to our waters. If we don't have access, we have nothing. Literally nothing, as we can't sell as commercial property. How ironic, we are required to provide access but possibly can't if we can't dredge and maintain access.

Thank you for your time and effort to date and so hope the current draft is adopted as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Don MacKenzie  
Boats Incorporated, Pres.



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October 2, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
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Concord, MA 01742.

**Re: Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound**

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to urge the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to adopt the draft Dredged Materials Management Plan (DMMP) and the draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound which were released for public comment in August 2015.

As an environmental consultant who has been involved in both open water disposal and upland disposal of dredged materials for over 30 years and as a former member of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Marine Trades Association (CMTA) and the current Co-Chair of the CMTA Environment Committee, I am well aware of the science that has been applied to the development of the DMMP and PEIS and conclude that they are based on sound science.

I am also well aware of the environmental, logistic and economic realities of upland disposal, having been involved in several upland dredged material sites both as a regulator (New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection 1979 -1985) and as an environmental consultant. Placing fine grained dredged materials upland poses an environmental risk to groundwater which severely limits locations where it may be environmentally acceptable. Presently, there is no upland disposal capacity available within an economically viable distance. There are also no large scale dewatering sites available to make the dredge material safe for over the road transportation. Even if such sites were available, dewatering and transporting those materials to large scale brownfields projects in New Jersey or mine reclamation projects in Pennsylvania is not logistically or economically viable.

I urge the USACE to base its decision on the sound science presented in these two documents which will be protective of the Long Island Sound environment while allowing vitally needed dredging projects to move forward.

Sincerely,

**SAILER ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.**

  
Edward N. Sailer, CHMM, LEP  
President

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# TOWN OF SMITHTOWN

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October 2, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
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Re: LIS Draft DMMP and Draft PEIS

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The Town of Smithtown is opposed to the continuation of open water disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound.

As you know, in August 2015 the United States Army Corps of Engineers released for public review and comment a draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and a draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) regarding dredging operations in and adjacent to Long Island Sound. Review of those documents has revealed the following deficiencies and inaccuracies which should be addressed and corrected in the final versions of both documents:

1. As currently written, the draft plan would continue the long term practice of disposing of most dredged material generated throughout the region by open water dumping in Long Island Sound. Accordingly, this plan is not consistent with the rules and standards promulgated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for the future use of dredged material disposal sites in Long Island Sound.

As clearly stated in the draft DMMP, on June 3, 2005, the USEPA issued a Final Rule which designated two of the Sound's historic open-water placement sites, the Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound Sites (CLDS and WLDS) for temporary

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continued use, subject to the completion of a DMMP. Relevant sections of this USEPA Final Rule are quoted on page ES-4 of the DMMP:

*“... each proposed dredging project will be evaluated to determine whether there are practicable, environmentally preferable alternatives to open-water disposal. ... Alternatives to open-water disposal that will be considered include upland disposal and beneficial uses such as beach nourishment. **If environmentally preferable, practicable disposal alternatives exist, open-water disposal will not be allowed**” [emphasis added].*

*“[These restrictions] are designed to support the common goal of New York and Connecticut to reduce or eliminate the disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound.”*

From the foregoing, it is clear that the standard promulgated by the USEPA is that open-water disposal will not be allowed if environmentally preferable, practicable disposal alternatives are available. In other words, for open-water disposal to be allowed there must either be no practicable alternative, or open-water disposal must be the environmentally best alternative.

In contrast, the DMMP clearly and repeatedly states that it has been prepared on the basis of the “Federal Standard” or “Federal Base Plan.” As stated on page ES-1 of the DMMP:

*“The Federal Base Plan for any particular project is defined as the least cost environmentally acceptable alternative for constructing the project.”*

This standard upon which the DMMP was prepared clearly fails to meet the standard established by the USEPA Final Rule, which holds that open-water disposal may only be allowed if it is the only practicable option, or the environmentally best of a number of practicable options. Accordingly, it would appear that the current draft DMMP must be extensively revised in order to be in compliance with both the standards and intended results of the EPA Final Rule regarding dredged material disposal alternatives.

2. Similarly, the standards employed and analysis presented in the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement are inadequate to support the selection of continued use of dredged material disposal sites in Long Island Sound as an acceptable option in accordance with EPA rules and standards. As the draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement was prepared upon the currently deficient DMMP, the PEIS similarly fails to adequately address the potential environmental impacts of dredged material disposal in accordance with the standards contained in the USEPA Final Rule. Further, the PEIS does not attempt to identify the environmentally best alternative for each potential project, nor, at a minimum, does it identify whether any practicable alternatives would be preferable to open-water disposal. In addition, the scope of the analysis of disposal alternatives in the PEIS excludes viable disposal options which were identified in the

DMMP itself. For example, the DMMP noted that dredged material could be beneficially used for reclamation of mined lands in Pennsylvania (see DMMP page 4-61). The PEIS arbitrarily and capriciously limited all disposal options to the New York-Connecticut-Rhode Island study area and therefore failed to even consider this alternative. In addition, the PEIS failed to consider rail transport of dredged materials to upland disposal and/or re-use sites, focusing exclusively on the more costly (economically and environmentally) option of truck transport.

3. Finally, Section 5.22 of the DMMP (pages 5-292 through 5-297), regarding the “Smithtown Bay and Stony Brook Harbor Dredging Center”, contains incomplete and inaccurate information as well as at least one ill-considered recommendation. For example:
  - A. Page 5-292 lists Asharoken Basin as one of the “principal waterways in this area.” However, there is no further mention of this water body or any discussion of past or future dredging operations there.
  - B. Table 5-205 on page 5-293 is incomplete. Both Stony Brook Harbor and the Nissequogue River were most recently dredged in 2013, yet this information is completely missing from the table. All dredged material was again sand and gravel that was fully used for beach nourishment in the Town of Smithtown.
  - C. Section 5.22.3 overestimates the quantity of fine-grained material expected to be generated by future dredging operations, apparently due to a combination of unsupported and/or faulty assumptions and basic mathematical errors. Specifically:
    - i) Section 5.22.3 states that county dredging records show that between 1953 and 2009, 33 percent of the dredged materials were fine-grained and 67 percent were sand. Reference to “Table 5-205 – Suffolk County Dredging Project History” reveals that 79 percent of the dredged materials were “sand” or “sand & gravel”, with only 21% consisting of “sand and mud”. Even assuming that the two “sand and mud” examples were almost entirely mud, this would mean that at most 20 percent of historically dredged materials were fine-grained.
    - ii) As shown in Table 5-205 and as correctly stated in Section 5.22.4 on page 5-295, all material dredged from both Stony Brook Harbor and the Nissequogue River since 1980 has been classified as “sand” or “sand and gravel.” Section 5.22.4 also states that all future dredged materials from these waterways are expected to be clean sand. As these are the only waterways in this Dredging Center which have been identified in the DMMP for future dredging, these statements call into question the assumption in Section 5.22.3 that 85 percent of future dredged materials will be clean sand and 15 percent will be fine-grained material.

- iii) As will be noted below, Table 5-206 anticipates large volumes of dredged materials from unidentified “Other NF Maintenance” and “Improvements” projects. The sediment compositions expected from each of these currently unidentified projects must be clearly identified in Section 5.22.3 of the DMMP.
  
- D. In Table 5-206, the heading “Suffolk County Maintenance” fully accounts for the maintenance dredging activity expected to be conducted in both Stony Brook Harbor and the Nissequogue River during the next thirty years. However, Table 5-206 also shows estimated dredging for the 2015-2020 time period of 151,500 cubic yards for “Other NF Maintenance” and 200,000 cubic yards for “Improvements”, with additional quantities in subsequent time periods. None of these projects have been identified or discussed in the draft DMMP, a fact which raises significant concerns regarding the transparency of the current documents. The location, purpose, and sediment composition of each of these projects must be identified and discussed in the necessary revised DMMP.
  
- E. Table 5-207 is incomplete and inaccurate. At a minimum, the Table should also include Long Beach, Schubert Beach, and Short Beach in the Town of Smithtown, and West Meadow Beach in the Town of Brookhaven. All of these beaches have received beach nourishment material generated from within this dredging center. Bayville Beach should be removed from Table 5-207 as it is located a substantial distance from this dredging center. Similarly, Asharoken Beach is located a substantial distance from both the Nissequogue River and Stony Brook Harbor, and should be removed from Table 5-207 unless it is intended to receive dredged material from a closer location. If so, the closer location(s) must be clearly identified and discussed as noted above.
  
- F. Section 5.22.5 and Table 5-207 propose the potential use of dredged materials to construct a nearshore feeder bar/berm off Sunken Meadow State Park. This recommendation is ill-considered at best and should be eliminated from consideration and removed from the DMMP. The longshore current in this area flows west to east, and the construction of a nearshore feeder bar/berm in this area will exacerbate the already severe shoaling problem in the Nissequogue River boat channel, resulting in the need for additional dredging operations.
  
- G. Table 5-208 shows “Scow Haul Distances to Nearshore and Open Water Placement Sites” from the Nissequogue River and Stony Brook Harbor project sites. The table should reflect the fact that the dredged material disposal sites for these projects have received beach nourishment material via hydraulic dredge pipelines. In addition, if other dredging project locations are anticipated in the “Smithtown Bay and Stony Brook Harbor Dredging Center”, then the distances from those project locations to the placement sites should be included in Table 5-208.

In conclusion:

1. The Draft Dredged Material Management Plan is not consistent with the standards established by the USEPA for continued use of open-water disposal sites in Long Island Sound and is contrary to the common goal of New York and Connecticut to reduce or eliminate the disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound. The DMMP makes it clear that sand acceptable for beach nourishment is being dumped in open-water disposal areas. This practice should be discontinued. Overall, it is evident from the DMMP that alternatives to open water dumping of dredged material exist and are being under-utilized.
2. The Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement does not adequately or accurately identify those dredged material disposal alternatives which would be consistent with or prohibited by the USEPA Final Rule, and fails to identify or consider other disposal alternatives which appear to be in full conformance with the USEPA rules and standards.
3. The Draft Dredged Material Management Plan does not completely or accurately describe prior dredging or dredged material disposal operations in the “Smithtown Bay and Stony Brook Harbor Dredging Center”, nor does it completely or accurately identify future such operations in this area. The major inaccuracies in the DMMP regarding this one small dredging center raise grave concerns regarding the accuracy and reliability of the document with respect to the overall study.

Continued open water disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound is unsupported by the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. Open water disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound must end.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment upon this matter.

Sincerely,



Patrick R. Vecchio, Supervisor  
Town of Smithtown

cc: T. J. McCarthy, Councilman  
E. R. Wehrheim, Councilman  
R. J. Creighton, Councilman  
L. C. Nowick, Councilwoman  
R. K. Barnett, Environmental Protection Director  
M. V. Jakubowski, Town Attorney

We oppose your plan to dump dredged materials into open waters such as the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan whereby these materials can be reused in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you.  
Cheryl Graef and  
Family



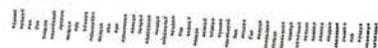
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I was contacted by a group of concerned Citizens Campaign for dumping hazardous waste into Long Island sound.

I can't believe that the government would allow for such dumping, I am a boater and we are not allowed to dump waste into the sound.

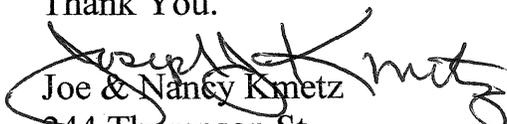
How could the government allow dumping toxic waste into Long Island Sound ?

First of all the government stopped the fishing of Lobsters to try to get the population back. I also go calming how could you allow dumping of toxic waste to damage our Long Island Sound?

How will we be able to eat any sea food taken from Long Island Sound?

Please have your office look into this matter and stop the dumping.

Thank You.

  
Joe & Nancy Kmetz  
244 Thompson St.  
Shelton, CT 063484



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c/o MEGHAN QUINN  
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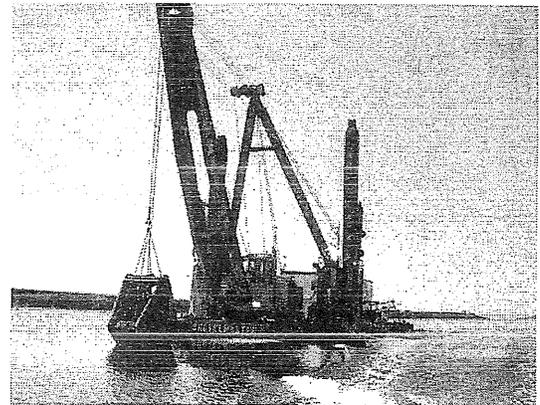
## Stop Dumping In Long Island Sound

### *Long Island Sound is Not a Landfill!*

The Long Island Sound is an Estuary of National Significance, generating \$17-\$36 billion into our regional economy annually. The Sound is home to more than 120 species of finfish and countless varieties of birds and other animals. The federal government, NY, CT, and local municipalities have spent millions of dollars to protect and restore the Sound. Recently there has been an increase of bunker fish, while beluga whales and pods of dolphins have been documented in the Sound—all signs that restoration efforts are working!

#### Dumping of Dredged Material Threatens the Sound

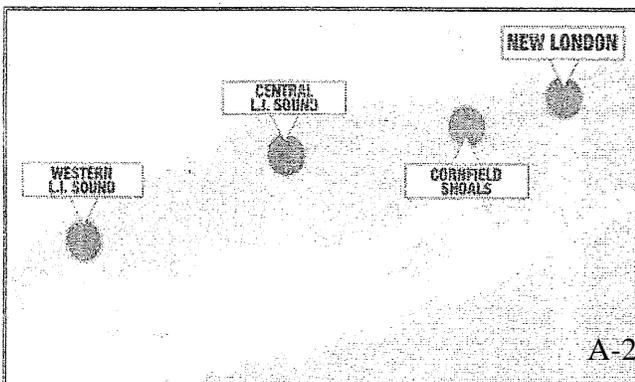
Unfortunately, the progress to restore the Sound remains threatened by open water dumping of harmful dredged material. While dredging is necessary to maintain navigable waterways and harbors, open water dumping of dredged material is unnecessary and dangerous. Studies have shown that open water dumping can increase harmful nitrogen loading and correlates with elevated levels of toxins found in aquatic life.



#### NY and CT Agreed to Phase Out Dumping in the Sound a Decade Ago!

In 2005, NY and CT agreed that they would phase out open water dumping and begin to look at dredged material as a resource and not a waste product. Under this agreement, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) was requested to create a Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP), or a blueprint to phase out open water dumping in the Sound while outlining a robust and environmentally sound beneficial reuse program.

**Instead, the draft DMMP released by the USACE in August of 2015 is a long term plan to continue using our Long Island Sound as a dumping ground for dredged materials!** An



estimated 17 million cubic yards of dredged material has already been dumped in LIS. This plan seeks to allow an additional 30-50 million cubic yards to be dumped over the next 30 years. Instead of reusing the dredged material, the proposed plan seeks to dump dredged material in four locations in the Sound: Western LIS Site, Central LIS Site, Cornfield Shoals Site, and New London Site.

**A-2A We need to tell USACE and elected officials that Long Island Sound is NOT a landfill!**

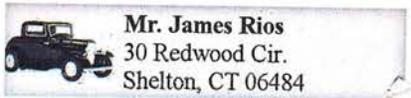
James Rios

30 Redwood Circle

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My family and I oppose your plan for open water dumping in Long Island Sound. Please find an alternative solution that is healthy for the environment. A healthy sound is very important to us. Please send a response informing us of your position on this matter.

Thank you.

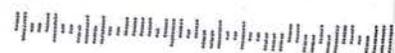


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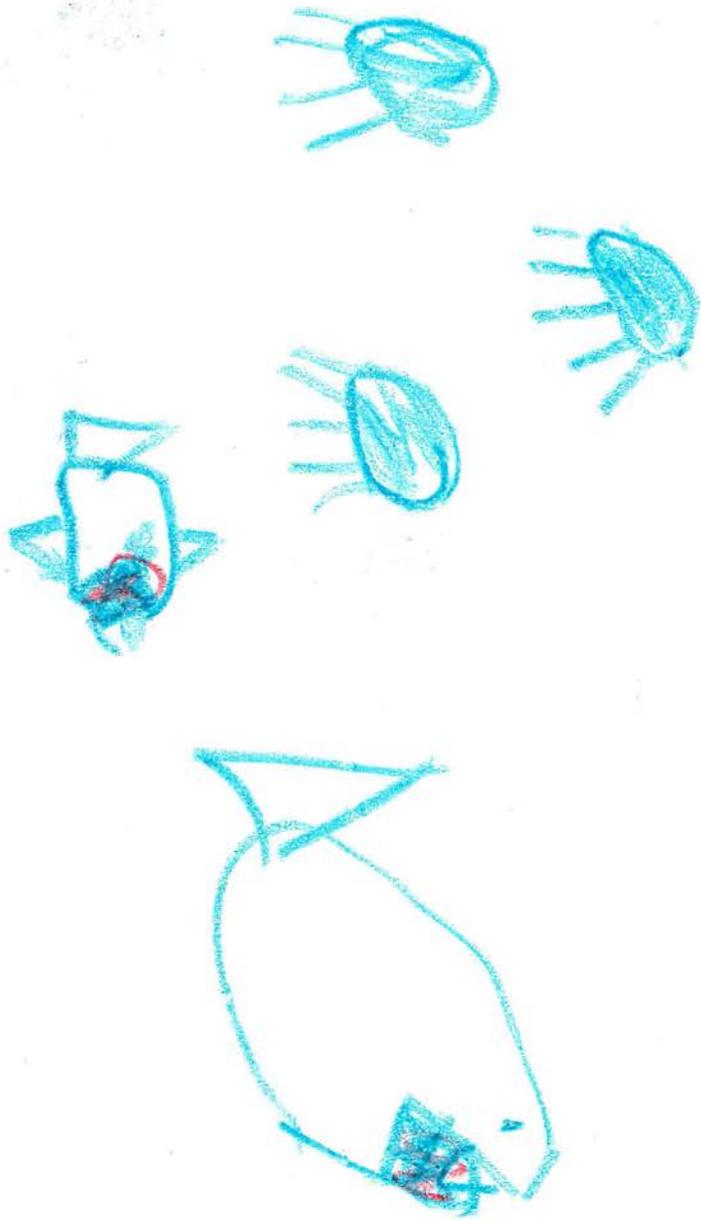
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73 Sturges Ridge Road

Wilton, CT 06897

October 2, 2015

Dear USACE, Gov. Malloy, Senators Murphy and Blumenthal,

It has been brought to my attention by a young man named Kyle, who works for CITIZENS CAMPAIGN FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, that the USACE(Army Corps of Engineers) have reneged on their agreement to come up with a plan to revise their disposal methods for materials dredged from harbors in Long Island Sound. What I am reading from the CCE info sheet seems to be that USACE have not been able to figure out what to do with this contaminated material other than to specify what areas within the sound where the material will be re-dumped . This would seem to be zero progress since 2005 toward cleaning up the sound, as far as the dredging process goes.

Now of course the main reason cited for not trying to improve the situation is money. The governments, whether state or federal, claim poverty, and one of the causes for that is subsidizing medical care whether it be Medicare, Medicaid or Obamacare. The medical providers and insurers seem to have sufficient funds, partly due to the above public subsidies. Their business is brisk, indeed. Part of the reason for their burgeoning workload is the contamination of the environment by poisons found in the harbors of the sound. Wouldn't it be cheaper in the long run to pay to reduce the cause of this poisoning?

This situation brings to mind another situation in the upper Hudson River, where GE Corp dumped a lot of PCB ( estimated at 1.3 million pounds)before it was realized that the chemical was toxic, and wouldn't just disappear down the river or biodegrade. It took quite a few years since the EPA was started until GE was brought to admit their culpability in the matter and agreed to a plan to remediate. In 1977 GE stopped the dumping. In 1984 a 200 mile stretch of the Hudson was designated as a Superfund site. Dredge areas were identified by a multi-year program by GE ; started in 2002, which involved more than 50,000 sediment samples. In November 2006 a legal agreement was reached. In 2009 the remediation began with dredging by clamshell bucket and later separation of stones , sediment and water. There were two phases, and the second phase started in 2011 after examining the data and refining the process. The first phase involved removal of 283,000 cubic yards of material and phase two involved 2.4 million cubic yards, which approaches the ballpark of tens of millions of tons planned to be relocated by the USACE in the sound. The 2<sup>nd</sup> phase will be done by the end of this year.

My suggestion would be for the EPA to be involved in this matter, and that the respective health hazards of various contaminants assessed by them. This would be followed by a search for the originators of the contaminants and legal action would be taken against them or their

successor organizations. Not as cut and dried as the case against GE in the Hudson or the BP in the Gulf, but it can and should be done, as the USACE apparently has a tight budget and probably disclaim responsibility as I am sure they see their role as only transporting the contaminated sediments. I guess what I am describing here is a DMMP ( dredged material management plan) which the USACE was asked by CT and NY to come up with back in 2005. This may be beyond USACE technical and financial resources. They should call GE. They might even be providing some of the funds, as there were a limited number of sources for the PCB.

We should not be looking for the 100 % solution here, as it would involve an almost limitless cost. Start with the legal, with GE on the Hudson as the precedent, and move on to the sampling so we can identify what needs to be remediated from that which does not, with a goal to reducing the hazardous levels by perhaps 85 to 90 per cent.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John R Meek". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John R Meek

Concerned Citizen

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I have been a resident of CT all my life growing up near the shoreline. I currently live in Morris Cove New Haven CT. I am an avid fisherman and boater and have been for over 30 years. I am writing to you and asking that you stop re-locating dredges material back into Long Island sound. Not knowing the full effects of doing so is wrong. I for one have noticed a decline in fishing the central part of LI sound and over the past few years have been going farther West to fish.

I am by no means an expert on the matter but there has to be other ways to reuse the dredged material. Please work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to resolve the concerns of dumping dredge materials back into the sound. I do believe the nitrogen is depleting the oxygen and reducing the areas that fish could live.

I request a response in writing informing me of your position on the matter.

Sincerely yours,

John Tommessilli

20 Ira Street

New Haven, CT 06512

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696 Virginia Rd.  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan to dump dredge materials into eastern Long Island Sound.

The dumping of these potentially toxic materials will have a negative impact on the marine ecosystem resulting in adverse conditions for fish, shellfish and crustaceans.

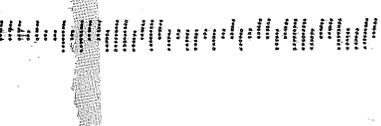
Please don't allow this dumping!

Sincerely,

*Michael Gillespie*  
MICHAEL GILLESPIE  
HEATH DRIVE  
ORIENT, NY 11957



Mike Gillespie  
650 Heath Dr  
Orient, NY 11957



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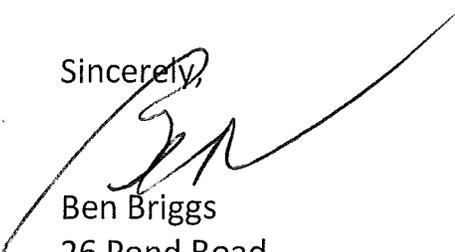
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U.S Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Ms. Quinn

Please do not support the USACE plan to dump into Long Island Sound. I urge you to come up with another alternative.

Sincerely,



Ben Briggs  
26 Pond Road  
Wilton, CT 06897

Tania Smith  
30 Calvin Road  
Wilton, CT 06897

October 2, 2015

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I oppose the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers plan to continue using the Long Island Sound as a dumping ground for dredged materials. The environmental and economic impacts of this practice are not included in their plan and are clearly issues which need to be addressed.

I support the idea of reusing the dredged material. There are so many benefits to this practice and I believe this would be a better use of the government's resources. Among the benefits are beach nourishment, construction of wetlands, capping landfills, and filling abandoned mines.

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Sincerely,

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USACE,

10-2-15

I oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Long Island Sound.

I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

It is important for my family and my community to have a healthy Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. Please send a response in writing informing me of your position, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank You,

Kim Burke

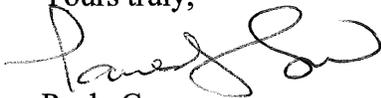
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Yours truly,



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Dear USACE,

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Sincerely,

Francesca Argueta-Zamora

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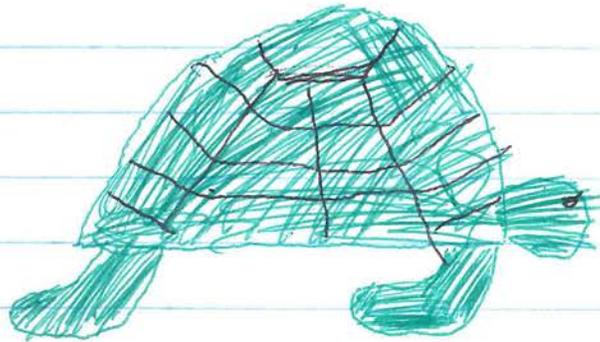
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Our Beach cant  
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would say, "Please help"



Dominic  
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October 2, 2015

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State of Connecticut  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
STATE CAPITOL  
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106-1591

October 1, 2015

Lt. General Tom Bostick  
Commanding General and Chief of Engineers  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Headquarters  
441 G Street NW  
Washington, DC 20314-1000

RE: File Number NAE-2015

Dear Lt. General Bostick:

We are writing in support of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound.

As legislators representing numerous communities in Eastern Connecticut, we applaud the Army Corps of Engineers for identifying new environmentally sound alternatives for the handling of dredging materials, such as beach nourishment and wetlands restoration. This is especially beneficial to those communities impacted by recent tropical storms and hurricanes. We also understand the continued need for open-water disposal options currently in use in Connecticut waters and encourage the Corps to continue to pursue beneficial use alternatives whenever possible.

The draft DMMP notes that economic activities that utilize Long Island Sound waterways contribute more than \$9 billion annually in economic output and support 55,000 jobs in the region. As you know, our region is also home to key federal and military facilities dependent on the viability of accessible and cost-effective placement options. It is also worth noting that the State of Connecticut is committed to improving our maritime industry. With the legislature's recent establishment of a statewide Port Authority, Connecticut has demonstrated its commitment to making strategic investments in growing our ports, creating jobs, and expanding our maritime economy.

The DMMP and PEIS provide a comprehensive management framework of environmentally responsible and cost-effective disposal solutions. Connecticut has been responsibly dredging using open-water placement for 35 years and we are pleased that the DMMP, paired with sustainable on-land solutions, will provide the Long Island Sound region with a balanced approach for future waterway maintenance projects.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter. We look forward to the approval of this plan and continued constructive dialogue and engagement with all stakeholders.

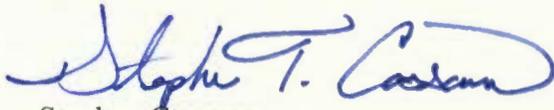
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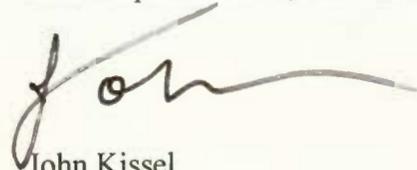
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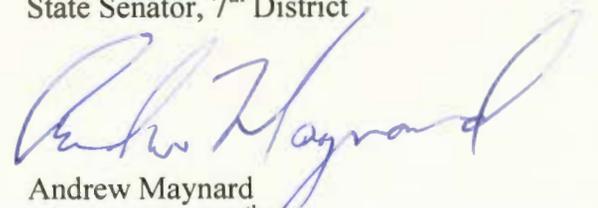


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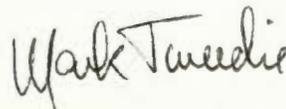
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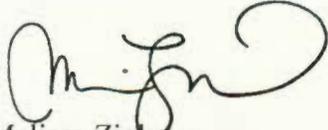
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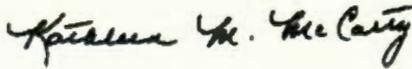
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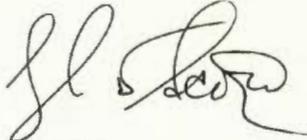
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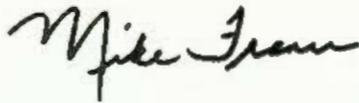
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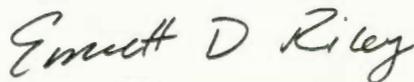
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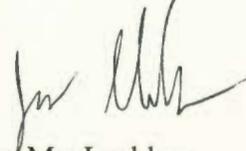
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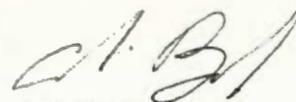
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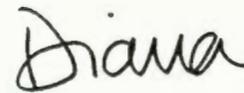
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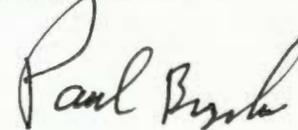
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Sherri Pranzo  
57 Stanley Drive  
Glastonbury, CT 06033

October 1, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As a boater and taxpayer, access is critical to the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Sherri Pranzo

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Michael Spiotto [mikespiotto@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 6:15 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] CT Dredging Mianus River

October 1, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

Attn: Meghan Quinn,

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

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As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

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Sincerely yours,

Michael Spiotto

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Sarah Klocinski [klocinski@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 4:45 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging Project

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sarah & Steven Klocinski



**Mattituck-Laurel Civic Association, Inc. – P.O. Box 465 – Mattituck, NY 11952**

October 1, 2015

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(Attn: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn)  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The Mattituck-Laurel Civic Association, Inc. (MLCA) calls upon the Army Corp of engineers and the EPA to remove from the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) the open water placement of dredged spoils into the Long Island Sound, as well as the proposed use of 450 acres of Mattituck agricultural land to de-water 2,085,000 cubic yards of dredge spoil.

The DMMP states that “the Federal Base Plan for any particular project is defined as the least cost environmentally acceptable alternative for constructing the project.” Many steps have been taken to improve the water quality of the Sound, and the task of reversing the degradation of this body of water is far from over. Open water dumping is simply not an acceptable environmental alternative.

The use of agricultural acreage for de-watering dredge spoils will result in salt being absorbed into the fields, rendering the land unfit for farming. It is simply not an acceptable environmental alternative. Mattituck is an agricultural community, and as expressed by one Southold Town official from Planning Department present at the public meeting in Riverhead, the use of its fields for de-watering is not an option.

The US Army Corps AND their consultants have not met with local governments in over seven years. Before any local options are put into a public document, it is imperative that they consult and work with the town, hamlet, area residents and local businesses so that the impact to the community and local economy is fully understood.

As a general point, and echoing comments made by our Town Supervisor, Scott Russell, the failure to include in the DMMP an outline for logistical requirements such as barging and trucking, and the failure to evaluate impacts to groundwater, prime agricultural soils, and traffic among other key considerations is very poor practice.

The Mattituck-Laurel Civic Association asks that the DMMP consider other alternatives. These alternatives might be costlier upfront, but the cost of reversing the damage to our environment and agricultural land, (if the reversal of damage is even possible), will be far greater.

Respectfully,

Mary Eisenstein, President

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

October 1, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I'm a life-long supporter and fan of the USACE. The Army Engineers' work in the Naugatuck Valley after the devastating floods in 1955, when I was a very young boy, still impresses me even now. I learned then that we – ordinary people – could trust the “Army Engineers” to do the right thing and do it well. Nothing has happened since then to change my mind.

Until now. Maybe.

A week or so ago, a very pleasant, quite earnest young woman rang my doorbell and gave me some literature about dumping dredge material in Long Island Sound under the aegis of, and with the approval of, the USACE.

The figures quoted in her literature were that 30-50 million cubic yards of dredge material is to be dumped into the Sound over the next 30 years. That sounds dramatic, but the total figure represents only about 0.04% of the volume of the Sound, spread out over 30 years, or about 0.0013% every year.

Presumably, this material is to be dredged from the Sound in the first place. Again presumably, the material will be dredged from harbors and rivers bordering the Sound. Such material is likely to be more heavily polluted with all sorts of harbor detritus than if it were dredged from the middle of the Sound.

If these assumptions are correct, it seems to follow that harbor pollution will be slowly spread throughout the Sound, since three of the four proposed dredging sites (New London, Cornwall Shoals, and Western LIS) are located at narrow points in the Sound where the tidal currents are strong. Strong currents may speed the spread of pollution, but I'm sure that that's been considered, as has the natural cleansing action of storms and strong tides from the Atlantic.

Further, I'm totally ignorant of what the effect of heavy metals, indissoluble chemicals, shredded oil-based plastic, diesel fuel, tars, lubricants, and the like will be on marine life, and what concentrations of these effluents are tolerable, so I can't yet complain about those effects, but the stuff sounds as though it's seriously nasty stuff. And, perhaps, they're so bad for so many life forms, that even tiny concentrations would be too high.

Still further, I'm well aware of the financial situation in Connecticut, due in large part to uncontrolled unfunded State liabilities incurred by one incompetent administration after another.

I hope their managerial incompetence hasn't been a part of, or a cause of, risky compromises in the DMMP.

Finally, I don't want to lose my admiration for one of the few government departments left that's deserving of my admiration.

I'd very much appreciate it if you, or someone on your staff, could assure me that the DMMP will not endanger marine life or my grandchildren's enjoyment of a clean and healthy Long Island Sound and that I can pass along to those little grandkids my admiration for the "Army Engineers." (I'm a fairly technical guy with degrees in Engineering and Computer Science, so please feel free to get as technical as necessary in your response.)

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert S. Todd".

Robert S. Todd, Ph.D.  
54 Federal Rd.  
Shelton, CT 06484

cc:  
Citizens Campaign for the Environment  
Attn: Ms. Krista Eliot  
2404 Whitney Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Hamden, CT 06518

Bernard Armstrong  
74 Willowmere Circle  
Riverside, CT 06878

October 1, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

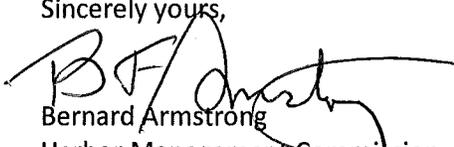
We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

As an active boater and racer on Long Island Sound and an active member of Riverside Yacht Club on the Mianus River I am not happy to report that we cannot get deep draft sailboats into our docks and hour or more on each side of a low tide. This is creating an extreme hardship not only for our club boaters but all of the boats harbored upstream from RYC in Cos Cob CT. History shows us that at one time Cos Cob harbor was able to carry large wooden sailing vessels. Now even power boats have trouble using the river and dredging the Mianus River has to be a key State and Federal priority which means the open water disposal in Western Long Island Sound is imperative to the boating life on this key river.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

  
Bernard Armstrong  
Harbor Management Commission  
Greenwich CT 06830

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# Barbara H. Golden

104 Cove Street  
New Haven, CT 06512-4304

Telephone  
203-467-7136

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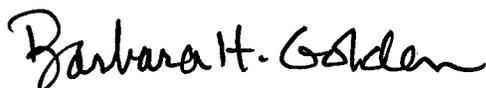
October 1, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms Quinn,

As a resident of New Haven, CT, living in the Morris Cove section situated on New Haven Harbor, I want you to know that I oppose the USACE's plan to dump in New Haven Harbor. I beseech you to develop a plan with the state of Connecticut to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and find an acceptable way to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I have lived in this neighborhood for over 30 years with my family and it is imperative to my health and my family's health that our water be unpolluted and safe. Dumping does not make this possible. The water in New Haven Harbor belongs to all of the people who live on long Island sound and all the people who enjoy and visit New Haven Harbor. And, it belongs to all the animal life that live off the water and in the water that we have a responsibility to protect. Please do everything you can to create an environmentally sound alternative to dumping.

Yours Sincerely,



Barbara H. Golden

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

1 October 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn and all involved,

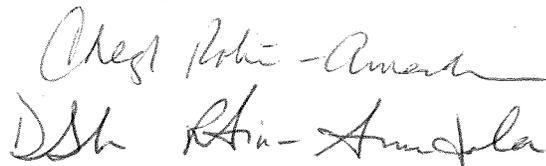
Please be advised that as concerned citizens we are in favor of having an interdisciplinary committee formed that makes decisions based on unbiased well researched, scientific evidence on how to dispose of questionably and/or known contaminated materials in or around this state. I further suggest that the best, but not always most cost effective method to dispose of the material be utilized to dispose of said material. There are methods of reusing these materials, detoxifying them utilizing bio-remediation, and other more wise and potentially more useful things that can be done with contaminated manmade materials.

We all have to live here. We cannot create a cesspool out of our living space and we certainly cannot leave a toilet to our children and grandchildren. Improper disposal of our used material will affect the entire eco-chain. Many people depend on Long Island Sound for livelihoods, recreation, transportation, commerce, etc. To destroy or render it uninhabitable for marine life, safe use by people for boating, swimming, fishing, etc. would be criminal.

As citizens, we recycle as much as we possibly can, own hybrid cars, compost, have a garden, preserve our produce and vote. We practice what we preach. We expect our governing bodies to do the same to preserve this planet.

With these facts and statements in mind, we are requesting that no dredged materials be dumped into Long Island Sound from any source, and certainly not moved from one contaminated site to contaminate another.

Respectfully yours,



Cheryl Robin-Amendola  
Deborah Robin-Amendola  
340 Townsend Ave.  
New Haven, CT 06512  
203-466-8293

James Meek  
32 Girard Avenue  
New Haven, CT 06512

October 1, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
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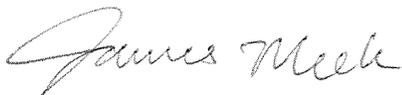
Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a new resident to the East Shore neighborhood of New Haven, I am concerned about the Army Corps plans to dump dredge materials in the Long Island Sound. One of the reasons for making the decision to purchase a home in this neighborhood is the proximity of the Long Island Sound and the recent efforts to clean up the Sound and make it a resource for the community. While dredging is important to keep shipping channels open and improves the utility of the Sound's harbors and shipping channels, dumping the dredging waste in the sound instead of supporting a program of environmentally sound reuse seems to be short sighted. Please reconsider the policy of dumping dredging waste in the sound in favor of more environmentally sound policies of reuse.

I look forward to hearing from you in writing about your position on this important environmental issue for residents of Connecticut and New York.

Thank you for your efforts to keep the Long Island Sound a vibrant resource for the community of New Haven and all residents of Connecticut and New York.

Sincerely,

  
James Meek

**PATRICIA D. DENNIS  
7 RIVER ROAD UNIT 309  
COS COB, CT 06807**

October 1, 2015,

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a resident living on the Mianus River whose boating pleasure is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access, commerce and safety. Low tide currently provides only 4 feet or less of water in a narrow passage that is beginning to make the cruising of pleasure boats dangerous. Currently, there are four rowing clubs among whose clientele are children and whose safety is a concern when the tides are low.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan. Private and public boat clubs have provided their own dredging at considerable cost in the past few years only to have the public waterway silt close in our dock areas once again.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Patricia D. Dennis

October 1, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

This letter is to make known our strong opposition to the plan to dump dangerous dredged materials into open water areas of Long Island Sound. Although it's obviously a necessity to perform dredging to keep waterways navigable, there has to be a more environmentally safe way to dispose of the materials.

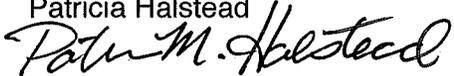
One location which has been mentioned for dumping these materials is the "borrow pit" in Morris Cove which is part of New Haven harbor. This is particularly worrying to us as it's our back yard and an area of much recreational use including swimming.

Some have proposed reusing these materials for beneficial purposes such as capping landfills and filling in abandoned mines. We urge you to develop a plan to phase out open water dumping of these harmful materials that will affect the lives of many coastal residents by contaminating water that after many years is showing evidence of rejuvenation.

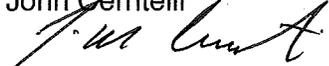
Please let us know that you also believe this is a dangerous practice and that we can count on your office to help keep Long Island Sound a safe and clean place for us all.

With our thanks,

Patricia Halstead



John Cerritelli



30 Cove Street

New Haven, CT 06512

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28 Ridge Road, PO Box 3446  
Groton Long Point, CT 06340  
October 1, 2015

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Concord, MA 01742

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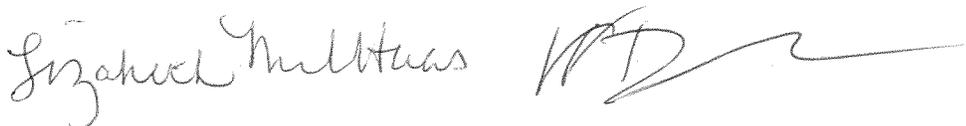
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We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and we fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work with this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Lizabeth McLean Haas      William D. Haas

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

*Chris Lee*

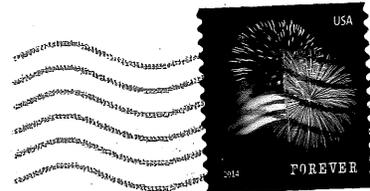
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*Andrew Levine*

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Meghan Quinn

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LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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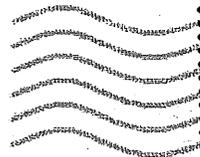
Sincerely,

Sandra Lewin Date 10/1/15

Sandra Lewin  
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Meghan Quinn

**Susan P. Vessicchio**  
**66 Pope Street**  
**New Haven, CT 06512-3654**  
**(203) 467-1532**  
**Email: [susancarolpvess@aol.com](mailto:susancarolpvess@aol.com)**

**October 1, 2015**

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**  
**c/o Meghan Quinn**  
**LIS DMMP Project Manager**  
**696 Virginia Rd.**  
**Concord, VA 01742**

**RE: Dumping Plan-Long Island Sound**

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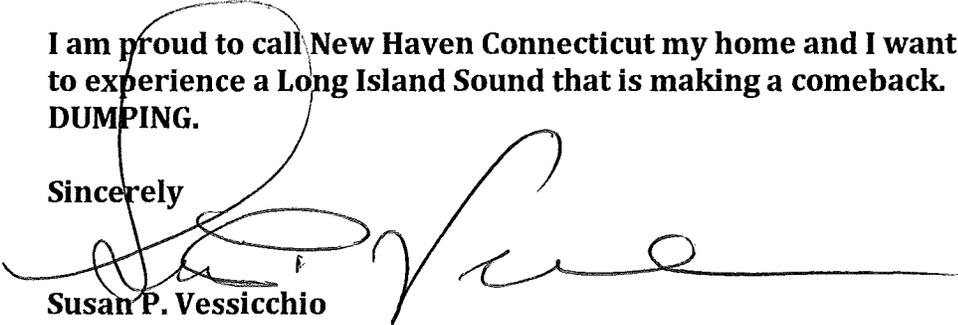
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**Dredged materials can be reused as beach nourishment, constructing wetland, capping landfills, and filling in abandoned mines among some.**

**Open water dumping of dredged material is unnecessary and dangerous. Studies have shown that open water dumping can increase harmful nitrogen loading and correlates with elevated levels of toxins found in aquatic life.**

**I am proud to call New Haven Connecticut my home and I want to continue to experience a Long Island Sound that is making a comeback. Please NO DUMPING.**

**Sincerely**

  
**Susan P. Vessicchio**

**Anthony P. Vessicchio**  
66 Pope Street  
New Haven, CT 06512-3654  
(203) 467-1532  
Email:anthonyvess@aol.com

**October 1, 2015**

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c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, VA 01742**

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October 1, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Re: Dumping of Dredged Materials in Morris Cove

Dear Ms. Quinn:

As residents of Morris Cove, New Haven, Connecticut, we strongly oppose any plans to dump toxic-contaminated dredged materials into Morris Cove New Haven Harbor or anywhere in Long Island Sound. We strongly urge you and the USACoE to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of such dredged materials and instead reuses these materials in other ways that are more environmentally-sound and could even be beneficial (such as using dredged materials to cap landfills and fill abandoned mines). A healthy Long Island Sound is crucial to the economy of Connecticut and the well-being of its residents and visitors. Please respond to this letter in writing to confirm receipt and let us know your respond.

Sincerely,  
Neil and Colleen Olinski  
416 Lighthouse Road, New Haven, CT 06512

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Neil and Colleen Olinski".

October 1, 2015

To: US Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

Ms. Quinn:

As a concerned resident of the Morris Cove area of New Haven, CT, I urge the USACE to end the dumping in Long Island Sound. Please find a way to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping and reuses these materials in a safe manner.

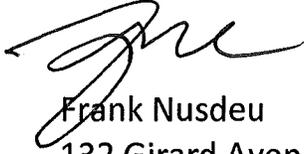
Respectfully,



Melissa Talhelm

October 1, 2015

Stop dumping stuff into Long Island Sounds!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank Nusdeu', written in a cursive style.

Frank Nusdeu  
132 Girard Avenue  
New Haven, CT 06512

10/1/15

## USACE:

- Develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.
- Stop polluting Morris Cove.

Lou Moretti  
270 Lighthouse Rd, New Haven CT 06572

Louis Moretti

October 1, 2015

Stop dumping stuff into Long Island Sounds!

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Richard Hibbard

132 Girard Avenue

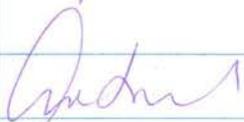
New Haven, CT 06512

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TO: US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

I oppose your plan to dump  
in Long Island Sound. Please  
develop a plan that will phase  
out open water dumping of dredged  
materials + reuse these materials in  
a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you for keeping my  
beliefs and understanding their  
importance.



Anna Smith

68 Ley St

New Haven, CT 06512

Oct 1, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineering:

Stop dumping toxic waste

in Morris Cove and

Long Island Sound.

Ann Marie Apicella  
48 Ley St  
New Haven, Ct. 06512

Oct. 1, 2015

To: US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn

Please stop Tuffe Dumping.  
We need a healthy Long Island Sound

Signed

Maurice Tedesco  
343 Townsend Ave.  
New Haven 06512



Margaret Ottenbreit  
84 Fort Hale Rd.  
New Haven, CT 06512

10-1-15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Concord, MA.

Dear Sirs:

Please do not dump toxic waste in our harbor.

We here in New Haven, Thorn's Cove,  
Love our waters and want to continue to  
enjoy a clean, healthy and beautiful  
Long Island Sound.

Marge Ottenbreit

October 1, 2015

34 Morse Place  
New Haven, CT 06512

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Guinn  
LIS DMM? Program Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear USACE

We oppose your plans to dump  
in Long Island Sound! We would rather  
you develop a plan to phase out  
open water dumping of dredged materials  
and reuse these materials in a safe  
and beneficial way.

Thank you!

Sincerely

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Mr's Mrs' Salvatore Esposito

October 1, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

We are writing this letter to voice our opposition to the US Army Corps of Engineer's plan to dump toxic waste in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. We've lived on Long Island Sound for over 40 years and want it to continue to be healthy and vibrant for all its inhabitants.

Please respond in writing informing us of your position on this issue.

**DON'T DUMP TOXIC WASTE IN LONG ISLAND SOUND!**

Sincerely,

  
Robert Henry and Roberta Esposito

41 Pope Street

New Haven, CT 06512

Cc: Governor Dannel Malloy  
Senator Christopher Murphy  
Senator Richard Blumenthal

10-1-15

Stop Dumping in my  
backyard!

Paul Ober  
146 Fort Hale Rd  
New Haven, CT  
06512

10/1/15

Stop Dumping in my  
backyard!

Donna Paula Leto  
146 Fort Hall Rd  
New Haven, CT  
06512

To US Army Corp of Engineers

c/o

Megan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project MAN, 696 VIRGINIA RD  
CONCORD MA, 01742

I Robert Ferraiolo 134 Cove St  
New Haven, Ct 06512

Urge you not to DUMP  
IN MORRIS Cove I URGE  
you to FIND other ways  
of getting rid of dredged  
MATERIALS in a safe way

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

My family and I live less than a mile away from Long Island Sound. We oppose that waste is dumped in the Sound. This waste can be reused in other ways; one way is to fill the abandoned mines in Pennsylvania. These mines are dangerous and this danger can be eliminated if the waste is reused.

We urge your organization to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping. There is enough pollution in the United States, please don't add to it. We want our family to grow up healthy.

Thank you for your time and look forward to your response and position with this matter.  
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25 Pope Street, New Haven, CT 06512

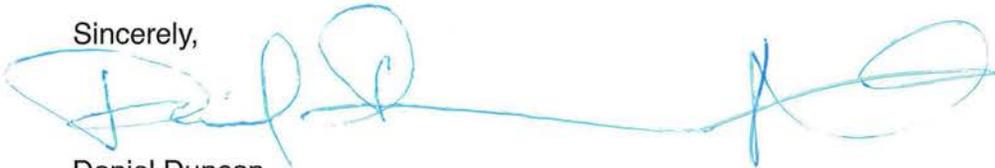
October 1, 2015

To USACE,

As new residents to Morris Cove, my family is against any dumping of dredged material into Long Island Sound. Please develop a new plan that will phase out this open water dumping and replace it with plans to reuse these materials in a safe method.

Please keep Long Island Sound healthy for us and especially our children. There is no greater time for environmental accountability. Please make this a priority and inform us of your position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Daniel Duncan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Daniel Duncan  
Beau Ruland  
24 Arden Street  
New Haven, CT 06512

Oct 1, 2015

I oppose the dumping into  
The L. I. Sound.

You should have a plan  
that phases out open water  
dumping of dredged materials  
and replaces these materials on a  
safe and beneficial way.

A healthy L I Sound is  
important for my children,  
their children and the  
entire "world" community.

Thank you for your  
response!

M. Spri  
56 Village Cut  
Weston CT 06897

Oct 1, 2015

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The L I Sound.

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children their children and  
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Thank you for your response.

M. Spier  
56 Village Ct  
Wilton CT 06897

10-1-15

To: Meghan Quinn  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

I strongly oppose the plans to dump dredged materials into the Long Island Sound. There must be a better way to reuse these discarded materials in a better and safe way. The Sound has been involved in major cleanup over the past decades. Don't let these plans ruin the cleansing process!!

Thank you

Paul Bryan  
31 Rose St  
Farmingdale , NY 11735



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

10/1/15

I oppose your plan to dump in the  
Long Island Sound. Please find a way  
to phase out open dumping and  
re-use these materials in a more safe  
and beneficial way.

I can see the Sound from where I live  
and would hate if the quality of it was  
compromised.

Karen Fowler  
New Haven, CT  
5 Ira St. 06512

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742 Dear Ms.

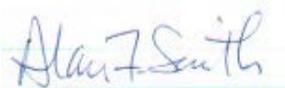
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I believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood. I believe any potential environmental impact is balanced by the economic and recreational benefit to the coastline of Connecticut.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

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Sincerely yours,

Alan F. Smith

6 Cranberry Lane

Granby CT 06035

A-2A-1068

Edgar M. Lear  
3 Kettle Close  
Westerly, RI 02891

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

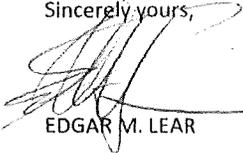
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Sincerely yours,



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## Kaminski, Mike NAE

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**From:** Fred Camillo [rep.camillo151@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2015 9:54 AM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support of plan to dredge and open-water placement of material...

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England Division  
Att: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn...

Environmental protection, quality of life, and commerce are all things associated with shoreline communities. When sediments and debris build up to a point where all three of the aforementioned issues are affected, dredging becomes the only answer. In Cos Cob Harbor, dredging has been needed for several years.

I fully support the recommendation of the Army Corps of Engineers for continued open-water placement of materials in the four current locations as part of the overall plan. Open-water placement is the least harmful solution for the environment as well as the most economically viable.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Fred Camillo  
State Representative  
151st District

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37 Gray Street

Monroe, CT 06468

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn,

Our Long Island Sound is beautiful and provides us with important fish products. Dumping dredging materials will spoil what we ~~was~~ have. Please rethink what you are doing. Find another way to dispose of these materials in a safer, better way.

Sincerely,  
*Barbara Mickut*  
Barbara Mickut

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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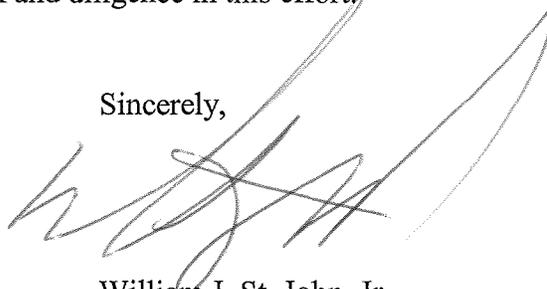
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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely,

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William J. St. John, Jr.  
22 Kettletown Woods Road  
Southbury, CT 06488

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a citizen of Connecticut enjoyment of the navigational access of the sound, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

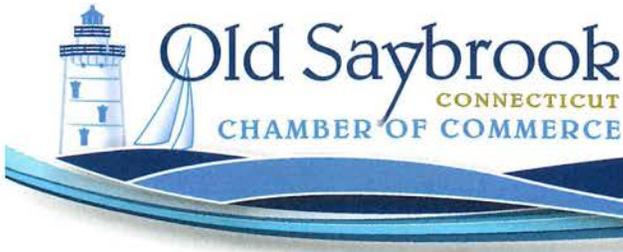
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Carol Willson  
Cos Cob, CT

C A Willson  
34 Ridge Road  
Cos Cob, CT 06807

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Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn,

The Old Saybrook Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors supports the draft Dredged Material Management Plan. Dredging is vital to our economy and to ensure public access to our waterways.

This scientific plan currently under review after a decade of preparation clearly shows that open-water disposal is the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of the dredged material. There are four current disposal locations; access to these placement sites is critical.

Old Saybrook is a beautiful place to live, work and play and our waterways are a critical component.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

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Judy S. Sullivan  
Executive Director  
Old Saybrook Chamber of Commerce

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# R.M. Harris

105 River Rd.  
Cos Cob, CT 06807  
(203) 661-1887

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn

As a lifelong boater and Greenwich, CT resident, navigational access, dredging are critical to our harbors for reaction, and commerce.

All scientific plans show that open-water disposal is the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound.

Access to placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

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R.M. Harris



# TOWN OF GROTON

## OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

MARK R. OEFINGER, AICP  
TOWN MANAGER  
MOEFINGER@GROTON-CT.GOV

45 FORT HILL ROAD, GROTON, CONNECTICUT 06340  
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September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
ATTN: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Megan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

SUBJECT: Draft Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound

Dear Ms. Quinn:

We are writing today on behalf of the Town of Groton, Connecticut, in support of the above-noted draft plan that was released on August 17, 2015. The Town of Groton, which is known as the "Submarine Capital of the World" is proud to be home to the U.S. Submarine Base, Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, scores of marinas and boatyards, and hundreds of boat slips and moorings along the Thames River, the Mystic River, and Fishers Island Sound. As such, the Town of Groton has a long history and strong ties to the maritime industry and greatly values and relies on Long Island Sound and its tributaries for both economic development and recreational uses. Approval of the Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) and the Programmatic Environmental Impact State (PEIS) for Long Island Sound would have a positive impact on the state, the region, and the Town including many of its businesses and residents.

As presented, the plan ensures that both economic development and recreational uses would be able to maintain the required channels at a reasonable cost thus ensuring their long-term viability. It is our strong opinion that the proposed plan takes a rational and reasoned approach to the handling of the materials that will be generated by future needed dredging operations. Groton has long been considered the "economic breadbasket" of southeastern Connecticut and would help ensure that existing water-dependent uses, be they industrial, commercial, or recreational in nature, will continue to exist and thrive.

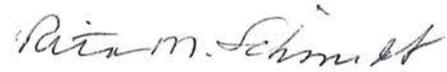
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Megan Quinn  
September 30, 2015  
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In closing, we respectfully request that the Army Corps of Engineers approve the draft DMMP. Thank you for this opportunity to provide input, and if you have any comments and/or questions concerning our comments, or would like additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Mark R. Oefinger, Town Manager, at 860-441-6633.

Sincerely,



Rita M. Schmidt  
Mayor



Mark R. Oefinger, AICP  
Town Manager

RMS/MRO:nb

cc: Congressman Joseph Courtney  
Senator Christopher Murphy  
Senator Richard Blumenthal

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# TOWN OF OLD LYME

## OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

52 Lyme Street  
Old Lyme, CT 06371  
[www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov)  
Tel. (860) 434-1605  
Fax (860) 434-1400

Sept. 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I join our Governor, our full Congressional delegation, the CT Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection, surrounding local Chambers of Commerce and nearby communities in support of the Army Corps of Engineers' Dredge Material Management Plan. As has been articulated, Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredging needs. As a community bordered by the Long Island Sound and the Connecticut River, we respect the unique environment, strive to protect it, and prioritize access for all. There are so many local small businesses that rely on accessibility to the waterways, and are the fabric of our community, and are an integral part of the character that we all enjoy.

The Army Corps of Engineers has completed a comprehensive study that addresses concerns, balances the needs of all, and allows dredging to continue in a cost-effective and environmentally respectful manner, through continued open-water placement of approved material in the four current locations.

I appreciate the diligence of the ACOE and fully support their recommendation for the Dredge Material Management Plan.

Sincerely,

Bonnie A. Reemsnyder  
First Selectwoman

CC: Selectmen

**From:** [parks.sm.CRISHelp](mailto:parks.sm.CRISHelp)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](mailto:Quinn.Meghan.C.NAE)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: Concerned with SHPO Consultation Token (UNCLASSIFIED)  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 30, 2015 1:05:55 PM

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Meghan,

Tim Lloyd, one of SHPO's archaeological reviewers, entered materials related to the Draft DMMP and PEIS for Long Island Sound into CRIS with you as the primary contact. Any submitted materials we receive by mail are entered into CRIS by SHPO staff so that SHPO may track and review them. You received the automatically generated token email that is sent after a project's contacts are entered in the submission process.

Tim signed off on this submission with No Response Needed; he had no comments in response to the Public Notice dated August 14, 2015, or to any of the accompanying materials. If you have questions for Tim, you may contact him at Timothy.Lloyd@parks.ny.gov or 518-268-2186.

The CRIS project number for this submission is 15PR05612. You may view the project details as follows:

1. Click or browse to the following URL: Blocked<https://cris.parks.ny.gov>
1. At the CRIS Legal Disclaimer, click I Agree to proceed.
2. Click Proceed as Guest to open the guest interface.
3. Under Find My Project, select I know my Submission Token.
4. Paste the 12-character token (in this case, 8DXRNT88A7F9) in the Token field.
5. Click the Search button (just below the Token field). The project details should open within a few seconds.

If you have any other questions, please let us know!

Matthew W. Shepherd, MLIS  
Historic Preservation Specialist/Digital Information

New York State Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation

-----Original Message-----

From: Quinn, Meghan C NAE [<mailto: Meghan.C.Quinn@usace.army.mil>]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 11:34 AM  
To: parks.sm.CRISHelp  
Cc: Keegan, Michael F NAE; mark.l.habel@usace.army.mil  
Subject: Concerned with SHPO Consultation Token (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED  
Caveats: NONE

To whom it may concern:

I do not know why I received the email below from this CRIS tool. I would like to know who submitted my email into the CRIS tool and when it was submitted.

Regards,

Meghan Quinn, P.E.

Project Manager  
USACE - NAE - PP - C | Concord, MA  
(978)318-8179 (o) | (978)854-3869 (c)  
[meghan.c.quinn@usace.army.mil](mailto:meghan.c.quinn@usace.army.mil)

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-----Original Message-----

From: New York State Parks CRIS Application [<mailto:cris.web@parks.ny.gov>]

Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 2:59 PM

To: Quinn, Meghan C NAE

Subject: [EXTERNAL] SHPO Consultation Token

Thank you for contacting the New York State Historic Preservation Office. Your project has been assigned the following 12 character token to help manage your submission: 8DXRNT88A7F9. This token provides the CRIS user with the opportunity to return and complete their submission at a later date.

Sincerely,

New York State Historic Preservation Office

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Please note that this email does NOT require any action on your part at this time. You are receiving this email as part of an online service recently launched by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's Division for Historic Preservation, also known as the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). This new Cultural Resources Information System (CRIS) is an advanced Geographic Information System program, which provides access to New York State's vast historic and cultural resource databases and now digitized paper records. In addition, the new system serves as an interactive portal for agencies, municipalities and the public who use or require consultation with our agency on historic preservation programs or issues.

Our email to you is in direct response to material that was submitted to our office regarding a project that you were identified as the primary contact for. Such projects include actions that are reviewable by our agency under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Section 106), the New York State Historic Preservation Act (Section 14.09 NYSRHP), or the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

If you did not enter this project directly into CRIS, you are receiving this notification as our office has entered it into our system. You will receive future correspondence for this submission via e-mail.

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

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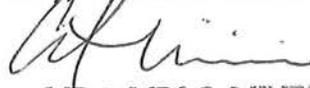
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September 30, 2015

Dear U.S. Army of Engineers

I urge you to stop with your plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS. I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material in a safe way instead of open water dumping. I am an active fisherman in the long island sound and consume my catch as my father did. The LIS is a key part of my community and any type of disruption would hurt the local economy. Please send back a response so I know what future steps I must take to comply with the outcome.

Sincerely, Gaetano Minervini and family



MR & MRS G. MINERVINI  
30 GAYNOR AVENUE  
NESCONSET, NY  
11767-1828

9/30/15

US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Please do not dump into the  
Long Island Sound.

Please develop a plan that phases out  
open water dumping of dredged materials  
and reuse these materials in a  
safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

Diane Byrd  
29 Dorchester Rd  
Smithtown NY  
11787

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

It has come to my attention that there is a plan to dump dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. As a native New Yorker and the mother of two boys, I urge you to develop a plan that will phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial manner.

Thank you for your time,

Susan DellaPace  
4 Gemini Lane  
Nesconset, NY 11767

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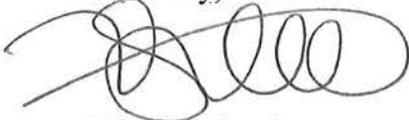
September 30, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Sir or Madam:

I want it to be heard that I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. I have grown up on Long Island, and I treasure its beauty and the bounty of its environment and waters. The open water dumping of dredged materials has got to stop. My husband fishes these waters and the nitrogen levels are polluting them. The fish kills and algae blooms are a direct result of the high toxic levels of nitrogen, due to the dumping. The materials can be reused. Please hear my voice and act, for my children and theirs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nicole Spiegel', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the left.

Nicole Spiegel

19 Draine Ct.  
West Concord MA 01767

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

We absolutely oppose of the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

We grew up swimming in the Long Island Sound and would like the same for future generations.

Diane and Joseph Zach  
15 Brooks Ave  
Nesconset NY 11767

FW by CCE · 30 Sept 15

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

I am writing you this letter to let you know that I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Being born and raised here going the Sound with my children I respect the Long Island Sound and urge you to please stop using the Sound as a dumping ground for dredge material and please come up with another course of action. So we can bestow a cleaner Long Island Sound to next generation to come. There has to be a better way.

Sincerely  
Kelly Farrell  
67 Sunny Rd  
St. James, NY  
11780

FW by CCE - 30 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manger

My name is William Berroyer, I have been a boater on the long island sound for over 40 years.

I have watched the waters of the sound become almost uninhabitable for marine life over the years.

In the past couple of years signs of marine life returning have been very enjoyable. For the first time in years people have been talking about the improvement and hope for a return to the great marine environment the long island sound once was.

Now the possibility of dumping in the long island sound is threatening to reverse any gains. For what, to save a few bucks. The people behind this should be considered criminal's, and people allowing it should be ashamed.

I am very much opposed to dumping in the long island sound.

William Berroyer

10 Bella Ct.

Nesconset, N.Y.

FW by CCE  
30 Sept 15

TO U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA. 01742

We oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound, urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these ~~materials~~ materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Rosemarie Martone

3 Cortland Row  
Smithtown NY 11787

U.S Army Corps of Engineers

FW by CCE  
30 Sept 15

C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DUMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Ma. 01742

We Oppose Their plan to Dump in LIS!  
Develop a plan that Phases out open water  
dumping of dredged Materials and reuses  
these materials in a safe and beneficial  
way.

3 Cortland Row  
Smithtown NY 11787

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Cristina Marlow

FW by CCE - 30 Sept 15

Dear USACE

I am a resident of Long Island and a citizen of the United States. I urge you to reconsider your plan to dump dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. In this modern age of building sustainable systems and technologies it is in your interest to develop methods that phase out open water dumping. Please reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

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27 Dorchester Rd.  
Smithtown, NY 11787

FW by CCE - 30 Sept 15

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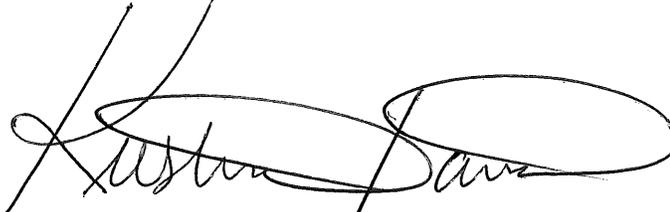
Lauren

27 Dorchester Rd.  
Smithtown NY 11787

FW by CCE - 30 Sept 15

Dear USACE

I am a resident of Long Island and a citizen of the United States. I urge you to reconsider your plan to dump dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. In this modern age of building sustainable systems and technologies it is in your interest to develop methods that phase out open water dumping. Please reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

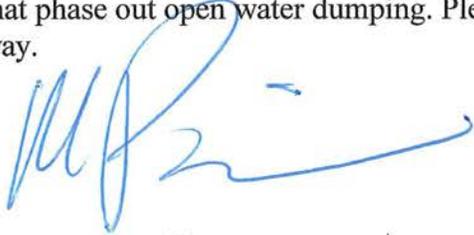
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27 Dorchester Rd.  
Smithtown, Rd. 11787

Fw by CCE - 30 Sept 15

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27 Dorchester Rd.  
Smithtown, Rd. 11787

FW by CCE -30 Sept 15

To The US Army Corps of Engineers,

Please consider developing a new plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and find a way to dispose or reuse these materials in a safe way.

If we continue to disregard the lands and oceans as we have been, we won't have a planet to worry about it on. We only get one shot at this – we need to take care of the planet that cares for us.

We are slowly seeing the effects of our disregard for the Earth as species die off and others run rampant. Whether global warming is real or imagined there are real effects we are feeling due to our (the human race) total disregard for all things living. There has to be a better way.

Thank you for your time,

Candace & Vanessa Cruz



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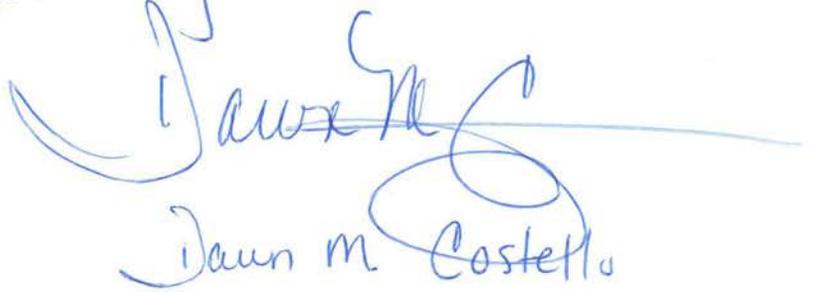
Dear Meghan Quinn,

I strongly oppose the plan  
to dump in Long Island Sound.

Please keep our water clean  
and safe.

Once again I strongly oppose the  
USACE plan.

Sincerely

  
Dawn M. Costello

Please let me know your view

Date 9/30/15

To The USACE,

Please allow my family and young children to enjoy our sound safely. I am writing to inform you of our opposition of your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. We urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and to rather ~~reuse~~ reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. We urge you to evaluate and address the concerns of pollution to our water and further review beneficial reuse options.

Sincerely,  
Sophie Wood  
Wilton CT

Paul Soley  
64 West Meadow Road  
Wilton, CT 06897

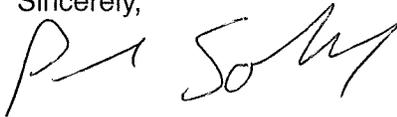
September 30, 2015

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I write in support of the Citizens Campaign For The Environment and the fight against dumping harmful chemicals into the Long Island Sound. I strongly urge you to discontinue this practice and seek solutions to clean up the Sound and provide better stewardship of our state.

I will be writing our governor and senators as well expressing my concerns for lack of better over site and stewardship.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Soley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and "S".

Paul Soley

Carol Angotta  
10 Village Court  
Wilton, CT 06897

September 30, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

This letter is in reference to dumping plan for the Long Island Sound. I grew up on Long Island and spent my childhood swimming there. In 1998, I moved to Connecticut. I have raised my 3 children here and have taken them swimming in the Sound as well. It has been brought to my attention that there will be dumping of dredged material in the sound. This will obviously be an environmental concern for many reasons. The toxins that will be emitted would be very hazardous to wild life and humans. Please consider re-using the material instead of dumping it into open water.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carol Angotta". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Carol Angotta

John Myers  
36 Grumman Hill Road  
Wilton, CT 06897

September 30, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am concerned that the draft DMMP of August 2015 will result in irreparable damage to Long Island Sound. Please do not allow further degradation of the water quality in this important and beautiful resource for local residents and the nation.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Myers', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

John Myers

Jennifer Ahern  
10 High Ridge Road  
Wilton, CT 06897

9/30/15

U.S.Army Corps of Engineers  
c/- Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

**STOP DUMPING WASTE IN THE LONG ISLAND  
SOUND!**

Six members of my household are in agreement  
with this statement. Save the Sound. DON'T  
destroy it.



Jennifer Ahern  
Wilton, CT

**From:** [mullanyba@gmail.com](mailto:mullanyba@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 30, 2015 11:34:10 PM

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The Long Island Sound is an estuary of national significance, with millions of people living in and around its watershed. It is unacceptable to allow the continued dumping of contaminated dredged material in this important water body.

In 2005, New York and Connecticut agreed to phase out dredge dumping and requested that the Army Corps develop a Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) focusing on beneficial reuse and sustainable solutions. This agreement was supported by the public and was a critical step toward protecting our beloved waterway. However, the draft DMMP fails to deliver on that promise and instead allows for another 30 years of dirty dredge dumping.

I oppose the continued dumping of contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound and urge the Army Corps of Engineers to honor the original agreement and focus on beneficial reuse options as an alternative.

This DMMP took ten years to complete and, with the supporting documents, totals over 1,000 pages. Yet, the draft was only released one week before the initial public hearings, and we were given a comment period of less than 2 months. The Long Island Sound is a public asset, and we deserve adequate time to read through this document and give substantive feedback. I urge the Army Corps of Engineers to extend the comment period to 120 days.

B Greenwood  
12 Wysocki Ct  
Nesconset, NY 11767

**GENNARO IAGALLO  
11 LARCHMONT DRIVE  
HOPEWELL JUNCTION, N.Y. 12533**

September 29, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

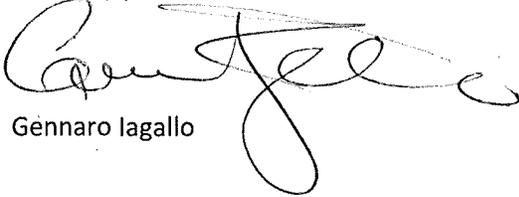
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Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Gennaro Iagallo

U.S. Department of  
Homeland Security

United States  
Coast Guard



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United States Coast Guard  
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212 Coast Guard Drive  
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**29 SEP 2015**

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the *Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound*. I have reviewed the document and offer the following comments as outlined in enclosure (1).

Our comments are limited to those harbors of Milton Harbor NY and points west; and Glen Cove Creek and Glen Cove Harbor and points west. These harbors are located within the jurisdiction of USCG Sector New York as codified at 33 CFR 3.05-30 Sector New York Marine Inspection Zone and Captain of the Port Zone. Additional site specific comments will be provided when the USACE NY District issues public notices for the specific maintenance dredging projects.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Jeff Yunker at (718) 354-4195.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "W. M. Grossman, USCG".

W. M. GROSSMAN  
Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Coast Guard  
Chief, Waterways Management Division  
By direction

Enclosure (1): USCG Sector New York comments: DMMP and PEIS for Long Island Sound

Copy: CCGDONE(dpw), CG SECLIS(spw)  
USACE NY District Eastern Permits and Operations Support Branch

USCG Captain of the Port New York Comments: DMMP and PEIS for Long Island Sound

**Comment to Chapter 1, Paragraph 1.2.4 Other Federal Agency Dredging Activity on page 1-11**

The DMMP should identify Coast Guard Station Kings Point as being co-located at the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, NY. Kings Point is within the jurisdiction of Coast Guard Sector New York.

**Comment to Table 1-3 LIS Dredging Centers on page 1-26**

The Port Chester/Rye Area Dredging Center is located within USCG Sector NY's and USCG Sector LIS's jurisdiction.

**Comment to Chapter 3, Paragraph 3.20.4 Military Installations**

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**Comment to Chapter 5, Paragraph 5.18 Manhasset and Little Neck Bays Area Dredging Center**

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**From:** [Ned Farman](#)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DMMP LIS Public Comment  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 29, 2015 11:20:11 AM

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Ms. Quinn: I serve as Vice-Chair of the Old Lyme, CT Harbor Management Commission and as a member of the Connecticut Harbor Management Assn. Since 2009 I have led our municipal effort to dredge two non-federal waterways, the Four Mile and Black Hall Rivers, in the interest of environmental protection and safe boating access to Long Island Sound. Having been permitted by CT DEEP and ACE and funded by CT DOT, we plan to deposit 23,000 cubic yards of dredged material at the Central LIS site at a cost of \$70 per yard.

I strongly support the recommendation of the UConn Avery Pt. scientific team to re-open the New London disposal site, and maintain the Central and Western LIS sites beyond 2016. The \$8 billion recreational boating industry's survival in CT depends on addressing siltation and having disposal sites that are not cost prohibitive. It has been amply demonstrated that, properly conducted, LIS disposal sites pose no harm to the environment.

September 29, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to back the Army Corps of Engineers recommendation to continue to allow the use of the four current locations designated as open water disposal sites for dredge material in Long Island Sound.

Many of the harbors along the Connecticut coastline are in need of dredging in the near and not so distant future. Being able to dispose of clean dredge material in fairly close proximity to where the dredging is taking place is an important factor in keeping dredging economically possible. The need to transport the material long distances will make dredging financially impossible for many towns and cities. The negative economic impact of dwindling recreational and commercial access to our channels and harbors will be a harsh blow to the Connecticut economy at a time when the state can't afford it.

Thanks to all in your group for your efforts to inject common sense into the discussions taking place.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard C. Loh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Richard C. Loh  
8 Nimitz Place  
Old Greenwich, CT 06870

September 29, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my concern and opposition to dumping of dredge spoils into the Long Island Sound.

I am a lifelong resident and boater in the waters surrounding Long Island. During my childhood dolphins, lobster and schools of fish were a common sight throughout the sound. As the human population grew, and dumping and runoff affected the sound, the marine species suffered and diminished. Through education and the creation of effective anti-pollution laws, the sound has become healthier. In the past months I have seen beluga whales, pods of dolphin even humpback whales in the sound, an awesome sight! Their presence is an indication of the increasing health of the waterway.

It is puzzling how one governmental agency (the DEC) can be so concerned about the 20 gallon holding tank in my boat, while another (the USACE) can recommend dumping millions of cubic yards of contaminated spoils into the sound. Another example is the DEC requiring the Long Island town, Islip, to truck contaminated soil off of Long Island. It seems ridiculous that it is trucked off of the island only to have spoils equally contaminated dumped into our northern body of water only to wash up on our shores, kill marine life and close beaches. The four dumping sites are no more than 10 miles from a shoreline; in fact, at its widest point, the Sound is only 20 miles wide.

It is my understanding that in 2005 the states of New York and Connecticut agreed to phase out open water dumping and that the USACE was requested to create a Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) to phase out open water dumping in the Sound. What happened? Where is the alternate plan? Please don't tell me it isn't cost effective to truck dredged spoils or find an alternate positive use for them.

The health and use of the Long Island Sound is important to everyone that lives on Long Island and the states and towns bordering it. I plan to share this incredible resource with my grandchildren. Please do not allow it to be used as a garbage dump rendering it pretty to look at but unusable.

Please do not allow dumping of spoils into the Long Island Sound to continue. There are better alternatives.

Sincerely yours,



Charles Judson  
22 Croft Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787



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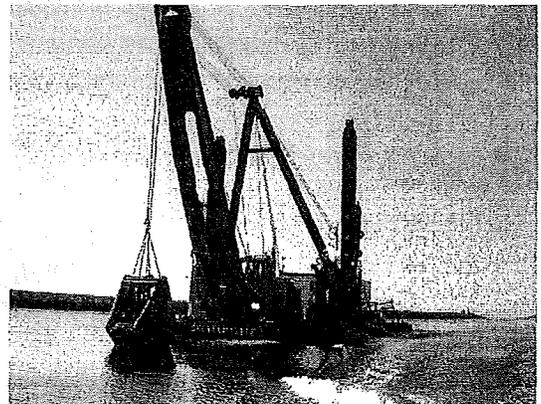
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## Stop Dumping In Long Island Sound *Long Island Sound is Not a Landfill!*

The Long Island Sound is an Estuary of National Significance, generating \$17-\$36 billion into our regional economy annually. The Sound is home to more than 120 species of finfish and countless varieties of birds and other animals. The federal government, NY, CT, and local municipalities have spent millions of dollars to protect and restore the Sound. Recently there has been an increase of bunker fish, while beluga whales and pods of dolphins have been documented in the Sound—all signs that restoration efforts are working!

### Dumping of Dredged Material Threatens the Sound

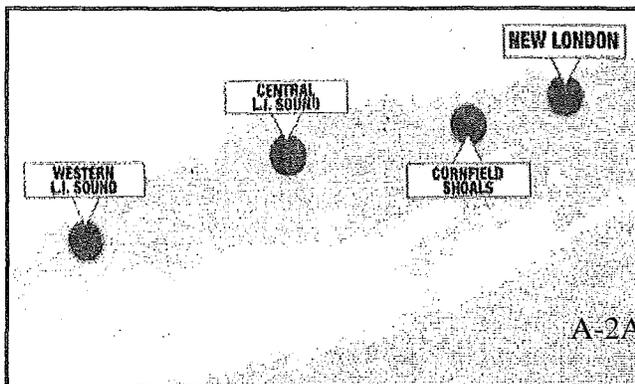
Unfortunately, the progress to restore the Sound remains threatened by open water dumping of harmful dredged material. While dredging is necessary to maintain navigable waterways and harbors, open water dumping of dredged material is unnecessary and dangerous. Studies have shown that open water dumping can increase harmful nitrogen loading and correlates with elevated levels of toxins found in aquatic life.



### NY and CT Agreed to Phase Out Dumping in the Sound a Decade Ago!

In 2005, NY and CT agreed that they would phase out open water dumping and begin to look at dredged material as a resource and not a waste product. Under this agreement, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) was requested to create a Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP), or a blueprint to phase out open water dumping in the Sound while outlining a robust and environmentally sound beneficial reuse program.

**Instead, the draft DMMP released by the USACE in August of 2015 is a long term plan to continue using our Long Island Sound as a dumping ground for dredged materials!** An



estimated 17 million cubic yards of dredged material has already been dumped in LIS. This plan seeks to allow an additional 30-50 million cubic yards to be dumped over the next 30 years. Instead of reusing the dredged material, the proposed plan seeks to dump dredged material in four locations in the Sound: Western LIS Site, Central LIS Site, Cornfield Shoals Site, and New London Site. We need to tell USACE and elected officials that Long Island Sound is NOT a landfill!

**Beneficial Reuse: An Environmentally-Sound Alternative**

Dredged material can be reused! Beneficial reuse options include, but are not limited to, beach nourishment, constructing wetlands, capping landfills, and filling in abandoned mines. For example, dredged material is needed to fill in over 3,000 abandoned mines Pennsylvania, which threaten public health. This option was ignored in the draft plan.

**Major Problems with the USACE Dumping Plan**

The USACE draft plan is solely based on what is cheap, easy, and convenient. The document fails to recognize the environmental impacts of open water dumping and the economic impacts dumping will have on the region. Major problems with the draft DMMP:

- ***Fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution.*** Nitrogen pollution in LIS contributes to fish kills and algal blooms, and millions of dollars have already been spent to reduce nitrogen in the Sound. In other estuaries, open water dumping of dredged materials has contributed significantly to nitrogen loading.
- ***Fails to address impacts of toxic contamination.*** Studies show contaminants have already been detected within and around the disposal sites, including elevated PCBs in fish and elevated copper in lobsters. USACE fails to address how dumping 30-50 million cubic yards of additional sediment will not add to this contamination.
- ***Ignores important beneficial reuse options.*** Beneficial reuse options such as beach nourishment, constructing wetlands, capping landfills and brownfield sites, and filling in abandoned mines were blatantly ignored in the draft plan.

**How you can help! Write a letter to the USACE, Governor Cuomo, Secretary of State, and Senator Gillibrand:**

- **Tell the USACE that you** oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.
- **Urge Governor Cuomo, Secretary of State, and Senator Gillibrand** to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years. Let them know you support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.
- Mention how important a healthy Long Island Sound is to you.
- Ask for a response in writing, informing you of their position.

<p><b>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers</b>  c/o Meghan Quinn  LIS DMMP Project Manager  696 Virginia Rd.  Concord, MA 01742</p>	<p><b>Hon. Andrew Cuomo</b>  NYS Governor  NYS Capital Building  Albany, NY 12224</p>
<p><b>Sec. of State Cesar Perales</b>  Department of State  One Commerce Plaza  99 Washington Ave,  Albany, NY 12231</p>	<p><b>Sen. Kristen Gillibrand</b>  US Senate  155 Pinelawn Road  Suite 250 North  Melville, NY 11747</p>

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To receive periodic updates on the LI Sound or other important environmental issues, please visit [www.citizenscampaign.org](http://www.citizenscampaign.org) and click on "Subscribe for Email Updates."



27 Nesconset Ave.  
Nesconset, N.Y. 11767  
Sept. 29, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Sir:

I strongly oppose your plan to dump into Long Island Sound. Open water dumping is harmful to fish and other wildlife. There must be a more beneficial way to use this material than dumping it into the Sound where people swim, fish, and enjoy.

Sincerely,  
Joan Bengtson



LIS DMP Project  
Manager

Meghan Quinn, Ughh!!

As a citizen of New  
Haven county, I am  
vehemently opposed to  
the Army Corp of Engineers  
plans to dump sludge  
in Long Island Sound!

Just as the sound is  
rebounding, there are  
plans to contaminate  
it again. The means  
of getting rid of the  
waste must be re-assessed.  
Surely, there is a more  
environmentally friendly  
way that engineers  
can construct!

Christine Chromiak  
Hamden, CT

Christine Chromiak  
Jeffrey Rhone  
153 Cannon St  
Hamden, CT 06518

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Meghan Quinn

LIS DMP Project Mgr.  
of Engineers

To: USACE, attn Meghan Quinn  
From Sofya Meushikov  
415 Booth Hill Rd  
Shelton, CT 06484

Hello,

This letter is to inform you, that I strongly oppose your plans to dump in Long Island Sound. Your organization should be developing a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I understand the economical reasons for your decisions, but please consider environmental impacts of your plans.

The healthy and clean Long Island Sound is important to all of us, who live in Connecticut, Greater NY area, and the entire New England!

Sincerely,

Sofya Meushikov

09/29/2015

9/22/15

Dear USACE c/o Meghan Quinn,

I oppose the USACE plan to dump dredged material into the Long Island Sound.

Sincerely  
Lindsey Antigon  
Juryka

17 Nesconset Ave  
Nesconset, NY 11767

US Army Corps of Engineers,  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

September 29, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing in regards to keeping our Long Island Sound clean. I am not only a resident of Long Island, but I am also a teacher on Long Island who teaches my students about preserving our waterways and keeping them clean.

I am opposed to your plan to dump in our Long Island Sound. I am urging you to please develop a different plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reusing these materials in a safer and more beneficial way.

It is very important to me as a teacher and as a mother to raise our children in a safe environment by having clean waters. I look forward to hearing back from you informing me on your position.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Nicole Villani

September 29, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia R.  
Concord, MA 01742

To whom it may concern:

I have recently been made aware of the situation regarding the dumping of toxic waste in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,



Amy Biondi  
49 Sunny Road  
Saint James, NY 11780

9-29-15

Dear USACE,

I am opposed to your plan to pump dredged material to the Long Island Sound. I support you trying to find a way to reuse these materials in a safe + beneficial way.

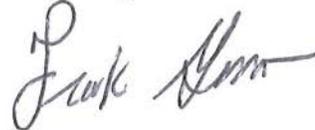
Sincerely  
John Tolst  
Monroe, Co

Sept. 29, 2015

To USACE,

I am writing this letter to voice my opposition to the plan to dump in Long island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I hope my voice will be heard and you will act on my recommendation.

Thank you

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Frank Genova

59 Ballaro Dr

Shelton CT 06484

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Sept. 29, 2015

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Frank Genova  
59 Ballaro St

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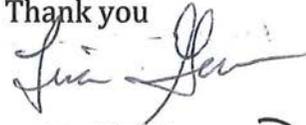
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Thank you



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Shelton CT. 06484

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28 Greenwood Lane  
Monroe, CT 06468  
Sept. 29, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

Having lived in lower Fairfield County our whole lives, the Long Island Sound has been very near and dear to our hearts for both swimming and fishing and it has been very encouraging to see that restoration efforts are working. It is very troubling, however, to read that the draft DMMP released by the USACF in August is a long term plan to continue using our Sound as a dumping ground for dredged materials! We are senior citizens with such fond memories and are very saddened to know that the younger generation and those to follow will not be able to enjoy it as we have if this continues.

We oppose the USACE plan to dump in Long Island Sound. A plan to phase out open water dumping of dredge materials must be developed so that these materials can be used in a safe and beneficial way. Save our beautiful Long Island Sound by opposing the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping for at least 30 years! We support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

Sincerely yours,

Anita Papp  
Louis Papp

Tyler Kekac  
55 Gray Street  
Shelton CT, 06484

29 September 2015

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Gov. Dannel P. Malloy, Sen. Chris Murphy,  
and Sen Richard Blumenthal,

Being a former member and organizer of the successful organization of the Citizen's Campaign for the Environment, with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and a minor in war strategy and international relations along with an MBA, I have just discovered this appalling news about the Army Core of Engineers, some of the best engineers on the planet, have decided to continue dumping dredge into the Long Island Sound, without reusing these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I strongly urge that you cease and desist these action immediately! The long island sound has enough pollution problems without the addition of dredge to the almost entirely toxic and murky waters created by pollution. This damage needs to be repaired and these actions show no attempt to repair this grotesque misuse of a valuable fishing resource for numerous state's economies, people, and the beauty of the land.

I would strongly appreciate a response in writing in regards to this matter informing me of your position to be sent to the address below:

Tyler Kekac  
55 Gray St  
Shelton CT, 06484

I look forward to hearing your responses and I hope your opinions are that based of intelligent future planning for the State's and the people you represent.

Sincerely,

Tyler Kekac



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9/29/15

To whom it may concern at the USACE,

As a resident of an area that is greatly affected by Long Island Sound, I am opposed to your plan to continue dumping dredged material into the sound. We enjoy fishing, boating, and swimming in the sound and the continued dumping into the sound will be detrimental to people who do these things but to the towns and businesses that depend on a healthy LIS. I urge you to please develop a plan to phase out open water dumping and that reuses the dredged material in a safer and more beneficial manner.

Sincerely,  
Jonathan Cruz

103 Gray St  
Shelton CT 06484

September 29, 2015

The Dunn Family  
24 Fawn Hill Rd  
Shelton CT 06484

RE: DUMPING IN THE LONG ISLAND SOUND

To whom it may concern,

My family resides in Shelton CT and we spend a lot of our summer at the beaches. It is sad to hear of the waste dumping into the Long Island sound. My daughter needs a clean place to enjoy the ocean in the summer. If we keep dumping waste it will be far from a safe environment for children to swim and enjoy.

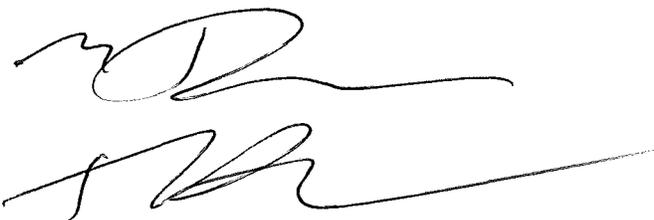
A stop needs to be put to the USACE plan to dump waste in the sound. We need to use some resource's that we have to research and find an environmentally safe way to dump or dispose of waste.

A Healthy Long Island Sound is very important to our family. It is something that should be enjoyed for many many generations to come.

We would greatly appreciate a response to this letter informing our family of your position on this matter.

Think of your children they are the future don't you want them to have a beautiful Ocean here in CT to enjoy?

Sincerely,

Two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature is a stylized 'MD' followed by a long horizontal line. The second signature is a stylized 'JD' followed by a long horizontal line.

The Dunn Family

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Leonard P. Rosati Sr.  
89 GRAY ST.  
Shelton, CT. 06484

Sept 29, 2015

The above household is against any form of pollution or dumping of any type in Long Island Sound. I have ALSO WITNESSED CONSTRUCTION debris (mainly STYROFOAM SHAVINGS, which is USED FOR SYNTHIC STUCCO EXTERIOR SYSTEMS, being washed down STORM DRAINS which ENTERS our RIVERS and ending up in the Sound. These very Large "PROJECTS" need to be more closely MONITORED.

Leonard P. Rosati Sr.  
860-604-7901

Copies To :

- 1- U.S. ARMY Corps of Engineers
- 2- Sen. Chris Murphy
- 3- Sen. Richard Blumenthal
- 4- Gov. Dannel P. Malloy

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P.S. PLEASE RESPOND.

September 28, 2015

Simon Province  
12 Columbia St.  
Hartford, CT 06106

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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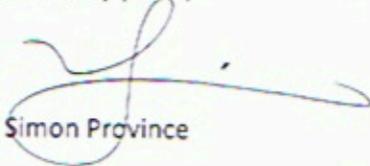
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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,



Simon Province

September 28, 2015

Matthew Bennett  
12 Columbia St.  
Hartford, CT 06106

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Concord, MA 01742

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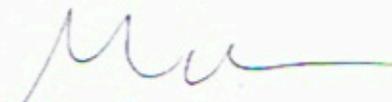
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John J. Leary, III  
24 Edgecomb St.  
Mystic, CT 06355

September 28, 2015

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(Jack.Leary@Yahoo.com)

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Andrew Helbig  
45 Wilbur Rd.  
Stonington, CT. 06378

John Henry  
80 Country Walk  
Shelton, CT 06484

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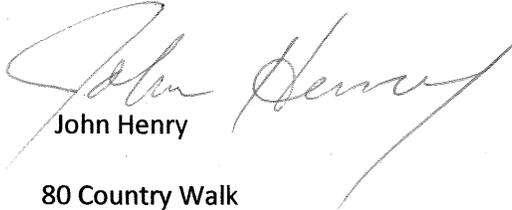
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203-554-9933



500 Waterfront Street  
New Haven, CT. 06512

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

Gulf Oil Limited Partnership is in full support of the Dredged Material Management Plan. The current disposal site's offers a safe and economical solution to the stakeholders that perform maintenance dredging at their individual facilities as well as decreased cost to the Army Corp when channel dredging is performed. These sites have been used and monitored for many years and have continuously presented themselves to be effective and environmentally sound. Any alternative plan would place extreme financial burdens on these same businesses' placing some in jeopardy of continued receipt of deeper draft vessels.

We firmly believe that any alternative plan would most certainly affect Connecticut's three ports economically, especially the New Haven Harbor, due to the potential decrease of commerce and/or increased operating costs to the stakeholders.

Thank you for the opportunity to present our comments and respectfully request your consideration and approval of the DMMP.

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Sierejko".

Joseph Sierejko  
Terminal Manager

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Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro  
J. Sheffel – New Haven Port Authority  
D. Crocker – CT Marine Trade Association  
A. Rice – Director of Terminals and Engineering  
C. Gill - Gulf Environmental Engineer  
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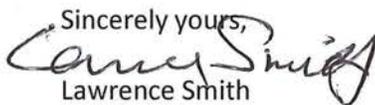
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Sincerely yours,  
  
Lawrence Smith

*S/V Cracker Jack*

Noank, CT

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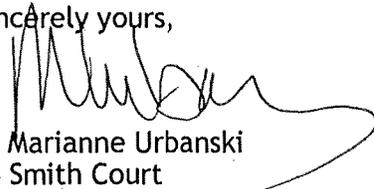
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Sincerely yours,

  
Dr Marianne Urbanski  
34 Smith Court  
Noank, CT 06340

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Pamela Plumeau

*S/V Cracker Jack*

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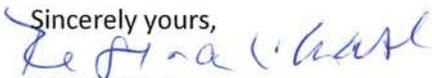
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Sincerely yours,  
  
Regina Chase

S/V *Cracker Jack*

Noank, CT

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**Roy Filkoff**  
**56 Cambridge Drive**  
**South Windsor, CT 06074**

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Robert C Phillips  
15 LAKE VIEW HEIGHTS  
NANTUCKET CT 06357

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** richardt [rctilton@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 29, 2015 4:37 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dredging

Dr Richard C Tilton  
2 Harte Court  
Farmington CT^ 06032

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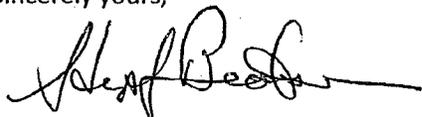
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Stephen and Elizabeth Beatson  
39 Granite Court  
Colchester, CT 06415

Steven Marenakos  
439 Simsbury Road  
Bloomfield, CT 06002  
September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England  
District Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to support the recently published "Dredged Material Management Plan". I am a sailor who keeps his boat in the Mystic CT area and a long time Connecticut taxpayer. As such, I have often run aground while still in the Mystic River channel and even while I was at a boatyard dock to get fuel. Not only have I been amazed and frustrated by this, having to limit the hours I can use certain parts of the river, but angered that in all the significant Federal and State taxes I pay that a major river like this cannot be maintained so that my family and friends cannot enjoy it fully.

As such, access to the noted placement sites must be preserved to allow for economically viable dredge solutions, especially for small businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood. These are the same businesses which I utilize every summer, so not only are their businesses impacted, but their customers such as me are in turn.

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Thank you for your attention and consideration in this matter.  
Sincerely, Steve.

*Steven Marenakos*

# UConn HEALTH

Department of Neuroscience  
School of Medicine  
Douglas L. Oliver, PhD  
Vice-Chair and Professor of Neuroscience  
Director, UConn Neuroscience Study Abroad  
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9-28-15

Don Oppose you plants dump in L.S.  
Try to develop a plan of dredged  
materials & reuse these materials  
and save a beautiful lake.

A. Boyer

9-28-15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinlan  
215 DMMP P.M.  
1496 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Re: Oppose dumping in Long Island  
Sound

I oppose dumping in the sound.  
Please develop a different plan.  
Save the Sound.

Fondley,

B. Gelozin  
Shelton CT.

THOMAS W. SHERIDAN  
43 Redwood Circle  
Huntington, CT 06484

September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Re: Long Island Sound Dumping

Dear Ms. Quinn,

It is with some concern today that I write to you regarding dumping in Long Island Sound. As one of the State's great natural resources it is unfortunate that we will allow continued dumping of dredged material into such a wonderful resource and I urge you and other elected officials to re-think the plan to allow the dumping of dredged material into the Sound.

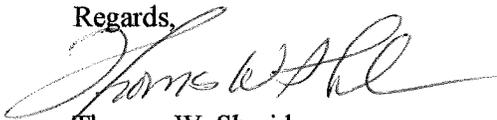
While this plan may have a benefit in that it is the simplest method of moving the dredged material but that does not mean it is the best plan for the Sound and Connecticut residents.

I have lived in Fairfield County since my birth in 1949. During that time I have visited many of our great beaches along the coast and while, over those years, the Sound has been less than clean, it has always been a place that has drawn the people of Connecticut and other states. I would to see it spoiled by the ill-advised dumping that the Army Corp of Engineers has proposed. I am sure there are other and better uses for this material that can and should be considered.

As a tax payer, I find it disconcerting that the ramifications of this dumping, such as increased nitrogen levels and toxic contaminations that can, and will occur and our elected officials and the Army Corp of Engineers seem willing to let that happen.

I urge you to review your plan for Long Island Sound and reject dumping so the citizens, voters, and tax payers of Connecticut can continue to enjoy a clean and beautiful Sound.

Regards,



Thomas W. Sheridan

9.28.15

TO U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS OMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound!

I Urge you to develop a plan that phases out open-water dumping of dredged materials & reuses these materials in a safe & beneficial way.

Respectfully,

Grace F. Carino

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68 North St. #1147

Shelton, CT 06484

September 28, 2015

Elisa Uhrynowski

7 Spruce Hill Road

Shelton, CT 06484

US Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to express my concern over the dumping into Long Island Sound. I urge you to consider developing a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Long Island Sound is home to many natural habitats and wildlife and we'd like to keep it clean and safe for not only the wildlife, but also for people to use. Many are in the Sound swimming, boating, fishing, etc. and having a clean Sound ensures safety and health for everyone.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration in this important matter.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elisa Uhrynowski". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Elisa Uhrynowski

September 28,2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DNNP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01792

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Please Devise a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged Materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to my family and Friends who use the Sound for swimming and fishing, etc.

Sincerely,



Alice Taylor

302 Booth Hill Road  
Shelton, Ct. 06484

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Megan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

September 28, 2015

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Thank you

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Kenneth Cerritelli

Cheryl Ventriglia  
67 ½ North Street  
Shelton, CT 06484

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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Tourism in the state of CT is down. If you continue with this plan, then no one will come here and spend money to fish or do other activities in unsafe water. Do the right thing.

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Thank you for your time,

Cheryl Ventriglia 9.28.15

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Bruce Ventriglia  
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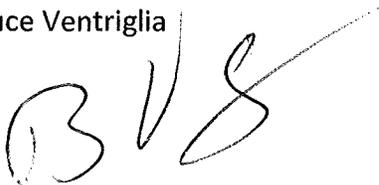
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Susan M. Dunigan  
71 North Street  
Shelton, CT 06484

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
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696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

September 28, 2015

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Sincerely,



Susan M. Dunigan. MSN

Michael F. Dunigan  
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Gov. Dannel P. Malloy  
c/o Constituent Services  
210 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106

Sen. Chris Murphy  
One Constitution Plaza  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, CT 06103

Sen. Richard Blumenthal  
90 State House Square, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, CT 06103

The Citizens Campaign for the Environment has brought to our attention the problems of dumping refuse into Long Island Sound. We are opposed to this continuing practice especially in view of today's news reports about microbeads in personal care products causing problems in the Sound.

Please Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal, please oppose the US Army Corps of Engineers plan to allow further pollution of the Sound. It's time for these pollution practices to stop before there is further damage. Please listen to the environmental engineers and figure out a better way to rid ourselves of dredged materials, toxins and nitrogen pollution. Connecticut's tourism industry relies on clean water and beaches for their livelihood. Would you eat fish caught from the rivers around New York City? Let's not let Connecticut waters go the same route. Once the Sound is ruined, we may never get it back!

Thank you.



Mrs. Emalinda Krok  
42 North Street  
Shelton, CT 06484

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September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to tell you that I strongly oppose your plan to continue to dump in the Long Island Sound. There certainly must be a better way to use the dredge material than to dump it into the Sound where it will impact the marine life.

Your new USACE Dumping Plan is all about the money and convenience - it does not take into account the environmental impact now and down the road. It might work in the short term, but the long term effects will severely impact the Long Island Sound and the people living in the area.

Adding Nitrogen pollution and toxic contamination is not healthy for all marine life, wild life and the human lives of people who depend on the sound for income from fishing etc. Past dumping is already starting to show in the areas around the current dumping sites – It's time to stop NOW BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE.

I urge you to use all the resources at your disposal to come up with a beneficial reuse option – perhaps beach nourishment, capping landfills and brownfields sites, filling in abandoned mines, even constructing wetlands that support marine and wild life. It is time to consider the environment and use dredged material in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,



Francine Garifo  
14 Fourth Avenue  
Smithtown, NY 11787

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Sincerely yours,

*Suzanne Arbocus*

Mr & Mrs William Arbocus  
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Stonington, CT 06378

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696 VIRGINIA RD  
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September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England  
District Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
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September 28, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing today on behalf of the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce in regard to the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement.

The Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce represents over 2,175 businesses in and around Middlesex County, and those members collectively employ over 50,000 people. We are the largest chamber in the State of Connecticut and strive to advocate for policies that will improve the economic and quality of life for residents. Several member towns are located on Connecticut's shoreline and along the Connecticut River; as such we have an intense interest in the need for dredging so that waterways in and around Long Island Sound will remain navigable.

Long Island Sound is a precious natural resource. It is also critical to the well-being of Connecticut's maritime industry which employs 40,000 people and generates about \$9 billion annually to the state's economy.

We would like to commend the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the work you have done on this draft plan. You've set out options and scenarios for dredging projects that need to occur over the next 30 years to keep our waterways navigable. Without this activity, our maritime sector could collapse. We are fully supportive of the concept of beneficial use and the replenishing of beaches and wetlands using dredged materials where possible. As the DMMP discusses, open-water disposal is still needed for many specific dredging projects. Without this option, the cost of dredging will skyrocket and will not be economically feasible. This could have dire effects on marinas and many small businesses in our region. Navigable waterways will help secure the future of Long Island Sound and the economic activities that accrue as a result of this precious natural resource.

Thank you for considering these comments by the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce.

Sincerely,

Larry McHugh  
President



**The Unit Owners Association at the Guilford Yacht Club**  
379 Whitfield Street  
Guilford, Connecticut 06437

28 September 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
Army Corps of Engineers – New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Massachusetts  
01742-2751

Re: Draft Dredged Material Management Plan

Dear Ms. Quinn,

On behalf of the Unit Owners Association at the Guilford Yacht Club (UOAGYC), I am providing comment on the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP). The UOAGYC strongly supports the DMMP and the continued maintenance of the off-shore disposal option for dredged materials.

The Unit Owners Association at the Guilford Yacht Club is a privately owned yacht club facility located at 379 New Whitfield Street, Guilford, CT 06437. The UOAGYC serves as a recreational facility for our members and their guests including a marina basin with 153 boat slips, tennis courts, swimming pool, as well as a clubhouse that is used for both club and private events. In addition to our members, boaters from throughout Long Island Sound and neighboring states routinely visit our facility when transiting the area.

The Unit Owners Association at the Guilford Yacht Club has been privately maintaining the West River channel and marina basin for over 18 years to ensure consistent safe navigability. Each year the UOAGYC incurs significant costs, budgeting \$320,000, to dredge the channel and basin. Historically we have used off-shore disposal sites for material management.

The dredging program typically includes the removal of about 5,000 to 7,500 cubic yards per year to maintain a navigable channel at mean low water (MLW). The UOAGYC strives to maintain the channel with a depth of 6 feet and a working width of 60 feet. In addition, we remove between 4,000-6,000 cubic yards from the marina basin each year. As part of the annual dredging program, UOAGYC is required to maintain permits for both the channel and marina basin. For at least the past eight years, our dredge materials have been characterized as “clean.” Our dredged materials are typically used as cover for more contaminated spoils, as directed by the Army Corp of Engineers. We have worked closely with the Army Corp of Engineers and the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) each year as we develop our dredging plan and schedule.

The UOAGYC dredging program certainly benefits our membership by providing a means for safe passage of vessels in and out of the channel and basin. However, the benefits of the UOAGYC dredging program also are enjoyed by other members of the community at large, including a number of commercial fishing boats that dock across from the UOAGYC marina basin. The West River channel, maintained by the Unit Owners Association at the Guilford Yacht Club, directly benefits Brown’s Boatyard, Guilford Boat Yard and the Bayberry Creek Marina. Boaters at these locations benefit from safe and unimpeded passage in the West River channel. These other marinas include both pleasure and commercial fishing vessels. There are also privately maintained oyster beds to the north of the Marina basin in the West River. The channel dredging allows the commercial oyster fishermen access to the beds. The costs to dredge the channel are borne completely by the UOAGYC, with no fees charged or paid by the other marinas operating along the West River.

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Ms. Meghan Quinn  
Army Corps of Engineers – New England District  
Re: Draft Dredged Material Management Plan

As part of the marina operations, the UOAGYC also operates a pump out service, available to any vessel requesting access. The pump out service is provided free of charge to any boater, both member and non-member alike. The UOAGYC has maintained public access to the pump-out facility for more than 15 years. This is the only pump facility between Branford and Clinton, Connecticut. The UOAGYC and the Town of Guilford work in conjunction to provide a junior sailing program. This open enrollment program provides sailing lessons to children from the Town of Guilford, with more than 65% of the program participants being the children of town residents who are not UOAGYC members.

Over the past year, the UOAGYC has taken initial steps to try to address our dredging needs in a more cost efficient and environmentally friendly manner. We sought to identify alternative dredging methods that would be sustainable in the long term – causing the least amount of disruption to the environment and the Guilford shoreline in general.

After consideration of various options, during the 2014/2015 dredging season, the UOAGYC attempted to switch to hydraulic dredging rather than the conventional mechanical dredging that has been used in the past. To facilitate the hydraulic dredging of the channel and basin, the UOAGYC selected and engaged Groh Dredging & Marine, LLC ("Groh") to undertake this work. This involved dredging of the spoils from the basin into large filter bags located at an upland bermed area on our property. The intent of the upland spoils management was to reduce the volume of material disposed at offshore dumping grounds and ultimately repurpose the spoils as topsoil in an environmentally friendly manner. Unfortunately, unanticipated complications were experienced in connection with the drainage of the filter bags, which occurred at a much slower rate than anticipated. We were forced to cease the basin dredging project before completing the required dredging. Faced with the expiration of the dredging permit, the UOAGYC had to engage Patriot Marine, LLC ("Patriot") on short notice to complete the project using conventional dredging and off-shore disposal.

The upland management of dredge spoils has faced another complication. Our permit from the State of Connecticut does not allow for the off-site disposal of spoils for fill material or other purposes. We have collected samples of the materials to demonstrate there is no contamination, however the State has yet to provide guidance related to the material salinity. If we are not permitted to seek off-site options for our spoils, we have only one or two years of space remaining in our spoils management area.

We are committed to seeking alternative beneficial uses for our spoils, however as a small private facility, we face significant challenges to identify new options. We continue to look for innovative alternatives, however, until there are scalable projects, we will continue to rely on offshore material disposal for the foreseeable future. We did embark on the initial review of a marsh restoration project, between the East and West Rivers in Guilford in 2014, however the initiative stalled when funding requirements were explored.

The UOAGYC remains committed to finding the best solution on an ongoing basis and continues to evaluate the best and most environmentally friendly course of action. Until new solutions are found, we will continue to rely, at least in part, on offshore disposal for our dredged materials. Our membership is represented by residents of Connecticut, and New York. Of course, I am happy to discuss further with you any of the foregoing. I can be reached at Patrick@gyc.com.

Very truly yours,

Patrick J. Doyle

President – Unit Owners Association at the Guilford Yacht Club



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September 28, 2015

Lt. General Tom Bostick  
Commanding General and Chief of Engineers  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Headquarters  
441 G Street NW  
Washington, DC 20314-1000

Re: File Number NAE-2015

Dear Lt. General Bostick:

I am writing in full support of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound.

These plans clearly show that open-water disposal to be the most cost effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

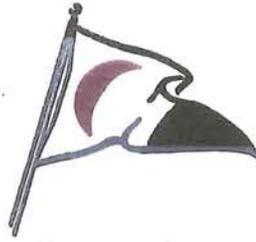
Sincerely,

Norman M. Needleman  
First Selectman

Cc: **Meghan Quinn**, LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager



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September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742  
DMMP

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I'm writing in support of your DMMP study.

We are a small sailing club in Niantic Bay, on Long Island Sound operating primarily as a recreational sailing organization with a breakwater and seasonal floating dock system for 60 boats, and a crane dock.

We have had an ongoing dredging plan since the mid 1980's to keep our basin useable. Towards this end, we have been working CT DEEP and the US Army Corps of Engineers to stay current with permits. We conduct a small scale maintenance dredging every other year with the spoils going to beach replenishment for adjacent beach associations. On about a ten year interval, we must do a basin wide dredging to restore the overall depth of operations. This dredging has always used open water disposal of the spoils in designated Long Island Sound disposal areas, the New London disposal site.

The cost of our current dredging program has been steadily rising and there has been an increased reluctance from the adjacent beach associations to receive displaced sand. If forced to use an alternative disposal site at a greater distance, the costs would rapidly become prohibitive. The inability to dredge would rapidly bring our ability to function as a Yacht Club to a close. We strongly support the continued use of the New London disposal site or another site at similar distance.

Sincerely yours,

Rick Conley, Commodore NBYC. A-2A-1163



# Town of Sprague

CATHERINE A. OSTEN  
*First Selectman*

September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attention: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Re: The Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound, released August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn:

Re: The Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound, released August 17, 2015

I am writing today on to support the Draft Plan that was released on August 17, 2015. As a First Selectman from Sprague, Connecticut, a Town within the state which has 332 miles of coastline, coves, and harbors on Long Island Sound, I applaud the Army Corps for identifying new environmentally sound alternatives for the handling of dredging materials, such as beach nourishment and wetlands restoration. Knowing that only a small portion of dredge materials can be used on land beneficially, I also understand the continued need for open-water disposal options currently in use in Connecticut waters and support continuing this disposal method for fine-grained materials suitable for open-water placement.

In addition to the critical goal of protecting the Long Island Sound, access to a range of dredged material placement options is absolutely vital to our regional and state economies. According to the DMMP, economic activities that utilize Long Island Sound waterways contribute more than \$9 billion annually in economic output. Additionally, these economic activities support more than 55,000 jobs in the Long Island Sound region. As important, our region is dependent on a range of federal and military facilities, such as the SUBASE New London, dependent on the viability of accessible and cost-effective placement options. If this dredging plan does not move forward, it is estimated that without action the region will see a fifteen percent dip in navigation-

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dependent economic activity revenue in the next two decades, and significant – and perhaps prohibitive – increases in costs for the private, commercial and federal stakeholders.

With Connecticut's newly-minted Port Authority officially coming into existence on July 1, 2015, our state is poised for resurgence in our maritime industry. As noted by the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, imports at deep-water ports in Bridgeport, New Haven, and New London have decreased by 80 percent since 2006. Establishment of the new Port Authority, and increased focus on strategic investments needed to expand our major ports creates a significant opportunity to create jobs and grow Connecticut's maritime economy. Turning this trend around, however, will be contingent on a continued effort to properly maintain our channels and harbors properly.

Thus I applaud the Army Corps for identifying new environmentally sound alternatives for the handling of dredging materials, such as beach nourishment and wetlands restoration. In Connecticut, dredged materials have not only been used for shoreline replenishment, but also for capping landfills and brownfields sites upland. Knowing that only a small portion of dredged materials can be used on land beneficially, we also understand the continued need for open-water disposal options currently in use in Connecticut waters and support continuing this disposal method for fine-grained materials suitable for open-water placement.

Thank you for your consideration of our views on this important topic. I look forward to the timely approval of the DMMP and continued constructive engagement with stakeholders across the Long Island Sound region on managing dredging needs in the future. To that end, if you have any questions, or would like additional information, please not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Catherine A. Osten  
First Selectman  
Town of Sprague

September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New  
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Concord, MA

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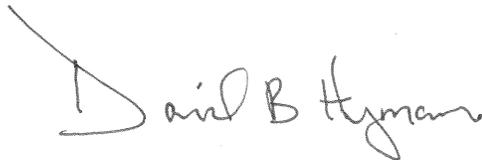
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Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort. Sincerely yours,



DAVID B. HYMAN, D.D.S.

  
130 East Main Street  
Meriden, Connecticut 06450

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Donald Irion  
470 Beach Rd  
Fairfield, CT 06824

September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England  
District Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

Long Island Sound is Connecticut's most valued resource. As such, I am writing as a lifelong boater, Connecticut shoreline resident and taxpayer to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. Access is critical to the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region. I believe that access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

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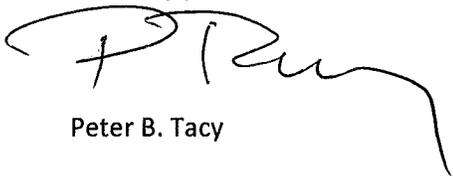
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Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need, and as a citizen, a boater, and a member of the Stonington Harbor Management Commission, I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water disposal.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

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Peter B. Tacy

8 Ivy Rd., Mystic, CT 06355

Sept 28, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd

Concord, MA 01742

It has come to my attention that the USACE has a plan to dump dredged material into the open waters of the Long Island Sound. I believed that the plan for open water was to be phased out 10 years ago and that plans were being made to create a plan to manage dredged material in a more environmentally safe manner and or phase open water dumping and find a more beneficial way a reuse. I am urging you to develop a plan to use dredged materials in a more environmentally safe manner. The Sound is affected enough already by previous misuse. Why do we have to continue to abuse it!

Thank you for listening. I would appreciate a response to my letter.

Dorothy Lupariello

55 Applewood Dr

Shelton, CT 06474

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To U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

We oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses those materials in a safe and beneficial way!

A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to the Russell Family!

We would appreciate a response concerning your position on this matter.

Thank you



Debbie Russell

18 Winchester Drive

Shelton, CT 06484

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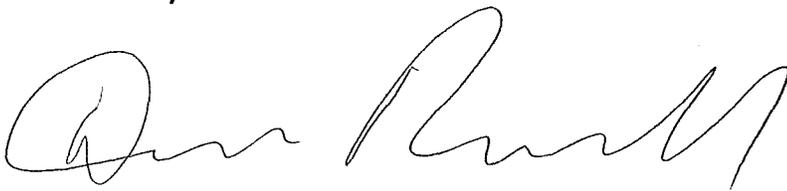
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Don Russell

18 Winchester Drive

Shelton, CT 06484

September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

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Thank you,



Jill C. Ferraro

**VR & K Ferraro**  
**53 Thompson St.**  
**Shelton, CT 06484**

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Karen Ferraro

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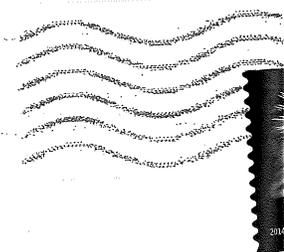
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Vincent R. Ferraro

**VR & K Ferraro  
53 Thompson St.  
Shelton, CT 06484**

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1151 King Street  
Greenwich, CT 06831  
September 28, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
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Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

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Sincerely yours,



Paul J. Antonik

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Richard T. McKnett

43 Four Mile River Rd.

Old Lyme, CT 06371

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Megan Quinn

I oppose your plan to dump in Long  
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out open water dumping of dredged material  
Reuse this material for a beneficial use.  
stop the waste and dumping in Long Island  
Sound

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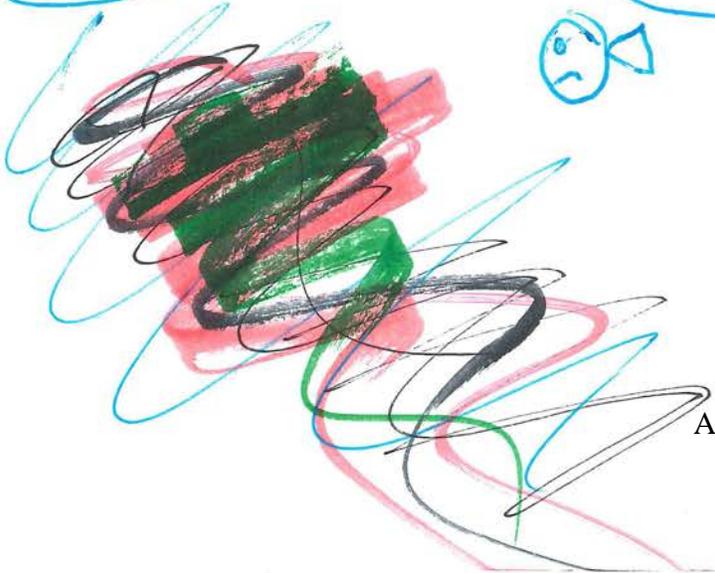
U.S. Army Corps of  
Capt Meghan Quinn  
1st DMM Project

I really hate to see trash being dumped into the long island sound. I have always thought that fish are like family and **when you hurt them you hurt the citizens that care about them to.**It's unfair to these **poor innocent creatures.** what if this happened to you, you would care.**what did they ever do to you.**make a change in the world.**THANK YOU**

grace pisanelli  
73 Valley Rd Shelton Ct  
06484

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5<sup>th</sup> Grade



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USACE,

Please Stop Dumping  
Toxic Waste  
in Long Island Sound,  
it is long over Due.

Cathy Lelane

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Mgr,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I urge you Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years. Let them know you support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

Keep Long Island Sound clean and healthy for us and our children.

Diane Torres

Diane Torres  
57 Rolling Ridge Rd  
Stonington, CT 06484

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FW by CCE - 28 Sept 15

To The Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

Stop Dumping in Long Island  
Sound !! I believe you

can reuse in a safer way

The Patricks

443 Waverly Rd  
Shelton, CT 06484

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US. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
C/O MEGHAN QUINN

PLEASE ON BEHALF OF CURRENT  
CT. CITIZENS AND FUTURE CT. CITIZENS  
NO DUMPING OF ANY KIND SHOULD BE  
PERMITTED INTO LONG ISLAND SOUND.  
WE NEED TO PROTECT THIS BEAUTIFUL  
RESOURCE.

SINCERELY

T.K. JASSER

10 Old Nursery Dr.  
Wilton, CT 06897

FW by CCE - 28 Sept 15

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I am a 15 year old resident of Shelton Connecticut. Lately I have Been hearing a lot of talk about waste being poured and dumped into the sound. Not only does this affect me, but hundred of thousands of people. Wouldn't t be great if we could end this issue before it gets worse? This is getting worse every day. By the time I have children, they most likely won't be able go into the water. It will be polluted with all of this waste that we can make a landfill out of. Please think about what I have said here and at least consider trying to pass a bill to end dumping of waste into the sound, or any body of water for that.

Sincerely,  
Jacob buchholz

Dear Ms. Guim,

I am deeply troubled by the proposed plan to continue dumping hazardous wastes in the Long Island Sound.

As proposed, your plan will worsen an already fragile ecosystem. There is no way to calculate the true value of the Long Island Sound, its wildlife and its impact on our lives at a time when so much time and energy are focused trying to make our community green, the failure to alter the USACE dumping plan will seem entirely contradictory to prevailing attitudes.

Please come up with another solution. Our community's welfare depends upon your action.

Thank you  
John A. Tiedeman  
197 Old Kings Hwy  
26897

A2A-1185

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US ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS  
TO GOVERNOR MALLEY  
SENATOR BLUMENTHAL  
SENATOR MURPHY

FROM NAT & JUDY FLORIAN  
21 WORTHINGTON DRIVE  
FARMINGTON CT. 06032

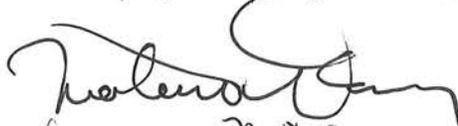
CENTLEMEN

WE OPPOSE USACE PLAN TO PUMP IN  
LONG ISLAND SOUND. PLEASE DEVELOP AND  
IMPLEMENT A PLAN THAT PHASES OUT OPEN  
WATER DUMPING OF DREDGED MATERIALS AND  
AND THAT REUSES THESE MATERIALS IN A SAFE  
AND BENEFICIAL WAY

WE CONSUME FOOD THAT COMES FROM L.I.  
SOUND, THEREFORE THIS IS IMPORTANT TO US  
PLEASE RESPOND IN WRITING TO US TO LET US  
KNOW OF YOUR POSITION ON THIS ISSUE

RESPECTFULLY

NAT & JUDY FLORIAN  
21 WORTHINGTON DRIVE  
FARMINGTON CT 06032



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Nath B Florian

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to you to inform you of my opposition to open water dumping of dredged material into Long Island Sound. We must come up with a better plan to reuse the material in a manner that is less harmful to our environment. Keeping Long Island Sound safe and improving vital ecosystems is my foremost concern as a lifelong Connecticut resident. Please reconsider your tactics to ensure that we can continue to enjoy the Sound for years to come.

Sincerely,

*Timothy Wells*

144 Ripton Rd  
Shelton, CT 06484

To Meghan Quinn and all at the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers,

Please, please, please do not continue to dump dredged material into Long Island Sound (LIS)! Dirtying up the local swimming waters of the residents of CT and NY is not acceptable.

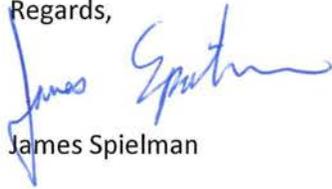
I believe you all to be smart people and so you should be able to come up with an alternate plan that reuses the materials in a safe and beneficial way for all involved.

A healthy LIS is beneficial to the entire United States of America and the world as a whole. Our oceans will soon be in great peril for a number of reasons including but not limited to over-fishing, plastic getting into the food chain, coral reef destruction, etc.. We should not be adding to this upcoming disaster by polluting a major body of water on purpose. The Striped Bass population of the Housatonic River deserve better, as do the children and citizens of the great state of Connecticut!

Please respond in writing as to what you are able to do to alleviate this unfortunate situation....as though this plan may look good on paper it will not help us as a whole nation in the decades to come.

My home address is 25 Old Kingdom Road, Wilton, CT 06897.

Regards,



James Spielman

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To:  
US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Tell the USACE that you oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

*Paul Berman*

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U. S. Army Corps Of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

**Tell the USACE** that you oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound!  
Urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way

**Urge Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal** to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years. Let them know you support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

Respectively . .

S A Cone  
232 Daniel Road  
Hamden, Ct 06517

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Dear USACE as a Connecticut resident I oppose your "plan to dump in Long Island Sound". I think you should "develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way". We must protect our environment and all the other living species in it. I understand that you need to be-able to do your work. But can you come up with a cleaner method which will help the whole planet? Also I believe our food from the sea will be affected over time from waist that is dump in it.

U.S. Army Corps of Eng  
c/o Meghan Quinn

Lis DMMIP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd

Concord, MA 01742

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Claudio  
21 Wiltonbury Dr.  
Farmington, CT 06032

To: The Army Corps of Engineers  
Greetings, Meghan Quinn:

Pardon the statement - the message is the same no matter the paper or that it's not typed. People don't write anymore.

This sounds like a short-term solution leading to more problems than you're trying to solve now. It's actually more short-sighted than anything. Something, perhaps, you expect to be implemented rather than something more challenging that would improve the sound, the ocean, + CT + NY waterbodies.

You can do better. Please make the effort.

Claudio

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**U.S Army Corps of Engineers**

% Megan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

Dear sir,

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I want lean drinking water for me and my family.

Sincerely,

*Patricia Winalski*  
Patricia Winalski

FW by COE - 28 Sept 18

Dear USAAG

Stop Dumping in L.I.S.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. M.' or similar, written in a cursive style.

166 Daniel Rd  
Hamden CT 06517

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Dear USACE,

I believe that it is a very bad idea to dump in Long Island Sound. It is a beautiful place, and does not deserve to have toxic waste dumped in it. Long Island Sound is home to more than 1,200 species. I understand that you have to get rid of waste, but please reconsider doing it there.

Thank you!

Nitya Shah



(Age 13)

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

USACE I oppose this plan  
to dumping Long Island Sound

Please keep all lakes

free from getting the

water not healthy

to swim in so we

can all get to

swim in healthy water

Barbara Jean Taeroc

57 Worthington Dr,  
Farmington CT  
06032

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I am a teacher  
that instructs students  
about the importance  
of Long Island Sound.  
I oppose their plan on  
dumping in Long Island  
Sound. You really need to  
develop a plan to keep our  
Sound clean & useful; not  
filled of dredged material!  
Nitrogen pollution will  
increase algal bloom which  
will increase suffocates  
of the animals living in  
the sound. Enough is enough!  
Long Island Sound is all  
Connecticut has!

Nicole Williams

6 Brookwood Ln  
Shelton CT

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The secret to life  
is enjoying the ride.

US Army Corp of Engineers

This issue is tapping to why  
such an important issue and

there is no regard to our health  
as simple! Stop the dumping

Picture you childrens children



left with the disastors  
affects we have caused

No seafood no being  
sick middle please

listen we are the future  
durely from how concern citizen

Life is good.

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Dear Ms. Quinn —

PLEASE CONSIDER  
THE FUTURE OF THE  
SOUND AND THE  
USERS OF THESE  
WONDERFUL WATERS.

STOP THE  
DUMPING!

THANK YOU!  
MEGAN ALLEN

Please  
Stop the dumping  
into Long Island  
Sound -

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Develop a plan!  
Phase out open  
Water dumping of  
dredged material  
Thank  
You

Angie Golding  
20 Beverly Hill Dr  
Shelton, CT  
06484

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Dear US Army Corps of Engineers,

Please don't dump dredge waste  
into Long Island Sound,

Eleanor S. Suidy  
14 Bronson Drive  
Shelton, CT, 06484

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Save our  
Sound, Stop  
the dumping  
of waste  
in our water

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To Meghan Quinn

Stop dumping Harmful Dredged Material in our  
Long Island Sound!

JJ Renick

18 Wakefield

Farmington, CT 06032

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
Please don't dump dredged material into  
Long Island Sound. I swim  
there!

Hannah Moccia

30 Soundview Dr.  
Shelton, CT 06484

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Stop dumping

the  
sound

Joseph Taberini  
10 Capital Dr  
Shelton CT

US Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Megan Quinn  
Lis DMMP project manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Ma 01742

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DEAR USACE,



I DO NOT AGREE WITH  
YOUR PLAN TO DUMP INTO THE LONG  
ISLAND SOUND! PLEASE ATTEMPT  
TO CONSIDER A PLAN TO HELP  
RECYCLE OR REMOVE THE DEBRIS  
AND SAVE THE SOUND!

P.S. I WOULD LOVE & REVERSE  
ON YOUR POSITION! SINCERELY,  
ERIC - SHELTON

ERIC  
15 HTHHRODDE RD  
SHELTON, CT

US. ARMY CORPSET ENGINEERS  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LT'S BMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
646 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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To USACE,

I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

To

Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal,

I oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in Long Island sound for at least 30 years. I also support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

Regards

Sai Sankaraju

A-2A-1207

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Dear Sir,

Stop L.I.D. Source dumping.

Sincerely,  
J. E. Keogan



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Gump  
LIS DMMA Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, Ma, 01742

Jim Lesko  
47 Timberlane Drive  
Shelton CT

26 September 2015

US Corps of Engineers  
Concord MA

I oppose dumping in Long Island Sound.

We have made great strides in cleaning our environment. It makes no sense in damaging the eco system of the Sound by dumping. I support reuses of dredged materials rather than dumping.

Please inform me of your position and plans on this issue.

Thank you,  
Jim Lesko

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Lesko', written over the printed name 'Jim Lesko'.

To: USACE  
From: Steven Schneider  
9 Veranda Ave  
Hamden CT 06517

DATE: 09-26-15

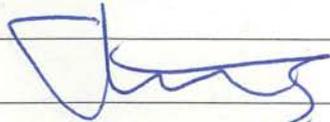
RE: Stop dumping in Long Island Sound

I ask ~~you~~ for your response in writing.

A healthy Long Island Sound is important to me and my family.

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe way and beneficial way.

Sincerely,



Steven Schneider

09-26-15

I oppose dumping Sludge in L.I.S.

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Mitchell Basem

118 Hesse Rd.

Hamden, CT

September 26, 2015

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose the plan to dump dredged materials in LI Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

With great concern,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen Hayes". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K' and a long, sweeping underline.

Kathleen Hayes  
199 Waite Street  
Hamden, CT 06517  
203-287-8836

9-25-2015

U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DUMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I have recently reviewed some literature regarding the VSAE plan to dump material into Long Island Sound. I must go on record for my opposition to this plan. Any one with a sliver of common sense would know the idea is just plain stupid. These materials should not be dumped in open water, rather, they should be reused to the extent possible.

We truly have the Long Island Sound. We should be doing every thing we can to promote its longevity.

I would appreciate a response from you in writing as to your thoughts on this matter. Please do not tell me that this is the most cost effective solution. Cost is not the issue when you cross the how foolish our sound is.

Respectfully,

Paul Arnold.

Robert Carroll, MD

50 Portage Crossing  
Farmington, CT 06032

T 860-268-8204

September 25, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing in opposition of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' plan for continued open water dumping of dredge material in the Long Island Sound, and I would like to encourage you to support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead. As a child, I grew up on spending summers at my family's beach house in Branford and we enjoyed boating, fishing, and catching lobsters. Unfortunately, over the years we have seen the lobster population decrease significantly and there have been many instances of beach closings by the health department due to elevated bacterial levels in the water. Please consider the impact on the sound when making decisions about dumping of dredged materials in the Long Island Sound.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Carroll, MD

Robert Helfrich  
17 Olde Pond Rd  
Farmington, CT 06032  
September 25, 2015

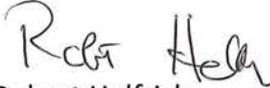
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms.Quinn,

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Open water dumping of dredged materials has contributed significantly to nitrogen loading in other estuaries, and millions of dollars have already been spent to reduce the nitrogen in the LIS. I fail to understand why anyone would think that dumping 30-50 million cubic yards of additional sediment will not add to this contamination. Aren't there better alternatives to open water dumping such as beneficial reuse options? I believe that the USACE should develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials, and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. Keeping the Long Island Sound healthy is important to me and to the future of our region both economically and environmentally. I would appreciate a written response from your office, detailing your position on this very important issue.

Sincerely,

  
Robert Helfrich

Kathryn Helfrich  
17 Olde Pond Rd  
Farmington, CT 06032  
September 25, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

  
Kathryn Helfrich

Jillian Holt  
27 Fairlawn Street  
Farmington, CT 06032

September 25, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

Save the Sound!

As a lifelong resident of the great state of Connecticut, the Long Island Sound has been a vibrant component of my memories. Now that I am raising a family here, I hope to have it be an important part of my children's memories, as well. This will only be possible if the Sound is clean for years to come!

The plan to dump dredged materials in the open waters of the Sound endangers this chance for my family. There has to be a better way! Please! Work with each other to develop a plan to reuse dredge materials in a safe and beneficial way, not only for our environment and wildlife, but for our children, families, and memories.

Sincerely,



Jillian Holt

Meghan Quinn

9/25/15

Dear Meghan:

I oppose your plan  
to dump in the Long Island  
Sound!

Theresa Valentine

4 Coppermine Rd  
Farmington, CT 06032

to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

9.25.15

We oppose your plan  
to dump in Long Island  
Sound! Please come up  
with a better plan for  
use of dredged materials,

Sincerely,

Lauren Petersen, Ph.D.

6 Horseshoe Ln

Farmington CT

06032



September 25, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I recently was informed, through the Citizens Campaign, that there has been open water dumping in Long Island Sound for many years and that the long term plan is to continue with this practice. I grew up on Long Island Sound and remember the enjoyment of swimming in the water, clamming in the sound and fishing with my Father. It is very upsetting to hear that this has been going on for some time.

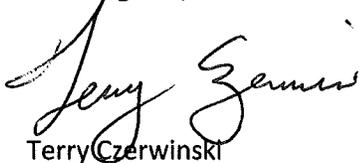
I oppose the USACE plan to continue dumping in Long Island Sound. I urge USACE to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse them in a safe way.

I hope that future generations will be able to enjoy the beauty of the sound as I did as a child. We need to preserve the sound and its habitats.

Please write back at your convenience indicating your position on this subject.

I appreciate your consideration and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry Czerwinski". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "T".

Terry Czerwinski  
25 Brentwood Drive  
Farmington, CT 06032

DATE:

09/25/2015

To

USACE,

Regarding: Citizens Campaign Support to Stop dumping in  
Long Island

Please consider this letter as a request to develop  
a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged  
materials and reuses these materials in a safe and  
beneficial way.

Thanking You

G. Anandhina  
Gopi Krishna Gottam  
1 HAROLD RD  
PARNERSION, CT

DATE:  
09/25/2015

To  
USACE,

Regarding: Citizens Campaign Support to Stop dumping in  
Long Island

Please consider this letter as a request to  
develop a plan that phases out open water dumping  
of dredged materials and reuse these materials in  
a safe and beneficial way.

Thanking You,

Sushma.C  
SUSHMA CHERUKU  
1 Harold Rd,  
FARMINGTON, CT



## PORT AUTHORITY

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

September 25, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The New London Port Authority is in full support of the Corps of Engineers DMMP. We consider the evidence based approach to the plan identifies the best financial, environmental, and sustainable means for managing dredged materials.

New London's unique location and diversity of use (including both sides of the Thames River) provides a number of use cases that make the plan critical to the future of the region as well as the entirety of Long Island Sound.

The waters of the Thames and adjacent coastal areas are dependent upon skillful and fiscally responsible means of supporting the recreational, commercial, educational, and military requirements of maintaining clear waterways. Specifically these include but are not limited to:

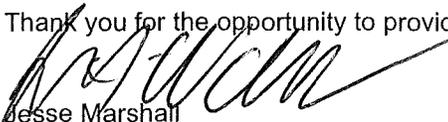
Recreation. Marinas in the area are typically owned by family businesses and silt buildup is a problem for both safety and accessibility. Additional costs associated with other disposal alternatives can mean the closure of those businesses if they lack competitiveness when adding those expenses to their fees.

Commercial operations. Areas around ferry terminals are critical to the economic requirements of both Connecticut and Long Island, NY to ensure that travel for workers and tourists are safe and accessible. Private shipyards and fuel terminals require clear channels for their operations. Charter excursion businesses rely on safe access along the shoreline. Shell fishing operations cannot withstand the encroachment of silting in their operational areas.

Education. The waters around New London and into the sound are the site of significant learning and research activities involving University of Connecticut, Mitchell College, marine sciences secondary education programs, including the Marine Sciences Magnet School in Groton. Additionally, Project O (Project Oceanology) provides learning and research platforms for both secondary education and research funded via private or government subscription. Those efforts are also amplified by studies in coastal ecology conducted by LEARN involving regional secondary school students.

Military. Deep channel access is necessary for the continued operations of Naval Submarine Base New London to support missions around the globe. In conjunction with that is the need for proper dredging in the vicinity of General Dynamics Electric Boat. Coast Guard Station New London on the Fort Trumbull peninsula supports rescue, inspection, port security and, through the USCG Auxiliary, safety training for local recreational boaters. Other areas where a fiscally sound disposal plan matter are maintaining the foundations of bridges crossing rivers, maintaining the health of wetlands in the region and allowing for those families relying upon sustenance fishing from the shore, piers, and small craft available to local communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments.

  
Jesse Marshall  
Chairman, New London Port Authority  
181 State St.  
New London, CT 06320

A-2A-1223

**HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**

**Town of Essex  
29 West Avenue  
Essex, CT 06426**

September 25, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
ATTN: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

The Essex Harbor Management Commission supports the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. The economic health of our town is deeply tied to the harbor and the ability to maintain our navigable waters is critical.

We need the ability to dredge and dispose of the material in a safe and economically viable option.

Our harbor is located on the southern section of the Connecticut River and maintaining everyone's access to these waters requires occasional dredging. We must keep the access to open-water disposal.

Thank you,



Jeffrey W. Going  
Chairman

September 25, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
ATTN: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

DinghyPRO supports the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. DinghyPRO is a business that services inflatable boats and relies on the boating community for its livelihood. Maintaining a healthy and accessible waterway is critical to our business.

We need the ability to dredge and dispose of the material in a safe and economically viable option. Open-water disposal is an economic and practical solution that does no harm.

Thank you,



Jeff Going  
DinghyPRO



Bruce W. Heine  
Director Government and Media Affairs  
Once Williams Center MD 27  
Tulsa, OK 74172

September 25, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

**RE: Support for USACE Dredging Plan - New Haven Harbor**

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Magellan Midstream Partners owns and operates three petroleum storage and distribution facilities in New Haven Harbor. The majority of the heating oil consumed in the state of Connecticut is loaded into transport trucks at our facilities. Therefore, we are directly affected by the operational status of the Harbor.

I am writing to express Magellan's support for the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by USACE. The evidence that has been presented has identified the most fiscally and environmentally suitable means for managing dredged materials for the future.

Among the factors leading to our support:

- The economic vitality of our port sustains numerous businesses including critically significant energy infrastructure facilities like those owned and operated by Magellan.
- The environmental component has been well researched and documented. The continued monitoring of open-water disposal sites along with the detailed permitting process that precedes disposal operations has been designed such to ensure that water quality and that of the overall marine environment remains unharmed.
- If dredging operations are interrupted and the navigable waters of our State and region impacted the threat of groundings increases substantially. The results could endanger human lives and our environment.
- Lastly, if deliveries of petroleum products via marine vessel are disrupted, unsuspecting consumers would be impacted with potential product shortages and even outages.

Connecticut clearly has the greatest dredge needs. These needs must be met with sound economic and environmental solutions that I believe have been achieved in this plan.

Thank you for the opportunity to present Magellan's support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Heine", written in a cursive style.

Bruce W. Heine

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Program Manager  
Meghan Quinn

September 25, 2015  
1964 Sound Ave, Baiting Hollow  
Calverton, New York

Dear Sirs:

My husband and I both grew up on the shores of the L.I. Sound on the North Fork of L.I. We have spent a life-time fishing, boating, walking the beach (winter and summer) as well as swimming in the Sound.

Over the years, from the time of the oil/tar spill in the 50's - around 1950-55 to the present, the quality of the water has steadily declined. We no longer see blow fish sea robins, lobsters, crabs or flounder. But, we often see gigantic trees and huge floating docks wash up and get stuck on the jetties in Baiting Hollow. These must be coming from CT, as we have no such things on the cliffs and shores of the North Fork. We also see temporary applicators and needles which must be

coming from sewage.

Last winter we drove to the end of Edwards Ave. in Baiting Hollow / Calverton, NY to enjoy the view - as we usually do, and the waves were black all along our shore. The filthiest we have ever seen the Sound! It was not a particularly windy or rough water day either. How alarming! How Terrible for the Marine life that is already struggling. How gross!!

Dumping in the Long Island Sound anywhere is not a good solution.

Yours truly,  
Betty & Arthur Lederle

**2 Lincoln Avenue  
Massapequa Park, NY 11762  
September 25, 2015**

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742**

**Dear USACE:**

**I am writing this letter to inform you that I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound!**

**I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and one that reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.**

**The Long Island Sound is home to more than 120 species of finfish, birds, and other animals. Monies from the federal government, NY, CT, in the millions of dollars, have been spent to protect and restore the Sound and all signs point to the fact that the restoration efforts are working.**

**Long Island Sound is not a landfill!!!! It is part of our wonderful community and deserves the utmost of protection. Cheap and easy and convenient is not the answer.**

**I thank you for your time and consideration in this matter and look forward to hearing from you on your position in this matter.**

**Respectfully yours  
Rose Polis  
rosepolis@aol.com  
2 Lincoln Avenue  
Massapequa Park, NY 11762**



September 25, 2015

My husband, a retired engineer, and I  
oppose dumping into Long Island Sound.  
Dredged materials can be reused  
in a safer way.

Our grand-daughter, Captain  
Christina (Rath) Whittier, a West  
Point graduate, is with the U.S.  
Army Corps of Engineers. She warns  
also of bad impacts of open water  
dumping. Elevated PCBs in fish  
and nitrogen pollution are both  
serious problems.

Sincerely,

Rosemary Swanson

4 Ships Oak Lane

Farmington, CT

01030



Rosemary Swanson  
4 Ships Oak Ln  
Farmington, CT 06032

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Dear USACE!

I oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound and urge you to develop plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and removes these materials in a safe and beneficial way, Thank You,

Sincerely Mariela Anachasian



Mariela Anachasian  
905 New Britain Ave  
Farmington, CT 06032-2149

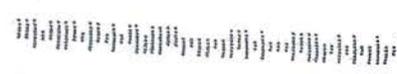
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U.S. Army Corps  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
US PMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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NEW HAVEN PORT AUTHORITY  
P.O. BOX 8716  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT 06531

September 24, 2015

Meghan Quinn, P.E.  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

RE: Long Island Sound DMMP

Dear Ms. Quinn:

On behalf of the New Haven Port Authority, I want to express the Authority's full support and endorsement of the DRAFT DMMP/PEIS which was recently released. I am well aware of the extraordinary effort put forth by the Corps to collect the initial information from marine operators and businesses on Long Island Sound and its tributaries necessary to estimate the thirty year dredging demand that will be faced, and to then undertake a very thorough process of vetting all cost effective and environmentally safe disposal methods and sites for dredge spoils.

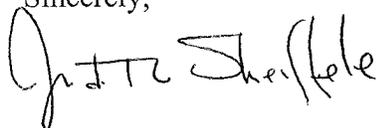
The importance of this document to the future of the commercial activities at the Port of New Haven cannot be overstated. Our Port which is represented by a range of businesses from commercial terminals that handle a variety of bulk, break bulk and project cargo including petroleum products, cement, road and industrial salt, concrete, scrap metal, coiled and reinforcing steel; to the businesses that support the terminal operations including trucking, security, tank repair, product testing, spill containment, pilot and store transport just to name a few. We are a multi-modal port, with pipeline and rail connections located at the port offering another option to trucking cargo. In addition, New Haven harbor is the site of many shellfish beds and home to several recreational marinas.

In 2014, The Army Corps of Engineers completed the maintenance dredge of New Haven harbor's federal channel, using the open water disposal site located in Central Long Island Sound. In conjunction with that federal project; the private facilities, at their own cost, undertook the dredging of the area from the channel limit to their wharfs. Although we fully support the beneficial reuse of dredge spoils, where appropriate, at this point in time there does not appear to be an economically feasible option for disposing of dredge spoils from New Haven harbor other than the open water disposal sites located in Long Island Sound. We remain confident in the process undertaken by the Corps to test the dredge material before identifying the suitable disposal method and site.

I do want to restate our concern about the use of the Morris Cove borrow pit for the disposal of contaminated dredge material from Bridgeport harbor. Although the dredging of the channel in Bridgeport harbor is fully supported, the use of the Morris Cove borrow pit as the disposal site for its dredge spoils is not. The environmental benefits of having that pit filled are understood; but, to paraphrase a comment made at the September 17 hearing, if the material borrowed was clean the material being returned to the pit should be clean, as well. I am certain that suitable material can be located in reasonable proximity to the Morris Cove borrow pit to accomplish that goal.

In closing I thank you for your consideration of my comments and want to commend the Corps for completing a plan that provides us with the course to follow to keep our channels and harbors dredged and ultimately Connecticut's deep-water ports competitive.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judith Sheffele". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Judith Sheffele  
Executive Director

cc: Senator Richard Blumenthal  
Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro

Dear politician,

FW by CCE - 24 Sept 15.

Please this is urgent!!!! SAVE  
OUR SOUND! Save our sound so  
animals can live and people can swim in it.  
There are so many animals living in the  
sound. If we continue to pollute the  
sound all the animals will die.



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Long Island

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age 8

I oppose your plan to dump  
in Long Island Sound and urge you  
to develop a plan that phases  
out open water dumping of  
dredged materials and reuse  
these materials in a safe and  
beneficial way.

Nadia Petraccone  
8 Harlan Road  
Farmington CT 06032

FW by CCE-29 Sept 15

Hello, My name is Jessica. I am a concerned citizen who disagree with dumping dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. I support the reuses of dredged material. I feel that we should focus keeping the environment clean and safe.

Thank You

43 Tower Lane  
Shelton CT 06484

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Save our Long  
Island Sound

STOP the Dumping

and poisons -

A. Daniele

11 Roma Dr

FARMINGTON CT. 06032

17 Roma Dr  
Farmington CT 06032

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/ Meghan Quinn  
Lis Dm mp Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA. 01742

US Army Corps of Engineering  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
his DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord ma 01742

Please Stop Open  
Water Dumping

FW by CCE-24 Sept 15

Flw by CCE - 24 Sept 15

US Army Corps of Engineers.

Please Do not dump Anything  
into the Long Island Sound that  
you would not bath in,

Thank-you -

Mr. Booklin  
19 Tower Lane  
Shelton CT 06484

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U S Army Corps of Engineers

I oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound and strongly urge you to develop a plan that will phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in safe, beneficial, and environmentally friendly way.

Please do what is right for the health and well-being of our state and its citizens.

Thank you,

Deborah M. Bianca APRN

18 Garden Path

Farmington, Ct. 06032

Flw by CCE - 24 Sept 15

To whom this may concern,

My name is Alia Mostafa, I have lived in Connecticut my entire life and ever since i can remember the Long Island Sound has looked like a dumping grounds for waste, to the point where my parents questioned if it was safe enough to swim in any longer. I cannot see the sense in dumping more waste into the Long Island Sound as many of us would dare to call it home. Please rethink this decision or replan to reuse this toxic waste in a safe beneficial way. Please write back on how you plan to fix this for the citizens of Connecticut.

Sincerely,

Alia Mostafa

Alia Mostafa

9 Maple Ridge Rd  
Trumbull, CT  
06611

U.S Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA  
01742

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear USACE,

I oppose your plan to  
dump in the Long Island Sound.  
Please find other uses for the  
dredged material you want to  
dump there. Recycle or reuse  
them. Stop polluting the LIS.

Stop killing the fish, and sea life  
that live in the sound.

LIS is not a landfill.

Thank you,  
Rosemarie Gimby  
15 Newsome Lane  
Wilton, CT 06897

Rosemarie Gimby

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Major Quinn

Dear Mr. Quinn,

I appose your plan to dump in LI Sound. I would like to see a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and uses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A healthy LI Sound is important to my family. We enjoy the beaches, boating and eating the seafood from this area.

Please let me know your position in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ernest Khimshi  
10 Mosby Lane  
Shelton CT 06484

FW by CCE - 24 Sept 15

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

Stop polluting Long Island Sound, It is one of the most important things to our ecosystem. Also a lot of people live there.

Sincerely,



77 Cope Farms Rd.  
Farmington, CT 06032

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William Sater  
54 Greenfield Dr  
Shelton, Ct 06484

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I oppose your plan to dump in  
Long Island Sound!! I urge you  
to develop a plan that phases  
out open water dumping of dredged  
materials and reuses these materials  
in a safe and beneficial way.

Stop Dumping in Long Island Sound!!!

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

My family has enjoyed the beautiful beaches of Long Island Sound for many generations.

Now that I am a father of two, I look forward to seeing my children play on those beaches. However, I won't allow my children to play in a landfill. We need a clean Long Island Sound, not a dumping ground for dredged materials.

I urge you to please re-consider, for the sake of my children, the residents of NY and CT and all the generations to come who will be robbed of great memories to be made on Long Island Sound.

Do the right thing.

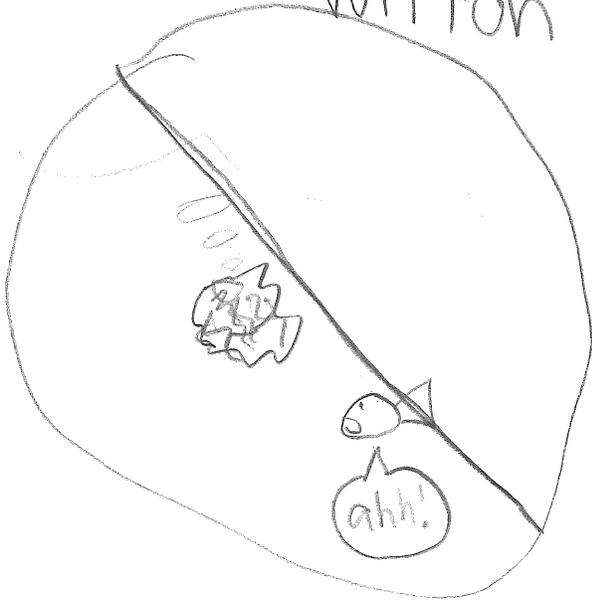
Sincerely,

Jimmy Ames



Stop dumping in the long Island Sound!

From, Fiona Conway  
Wilton CT.



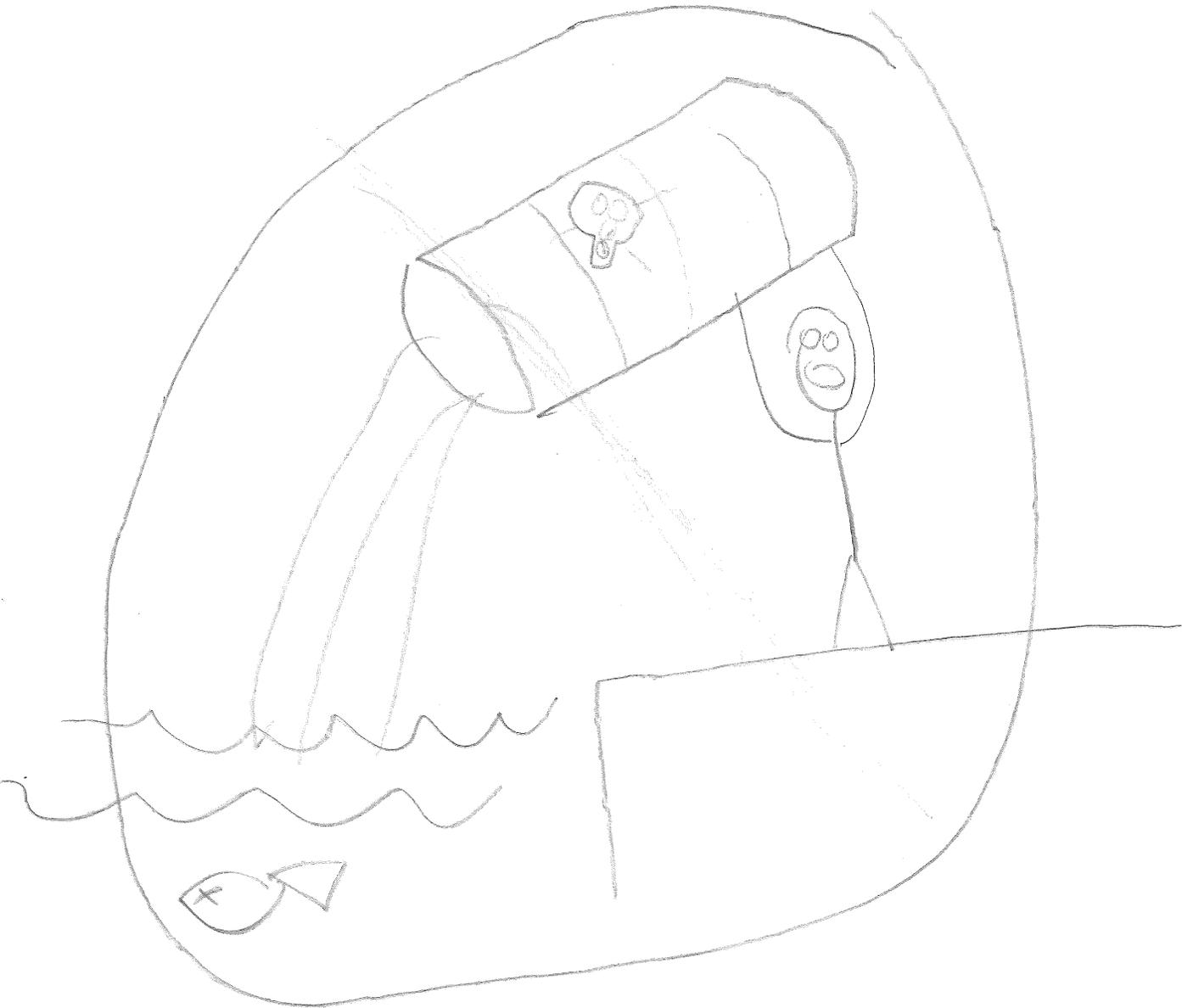
Fiona Conway  
25 Hillbrook Rd  
Wilton CT 06797

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

# Stop Dumping in the Sound

From Aislynn Conway  
Wilton CT



Aislynn Conway  
25 Hill Street Pl  
Wilton, CT 06897

FW by CCE - 24 Sept 15

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USACE  
C/O MEGHAN QUINN

I FIND IT APALLING THAT THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS STILL FEELS THE NEED TO DUMP TOXIC WASTE FROM DREDGING INTO THE LONG ISLAND SOUND. WE ARE NOW 15 YEARS INTO THE 21ST CENTURY AND STILL DEALING WITH POLLUTION ISSUES THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN RESOLVED 15 YEARS (IF NOT LONGER) PRIOR TO THE END OF THE 20TH CENTURY.

I AM AN AVID FISHERMAN AND BOATER WHO HAS BEEN DIRECTLY EFFECTED BY THIS TRAGEDY. I DON'T HAVE ALL THE ANSWERS, BUT I'M SURE A CORPS OF ENGINEERS PUTTING THEIR MINDS TOGETHER CAN COME UP WITH A MORE PROMISING SOLUTION. PERHAPS WE SHOULD INVESTIGATE ALL OPEN AVENUES TO BETTER SERVE THE ONE NATURAL RESOURCE CONNECTICUT HAS.

Wayne Keely

A-2A-1249  
WAYNE KEELY  
38 KINGDOM RIDGE RD  
WILTON, CT 06897

ATTN: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Please do not dump waste into the Long Island Sound. It is not only home to extraordinary and beautiful wildlife but also a special place for the people of Connecticut.

Please find a safe way to recycle and reuse materials dredged from the Sound.

Please oppose USACE's plan to dump dredged materials into open waters

Thanks  
Dana Hddy  
70 Oak Ridge Ln  
Wilton CT

FW by CCE 24 Sept 15

### Benifical Reuse: An Environmentally Sound Alternative

Dredge material can be reused! The Long Island Sound (LIS) is an estuary of national significance generating 17-36 billion U.S. Dollars into our regional economy annually. Not only is LIS a major capital good in the fact that it is used in order to make profit for the region, but also is home to a variety of wildlife such as, 120 species of fish, and countless other species of bird. The NY and CT federal government have spent millions of dollars for the preservation of LIS, which seems to be working based on certain observational analysis of the water dwelling mammals. It seems counterintuitive to waste all the money and effort that has been put into LIS by polluting it with dredge material, which some studies have shown are the cause of nitrogen loading and correlates with elevated levels of toxins in aquatic life. The NY and CT have agreed to phase out dumping in LIS a decade ago. In 2005, under the agreement made with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), which requested them to plan out a new method for dumping the dredge material instead of open water dumping in order to have an environmentally sound reuse program. To no avail, the USACE proposed their plan in 2015 which incorporated the use of dredge dumping material in LIS.

There are many environmentally friendly reuse options available. These include; creation of wetlands, beach nourishment, capping landfills, and filling in mines, which all of these were blatantly ignored in the proposal. All of these options are in the hope to preserve what regional natural waterways we as a region have. Furthermore, I urge you attempt in anyway to provide a new method that is safe and beneficial for the environment so that dredge material is not disposed of in open water dumping. I also urge you to oppose the USACE's plans for at least 30 years, so that a more beneficial reuse of this material can be reached.

Cameron Ferraro

FW by CCE - 24 Sep + 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To whom it may concern:

There are major problems with the USACE dumping plan. It fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution. It fails to address impacts of toxic contamination. It ignores important beneficial re-use options.

Please stop dumping in Long Island sound. As a healthy Long Island sound is important to us!

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Florence Perum".

FW by CCE-24 Sept 15

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I am opposed to the US Army's plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses the materials in a safe and beneficial way. A healthy Long Island Sound is important to me and generations to come. I would like a response regarding your position. Thank you for considering my request.

Peter Gerali  
16 Field Rock Rd.  
Farmington, CT 06032



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TO: US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Mgr.  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01741

Stop the dumping of dredged matter into LI Sound...Life isn't always the best by using the easy way out...STOP IT.

Let me know what you're doing to change your plan...

That goes for these CT Democratic Office holders also!!!

Gov. Malloy  
Sen. Murphy  
Sen. Blumenthal

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. Haumann", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

R. Haumann  
20 Red Stone Way  
Farmington, CT 06032

P.S. I was at the sound today and it was a beautiful way to spend the day...DON'T SCREW IT UP.

FW by CCE - 24 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

As a lifelong Connecticut resident, I find it disturbing and disgusting that the State of CT and NY agree to continue to dump was in the Long Island Sound. This sounds like an outdated practice that is continuing to damage our already diminishing ecosystem. The USACE dumping plan ignores important beneficial reuse options such as, beach nourishment, constructing wetlands, camping landfills, and brownfield sites. It may be laziness or money that encourages you all to continue to dump in our sound, but we ask you to take some pride in our state and mother earth for we need to start acting now if we are going to change the future.

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m  
7 Westview Terrace  
Farmington, CT

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

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DAVID BUSEL  
7 Westview Terrace  
Farmington, CT

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

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STEVEN RUSEK  
7 Westview Terrace  
Farmington, CT

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

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Maggie Buse

7 Westview Terrace

Farmington, CT

Thursday, September 24, 2015

Dear USACE,

My family and I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. We urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials. Please find a way that reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. My family and I thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tsmall".

Teresa Small

10 Alberta Ct.

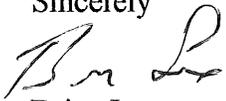
Smithtown, NY 11787

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

A healthy Long Island Sound is important to me and my family. I oppose any dumping of dredged material into the Sound and favor the beneficial reuse of dredged material. Please inform me of your opinion on this important issue.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Lux". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brian" and last name "Lux" clearly distinguishable.

Brian Lux  
16 Roma Drive  
Farmington CT 060632

EW by CCE - 24 Sept 15

US Army Corps of Engineers  
% Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

We oppose the Army Corps of Engineers plan to dump dredged material in Long Island Sound. We urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

  
Bradford Ives

FW by CCE-24 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amy Duquette". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and address.

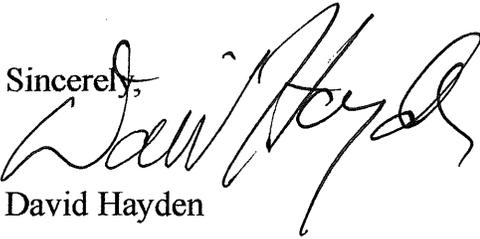
Amy Duquette  
Farmington, CT

FW by CCE - 24 Sept 15

Dear Meghan Quinn,

As a fellow American of Irish descent, I assume you have the love of the natural world that all of Irish heritage share. So please help phase out dumping of dredged materials back into Long Island Sound! There must be a more environmentally friendly way. You guys are some of the greatest engineers in the world - let's do it!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Hayden", written in a cursive style.

David Hayden

FW by CCE - 24 SEPT 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Mrs. Quinn,

I am writing today to talk about the alleged plan to phase out dumping in the Long Island Sound. Being a veteran of the United States Marine Corps myself, I know first hand that the most important values of a person in any relation to the military are integrity and honesty. That is why I am deeply upset by the fact that we, the residents of New York and Connecticut, had been promised by our states a plan to phase out open water dumping in the sound, yet received something very very different.

The Engineering Corps in fact developed a plan to continue using the sound for dumping. Humans and animals alike rely on clean water for survival. It is an integral part of our ecosystem that should not be tampered with or chemically poisoned the way it currently is. We are not talking about just a few pounds of garbage tossed in the water, but a projected 30 to 50 million cubic yards. That is completely unacceptable and an enourmous hazard.

I am sure that you have just as many memories as I do of looking out over the beautiful waters of the sound, and seeing the fish peacefully swim by. Perhaps taking a boat trip out and going fishing, or even for a swim out in the water. The restoration efforts that have been put forth so far have been enourmously successful and there is no reason to stop there. If we want our children to experience these same memories and grow up with the sound being restored to glory then this has to stop.

There has to be a better way. I know you are intelligent individuals and are able to take the initiative to make things right. Work with the citizens to find a solution to this and stop polluting these waters. We are destroying not only a beautiful piece of nature but slowly degrading the economy by destroying a revenue source of up to 36 billion dollars annually.

If there is anything to take away from this letter it is that we need to work together. There are plenty of concerned citizens and politians who are willing to help stop this. Many have great ideas that just do not get the chance to voice their opinions publically. So please, for our sake and yours, listen to us, heed our warning, and stop dumping dredged materials in the sound.

Sincerely,



Adam Keely



Office of the Mayor

Deberey A. Hinchey

September 24, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attention: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing on behalf of the City of Norwich in support of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound.

Norwich is located at the end of the Thames River. We are a vibrant harbor, fishing and boating are essential components. We value our relationship with the Naval Submarine Base and Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics and the economic prosperity these two entities bring to our city.

Long Island Sound's navigation-dependent activities contribute \$1.6 billion annually in Federal and State tax revenues. It is important to keep Long Island Sound's nearly 400 ports operable for the hundreds of commercial and recreation ships that use these ports daily.

Connecticut has been responsibly dredging using open-water placement for 35 years and the Dredged Material Management Plan and the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement will provide the Long Island Sound region with a balanced approach for future waterway maintenance projects. The rise in sea level and increased storm intensity, due to climate change, will create opportunities for beneficial uses of dredged materials in resiliency projects.

Thank you for your consideration on this important topic.

Sincerely,

Mayor Deb Hinchey  
Mayor

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City of Norwich Mayor's Office

100 Broadway, Room 230, Norwich, CT 06360  
Phone: (860) 823-3743 • Cell (860) 334-2549 • Fax: (860) 885-2914  
dhinchey@cityofnorwich.org • www.norwichct.org

Donald S. & Nancy Simmonds  
27 Whitewood Drive  
Shelton, CT 06484

September 24, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Ms. Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

We are writing in opposition to the proposed plan by the USACE to continue open water dumping of dredged materials into Long Island Sound. Long Island Sound is an Estuary of National Significance and home to more than 120 species of fin fish and countless varieties of birds and other animals. It is incomprehensible to us that our own Army Corps of Engineers has not acted on the 2005 agreement between CT and NY to phase out open water dumping in the sound made a decade ago.

We support the development of a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. A healthy Long Island Sound is important to all of us. Please look into the beneficial reuse options such as beach nourishment, constructing wetlands, capping landfills and brownfield sites and filling in of abandoned mines in the State of Pennsylvania.

We are all keepers of our environment and the USACE should be exemplary leaders of this endeavor. Please reply to our letter in writing advising your stance on this vital subject. It is important to us and all future generations to protect and save Long Island Sound as the valuable resource it is.

Please endeavor to make the necessary modifications to abolish open water dumping a reality now. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Nancy Simmonds  
Donald S. Simmonds

Thursday, September 24, 2015

LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
ACOE, N.E. District  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency.

I believe access to these disposal sites is critical to provide a viable solution to dredge operations on Long Island Sound.

I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open water disposal.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas M. Raiola", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Thomas M. Raiola  
169 Maple St  
Branford, CT 06405

FW by CCE - 24 Sept  
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TO USACE,

I oppose your plan to dump  
in LI Sound !! Please  
phase out open water dumping !!

Rudy Weirich

To the USACE,

I STRONGLY oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! I implore you to develop a plan that eliminates open water dumping of dredged materials and find a more safe and ecologically/healthfully sound way to reuse these materials. I am a concerned resident who wants SAFE drinking water for my family. We all deserve that.

Thank you  
Eric J. Jirinsky  
Sunnyside, NY

Dear C/o Meghan Quinn,

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Do not destroy the Long Island sound.  
The dumping of dredged Materials is harmful and irresponsible! The sound is important for the L.I. fishery. Striped bass have had their size regulations changed twice this year alone. It is a fight to preserve these amazing game fish, let alone prevent another moratorium. Please be responsible and preserve our water ways!

Sincerely,

Matthew Engel

Dear USACE:

FYI

I oppose your plan to dump in  
De. R.F. Sound. I urge you to  
develop a plan that phases out open  
water dumping of dredged  
materials and, rather, sends  
them in a safe &  
beneficial way

Barbara Matthews

cc:

- Hon Andrew Cuomo
- Cesar Perales, Secty of State
- Sen Kristen Gillibrand

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USACE

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Mary Slevin Brodmerkel  
1 Sutton Place  
Smithtown, NY 11787

*Mary Slevin Brodmerkel*

FW by CCE - 24 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

Ms. Quinn,

This letter is being written in hopes that you will reconsider dumping dredged material in the open waters of the Long Island Sound. In today's climate the reusing of materials are both beneficial and necessary to help people have a better place to live. The dumping of dredged material only increases the nitrogen levels in water that has been known to wipe out large numbers of species and is a known destroyer of this national estuary. Please develop a plan that will phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. The fill can be used to replenish beaches that have been washed away from Hurricane Sandy.

Sincerely,



Brian Given

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I'd like to take this opportunity to voice my objections to any and all dumping of dredged materials into the Long Island Sound.

Research into reuse of dredged materials so as to lessen, if not eliminate, dumped materials is obviously warranted, and cost should not be a major consideration. If dumping is necessary until research develops new methods, then the dumping should be done at least 50 miles offshore into the Atlantic, maybe even off the continental shelf.

If an effort is made to clean and reuse dredged materials that's half as strong as recycling is with our garbage, we'll have a clean and healthy Long Island Sound.

Respectfully,



Robert Martens  
4 Wedgewood Court  
Miller Place, NY 11764

Cynthia Jorgensen  
5Wheelright Way  
Smithtown, NY 11787

September 24, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

This letter is to inform you that I oppose the plan to dump in LI Sound! I strongly urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cynthia Jorgensen', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Cynthia Jorgensen

September 24, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

As a life-long citizen of Long Island, an educator, and a tax payer, I oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Although the plan may be convenient and less expensive than some other options, I urge you to consider the harmful effects it will have on our beautiful environment.

Already this year, there were news reports weekly about high levels of Nitrogen killing many fish and other aquatic life on Long Island's shores. In addition to harming aquatic life, there have even been reports of beaches closed to swimmers due to the potentially harmful bacteria in the water. If you dump more sediment into the water, the effects of contamination would be devastating. Please don't take away my opportunity to enjoy the place I live and where I plan to raise my family.

There are many more beneficial ways of using the dredged material than dumping it into our water. Although it may not be the best option for you, think about all the other people it affects. I urge you to consider ways of reusing the dredged material and keeping the place I love so dearly a clean and healthy environment.

Sincerely,



Ashley DiScalfani

9/24/15

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I have lived on Long Island my whole life and have come to greatly appreciate the beautiful nature the island has to offer. A major part of that nature being the Long Island sound. However, beyond being a source of awe, it is also an extremely important place for many birds, fish and other animals. For this reason I ask that you put more consideration into the activities going on with it. It is disgusting and quite frankly a disgrace that there are plans to continue to dump into the sound when there are much more viable and respectful options available. We only have one planet and we must all learn to share and take <sup>care of</sup> it otherwise there will be fatal consequences, as I'm sure you are aware.

That all being said I strongly encourage you to develop a plan that extinguishes open water dumping of dredged materials. Instead, I hope you can develop a new plan in which the dredged materials can be reused. There are many alternatives in which this can be done such as constructing wetlands, capping landfills and filling in abandoned mines. Creating a new plan will be more work but I ~~believe~~ believe it's in everybody's best interest that this is done and I hope you feel the same.

The Long Island Sound is a wonderfully unique body of water and I would hate to see it go to ruin simply because of a lack of motives or other selfish reasons. Finally, I ask that you respond to me ~~in~~ personally in writing, informing me of your position on the subject at hand. I hope you take the time to consider what a pressing matter this is.

Sincerely,  
Alyssa Kratt

A-2A-1277

September 24, 2015

TO: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Catherine Sullivan".

Catherine Sullivan

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

September 24, 2015

Ms. Quinn,

I am opposed to the plan for dumping in Long Island Sound. The sound is a beautiful and important natural resource for Connecticut. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and come up with a plan to safely reuse these materials in a beneficial way.

Sincerely,



Gerald Conetta  
46 Brookwood Lane  
Huntington, CT 06484

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elizabeth Conetta". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Elizabeth Conetta  
46 Brookwood Lane  
Huntington, CT 06484

To: us Army Corps of Engineers

6/24/15

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound.  
Please develop a plan to phase out open water  
dumping of dredged materials. Find a way to  
reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial  
way.

Thank You

Kevin Bayusik  
Kevin Bayusik

September 24, 2015

To Whom it may concern, (USACE)

We emphatically oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Our family spends a great deal of time swimming in the sound all summer. We want to be able to swim knowing that it is safe and we are not putting our kids at risk. We need to protect our sea life. Please try to develop a plan to reuse the dredged materials in a safe and beneficial way for our sea life and families. We pray that you will reconsider.

Sincerely,  
Louise Lyons

9/27/15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.  
Meghan Quinn  
LisDMMR Project Manager.

I am opposed to further dumping of open water dredging that can contain toxic contamination. There has been an increase of marine life in Long Island sound and it should not be compromised.

Please keep Long Island sound healthy for animals and humans.

Thank you  
Cathy Howland  
18 Brookwood Ln.  
Shelton Ct 06487

Dan Friedman  
54 Brilner Drive  
Smithtown NY, 11787

September 24, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I have just learned that you have a plan afoot to dump the dredged material from Connecticut into the Long Island Sound. Please allow me to explain why I think this is a particularly bad idea.

The Long Island Sound is a precious to both Long Island and Connecticut. This dumping of materials will do grievous harm to the environment of water. It will add pollutants that will despoil both the commercial and the recreational aspects of the Sound. It will have detrimental economic effect to all those living near the sound.

I urge you to come up with a better plan such as using the dredged material as fill to hold back erosion on both shores or shipping it to sites that have need of the fill to cover old landfills or to cover the ruination caused by the mining industry, etc.

Please advise me in writing, of your position on this urgent matter.

Sincerely,



Dan Friedman

9/24/15

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

I oppose your plan to  
dump in Long Island Sound!

I urge you to develop a plan  
that phases out open water  
dumping of dredged materials  
and requires these materials  
in a safe & beneficial way

Thank you  
Joan Rindless

23 Rhoda Ave

Smithtown, N.Y. 11787

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Mng'r.  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

9/24/15

To USACE,

I oppose the plan to dump in L.I. Sound.  
I urge you to develop a plan to phase  
out open water dumping of dredged  
materials & reuse these materials in  
a safe & beneficial way.

Sonja Daniels

Sonja Daniels  
35 Caroline Ave.  
Smithtown, NY 11787

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing in support of the draft Dredged Material Management Plan. Dredging is vital to our economy and to ensure public access to our waterways. This scientific plan currently under public review after a decade of preparation clearly shows that open-water disposal is the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. There are four current disposal locations; access to these placement sites is critical.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

  
\_\_\_\_\_ Date 9/24/15

Paul Tippett:  
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LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

*Ronald A. Floyd Sr.* Date *9/24/15*

*Ronald A. Floyd Sr.*

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*City of New London  
Fire Department  
289 Bank Street  
860-447-5291  
860-447-5293 - FAX*

September, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As the Fire Chief for the City of New London and a member of the New London Marine Group I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by your agency. The evidence that has been presented has identified the most fiscally and environmentally suitable means for managing dredged materials for the future.

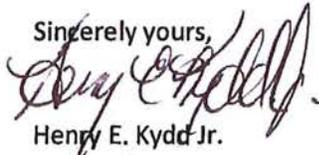
Among the factors leading to my support:

- The economic vitality of our port sustains numerous small businesses including charter fishing operations, commercial fishing operations, recreational marinas and overall access to the waters of Long Island Sound.
- The environmental component has been well researched and documented. The continued monitoring of open-water disposal sites along with the detailed permitting process that precedes disposal operations has been designed such to ensure that water quality and that of the overall marine environment remains unharmed.
- Finally the safety component. If continued maintenance dredged operations are interrupted and the navigable waters of our State and region impacted the threat of groundings increases substantially; the results of which could endanger human lives and safety and the health and safety of our environment.

Connecticut clearly has the greatest dredge needs and the port of New London would certainly benefit. These must needs must be met with sound economic and environmental solutions that I believe have been achieved in this Plan.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my support.

Sincerely yours,



Henry E. Kydd Jr.

*Henry E. Kydd, Jr.  
Fire Chief  
[hkydd@ci.new-london.ct.us](mailto:hkydd@ci.new-london.ct.us)*

*Trish Lancaster  
Assistant to the Fire Chief  
[tlancaster@ci.new-london.ct.us](mailto:tlancaster@ci.new-london.ct.us)*

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**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Alison Varian [a.varian@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2015 5:20 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Statement in favor of open water placement in LIS

September 23, 2015

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

From: Guilford Harbor Management Commission

Ref: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recommendation for continued open water placement of dredged materials.

Dear Meghan Quinn,  
The Guilford Harbor Management Commission fully supports the Corps recommendation to continue open water placement of approved material from dredging in Connecticut. Until there are other cost effective means available, open water placement in LIS is the only sensible method.

Thank you,  
Alison Varian  
Chairman  
Guilford Harbor Management Commission

# Town of

**Mark C. Nickerson**  
First Selectman  
MNickerson@eltownhall.com



# East Lyme

108 Pennsylvania Ave.  
P.O. Box 519  
Niantic, Connecticut 06357  
Phone (860) 691-4110  
Fax (860) 739-2851

September 23, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

As First Selectman of the Town of East Lyme, I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by your agency. The evidence that has been presented has identified as the most fiscally and environmentally suitable means for managing dredged materials for the future.

The existing open-water placement locations, Western, Central, Cornfield Shoals and New London have all proven to provide the most economically viable placement locations for the projects from their geographic regions without adversely affecting Long Island Sound.

The environmental component has been well researched and documented. The continued monitoring of open-water disposal sites along with the detailed permitting process that precedes disposal operations has been designed to ensure that water quality and that of the overall marine environment remains unharmed. Marinas in the area are typically owned by family businesses and silt buildup is a problem for both safety and accessibility. Additional costs associated with other disposal alternatives can mean the closure of those businesses if they lack competitiveness when adding those expenses to their fees. If continued maintenance of dredged operations is interrupted and the navigable waters of our State and region are impacted, the threat of groundings increases substantially; the results of which could endanger human lives and safety and the health and safety of our environment.

Connecticut clearly has the greatest dredge needs. These needs must be met with sound economic and environmental solutions that I believe have been achieved in this Plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark C. Nickerson", is written over a horizontal line.

Mark C. Nickerson, First Selectman



Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Heather Donhue

Date

9/23/15

Heather Donhue

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Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

 Date 9-23-15

David W. Tethow  
3 School St,  
Myrtle, CT, 06355



To the USACE,

09/23/2015

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sand. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way!

Charles C Kelly

Michael C Kelly

Kathleen a. Kelly

Sept. 23, 2015

To: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager

We are writing to ask you to please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials in our Long Island Sound.

We oppose your current plan and ask you to reconsider other beneficial options for the dredged material.

Thank you  
Glean + Chris Lawrence  
47 Cali St.  
Shelton CT 06484



Christine Lawrence  
47 Cali Dr.  
Shelton, CT 06484-3514

September 23, 2015

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

Please do not dump dredged material into Long Island Sound. Develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Sound. A healthy Long Island Sound is important to me.

I would like to know your position. You may reach me at:

LISA ADRIANI  
11 Button Rd  
Shelton, CT 06484

Thank you. Sincerely, Lisa Adriani

A. Diane Betts  
49 Quaker Ridge Road  
Shelton, Connecticut 06484-2638

September 23, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

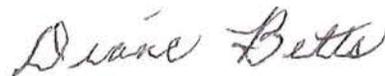
Gentlemen:

It is with great dismay that I have learned of the plans formulated by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers to dump dredged material into Long Island Sound. There must surely be a better, safer way to dispose of such material and I feel sure that the Corps is fully equipped to find it.

Contamination of this beautiful and necessary waterway is, or SHOULD be, absolutely out of the question. Please put your combined minds to the problem and Save the Sound! Future generations depend on it.

I would appreciate a response to this letter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane Betts".

9/23/15

TO: U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS,

I AM WRITING TO TELL YOU I OPPOSE USACE'S  
PLAN TO DUMP IN LONG ISLAND SOUND.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM PHASE OUT DUMPING  
INTO OPEN WATER AND TO REUSE OR DEPOSE  
OF THEM PROPERLY + SAFELY.

SINCERELY,

FRED WILSON

9/23/15

To USACE

Please stop dumping  
in Long Island Sound.

I would like to see future  
children enjoy the sound.

J. Testa

1 Rouleau Dr.  
~~603~~ Shelton, Ct

9/23/15

Dear USACE, Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal,

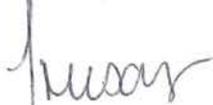
I opposed the USACE's plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I urge Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the LIS for at least 30 years. I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

A healthy LIS is important to the future enjoyment and health of my family. It is important to be able to eat locally, enjoy local beaches and swim in local water.

I request a response in writing, informing me of your position on this situation.

Thank you,



Taryn Mesaros  
22 Oak Hill Lane  
Shelton, CT 06484

11 Barbara Ave  
Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776

September 23, 2015

Dear Megan Quin,

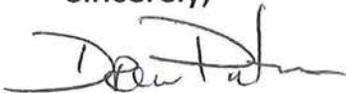
As a resident of Long Island for 61 years I am opposing the plan to dump in Long Island Sound! It is imperative that you develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

My Grandparents brought our family to Long Island 90 years ago and my family has raised four generations here. I fear my future grandchildren may never experience the beauty of our precious estuary we call The Long Island Sound.

Please help the future generations and all people and animals who not only depend on the health of The Long Island Sound, but the beauty it brings to all of us.

I look forward to hearing a response from the USACE with regard to this possible massacre that will endanger the ecosystem of the LI Sound. Please help the future generations and all people and animals who not only depend on the health of the Long Island Sound, but the beauty it brings to all of us.

Sincerely,

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Drew A. Pantino

11 Barbara Ave  
Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776

September 23, 2015

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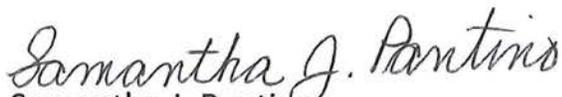
As a resident of Long Island for 27 years I am opposing the plan to dump in Long Island Sound! It is imperative that you develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

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Sincerely,

  
Samantha J. Pantino

11 Barbara Ave  
Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776

September 23, 2015

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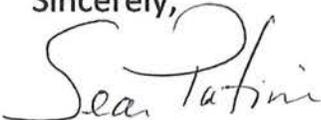
As a resident of Long Island for 22 years I am opposing the plan to dump in Long Island Sound! It is imperative that you develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

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Sincerely,



Sean D. Pantino

11 Barbara Ave  
Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776

September 23, 2015

Dear Megan Quin,

As a resident of Long Island for 55 years I am opposing the plan to dump in Long Island Sound! It is imperative that you develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

My Grandparents brought our family to Long Island 80 years ago and my family has raised four generations here. I fear my future grandchildren may never experience the beauty of our precious estuary we call The Long Island Sound.

Please help the future generations and all people and animals who not only depend on the health of The Long Island Sound, but the beauty it brings to all of us.

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Sincerely,



Deborah Pantino



## City of New London

Office of the City Council  
181 State Street • New London, CT 06320 • Phone (860) 447-5202

September 23, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I have served for the past six years on the New London City Council. Two of those years I served as the Council President. I have also served as Council liaison to the New London Port Authority. As you know, New London is one of three major commercial ports in Connecticut. New London is also a significant harbor for recreational marine interests. I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by your agency. The DMMP is clearly the most fiscally and environmentally suitable means for managing dredged materials for the future.

Preserving the economic vitality of Port New London is crucial to sustaining the numerous small businesses that depend on the port, including charter fishing operations, commercial fishing operations, recreational marinas and overall access to the waters of Long Island Sound.

The environmental component has been well researched and documented. The continued monitoring of open-water disposal sites along with the detailed permitting process that precedes disposal operations has been designed such to ensure that water quality and that of the overall marine environment remains unharmed.

Moving forward with the DMMP is also crucial to maintaining the safe operations of our port. If continued maintenance dredged operations are interrupted and the navigable waters of the State and specifically Port New London are impacted the threat of groundings increases substantially, the results of which would pose a risk to human life and threaten the environment.

Connecticut clearly has the greatest dredge needs. These must needs must be met with sound economic and environmental solutions that I believe have been achieved in this Plan.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my support.

Respectfully yours,

Michael E. Passero  
New London City Council

PM 23 Sept 15



# Masons Island Marina

P.O. Box 185, Old North Road, Mystic, CT 06355, (860) 536-2608

Jack Morehouse  
Masons Island Marina  
P.O. Box 185  
Mystic, CT 06355-0185

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms Quinn,

I am writing to you to ask that you consider legislation to open up an additional Eastern Long Island Sound disposal site for dredging materials. I am an owner of a small family owned marina business. We face often insurmountable obstacles in the interest of staying in a business. We are located very close to the RI border where the price of gasoline is often thirty cents a gallon cheaper for boaters in that state. The dockage fees are much less expensive do to the lack of sales tax on slips in RI as opposed to sales tax on CT slips. Ct also requires a certificate of decal for out of state boaters to dock here in CT and if you actually choose to change your out of state registration to a CT registration, you are required to pay CT sales tax as though you are purchasing the boat all over again. However, in spite of all of these obstacles, we do have customers who dock/moor their boats at our facility eight miles west of the much less expensive RI marinas. So when we have maintenance costs that are beyond the normal wear and tear dock repairs, equipment repairs, or catastrophic ice or storm damage, we are almost driven to the point of no longer being able to stay in business.

When we purchased the marina in 1986, the owners were at a point where the marina was no longer able to accommodate the draft of boats that they had once accommodated. Not only were the slips silted in, but the travel lift haul out area was silted in to a point of only being able to haul/launch at high tide. We were able to obtain a permit to dredge with our land based crane and dispose of the dredged materials upland after dewatering. We were able to open up some of the silted in slips and free up the haul out area to accommodate more boats during a greater window of time with less of a tide restriction. We have however never been able to adequately maintain the areas too far from the reach of a land based crane. Those areas need a barge/crane and the ability to dispose other than upland. The cost of that is prohibitive to us if the spoils have to be transported to New Haven.

We have tested the bed of the area we need dredged and have tested very well with no major contamination. In fact, we have soil capable of being used for capping.

We employ nine people, five of them are full time employees. They are dependent on the marinas ability to remain a viable business. We contributed just under \$25,000.00 to the State of Connecticut in Sales Tax in 2014 which largely came from dockage/mooring fees.

We are asking that you advocate for us in this matter and appreciate your time and consideration on this issue.

Sincerely,

Jack Morehouse

A-2A-1308



September 23, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Gary B. Ashley, CCM

General Manager

A-2A-1309



September 23, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attention: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

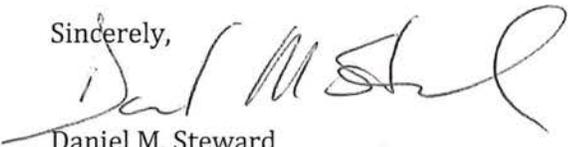
RE: The Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound, released August 17, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing today on behalf of the Town of Waterford, Connecticut in support of the Draft Plan that was released on August 17, 2015. The Town of Waterford has strong ties to the maritime industry and values and relies on Long Island Sound and its tributaries for recreation and economic development uses. Passage of the Dredged Material Management Plan would positively impact the town and its residents. Many residents of the town use Long Island Sound for their boating and fishing enjoyment, while the Naval Submarine Base and Electric Board Division of the General Dynamics depend on the Sound for economic reasons. A large number of our residents are employed by Electric Boat or one of their many sub-contractors. Loss of or restrictions on either of these two economic generators would have a devastating impact on our Town. The Plan ensures that both entities could maintain the required channels at a reasonable maintenance cost thus ensuring their stability. The controlled disposal of these materials would ensure that our residents who enjoy Long Island Sound would continue to do so in a clean and healthy body of water.

We request the Army Corps of Engineers approve the Dredged Materials Management Plan, which is so important to the citizens and businesses of Waterford. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input.

Sincerely,



Daniel M. Steward  
First Selectman

PM 23 Sept 15

The Walkers • 34 Old Forge Road • Wilton, Connecticut 06897 • (203) 966-6066



U.S. Army Corps Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
W.LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan,

Long Island sound is one of  
Connecticut's treasures and resources  
of marine life and recreation.

You have been dumping in Long Island Sound  
and you need to stop and come up w/  
a way that reuses the materials you  
are dumping.

The health of the sound affects  
everyone. Please take the time to  
invest in a safer plan,

Please let us know in  
writing what you plan to do

ADA-1811  
Abby Gross Walker  
and Brian Walker

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers,

My name is William Comer and I am a 17-year-old senior high school student living in Wilton Connecticut. I attend Wilton High School and am currently enrolled in an Advanced Placement Environmental Sciences course. Through this course, it has recently come to my attention that you are planning to dump dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. I am extremely opposed to this plan and would like to voice my strong disagreement and anger for this current action that you are performing.

I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. Open water dumping is harmful to the environment, endangers human health, and is simply wrong. If you continue with this plan, severe negative impacts on the environment will soon come.

The USACE draft plan is solely based on what is cheap, easy, and convenient. The document fails to recognize the environmental impacts of open water dumping and the economic impacts dumping will have on the region. The tri-state area and New England heavily relies on the Long Island Sound for economic income and natural capital; with the decision to harm this resource comes problems for the strength of our natural ecosystems and economies.

I care very much for the Long Island sound and its future health. My family and I had a house there for several years. I remember beautiful waves and the sounds of countless numbers of people laughing and enjoying the beauty and nature that is found there. Without the Long Island Sound, these memories and feelings will die. I am an extremely concerned citizen and want to voice this opinion. Thousands of other concerned people and I hope you will change your plans. This is of utmost importance for preventing countless numbers of problems from arising.

I would greatly appreciate a response in writing, informing me of your position.

Thank you for reading my letter,

I hope you realize we must change this plan

Sincerely, William Comer

9 Chessor Lane  
Wilton CT 06897

William Comer  
9 Chessor Lane  
Wilton, CT

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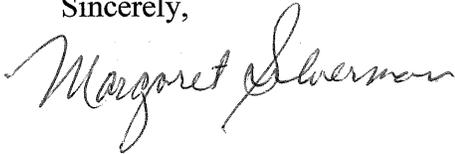
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I would greatly appreciate a response in writing to clarify your position.

Sincerely,



Margaret Silverman

22 Earl Rd.

Melville, NY 11747

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
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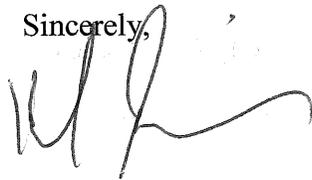
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*US Army Corps of Engineers*  
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*LIS DMMP Project Manager*  
*696 Virginia Road*



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Sincerely,



Benjamin Silverman

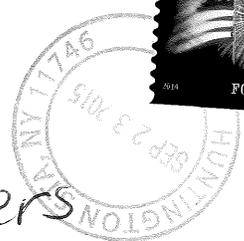
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NY 11747

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager

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Ann Marie Bracken  
6 Washington Ave  
Miller Place, NY 11764

Sept. 23, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Meghan Quinn:

I am writing to you today, to express how greatly opposed I am, to you dumping dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to reuse these materials in a safe, useful and beneficial way! I urge you to develop a long term plan that phases out open water dumping. I urge you to act!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ann Marie Bracken", followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ann Marie Bracken

September 23, 2015

Dear United States Army Corps of Engineers,

I strongly oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. The Long Island Sound is very important to my family.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Aileen Poerio". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A'.

Aileen Poerio

**Lori Markland**  
**169 Radio Avenue**  
**Miller Place, NY 11764**

September 23, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to inform you that I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! I urge you to please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredge materials and reuse them in a safe and beneficial manner.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori Markland".

Lori Markland

2 Washington Ave  
Miller Place NY 11764

Sept 23, 2015

U S Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
646 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA 01742

The Long Island Sound is  
very important to our community.  
We oppose your plan to dump in  
L.I. Sound. Please develop a plan  
that phases out open water dumping  
of dredged materials & resumes  
these materials in a safe & beneficial  
way.

Thank you  
Patricia Vandekam  
Robert Vandekam

FW by CCE 23 Sept 15

Dear USACE,

I would like to take this time to express that I am opposed to your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound.

I urge that you Please develop a plan that phases out water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a SAFE and beneficial way.

Thank you.

Walter Prendergast

FW by CCE 23 Sept 15

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I oppose the USACE's plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I grew-up on this beautiful Island and I want it to stay that way for my children's future.

Sincerely,  
Christie Pugliese

FW by CCE 23 Sept 15

To the Army Corps of Engineers,

I am opposed to the plan to dump  
in the Long Island Sound. Please develop  
a plan that phases out open water dumping  
of dredged material.

We need to instead use these materials in  
a safe and beneficial way.

Please do not damage the earth for  
the next generation

Sincerely

Kathleen Newton

25 Deer Lane

East Setauket, N.Y. 11733

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I oppose Your Plan to dump  
Long Island Sound. Please  
Develop a Plan that Phases  
out open water Dumping  
and reuses these materials  
in a safe & beneficial way

John Schulte



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Brian Harvey  
6 Campsite Lane  
East Setauket, NY 11733

To Whom It May Concern:

Please reconsider your decision in the upcoming weeks concerning the dredging situation in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials. Please consider reusing these materials in a more beneficial way that will keep the Long Island Sound and its surrounding area safe and healthy. A healthy environment is important to me and my family, and I feel that there is a better option in which this can be handled. I would appreciate a response to this letter in writing notifying me of your position in this matter.

Sincerely,  
Brian Harvey

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "BHV", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

FW by CCE - 23 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank You



9 Longhorn Lane  
S-Set, NY 11733

FW by CCE - 23 Sept 15

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms Quinn,

Please be advised that as a resident of Long Island I strongly oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to help develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and consider reuse options in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you



Sincerely,

Lubia Bergold  
166 Minrol St  
PDS NY 11776

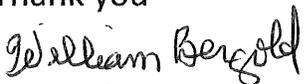
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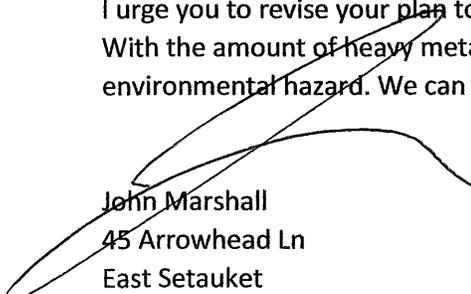
Thank you

  
Sincerely,  
William Bergold

FW by CCE- 23 Sept

U.S. Army Corps Of engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I urge you to revise your plan to dump the dredge waste from NY and CT into the Long Island sound. With the amount of heavy metals and PCB's coming in from industrial areas, it would become a huge environmental hazard. We can reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

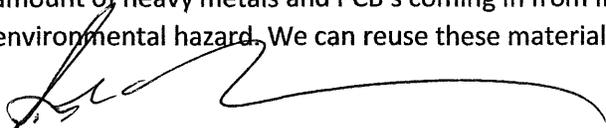


John Marshall  
45 Arrowhead Ln  
East Setauket

FW by CCE - 23 Sept

U.S. Army Corps Of engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I urge stop your plan to dump the dredge waste from NY and CT into the Long Island sound. With the amount of heavy metals and PCB's coming in from industrial areas, it would become a huge environmental hazard. We can reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.



Susan Marshall  
45 Arrowhead Ln  
East Setauket

U.S Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Megan Quinn,

It has been brought to my attention that open water dumping of dredge material continues in Long Island Sound and will continue according to the latest DMMP plans released by USACE. As you probably know this dumping increases significant nitrogen loading of the sound. This nitrogen and other dumping factors increase algae blooms and the increased bacteria growth creates a hypoxia condition in this body of water. This body of water has minimal tidal flushing at its western end. We experience many fish and shell fish kills every year in the sound. If you look at the study and data buoys that UConn produces every year you will find that the DO level at 50 feet approaches zero in August of each year in the mid and western LIS area. I fished the sound for over 50 years and have firsthand experience with the degradation of marine life in the sound, not to mention beach closures for swimming.

Please consider alternate plans for reuse of this dredge material.

Thank You for your cooperation in this matter.



Robert A. D'Italia

FW by CCE - 23 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank You

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FW by COE - 23 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

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Thank You

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**To USACE,**

**I oppose your plan to dump in the long island sound! Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.**

Thank you,

Laurie Haas

Yanni Haas

September 22, 2015

LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd. Concord, MA 01742-2751  
Attn: Meghan Quinn

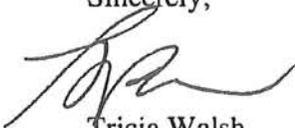
Dear Ms. Quinn,

I submit this letter on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Greater Mystic Chamber of Commerce in support of the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by your agency. As a member based organization representing a large demographic of marine based businesses it is imperative that a working waterfront be maintained in order to maintain our economic stability and quality of life in the Greater Mystic area.

Our Board of Directors recognizes the necessity of the preservation of the environment of our shoreline and Long Island Sound in general. We stand behind the DMMP plan and fear the implications that taking no action on this will lead to. Among them, the closure of Long Island Sound open-water placement locations within a year's time, fewer maintained ports and harbors and significant reduction in access which will come at a substantial economic cost to our regional economy.

Without continued availability of open water disposal sites in Long Island Sound, our region's maritime industry will suffer irreparable damage. Dredging will become economically prohibitive thus allowing silting to clog our waterways. It is important to note that we are a tourist destination which financially impacts every business in our community, and many tourists arrive by private boats and yachts which boosts our local economy. Without navigable waters, this would no longer be viable. Finally, it is critical that this plan be approved to preserve a vital natural resource, our beautiful shoreline, for our future generations. We appreciate your attention to our position on this important issue.

Sincerely,



Tricia Walsh  
President

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Amy Siebert [Amy.Siebert@greenwichct.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2015 5:19 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for the USACE's Dredged Material Management Plan

Good afternoon,

I would like to add my support for the USACE's draft Dredged Material Management Plan for Long Island Sound. It is important to continue to have the option for open water placement of dredged material, balancing concerns about Long Island Sound's environmental health with cost effectiveness and other impacts associated with land based disposal.

Regards,

Amy Siebert  
Commissioner of Public Works  
Greenwich DPW  
asiebert@greenwichct.org  
Work: 203-622-7740  
Fax: 203-622-3716

Sept. 22, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

Attn: Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

RE: DMMP

Dear Ms. Quinn

I am writing you in support of the Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) study. As Harbormaster of New Haven Harbor I feel that it is critical to maintain and keep open these (4) open water placement sites. My life has revolved around this harbor and without maintenance dredging there would be a severe economic, environment and public safety burden.

New Haven harbor became active in the late 1800's with the development of it's three breakwaters and lighthouse. There has been much investment on coastal properties that are water dependent use. The import of gas, heating oil, salt for road use as well as the export of scrap metals are some of the activities that contribute to the commerce of not only New Haven but the State Of Connecticut. Without maintaining the channel depth this would be devastating to these businesses and the economy of Connecticut.

New Haven harbor also is one of the top producers of oysters and harvest other shell fish. The commercial fishermen who harvest here also moor their boats within the harbor. Without maintaining their docks to sufficient depths this would be a burden to this industry.

There is also the presence of recreational boating facilities within New Haven's harbor and rivers. The number of recreational boaters is over a thousand, maintaining the marinas, boat ramps, and access is vital to all. Providing access to long island sound with the encouragement of water dependent use would be hindered.

Although I have sighted New Haven Harbor I know that the majority of coastal towns face similar problems. The bottom line is that the need for dredging and safely disposing of it's material in a safe and economic way is imperative for our way of life.

I thank you for your work and hope to hear that a positive acceptance of the plan is reached soon.

Sincerely yours,  
John P. Izzo, Harbormaster New Haven

A-2A-1337

9/22/15

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concern about the dumping of dredged materials into the Long Island Sound. It is my understanding that NY and CT agreed 10 years ago to phase out that practice, yet it is still in practice with no plan of stopping, but rather a plan to do it for at least 30 more years.

I oppose the USACE plan to continue dumping dredged material into the LIS for at least 30 years. I support the beneficial reuse of the material in some way rather than open water dumping...it's pretty much common sense that dumping is a bad idea. A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to me and my family as residents of Long Island and also just as human beings.

I would like a response in writing letting me know the plan.

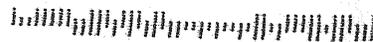
Sincerely,

Susan fales

Susan Lothrop Fales  
316 Harrison Avenue  
Miller Place, NY 11764

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US. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Mgr  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA. 01742



Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary Gardner

Mary Gardner  
310 Springbrook Rd.  
Old Saybrook, CT 06475



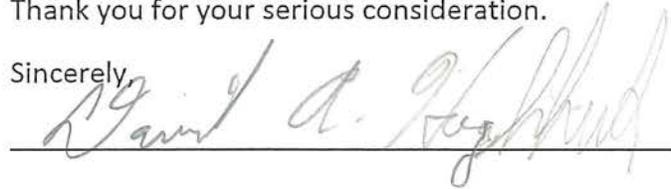
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Sincerely,



DAVID A. HOOGERKIRK  
9 SCHOOL LANE  
CHESTER, CT 06412



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LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
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Sincerely,



ANGUS McDONALD

RIVER ST.

DEEP RIVER, CT



Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Sincerely,



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LYME, CT.



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Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. PRICE



GROTON, CT



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696 Virginia Road  
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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

  
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Fern Tremblay III  
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107 Ballahack Road #2  
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EastHaddam CT 06423  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn, Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord MA 01742

22 September 2015

Dear Ms Quinn,

I have recently learned about Army Corp of Engineers' plan to dump up to 1.1 cubic yards of contaminants into New Haven Harbor, in close proximity to beaches and shoreline homes. These contaminants include lead, mercury, and numerous other poisons. Children and adults swim in these waters, and it is likely that the materials, even if buried, will eventually make their way to the surface and to the shore. They will leach into peoples' skin. They will be in shellfish and other fish which are eaten. This plan is an ill-conceived disaster. Please do not dump this material into the harbor or anywhere else in Long Island Sound.

Thank you and Regards,



Beverly Grzymala  
215 West Walk  
West Haven CT 06516

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LIS DMMP/PETS PROJECT MANAGER / MEQUAN QUINN  
ACOE, N.E. DISTRICT  
696 VIRGINIA ROAD  
CONCORD, MASS. 01742-2751

DEAR MS. QUINN.

THE MARINE INDUSTRY IN CONNECTICUT IS CURRENTLY IN TROUBLE FOR VARIOUS REASONS BEYOND OUR CONTROL. SALES TAX BEING ONE. ELIMINATING OPEN WATER DREDGING DISPOSAL WOULD BE A DISASTER FOR CONNECTICUT BOATING.

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THANK YOU! YOUR EFFORTS ARE VERY APPREZIATED!

ED VIANNY  
GENERAL MANAGER



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# THE CITY OF GROTON

## Mayor Marian Galbraith

295 Meridian Street, Groton, CT 06340  
(860) 446-4103 (860) 445-4058 FAX

September 22, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
ATTN: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

**RE:** File Number NAE-2015

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I write to you today on behalf of the City of Groton in support of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound.

The City of Groton is a community which borders Long Island Sound and the Thames River and, as such, has strong ties to the maritime industry. We value and rely on Long Island Sound and its tributaries for both recreation and economic development uses. The City is home to Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics and a strong connection with our neighbor, Naval Submarine Base New London. The loss of, or restrictions on either of these two economic generators would have a devastating impact on our community. The Plan ensures all entities could maintain the required channels at a reasonable maintenance cost thus ensuring their stability. To that end, we applaud the Army Corps for identifying new environmentally sound alternatives for the handling of dredging materials, such as beach nourishment and wetlands restoration.

We request the Army Corps of Engineers to approve the DMMP, which is so important to the citizens and businesses in our greater community.

Should you have any questions or require additional information please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Marian Galbraith

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn, Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord MA 01742

22 September 2015

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Thank you and Regards,

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Patricia Bollettieri  
215 West Walk  
West Haven CT 06516



# THE BELLE HAVEN CLUB GREENWICH

September 22, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Henry M. Keeshan,  
Commodore

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Richard E. Morris  
Harbor Master  
P.O. Box 519  
Niantic, CT 06357

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September 22, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As the Harbor Master for the Town of East Lyme, I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by your agency. The evidence that has been presented has identified the most fiscally and environmentally suitable means for managing dredged materials for the future.

Among the factors leading to my support:

- The economic vitality of our port sustains numerous small businesses including charter fishing operations, commercial fishing operations, recreational marinas and overall access to the waters of Long Island Sound.
- The environmental component has been well researched and documented. The continued monitoring of open-water disposal sites along with the detailed permitting process that precedes disposal operations has been designed such to ensure that water quality and that of the overall marine environment remains unharmed.
- Finally the safety component. If continued maintenance dredged operations are interrupted and the navigable waters of our State and region impacted the threat of groundings increases substantially; the results of which could endanger human lives and safety and the health and safety of our environment.

Connecticut clearly has the greatest dredge needs. These must needs must be met with sound economic and environmental solutions that I believe have been achieved in this Plan.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my support.

Sincerely yours,

Richard E. Morris, Harbor Master



**TOWN OF LEDYARD  
CONNECTICUT  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

John A. Rodolico  
Mayor

Mark J. Bancroft  
Mayoral Assistant

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September 22, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
Attention: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Re: The Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound, released August 17, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing today on behalf of the Town of Ledyard, Connecticut in support of the Draft Plan that was released on August 17, 2015. The Town of Ledyard has strong ties to the maritime industry and values and relies on Long Island Sound and its tributaries for recreation and economic development uses. Passage of the Dredged Material Management Plan could directly impact the town and its residents. Many residents of the town use Long Island Sound for their boating and fishing enjoyment, while the Naval Submarine Base and Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics depend on the Sound for economic reasons. The Town is host to a portion of the Naval Submarine Base and a large number of our residents are employed by Electric Boat or one of their many sub-contractors. Loss of or restrictions on either of these two economic generators would have a devastating impact on our Town. The Plan ensures that both entities could maintain the required channels at a reasonable maintenance cost thus ensuring their stability. The controlled disposal of these materials would ensure that our residents who enjoy Long Island Sound would continue to do so in a clean and healthy body of water.

We request the Army Corps of Engineers to approve the Draft Dredged Materials Management Plan, which is so important to the citizens and business of Ledyard. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input.

Sincerely,

John A. Rodolico  
Mayor

A-2A-1351

September 22, 2015

To the members of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

We oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! We strongly urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to our family. We would like a response, in writing, informing us of your position.

Sincerely,  
Jamie and Andrew Adamski  
7 Barbara Avenue  
Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776

**From:** [Wolf, Steven NAE](#)  
**To:** [lburch@citizenscampaign.org](mailto:lburch@citizenscampaign.org)  
**Subject:** follow up on questions (UNCLASSIFIED)  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 22, 2015 2:34:22 PM  
**Attachments:** [WEDA Vol. 12, No. 2 2012.pdf](#)

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Greetings Lou, I wanted to follow up on the questions you raised at last week's hearing. The attached Western Dredging Association journal from a few years back has a good summary article about the program (DAMOS) for monitoring dredged material disposal sites here in New England. All of the reports produced by DAMOS investigations can be found at the website below. For your question regarding releases to the water column during placement I'd direct you to reports 178, 167, 166, 153, 130, 121, and 112. In terms of stability of the dredged material once placed, all of our coastal New England sites are non-dispersive with the exception of Cornfield Shoals, so stability is a focus of all our investigations at those sites and is addressed specifically in the majority of the reports. We'll be surveying at both the New London and Cornfield Shoals sites in the next few weeks, and I'll let you know when the reports are completed and posted over the winter. In the meantime if you have further questions or suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact me. The data collected through the DAMOS Program is intended to address both regulatory requirements and public concerns regarding in-water placement of dredged material, and we welcome your input.

Sincerely, Steve Wolf

[http://nae.usace.afpims.mil/Missions/DisposalAreaMonitoringSystem\(DAMOS\).aspx](http://nae.usace.afpims.mil/Missions/DisposalAreaMonitoringSystem(DAMOS).aspx)

Steven Wolf  
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**From:** [michele.lockwood@wellsfargoadvisors.com](mailto:michele.lockwood@wellsfargoadvisors.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] USACE Dredged Material for Long Island Sound  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 22, 2015 12:12:30 PM  
**Importance:** High

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Meg,

For the record, please note as a resident of Morris Cove I am against this request, in fact, I am appalled it's even on the table.

The water in Morris Cove is recreational and relatively clean. Why would we pollute with carcinogens from Bridgeport and other areas? Keep it there or find another spot that is contaminated.

Why pollute our children's playgrounds, beaches and parks with carcinogens and up their chances for cancer, asthma, etc.

Unacceptable and unethical. I plan on contacting the environmental Dpt of Environmental Protection for further info.

Thanks,

Michele Lockwood

SCA/BSA

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**From:** [daniel@danielglidden.com](mailto:daniel@danielglidden.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Morris Cove New Haven, CT  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 22, 2015 7:50:49 PM

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Hello I am opposed to adding any dredging material to the spot off Morris Cove in New Haven, CT. The New Haven harbor has finally seen an increase in some ocean life. Why would we want to put this material there. If you travel just a couple miles east along the coast the amount of sea life grows 20%. I would love to see more normal living ocean life in the New Haven harbor in my lifetime rather than less.

Thanks for your time.

Daniel Glidden  
110 Parker Place  
New Haven, CT 06512

*CCE  
FW by 22 Sept 15*

US Army Corp of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

Re: USACE Plan

We oppose the plan to dump materials in the Long Island sound. Open water dumping of harmful dredged materials is unnecessary and dangerous.

Please develop a plan for another use for these materials.

The health of the Long Island Sound is very important to our family and all of us on Long Island.

The choices we make today have a significant impact on all future generations.

Please decide to respect the environment and save the Long Island Sound.

Thanks

The Ryan Family

15 Murfield Place

Melville. NY 11747

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FW by CCE 22 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern,

Tell the USACE that you oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,  
*Robert Foreman*

FW by CCE 22 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

C/O Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd

Concord MA 01742

I oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Patricia Abrams

19 Catherwood Crescent

Melville NY 11747

CCE  
FW by 22 Sept 15

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

C/O Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd

Concord MA 01742

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David Abrams

19 Catherwood Crescent

Melville NY 11747

FW by CCE 22 Sept 15

To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly oppose any plan to begin or resume dumping in the Long Island Sound. Please develop plans to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I also strongly oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Long Island Sound for at least 30 years. I grew up blocks away from the Long Island Sound and have fond memories of clamming, fishing, and eating fresh mussels from the LIS draped over pasta. Maintaining the health of the LIS is important and using it as a dumping ground is destructive and immoral.

I look forward to your written response to my concerns and the concerns of all of us who were blessed to have grown up enjoying the benefits, beauty, and bounty of a healthy Long Island Sound. Please provide me with some guidance and feedback on your position on the importance of preserving the health of the Long Island Sound and how you plan to do so.

Sincerely,  
Mark R. Fondacaro, J.D., Ph.D.

FW by CCE

US. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I'm writing to express concern with the DMMP and it's future impact on the Sound. I oppose Open Water Dumping and urge you to not accept it's dismissal of our environment! There must be a way to safely dispose and reuse these waste materials! The cheapest way is not the best way!

Regards,  
Amy Lewcorta Smith

9/22/15

September 22, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I've lived on Long Island with my family since 1991. We strongly oppose your plan to dump dredged material in the Long Island Sound! I realize that dredging of the Sound is necessary. However, please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of the dredged materials; instead why not reuse the materials in an environmentally friendly way?

I would appreciate a written reply wherein you outline your position on this important issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James J. Fonti". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

James J. Fonti  
15 Barbara Avenue  
Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776

Erin Giannelli  
1 Stalker Lane  
East Setauket, NY 11733

September 22, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you,

Erin Giannelli

Meghan Quinn,  
I strongly oppose  
your plan for dumping of waste  
material on R.I. Beach. I  
urge you to revise your plan to  
phase out open water dumping  
and come up with a stronger  
plan

Sincerely,  
Steven Melito  
107 SARA CIRCLE  
Pt. Jeff. Station -  
9/22/15

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FW by CCE

US Army Corps of Engineers

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696 Juganick

Concord Ma 01742.

Keep the Sound Clean - ~~Do~~  
something other than dumping  
the ~~dumped~~ dredged materials  
which is making the water  
harmful with nitrogen & elevated  
levels of toxins - Plm you  
can think of a more beneficial  
way.

Ken A. Mum

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FW by CCE  
9-22-15

US Army Corps of Engineers  
To Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMNP Project manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord ma 01742

Please, Please Please do not  
dump anything harmful to  
wildlife & humans. We  
cherish the Long Island Sound,  
& would like to have our children  
& grandchildren be able to swim  
in the sound & not have to worry  
if they swallow the materials  
that are dumped. I'm sure  
there are some smart people  
with a plan to reuse the material  
in a safe & beautiful way

4-24-1360  
Gene Munsie

Sept 22, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is to inform you that I am opposed to your plan of dumping in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a different plan that would phase out open dumping of dredged materials and find a way to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I have lived on Long Island for over 60 years. As a child growing up and as a parent, I have many great memories of going to the beaches on the north shore. It is sad that in today's world, going to the beach to enjoy a dip in the water or to go fishing or clamming is not a pleasant outing anymore and in some cases not even possible. Please do not add to the already polluted waters!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Grace Iannucci". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G".

Grace Iannucci

Sept. 22, 2015

To USACE,

We oppose any plan to dump in Long Island Sound. We urge you to develop plans that phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to us.

Sincerely,  
Mary Donohue  
John C Donohue



Mr & Mrs John C Donohue  
7 Huntington Cir  
Shelton, CT 06484

September 22, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing as a concerned citizen. I strongly oppose the plan to continue dumping into Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out the open water dumping of dredged materials. I strongly urge you to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in Long Island Sound for 30 years.

As a mother of an 18 month old, I fear that my son will not have the opportunity to know the beauty and joy of Long Island Sound as he grows up. I have enjoyed living in Connecticut for my entire life, and at each phase of my life, I have enjoyed living on Long Island Sound. From the beauty of the beaches, to the shoreline community feel that Connecticut is known for, to the tourism in the shoreline towns, it would be devastating to lose. It is important for our health, the health of our wildlife, and the future of our children.

I ask that you please respond to this letter in writing to inform me of your position on this issue.

I thank you for your time and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle Hayes". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Michelle Hayes  
36 Woods Grove Rd.  
Shelton, CT 06484



Ms Janice A Semanchik  
38 Federal Rd  
Shelton, CT 06484-3437

9/22/15

To: USACE

I oppose the USACE Plan  
to dump in open Waters of  
dredged materials into  
Long Island Sound

I support the beneficial  
Reuse of dredged material.

It is important to have a  
Healthy Long Island Sound.

Janice Semanchik

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James Rinaldi

12 Pambar Rd  
Trumbull, CT 06611  
Rinjim19@msn.com

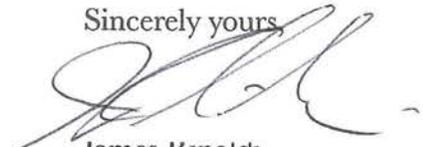
September 22, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn

I am writing to you today to voice my concern over the decision to dump dredged materials into the Long Island Sound. Open water dumping is beyond hypocritical it just doesn't make economic sense! Such practices need to be phased out immediately. My son and I are avid fishermen and the LIS is very important to us. In fact we see dozens of people each weekend who fish and depend on their catch for food for their families. Please employ practices that will have a more beneficial outcome as well as protect this most valuable resource. Please help "Preserve the Sound."

Sincerely yours,



James Rinaldi

*P.S. There's got to be a better solution!*

Dear Meghan Ivers

9-22-15

Please tell the USACE that you oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you

Rosemary Sallette

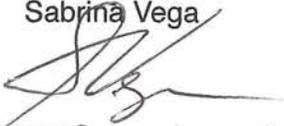
Date: 9/22/2015.

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Hello, recently i was visited by a CCE supporter and informed of a plan to dump into the Long Island sound. I Oppose of this plan! Please develop a plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I URGE governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years. Im sure you can come up with a SAFER way to reuse these materials. Keep our PLANET safe and CLEAN. we all Live here and if you don't start taking care of it, it will not benefit anyone! Including the politicians that let this happen.

Please Keep our beaches alive and let them flourish for years to come so people and families can enjoy them. I have a young family and live in CT, I love my state and enjoy my summer time here with my children. I teach my children how to take care of their environment so when they grow up they can enjoy their fruits! That should be carried out thru everyone not just children. Please reconsider this plan to pollute the Long Island Sound!

Sincerely,  
Sabrina Vega



59 Wood Grove Rd  
Shelton, CT 06484

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing in support of the draft Dredged Material Management Plan. Dredging is vital to our economy and to ensure public access to our waterways. This scientific plan currently under public review after a decade of preparation clearly shows that open-water disposal is the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. There are four current disposal locations; access to these placement sites is critical.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,



Date 9-22-15

CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON

YACHTLIFE88@GMAIL.COM

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Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

  
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Date 9/22/15  
Ryan Mercado  
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Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Earley Date 9/22/15

Elizabeth Earley

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September 21, 2015

LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Attn: Meghan Quinn

Dear Ms. Quinn,

We are writing to express our support for the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) recently released by your agency. We believe access to the placement sites, as outlined in the DMMP plan, must be preserved to provide economically viable dredging solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

We represent the business community of Groton Connecticut, a town which is surrounded on three sides by navigable water. In addition to our economic health being dependent upon the deep water port of the Thames River, Groton has a large preponderance of small industries all related to recreational boating. We have over 2,000 slips and moorings in our waters, innumerable businesses related to boat building, sales, and repairs; and a robust shellfish farming industry.

Moreover, we are deeply concerned with the preservation of the environment of our shoreline and of Long Island Sound in general. We feel the DMMP plan is an environmentally intelligent plan with its partial clean silt reuse on dry land, but also that the disposal of the fine silt at the indicated placement sites which has been determined will not negatively impact the environment.

Without continued availability of open water disposal sites in Long Island Sound, our region's maritime industry will suffer irreparable damage. Dredging will become economically prohibitive thus allowing silting to clog our waterways. Connecticut is unique in that it has numerous deltas interfacing with the Sound where silting rapidly occurs, and as a result, our marinas and related feeder businesses would suffer severe financial losses. Additionally, we are a tourist destination, and what is often little recognized is how many tourists arrive by private boats and yachts to boost our local economy. Without navigable waters, this would no longer be viable.

Finally, it is imperative that this plan be approved to preserve a vital natural resource, our beautiful shoreline, for our future generations. Thank you for your attention to our concerns.

Sincerely,

Susan R. Bailey  
Co-Chair

Al Valente  
Co-Chair

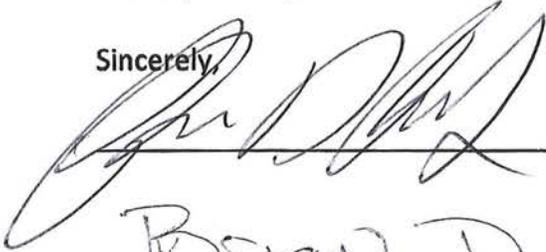
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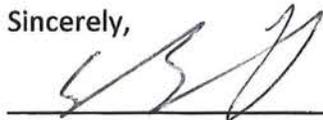
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George Buonside / Buonside LLC

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MYSTIC, CT 06355



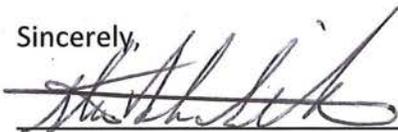
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8 Wells Ave  
Pawcatuck, CT 06379

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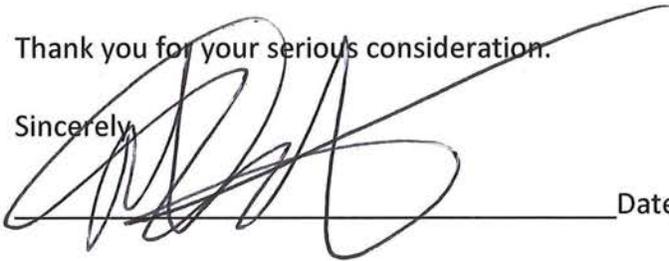
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Date 9.21.15

David B. Crompton

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Dennis Allen Date 9/21/2015

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Sincerely,

Doug Davis Date 9-21-15

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William W. Wickesham  
26 Kings Lane  
Wilton, CT 06897

9/21/15

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Ms Quinn -

I am writing to urge you and the SACOE to develop an alternative plan to dump dredged materials into the Long Island Sound. Please consider alternatives to the environmentally destructive practices of open dumping in the Long Island Sound.

Best regards,



9/21/15

To USACE,

I, Olga Scamuffo oppose your  
plan to dump in Long Island Sound!

I urge you to develop a plan that  
phases out open water dumping of  
dredged materials and reuses these  
materials in a safe and beneficial  
way.

Olga Scamuffo

9.21.15

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Re: Stop Dumping in Long Island Sound

I am opposed to your plan of dumping in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping or dredged materials and reuses those materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you,

Eliz. Kerkowski  
28 Fenwood Ln  
Wilton, CT - 06897

September 21, 2015

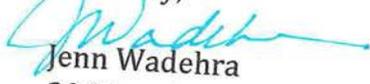
US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

I am writing to ask you to please oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Long Island Sound.

I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

It is absolutely important to me that our government officials use their positions to keep the LIS as healthy and safe as possible. I hope you will review the options and choose a better solution. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Jenn Wadehra  
20 Kings Lane  
Wilton, CT 06897

7 Sparks Street  
Melville, NY 11747  
September 21, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

This letter is to inform you that I OPPOSE the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound.

We have been a resident of Huntington for 60 years. The beaches on the sound are where my family and friends enjoy our summers. We also enjoy fishing and boating. We DO NOT NEED the waters polluted with nitrogen as they are not the greatest at this time. Studies show contaminants have already been detected within and around the disposal sites, including elevated PCBs in fish and elevated copper in lobsters. Please realize that dumping additional sediment will add to this contamination.

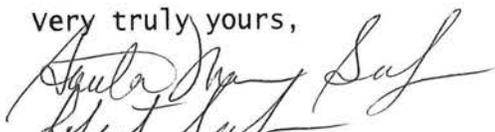
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Please inform me of your position in writing. THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT.

Very truly yours,

  
Santa Maria Scalza  
Robert Scalza

To: US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

9.21.15

US DAMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

From: Kathleen Cruz  
202 Holly Ln  
Smythtown NY 11787

Re: I Oppose Plan to dump in Long Island  
Sound

Please develop a plan that stops  
open water dumping and dredging. I  
grew up here on Long Island Sound  
and we need clean water. Please  
respond in writing as to what your  
plans are.

Thank you.

God Bless You

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32 Dunford Street  
Melville, NY 11743

September 21, 2015

US Army Corp of Engineers  
% Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I write today to voice my opposition to the US Army Corp's plan to dump dredge spoils in LI Sound. I urge the Army Corp to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses of these materials, in a safe and beneficial way.

As a life long Long Islander, I hold the Sound and its associated ecosystem in the highest regard and feel our responsibility is to protect the health and viability of the Sound. It should be yours as well. I have written to Governor Cuomo, Senator Gillibrand, and Secretary of State Peralas, urging them to oppose the USACE plan to continue the dumping of dredge spoils in LI Sound for a minimum of 30 years.

Thank you for your attention to this matter; a response confirming your efforts would be most appreciated.



Robert Sobieski

To Whom it may Concern,  
U.S. Army Corp of Engineers  
✓ C/O Meghan Quinn  
L.I.S. DMMP Project Manager.

9/21/15

I am writing this letter  
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Respectfully yours,  
Victoria DeMasi  
17-Catherwood Crescent  
Melville, N.Y. 11747

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Joseph Belloni  
17-Catherwood Crescent  
Melville N.Y. 11747.

Elizabeth Benjamin  
21, Hanley Ave,  
Melville, NY 11747.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn,  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.,  
Concord, MA 01742.

September 21, 2015.

Dear Sirs,

I am a resident of Long Island and it is of a great concern to me and my family as a citizens that the Long Island Sound has become the dumping ground for the dredged materials. As a citizen I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

There are organizations such as The Citizen Campaign who are working tirelessly to stop this act. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A healthy Long Island is very important to us citizens of Long Island.

Thank you.

  
Elizabeth Benjamin.

Sept. 21, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

We the people who live on Long  
Island are Recycling our garbage  
to help the environment. This  
dredged material can be Reused.  
Lets not take the easy way out.  
We all need to help the environment,  
Not just the little people.

~~Phyllis Sarcona~~  
Phyllis Sarcona  
15 Frostfield Place  
Melville, NY 11747

17 Roberts Place  
Melville, New York 11747  
September 21, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn:

This letter is to strongly oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I would appreciate it if you would develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you in advance for your help in this very important matter.

Respectfully yours,

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Anna Hocknell

# Middle Cove Marina



September 21, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce.

This scientific plan clearly shows open-water disposal to be the most cost-effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely,

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Tryon D. Clark  
Property Manager

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Ms. Meghan Quinn, P.E.  
Project Manager  
USACE-New England District  
Civil Works and Interagency/International Project Management Branch  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The Port in the Harbor of New Haven is an important resource that generates significant economic and environmental benefits for the City, the region, and the State; therefore we support the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by the Army Corps of Engineers and its recommendations for environmentally safe and cost effective disposal of dredge spoils. The Dredged Material Management Plan is a long term look at the dredging and disposal needs of 52 or more navigation projects in Long Island Sound. New Haven's particular concern is the use of the "borrow" pit in Morris Cove as a disposal site. This site should be used only for New Haven projects, and only after all appropriate testing and other requirements have been met.

City and regional businesses are dependent on the Port of New Haven for the supply of petroleum products and other liquid chemical cargoes, as well as aluminum, steel, industrial and road salt, wood, sand and gravel for concrete and other raw materials. These materials build our infrastructure and heat our homes.

The Port of New Haven's operation generates significant revenue for the City, the region, and the State. Port activity accounts for hundreds of jobs. In addition the harbor is used for aquaculture – providing oysters and clams, as well as other shellfish and fin-fish. The oyster dredges and other boats that work in these industries also need access to shore support via federal ACOE maintained channels, which need periodic dredging.

The Port's viability is contingent on the ability to economically and safely dredge both the Federal Navigation Channel and the access to the wharves and docks that border it.

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The City of New Haven and the State of Connecticut are pursuing port expansion as an economic and environmentally less damaging alternative mode of transport for bulk cargoes.

Unimpeded and uninterrupted access to the Federal Navigational Channel will keep our ports competitive, the related industries healthy, and provide continued access for aquaculture and recreational boating.

New Haven is joined by the many other coastal harbors along the Connecticut shore of Long Island Sound, where there are 31 Federal navigation projects which may need periodic dredging: the main deep water commercial harbors at New London, New Haven and Bridgeport need it, as do many of the shallower harbors.

The need to dispose of the dredged materials is constant and ongoing. It is imperative that the two open water sites – The Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound sites (CLDS and WLDS) must remain open and available for appropriately tested material. Thirty years of use and monitoring have shown that these sites are effective and environmentally sound.

And finally, given the cost of disposal and the limited capacity of the sites identified, the Morris Cove borrow pit site in inner New Haven Harbor should be reserved for New Haven projects only, and used only as a last resort after all required and necessary testing and investigation is performed to the satisfaction of the host community.

Thanks you.

Sincerely,



Karyn M. Gilvarg, AIA  
Executive Director

cc: Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro  
Matthew Nemerson, Economic Development Administrator  
Port Authority of New Haven

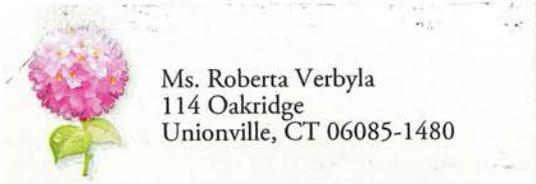
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CONCERNED CITIZEN,

ROBERTA VERBYLA

UNIONVILLE, CT.

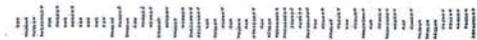


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University of New Haven

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**Steven H. Kaplan, Ph.D.**  
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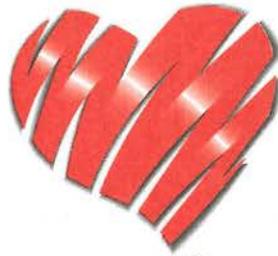
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Steven H. Kaplan  
President

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Army Corps of Engineers -

As a resident of Suffolk  
County, I am totally opposed  
to dumping in Ld Sound.

Save the Sound!

Bette J. Adams



Bette J. Adams  
42 Plane Tree Ln.  
Saint James, NY 11780-2119

ATTN: MEGAN QUINN

NO YRS ON LONG ISLAND!

NO MORE OPEN WATER

DUMPING! LET'S USE

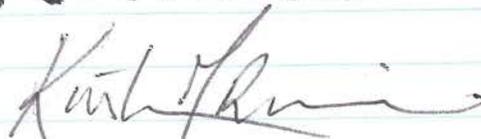
THOSE DREDGED MATERIALS

FOR SOMETHING GOOD!

PLEASE, THIS IS MY HOME.

MY CHILDREN'S HOME.

K MIKAEL RAIMO



Please respond with your position

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53 LONECREEK PATH  
SMITHTOWN NY 11787

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USACE

7 Sparks Street  
Melville, NY 11747  
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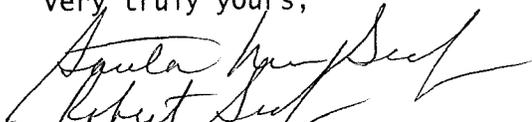
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Santa Maria Scalza  
Robert Scalza

**From:** [Carr, David](#)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] around Morris Cove in New Haven, Long Island Sound, Connecticut  
**Date:** Monday, September 21, 2015 2:16:54 PM

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September 20, 2015 (CT) --My name is David Carr, as a Licensed REALTOR and resident, I am honored to be standing up for the future environmental health and economic development of my community. Please invest time to read this now.

Up to 1,108,200 cubic yards of contaminated material currently in Bridgeport Harbor is heading for the New Haven area shoreline if people do not pay attention. This environmental waste, according to the Army Corps' 1998 Draft Environmental Assessment, contains arsenic, cadmium, chromium, copper, lead, mercury, nickel, zinc, poly nuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) congeners. Unsuitable for open water disposal. This dredge material will not be good for swimming, fishing, spawning winter flounder, impacts to leased shellfish beds, shell fishing, and may contaminate the drinking water as heavy metals settle into the ground. Dredged material will be released from a barge through, the water to land on the bottom. I oppose the relocation of this material out of Bridgeport Harbor unless it is completely removed from Long Island Sound.

A standard, tractor trailer size (40x12x8.5 feet) shipping container holds about 84 CubicYards, so we are talking about 13,192 containers of contaminated waste dumped around Morris Cove in New Haven, Long Island Sound, Connecticut.

There should be no added toxic carcinogenic sludge in Morris Cove, a part of New Haven's outer harbor area. The cove's shoreline has parks, historic sites, and residential buildings. In the 1950s, about 1 million cubic yards of fill was removed from Morris Cove to construct Interstate 95, creating a "borrow pit" on the harbor floor. The pit is about 650 feet wide, 2,450 feet long, and 30 feet deep. The cost to contain this waste in Bridgeport is (\$49.7M), which is \$7.6M more than dumping in New Haven (\$42.1M) which is why this is a problem for New Haven Shoreline, right Now.

SOURCE here : <https://www.cga.ct.gov/2010/rpt/2010-R-0417.htm>

2010 Draft Environmental Assessment, Evaluation for Maintenance Dredging and Dredged Material Disposal Facility Construction states 1,199,000 unsuitable cubic yards of dredge material needs to be disposed of ( pg 17).

----- Options to Morris Cove -----

Option 1- Southeast CAD Cell. Is located just north of the east breakwater, bounded by the 35 foot entrance channel and has the capacity to store a majority of the unsuitable dredged material. In addition, no shellfish beds would be disturbed during construction. This SE CAD cell was retained as a proposed disposal alternative for unsuitable material, although the West CAD Cell (18 acres) is carried forward as an option in case the Morris Cove borrow pit is not supported as a disposal alternative (Pg.13).

Option 2- Investigation (pg.9) identified two areas as potential Confined Disposal Facility (CDF) locations in Bridgeport, the Powerhouse Creek canal and the upstream portion of Yellow Mill Creek.

Option 3- There are two specific technologies that seem promising to treat the dredged material that will allow it to be used in a beneficial manner. One process involves thermal treatment of dredged material where the resulting end product can be mixed with Portland cement. This "blended cement" can be used in construction. (pg.15)

Option 4- Another process washes the material under pressure and adds surfactants to clean the material. The end result of this process is a soil that can be mixed or amended with other material that can be used in landscaping (pg.15)

Samples were collected in 1998 and analyzed for total organic carbon (TOC), metals (arsenic, cadmium, chromium, copper, lead, mercury, nickel, and zinc), poly nuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), pesticides, and polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) congeners. Subsamples of C, F, and K, and CLIS were also analyzed for dioxin/furans (pg.23). The results (pg.26) show PCBs, from double to triple the reference sample, up to over 100 times baseline (498 ug/kb) in first 39 inches of sample. The test sample from the entrance channel "NQ", determined unusual variability among the five replicates warranted additional testing of that specific sample (pg.27).

SOURCE here: <http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Portals/74/docs/Topics/BridgeportDMMP/DraftEA-FONSI-404.pdf>

Ask Questions, then Mail (or email, call Ms. Quinn) your written & signed objections so that they will be received in Concord, MA on or before October 16, 2015... Mail to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, Attn: Meghan Quinn, Project Manager, (978-318-8179) 696 Virginia Rd., Concord, MA 01742.

Thank You for your time and concern. Please copy and distribute this letter, or dispose of properly.

I can be reached at my office at (203) 654-2905 in North Haven, CT.....

Sincerely, David Carr.....

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U.S. Army Corp of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DUMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

This is to inform you that I oppose the plan to dump dredging material into the Long Island Sound. This material threatens the health of the Sound and can be used elsewhere to benefit other areas.

The health of the Sound has improved. Please do not jeopardize that.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,



Catherine M. Rau

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

I wish to inform you that  
I, and others in my community,  
oppose your plans to dump dredge  
waste into the Long Island sound.

Please reconsider & develop  
another type of plan that is  
safer & more beneficial to our Ecology

I live very close to the N. Shore  
beaches & use these water ways  
often!

yours,  
Eric Peterson

FW by CCE - 21 Sept 15



DATE: 9/21/15

TO: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Ms. Quinn

Dear Meghan Quinn,  
(Army Corps of Engineers)

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I would be really solid if you didn't  
dump toxic Dredge into our sound. There  
are so many other ways of going about this  
in a more natural - eco-friendly way. We could  
totally reuse these materials in a safe  
beneficial way. Go Army - beat Navy

Your  
- Friend,  
Joe

Mann

148A Merritt Road  
Farmingdale NY, 11735  
(Respond.)

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USACE,

I do not agree with your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a more safe and beneficial way to do so. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials. Help keep our water clean! Keeping the Long Island sound is extremely important to myself and my community. It is a part of our home.

Best Regards,  
Kristina DeStefano

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Meghan Quinn,

We on Long Island strongly oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. You should really consider a plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials. Maybe you could come up with a plan to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way to all. Thank you for your consideration + time.

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Sincerely,



Kevin Hufsmith  
44 Vanderbilt Ave  
St. James NY 11780

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Sincerely,

Ally Troutman  
44 Vanderbilt Ave  
St. James NY 11780

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Sincerely,

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Meagan Troutman  
44 Vanderbilt Ave  
St. James NY 11780

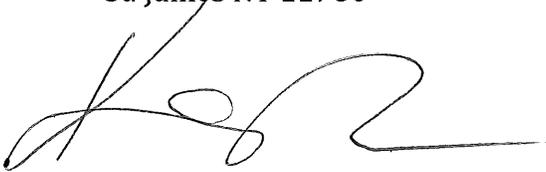
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Sincerely,

Kathleen Troutman  
44 Vanderbilt Ave  
St. James NY 11780

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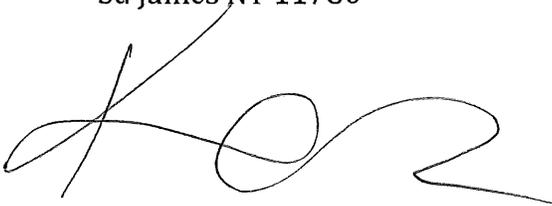
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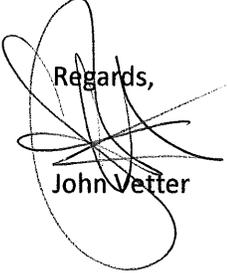
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696 Virginai Rd  
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Attention:

Citizens Campaign came by and I signed a petition that I oppose your plan for dumping in the LI Sound.

Regards,



John Vetter

1 Ellic Ln  
St James, NY 11780

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TO US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS,

I oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. It has a negative impact on the environment and economy.

Sincerely,  
Joe Doni

*FW by CCE-21 Sept 15*

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

**c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742**

**I began life on Long Island. I was born and raised on Long Island. The Long Island Sound beaches are important to myself and my family. I do not agree of releasing wastes into the Long Island Sound. What is needed is a plan to stop open water dumping. At this time it is important to dredge and to reuse these materials safely.**

**Is it possible that you can reply to my concern?**

  
**Lou,**

**Lou Guerra  
198 Second Street  
Saint James, NY 11780**

**lpguerra@optonline.net**

US Army Corps of Engineers

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I oppose the USACE plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

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Smithtown, NY

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VS Army Corps of Engineers

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Christopher Messer  
Smithtown, NY

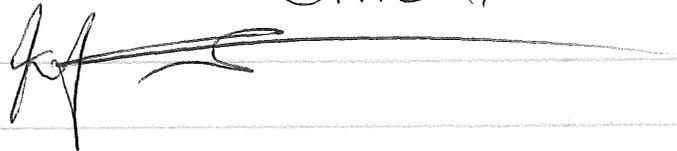
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To Whom it may concern,

Anyone who agrees  
with the dumping of Dredged Materials  
should be ashamed of themselves.

Those people are blinded by greed  
and are willing to risk our water  
supply, our children's future, just to  
put the buck. There is no reason  
~~to~~ our governor cant up with a  
better solution.

Yours truly,  
A Concerned Citizen,

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us Army Corp  
of Engineers

To Whom IT May Concern,

Stop Dumping IN Long Island Sound.  
This Island is polluted Enough.

Sincerely,

Julie Anna Lippman

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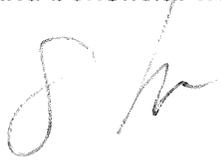
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Rita Morris

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Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,  
  
Date 9/20/15

THOMAS C. LAW  
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Sincerely,

George M. McGugan Date 9/20/2015

GEORGE M. MCGUGAN - OWNER

GWENMOR MARINA, INC

MYSTIC, CT 06355

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Sincerely,

Marguerite McGugan Date 9/20/2015

Marguerite McGugan Sec Gwenmor Marina, Inc

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September 20, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
New England District  
ATTN: Meghan Quinn  
Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord MA 01742

RE: DMMP PEIS

Gentlemen:

We are opposed to disposal of any waste into New Haven harbor at  
Morris Cove.

Antonia Ginnetti

*Antonia Ginnetti*

Ronald Arena

*Ronald Arena*

137 Stuyvesant Ave.  
New Haven CT 06512

203-468-7018



## Dannel P. Malloy

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Lt. General Tom Bostick  
Commanding General and Chief of Engineers  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Headquarters  
441 G Street NW  
Washington, DC 20314-1000

Re: File Number NAE-2015

Dear Lt. General Bostick:

I write to express my strong support of the findings and conclusions of the draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound.

This draft plan establishes the best path forward for both Connecticut's maritime industry and the shared resources of Long Island Sound, and it represents the culmination of an eight-year cooperative effort by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Environmental Protection Agency, Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, the New York Department of State, and New York's Department of Environmental Conservation.

The DMMP identifies a range of environmentally sound alternatives for the handling of materials created by dredging projects, such as beach nourishment and wetland restoration, in addition to open water disposal in Long Island Sound. Connecticut is committed to increasing the use of such alternatives wherever feasible and appropriate. However, due to the fine-grained nature of much of our waters' sediment, it is often ill-suited for such beneficial reuse. In such instances, it is critical that Connecticut be allowed to dispose of dredged material at the open water sites currently operated by the USACE in Long Island Sound.

The DMMP projects that over the next thirty years, Federal and non-Federal dredging needs will require disposal of over 39 million cubic yards of sediment from Connecticut waters. Connecticut's management of dredge material has been, and will continue to be, strictly regulated by state and federal agencies. In fact, Connecticut goes beyond federal standards in many instances by, for example, requiring that cleaner cap material be layered on top of certain types of sediment deposited at open water sites. Moreover, thirty-five years of monitoring these sites in Long Island Sound shows open water disposal has no long-term adverse effects on water quality or the overall ecosystem.

Since 2011, Connecticut has increased investment in our maritime economy while protecting the Long Island Sound ecosystem. Studies show that maritime-related commerce in Connecticut provides nearly \$7 billion in economic output and 40,000 jobs per year. Recognizing that our ports, harbors, and marinas are some of our most important economic assets, we have increased state funding available for harbor improvement projects, particularly dredging projects. Last year, working with the Connecticut

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General Assembly, I enacted legislation creating the Connecticut Port Authority. This new entity will be singularly focused on increasing our state's maritime economy. It is imperative that environmentally safe and cost-effective disposal of this sediment be available to the myriad businesses and industries—both large and small—that rely on the navigability of Connecticut's waterways.

Connecticut is committed to a healthy and vibrant Long Island Sound. We have invested heavily in wastewater treatment plant upgrades and have reduced nitrogen loading by approximately 60%. We are making significant strides in addressing nonpoint sources of pollution. We are implementing a new green infrastructure program and a new Long Island Sound stewardship program. Funded at \$40 million over the next two years, these programs will reduce storm water runoff and increase the health of Long Island Sound. We extensively monitor water quality to track our progress in improving the health of the Sound; closely regulate activities in tidal and coastal waters and wetlands; restore and enhance tidal wetlands and other important habitats and are engaged with a variety of partners to develop and implement plans and strategies to guide our future use and management of the Sound and surrounding coastal areas. Proper management of dredging is a part of our overall commitment to protecting Long Island Sound and supporting the many uses of this important resource.

Without the continued availability of the four open water disposal sites in Long Island Sound, Connecticut's diverse maritime industry, as well as our overall economy, will suffer irreparable damage without just cause. Dredging will become economically prohibitive, marinas will shutter, harbors will be silted-in, and future generations of Connecticut residents will lose their connection to one of our most important natural resources. This connection is vital to fostering responsible stewardship of this vital estuary among future generations.

Again, I strongly support the findings and recommendations of the proposed DMMP and, I urge its prompt adoption to ensure that the Western Long Island Sound and Central Long Island Sound open water disposal sites remain open without interruption.

Sincerely,



Dannel P. Malloy

Governor

September 19, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As an owner of property (0 Rosalie Ave. Mystic CT) on the water we need navigational access to our dock and land, dredging is critical at this time to us. At this time, we can't access our dock due to an excessive increase of mud and sludge which has made our property of no value to us to use or to sell. Yet, we are not allowed to build on the property due to property line restrictions. We can't use it for a boat however there is an existing dock which is of no use.

Although we realize this plan won't help us directly we are aware that it will bring attention to our area and hopefully to us at some point.

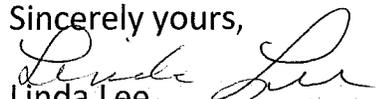
This scientific plan clearly shows that open-water disposal to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions.

Connecticut, out of the three subject states, clearly has the greatest dredge need and I fully support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's recommendation for continued open-water placement in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

Thank you for your hard work and diligence in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

  
Linda Lee

281 Grindstone Hill Rd  
North Stonington CT 06359 860-460-3501



**GWENMOR MARINA, INC.**  
12 ROSELEAH DRIVE  
P.O. BOX 375 • MYSTIC, CT • 06355-9743  
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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Lisa C. Steele Date 9-18-15

lsteele@gwenmor.com

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9/18/15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
WIS Dmmp Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

Why do I have a Preserve The Sound license plate when open water dumping of dredged materials is taking place?

The Sound is not or should not be used as a dumping ground. The dredged material should be reused to benefit beach nourishment, constructing wetlands, capping landfills, and filling in abandoned mines.

The Sound is very important to all of us. Let's work together to come up with a solution.

Kathy Eisenhauer

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USACE -

I am against your plan  
to dump in LI Sound.

Please develop a plan  
that phases out open  
water dumping of dredge  
materials and recycles  
these materials safely.

Respectfully  
Beverly Wurst

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withtown ny  
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MID-ISLAND NY 117

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USACE  
c/o Meghan Turner  
415 DMMP project manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord Ma 01742

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# SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

5 Connecticut Avenue, Norwich, Connecticut 06360  
(860) 889-2324/Fax: (860) 889-1222/Email: [office@seccog.org](mailto:office@seccog.org)

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18 September 2015

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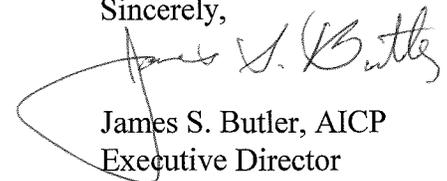
SUBJECT: Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (SCCOG), comprised of the Chief Elected Officials of 23 municipalities in the region, wishes to go on record in support of the Army Corps of Engineers Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound. Long Island Sound is critical to our region's and state's economy, supporting a thriving maritime-related commerce which accounts for 40,000 jobs in Connecticut alone. The SCCOG feels this management plan will act to protect the fragile environment of Long Island Sound, and allow this recreational resource and economic generator to thrive for many years to come. We find the plan to take a balanced approach to dredging and the disposal of dredged materials, allowing for options under specific conditions, and the continued monitoring of the impacts resulting from these options. The SCCOG believes that as recommended, it is vitally important for our state and region's economy that open water placement of these materials in Long Island Sound continue to be allowed under this plan.

In closing, we respectfully urge the Army Corps of Engineers to approve of the Draft Dredged Materials Management Plan, which is so important to the citizens and businesses of Connecticut and of our region. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input.

Sincerely,



James S. Butler, AICP  
Executive Director

Cc: Congressman Joe Courtney

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**Member Municipalities:** Bozrah \* Colchester \* East Lyme \* Franklin \* Griswold \* City of Groton \* Town of Groton \* Lebanon \* Ledyard \* Lisbon \* Montville \* New London \* North Stonington \* Norwich \* Preston \* Salem \* Sprague \* Stonington \* Stonington Borough \* Waterford \* Windham

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Sincerely,

John A. Kiszkiel Date 09/16/15

John A. Kiszkiel

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Date 9/18/15

Robert E. Murphy

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Date 9/18/15

Ethan Murphy

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Sincerely,

Jon Fiorillo Date 9/18/2016

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Sincerely,

EMMET M. MURPHY Date 9/18/15

  
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Keith McGowan Date 9/18/15

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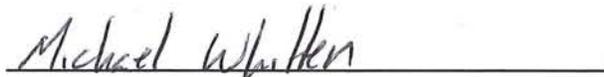
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Sincerely,

Wendy M. Murphy Date 9/18/15

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wmurphy @ gwenmor.com

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Steven Zummo Date 9/18/15

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Chad R. Taylor Date 9-18-15

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Michael Beaulieu Date 9-18-15

MICHAEL BEAULIEU

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Dear USACE:

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develop a plan that phases out open  
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them in a safe &  
beneficial way

Barbara Matthews

cc:

Hon Andrew Cuomo  
Cesar Perales, Secty of State  
Sen Kristen Gillibrand

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43 Arlington Avenue  
St. James, NY 11780  
September 18, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
To Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn:

Dumping in the L.I. Sound has got to be ill-advised. Why add potentially destructive materials to waters already damaged with plastics and chemicals, damage we've been working hard to reverse.

Why have we become so careful with our toxic chemicals only to undo such efforts with dredged materials.

With determined technological effort we should be able to reuse much of this dredged material.

I would appreciate your written response explaining your position.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,  
Barbara L. Rom  
Georg M. Rom

FW by CCE

9/18/15

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c/o Meghan Quinn  
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Thank you

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Mary Cillo

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Andrea Cillo

Dear Meghan Quinn,

9-18-15

Please change your plan to use ~~your~~ Long Island Sound as a dumping ground of dredged materials and refuse.

Find another way to dispose of this Toxic material. Many people have worked hard to clean the sound up - I would like it to stay clean for my grand children & their children. I would like for them to be able to enjoy beach life as I have.

Please Find an ALTERNATIVE

Claine Perellie  
438 Dayton Rd  
Trumbull CT 06611

Sept 18, 2015

To U.S Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Managers

First, I would thank you for taking the time to consider these issues that are a concern to me and the future citizens. I am privileged to be able to enjoy ~~our~~ beautiful environment and share it with my family + friends. As stewards of the earth I'm worried about the open water dumping in the Long Island Sound. I hope for the sake of all that has been entrusted to us you will rethink the dumping and find a revised solution that will dispose of dredged material in a manner that will make us true stewards of all God's creation + future generations

Sincerely,

Jeanne Parcell

I would appreciate a response to my concerns

37 Old Hollow Rd  
Trumbull Ct 06611  
A-2A-1457

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord Ma, MA 01742

September 18, 2015

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

I am writing to urge you to stop dumping potentially toxic materials into the Long Island Sound, which would jeopardize the strides Long Island has made to improve its water quality – both for the marine life essential to the island's economy and for the millions of people living on the Sound's coastline. Long Island Sound is too precious of an economic and environmental resource to be used as a dumping ground."

The dumping of dredged materials – material that has been dug up from the bottoms of rivers, harbors and inlets, usually to make waterways more navigable – was set to end completely in the Long Island Sound next year. A new plan that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers released last month, however, would continue open-water dumping in the Long Island Sound for the next 30 years. The plan would dispose of between 30 to 50 million cubic yards of dredged waste, mostly dug up from waterways in Connecticut, in at least two local locations in the Sound north of Greenport and Orient.

We've spent billions cleaning up Long Island Sound. It's unfortunate that unlike Connecticut, New York State has practiced these alternatives for years.

Please stop polluting the Long Island Sound. Preserve this precious God's gift to us, our children And the many generations to come.

Sincerely Yours,



Ajay Ghosh  
450 Dayton Road  
Trumbull, CT 06611

September 18, 2015

TO: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
C/O Meghan Quinn,

I oppose the dumping of dredged materials into the Long Island Sound. As I live on Long Island I would like to see the Long Island waters kept clean. I would like to see a plan put into place that would phase out the dredging and to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

*Mary DeAngelo*

Mary DeAngelo

38 Horton Blvd.  
St. James, NY

Sept 18, 2015

David Friedman  
12 Rutherford St  
Saint James, NY 11780

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696 Virginia Rd  
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Dear Ms Quinn,

I protest strongly against the Long Island Sound dredged material management plan (DMMP) submitted last month. It is nothing more than a preservation of the status quo, namely using Long Island Sound as a dumping ground for toxic and hazardous materials. Nobody disputes the need for dredging waterways emptying out into Long Island Sound. However, dredging must be done in a manner that does not imperil the Long Island Sound ecosystem, as well as the livelihood of fisherman and lobstermen and the health of the general public.

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Long Island Sound is not a toilet. As a resident on Long Island's north shore the health of the Sound is very important to me, both in terms of health and recreational activities.

Please respond to me in writing as to how you plan on addressing my concerns.

Yours truly,



David Friedman

Jillian Dempsey  
107 Fifty Acre Rd S  
Smithtown, NY 11787  
631-793-2843

September 18, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
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Dear USACE,

The cheapest, easiest, and most convenient way isn't always the right way. Sometimes the right way is most difficult. As a citizen of this great Nation, I believe it is my responsibility to remain informed on issues I am passionate about. At the top of my list of concerns is the environment. I have lived on the North Shore of Long Island all of my life. I go to the beach every summer and enjoy spending my day sitting by the Sound. The Sound is not only a beautiful body of water, home to over 100 different species of wildlife, but also a key component of our local economy.

All people living on Long Island agree that we should work to keep the Sound healthy and safe, however this process is threatened by open-water dumping of harmful dredged materials. Dredging is necessary in order to maintain navigable waterways, however open-water dumping of these materials is unnecessary and unsafe for the environment. This unnecessary dumping can cause nitrogen levels in water to rise which comes with lots of dangers such as increased toxin levels in aquatic life. As of August 2015, the drafted plan states that the Sound would continue to be used as a dumping ground. This is unbelievable. As a country, we should know better. The science shows this is not a safe plan. Our Sound is not a landfill.

There are some environmentally-friendly ways to reuse dredged materials. This list includes beach nourishment, construction of wetlands, capping landfills, and filling abandoned mines. As a Long Islander and a citizen of this country, I strongly oppose the proposed plan, and I urge you to reconsider an environmentally-friendly alternative.

Thank you for your considerations.

Regards,  
Jillian Dempsey

Sept 18, 2015

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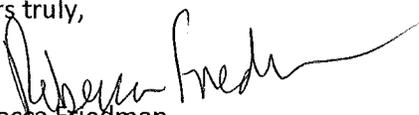
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Yours truly,

  
Rebecca Friedman

September 18, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers,

I do oppose your plan for dumping in the Long Island Sound. I believe that a plan can be developed to discontinue the dumping of dredged materials in open water (in the Sound or elsewhere) and reuse these dredged materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Protect our waters !

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Romano  
47 Hofstra Dr. Smithtown, NY 11787

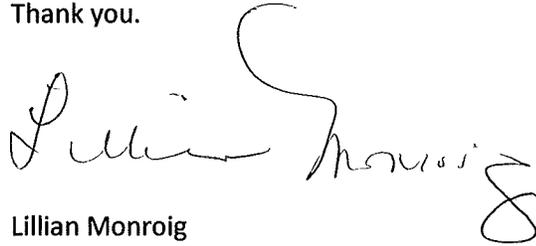
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696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials. Instead, reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

This will help the environment for continued generations.

Thank you.

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Lillian Monroig  
39 Plane Tree Lane  
St James NY 11780

9/18/15

TO U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and ~~recycles~~ recycles these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Please respond in writing, informing me of your position

Thank-you

Peter F. Walling

48 Hofstra Dr.

Smithtown N.Y., 11787

9/18/13

DEAR SIRS, USACE

I Tom Jones oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge them to develop a Plan that phases out open water dumping of dredge materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way

Tom Jones

Tom Jones  
14 Ketcham Ave  
ST James NY  
11780

**Statement of Garrett Eucalitto**  
**Undersecretary, Connecticut's Office of Policy and Management**  
**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Public Hearing**  
**Draft Dredged Material Management Plan**  
**September 17, 2015**  
**New Haven, Connecticut**

Good evening Colonel Barron,

My name is Garrett Eucalitto and I am the Undersecretary for Transportation Policy and Planning at Connecticut's Office of Policy and Management.

Thank you for scheduling this, and the previous public hearings, on the draft Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan, and welcome to New Haven.

I also want to thank the Army Corps and the EPA, as well as, the Connecticut and New York state employees who contributed, for the tremendous amount of work that went into producing this comprehensive document over the past eight years.

Tomorrow, Governor Malloy will be submitting a letter in support of the draft plan, so I want to use this opportunity to explain why the Governor and OPM, along with our sister state agencies, believe the draft plan is essential to Connecticut's economic and maritime future.

The draft plan under discussion this evening is practical, cost-effective, science-based, and environmentally sound. It concludes that a range of alternatives should remain available for the handling of dredged material, including beach renourishment, wetland restoration, and open water disposal.

I recognize that some may prefer to close existing open water disposal sites in the Sound. But, for Connecticut, this is not an option. Connecticut is fully committed to increasing the use of alternatives to open water disposal when practical, and the data clearly shows that we have done so over the past decade. However, due to our geology and the fine grained nature of much of the sediment dredged from our harbors and marinas, Connecticut's dredge material is often ill suited for beneficial reuse. In such instances it is critical that the four open water disposal sites remain available.

The draft plan demonstrates that Connecticut's dredging needs are far more significant than other states that also share the Long Island sound. It is projected that over the next 30 years, total dredging needs will produce 52.7 million cubic yards of dredge material, 75 percent – or 39 million cubic yards – of which will come from Connecticut's waters.

Connecticut's management of dredge material has been, and will continue to be, strictly regulated by state and federal agencies. All dredged material slated for disposal at open water sites is subjected to rigorous testing to ensure it meets federal and state standards, and in many cases our state's standards go beyond those required by federal law. Furthermore, thirty-five years of monitoring the open water disposal sites in the Sound shows that open water disposal has no long-term adverse effects on water quality or the ecosystem.

I would also like to take a few moments to explain why the safe navigation of our waters is so important to Connecticut.

Studies have shown that maritime-related commerce provides nearly \$7 billion in economic output and 40,000 jobs in Connecticut alone. To grow this sector of our economy, dredging projects are necessary to ensure the safe use of our ports, harbors and marinas. Since 2011, we have invested close to \$40 million dollars of state funds to carry out harbor improvement projects, mostly consisting of long-overdue dredging. These projects, as well as those funded by the Corps, are relied upon for recreational boating, ferries, water-borne commerce, as well as significant national security

activities related to the local Naval Submarine Base, submarine construction at Electric Boat, and the Coast Guard Academy and other Coast Guard facilities throughout our waters.

Additionally, we recently doubled-down on our commitment to our maritime economy in Connecticut by enacting legislation to create the Connecticut Port Authority. This new entity will be singularly focused on increasing investment in the maritime sector of the economy. It is imperative that environmentally safe and cost-effective disposal of dredge material be available to the businesses and industries that rely on the navigability of Connecticut's waterways.

Finally, I want to reassert Connecticut's commitment to a vibrant and healthy Sound. Not only are we spending billions of dollars to upgrade wastewater treatment plants, but we are also making strides to address nonpoint sources of pollution. DEEP is in the process of implementing a new green infrastructure program, as well as, a Long Island Sound stewardship program, to reduce storm water runoff and increase the health of the Sound.

Without the continued availability of the four open water disposal sites in Long Island Sound, Connecticut's maritime industry and overall economy will suffer. Dredging will become economically unfeasible, marinas will shutter, and future generations will lose their connection to one of our most important natural resources. This connection is vital to fostering responsible stewardship of this essential estuary among future generations. The full range of options recommended in the draft plan will allow that connection to the Sound to prosper and continue to grow for many years to come.

Again, we strongly support the findings and recommendations of the proposed DMMP and urge its prompt adoption. I thank you for this opportunity to speak here tonight on behalf of the state of Connecticut.

September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
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Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely yours,

  
RECREATIONAL BUNSTER  
COMMERCIAL CAPTAIN

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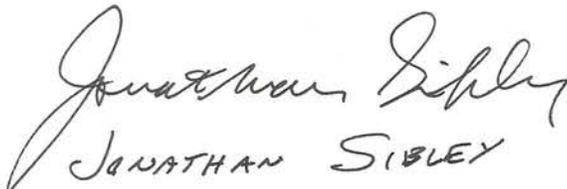
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JONATHAN SIBLEY  
98 BRIDGE ST.  
HADDAM, CT. 06438

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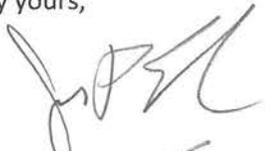
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696 VIRGINIA Rd.  
Concord, MA. 01742

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Mr. Jerome V. Schierberl  
28 Walkley Rd  
West Hartford, CT 06119

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Sincerely yours,

P.S. This is a serious situation. The fates of small marinas such as Pine Island (where I currently moor a '29 sailboat) hang in the balance. Please support DMMP.

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Thank you,  
J.V.S.

September 17, 2015

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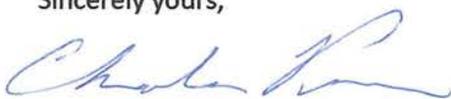
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*Carol Cross*

 John S. Carol  
65 Mt. Parnassus Rd.  
East Haddam, CT 06423

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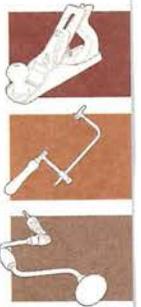


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Chiappetta's Welding Service  
Marine Div.

33 River Rd  
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*William Ingraham*

*The Sportsman's Den  
33 River Rd COS Cob CT 0627*

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Amy Clark [amyclark369@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2015 2:06 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DMMP

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ATTENTION: MEGHAN QUINN  
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696 VIRGINIA RD  
CONCORD, MA

James & Dawn Sullivan  
3 Wellwood Road  
Saint James, NY 11780  
September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

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Sincerely,

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James & Dawn Sullivan

By: Mia Sullivan 4th grade  
St. James Elementary



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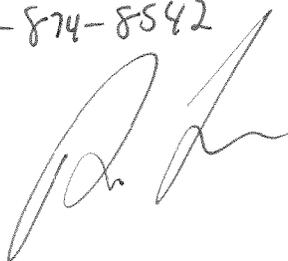
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80 Narrow Lane  
Milford CT 06461  
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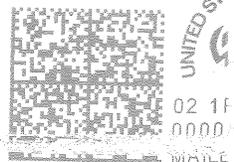
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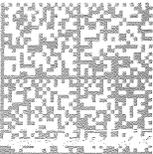
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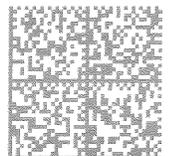


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Windcheck Magazine  
P.O. Box 195  
Stratford, CT 06615

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**PALMER POINT MARINA**  
7 River Rd. #311  
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Kimberly Savvaides

110 Valeview Road  
Wilton CT 06897

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LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom it May Concern,

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Sincerely yours,

  
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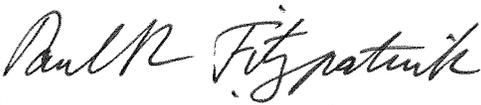
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Bill Jennings  
Northeast Bow Thrusters  
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Newington, CT 06131

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Chris Uscinski  
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Cos Cob, CT 06807

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73 Liebert Rd.  
Hartford, Ct. 06120

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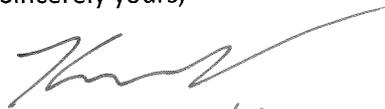
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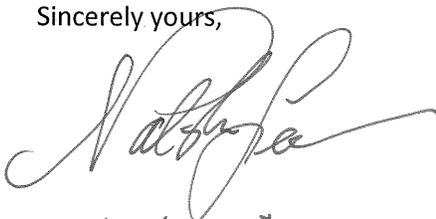
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Natasha Lee  
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NORWALK COVE MARINA INC  
48 CALF PASTURE BEACH RD  
NORWALK, CT 06855

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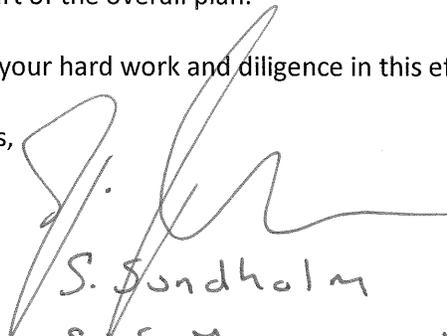
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S. Sundholm  
S & S Marine, LLC

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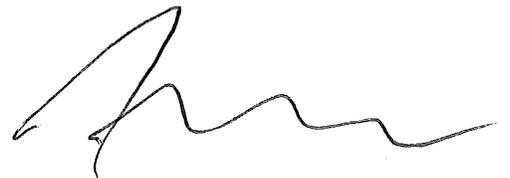
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Stop Dumping in Long Island Sound!  
Long Island Sound is not a landfill!

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Thursday, September 17, 2015 6:30 PM

To whom it may concern:

I am opposed to ANY plan that includes dumping of dredged materials. For the sake of our environment,



Josh Caldwell

J. Caldwell  
237 Old Bassett Rd  
Wilton CT 06897

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
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Concord, MA 01742

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**Commack Fire District**

MEMO FROM: Joseph Digiose  
Fire Marshal

To Whom It May Concern  
at the USACE,

I Strongly Oppose the  
plan to dump any waste/  
dredged material in the  
Long Island Sound. Please  
develop a plan that  
does not involve ruining  
the sound water and  
re-uses the materials in  
a safe/beneficial way!

Sincerely,  
Joe Digiose



DATE: 9/23/15

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TO: U.S. ARMY  
Department of Engineering

September 17, 2015

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Attn: Meghan Quinn,  
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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my support for the Dredged Material Management Plan recently released by your agency. As a boater and taxpayer, access is critical to the enjoyment of our recreation and the economic health of our State and Region.

We believe access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions, especially for our smaller businesses that rely on navigational access for their livelihood.

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Sincerely yours,

*Ann Hannan*  
*137 Breakers Lane*  
*~~Breakers~~ Stratford, CT 06615*

54 Oak Ledge Lane  
Wilton, CT 06897

September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Our family oppose the plan to dump dredging materials into Long Island Sound. Please process these dredged materials and reuse them in a safe and beneficial way.

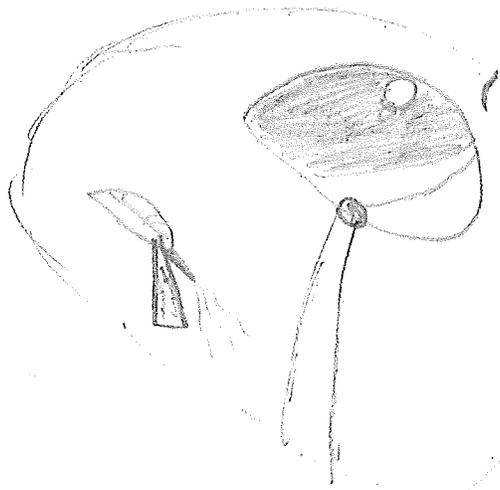
We object to dumping in Long Island Sound and in the Atlantic Ocean. My understanding is that there are dead zones already along the CT/Long Island waters. It is only a matter of time before all the shellfish, fish and the sound will die. It is important to stop this immediately.

Thank you for your attention to my letter.

Sincerely,  
The Paquin Family,  
by:

Catherine E. Paquin

(and granddaughter, Stephanie Paquin, age 10. See her drawing enclosed.)



Save The  
Sound!

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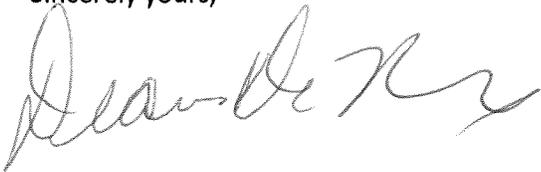
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September 17, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-271

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am one of the many voices on Long Island in opposition to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and EPA plan to continue burying dredged spoils in Long Island Sound. Using the Long Island Sound as a dumping ground is simply unacceptable.

In 1987 the Long Island Sound was designated an estuary of national significance. It is part of what makes Long Island so special. Home to many species of wildlife and serving as a breeding ground for many other species that spend most of their life in the ocean, its water quality needs to be protected. The warmer waters of the Sound have already caused the lobster population to move north to colder waters, and although there currently is an uptake in the fish population, there are still some dead zones.

For years municipalities have been working to reverse the degradation caused by years of dumping in its waters. We therefore strongly reject this plan to continue the dumping of dredged spoils into the Sound and call for the reuse of sediments as well as alternatives where possible. Rejecting the possibility of using dredged sediment to rebuild wetlands, restore beaches, cap landfills, etc., as being too costly is again simply unacceptable.

We realize that identifying feasible and economical alternatives is not as simple as it looks, but it needs to be done. We therefore also join the many voices calling for an extension of the review process. This is important. The public needs more time to review the proposal. The April 30, 2016, deadline is simply not long enough to review a document that took over ten years to develop and is 1300+ pages long. If we know more, then we can ask more educated, better questions.

In summary, rather than choose to turn the Long Island Sound into a garbage dump, it is our hope that the ACE and EPA will hear our voices and allow more time to review the report in order to better address the impact of long-term dumping of dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound and pursue and recommend beneficial uses of dredge sediment.

Sincerely,



Inge Goldstein

Cc: U.S. Congressman Lee Zeldin  
State Senator Kenneth LaValle  
State Assemblyman Anthony Palumbo  
Suffolk County Executive Steven Bellone  
Town of Brookhaven Supervisor Edward Romaine  
Suffolk County Legislator Sarah Anker  
Councilwoman Jane Bonner



September 17, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751 [Meghan.C.Quinn@usace.army.mil](mailto:Meghan.C.Quinn@usace.army.mil)

Dear Ms. Quinn,

My family and I have owned Saybrook Point Marina for over 35 years. I am writing on behalf of my family to tell you that our future survival as a business in Old Saybrook, CT is in jeopardy.

We currently dredge every 2-3 years to keep our facility operating, and if we are not allowed to dredge due to constraints in removal and disposal of material, we would be forced to shut down, putting nearly a dozen employees out work, and not to mention shuttering a local economy and devastating a local community.

We are one of many marinas in Old Saybrook and one of hundreds along the Connecticut shoreline affected by the Dredge Material Management Plan. We not only provide goods and services to our boating community, but we also support many regional, national, and international tourists who flock to our shores annually. We provide significant tax revenue to the local community- whether it's through our employees or boaters who shop, dine and entertain in local businesses or whether it is our boat owners who pay property taxes to the town. The marine trade industry, as well as the boating community is a driving force in the local area economies for which they are located.

Dredging is the lifeblood of our business, and without the proper management plan for removal and disposal of material, we, along with the hundreds of other marinas in Connecticut, would be forced to shut down. More than 35 years ago, my mother and father built the Saybrook Point Marina into what is today, which I'm proud to say is Connecticut's first designated Clean Marina since 2003.

Located at the mouth of the Connecticut River, Saybrook Point Marina provides convenient access to Long Island Sound, offering world-class amenities and providing high quality service to yachts of all sizes. On site, guests will find friendly concierge service, award winning cuisine, AAA Four Diamond Hotel, an indulgent spa, and state-of-the-art health club. The Saybrook Point Marina can accommodate vessels from 13-200 feet with the goal of enhancing the boating experience. Its commitment to customer service is matched by its commitment to environmental action. My mother and father actually lived at the marina while they were developing the Saybrook Point Inn & Spa, which is among the town's top employers of the community's top economic engines.

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As one of the regions premier resort destinations, we also employ more than 260 hospitality professionals and have received numerous awards for our best in class green practices, including the first Connecticut inn to be named a certified energy hotel in 2007. As owners of the Saybrook Point Inn & Spa, the loss of the marina would mean significant reductions in employment at the main inn and spa as \$1.5 million in revenue would be washed away with its closure.

As you know, Connecticut, out of the three subjects states in DMMP, has the greatest dredge need. Our state must take the lead in insuring navigational access for future. Access is achieved by maintaining and improving the navigational waters of the LIS region through dredging including those maintained federally and those funded by the state and private proponents.

By Regulations, the Federal Government is tasked with finding both the most economical and environmentally sound method for maintaining navigational access and sound business practice requires the same for private projects. This plan has determined that open-water placement of dredge material in Long Island Sound meets that standard for over three-quarters of the anticipated material. The research has shown that most of today's material is found suitable for open-water placement following extensive physical, chemical, and biological testing, and other alternatives for varying degrees of dredge material have been determined and are include in The Plan.

The existing open water placement locations, Western, Central, Cornfield Shoals, and New London have all proven to provide the most economically viable placement locations for the projects from their geographic regions without adversely affecting Long Island sound. These placement sites should be designated to remain open by the EPA as a result of the extensive research complete in this plan. The Connecticut department of energy and environmental protection has publically stated their support for the DMMP. The DMMP has taken ten years to complete at a cost estimated at 15 million.

No action on this plan will result in skyrocketing dredging costs, the closure of the LIS open water placement locations within a year's time, fewer maintained ports and harbors, significant in access all of which will substantially impair the regional economy. The time to act is now, and we ask that you make the right decision and enable us to continue to operate in our local economy. The Programmatic Environmental impact statement supports the direction of open water disposal after considerable testing. Cost affective and reasonable disposal options must be maintained.

No action is not an alternative- our facility, much like others in Connecticut, will be significantly impacted in one years' time if no action is taken.

And from there, the local community will begin to feel its negative impact. I hope you will consider the serious detrimental effects this will cause.

Sincerely,



Stephen Tagliatela

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To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District

From: Betsy Gara, Executive Director  
Connecticut Council of Small Towns

Date: September 17, 2015

Re: **Support – Draft Dredged Material Management Plan**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan.

The Connecticut Council of Small Towns (COST) represents approximately 110 small towns throughout Connecticut, including numerous towns located along the coastline of Long Island Sound.

Long Island Sound is a treasured natural resource which supports activities such as fishing, tourism, boating and swimming, which contribute significantly to the local economies in this region. Connecticut's small towns recognize the need to protect and restore the Sound and have actively worked to address concerns impacting water quality.

Small towns along the coastline are also heavily dependent on the economic activity generated by the marine industry in this region. The marine industry relies on efforts to keep channels and harbors open for navigation.

The Draft Plan outlines comprehensive recommendations for managing and disposing of various types of dredged materials in an environmentally responsible and cost-effective manner which will ensure that waterways in this region remain navigable. COST applauds the recommendations in the Draft Plan which recognize that continued open-water disposal options for dredging materials are needed to properly maintain channels and harbors to support navigation. Without continued open-space water disposal options, economic activity will decline by an estimated 15%.

The Draft Plan also identifies alternatives for the handling of dredging materials, including wetlands restoration, which will help protect Long Island Sound. These environmentally sound alternatives reflect a thoughtful, balanced approach to the disposal of dredging materials.

COST urges adoption of the Draft Plan which will help support continued economic activity in the Long Island sound region while supporting disposal alternatives to help protect this treasured natural resource.

Thank you for your consideration.

*COST is a statewide advocacy organization committed to giving small towns a strong voice in the legislative process. Its members are Connecticut towns with populations of less than 30,000. COST champions the major policy needs and concerns of Connecticut's suburban and rural towns.*

Guilford Boat Yards, Inc.

230 Water St.

Guilford, CT 06437

September 17, 2015

ATTN: Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager

Corps of Engineers, New England District

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742-2751

RE: Army Corps of Engineers draft Dredged Materials Management Plan

Dear Sir;

We support the Army Corps of Engineers Dredged Materials Management Plan. The scientific plan currently under public review after a decade of preparation clearly shows that open-water disposal of dredged material to be the most cost – effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long Island Sound for the majority of dredge material. Of the nearly 55 federal projects, over three-quarters of the material has been found suitable for open-water placement in the four current open-water disposal locations. Only a limited part of the material is suitable for beach nourishment and on land disposal sites are very limited.

We believe access to the open-water placement sites must be preserved to provide economically viable dredge solutions. As a business whose lifeblood is navigational access, dredging is critical to ensure public access and commerce. Connecticut clearly has the greatest dredge need for continued open-water placement in the four current open-water locations as part of the overall plan.

The Guilford Federal channel, harbor of refuge and the Guilford Town marina were dredged this winter using open water disposal. The Guilford Yacht Club dredged the West River channel and part of their basin last winter using open water disposal. Keeping the channels open is vitally important to keep boaters using Guilford rivers, marinas and yacht clubs and keeping our 7 employees working.

Thank you for your serious consideration.



Anne Duhaime

President

Guilford Boat Yards, Inc.

Jefferson Harris  
102 Montauk Avenue  
New London, CT 06320

September 17, 2015

Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager

Corps of Engineers, New England District

696 Virginia Road

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Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am in full support of the Corps of Engineers DMMP. I consider the evidence based approach to the plan identifies the best financial, environmental, and sustainable means for managing dredged materials.

New London's unique location and diversity of use (including both sides of the Thames River) provides a number of use cases that make the plan critical to the future of the region as well as the entirety of Long Island Sound.

The waters of the Thames and adjacent coastal areas are dependent upon skillful and fiscally responsible means of supporting the recreational, commercial, educational, and military requirements of maintaining clear waterways. Specifically these include but are not limited to:

Recreation. Marinas in the area are typically owned by family businesses and silt buildup is a problem for both safety and accessibility. Additional costs associated with other disposal alternatives can mean the closure of those businesses if they lack competitiveness when adding those expenses to their fees.

Commercial operations. Areas around ferry terminals are critical to the economic requirements of both Connecticut and Long Island, NY to ensure that travel for workers and tourists are safe and accessible. Private shipyards and fuel terminals require clear channels for their operations. Charter excursion businesses rely on safe access along the shoreline. Shell fishing operations cannot withstand the encroachment of silting in their operational areas.

Education. The waters around New London and into the sound are the site of significant learning and research activities involving University of Connecticut, Mitchell

College, marine sciences secondary education programs, including the Marine Sciences Magnet School in Groton. Additionally, Project O (Project Oceanology) provides learning and research platforms for both secondary education and research funded via private or government subscription. Those efforts are also amplified by studies in coastal ecology conducted by LEARN involving regional secondary school students.

Military. Deep channel access is necessary for the continued operations of Naval Submarine Base New London to support missions around the globe. In conjunction with that is the need for proper dredging in the vicinity of General Dynamics Electric Boat. Coast Guard Station New London on the Fort Trumbull peninsula supports rescue, inspection, port security and, through the USCG Auxiliary, safety training for local recreational boaters.

Other areas where a fiscally sound disposal plan matter are maintaining the foundations of bridges crossing rivers, maintaining the health of wetlands in the region and allowing for those families relying upon subsistence fishing from the shore, piers, and small craft available to local communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my comments.

  
Jefferson Harris

September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Thank you in advance,



293 Jefferson Avenue  
Saint James, NY 11780

September 17, 2015

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Saint James, NY 11780

September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

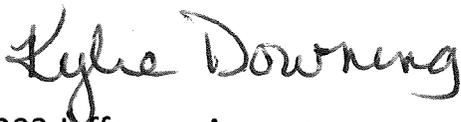
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293 Jefferson Avenue

Saint James, NY 11780

Ehlana Strzelczyk  
174 Northern Blvd  
Saint James, NY 11780  
September 17, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manger  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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Ehlana Strzelczyk

Debra Strzelczyk  
174 Northern Blvd  
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Sincerely,



Debra Strzelczyk

Dear Meghan Quinn,

Seeing as I live right across the street from the Long Island Sound, it is a precious aesthetic pleasure for me, my family, and everybody in Northport. I completely oppose your plan to continue dumping dredge materials in the sand. ~~We need~~ You must revise your plan and implement changes to reuse the materials in a safe and beneficial way. ~~It~~

Just because it is cheaper to dump, doesn't mean it's a good idea. If you care about the future of America; or more importantly the future of the earth, you will reuse 100% of the ~~long~~ dredge materials. Please respond immediately!

Sincerely,

Lynn Hall

Lynn Hall 52 Bayview Ave.

9/17/15 Northport, NY

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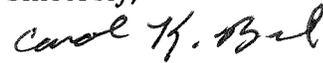
September 17, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01741

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to let you know that I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. You must develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. We need to keep our natural resources clean and free of toxins so future generations can enjoy the use of them as I do now.

Sincerely,



Carol K. Bond

264 Lincoln Ave  
St. James, N.Y. 11780

September 17, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
JIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA. 01742

Dear Madam,

I am writing to let you know, that I strongly oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe way.

Yours truly,  
Margaret Weiss

Adam Harris  
27 Great Oak Rd  
St. James, NY 11780

September 17, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am a resident of Long Island in New York and I strongly oppose your plan to dump dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. These materials must be reused in a safe and beneficial way. I urge you to develop a plan to do so. The Long Island Sound is a beautiful body of water and must be protected.

Sincerely,

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Adam Harris

Diane Harris  
27 Great Oak Rd  
St. James, NY 11780

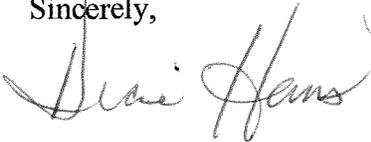
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

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Diane Harris

September 17, 2015

US Army Corp of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, Ma 01742

To Whom It May Concern,

I Patricia Majosky oppose the plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. The Long Island Sound needs to remain healthy to the people of Long Island.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Majosky". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and "M".

Pat Majosky

From: Leslie Price, 247 Lincoln Ave, St. James, NY 11780 Sept. 17, 2015

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road.  
Concord, MA 01742

To whom it may concern,

I would like to take this opportunity to convey to you my opposition to your plan to continue to dump dredged material in the Long Island Sound. Your draft DMMP will add Nitrogen Pollution into the LIS, increase contamination, contribute to fish kills and algal blooms, and fails to present a plan to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial manner. The Long Island Sound is a mile from my house, a beautiful playground for our children, a sanctuary and home for countless birds, fish, and recently, pods of dolphins which have been seen in my nearby Smithtown Bay. Other options for disposing of, and reusing these dredged materials exist. Please pursue them. We have enough knowledge and information to know that the Long Island Sound <sup>at 2A1547</sup> dumping is dangerous.

Respectfully,  
Leslie Price

9/14/15

I am opposed to your plan of  
dumping in open water  
such as the LI sound.  
please use these materials in  
a safe & beneficial way.

Thank you  
Mary ~~Clay~~  
St Joseph  
Myrtle

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** william higgins [centurioninvest@optonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2015 9:37 AM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Cc:** hugh switzer  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DMMP

Please adhere to the regulations of the DMMP and stop dumping sand into the Sound. Use it to replenish beaches.

Mr. & Mrs. W. Higgins

TO: U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
C/O MEGAN QUINN

DT: SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

RE: DUMP IN LONG ISLAND SOUND

FM: ROBERT MAYERNICK

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT I DO NOT  
SUPPORT AND AM AGAINST DUMPING  
DREDGED MATERIAL IN LONG ISLAND  
SOUND.

Robert J. Mayernick

September 16, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DRMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

Margaret Ficand  
Shelton, CT



**EDWARD J. CARROLL**

**26 Bonnie Brook Drive  
Shelton, CT 06484**

**September 16, 2015**

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia RD  
Concord, MA 01742**

**Dear Megan,**

**Urge Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years. Let them know you support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.**

**Sincerely,**

**Edward J. Carroll**

September 16, 2015  
22 Greenfield Drive  
Shelton, CT 06484

To Whom It May Concern,

I strongly oppose of your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged material and instead reuse the materials in a safe and beneficial way. I hope you will oppose the USACE plans to continue dumping dredged material into the Long Island Sound.

A healthy LIS is important to me. I grew up swimming in those waters as a child and have many fantastic summer memories because of those beaches. If the dumping continues, the children of the future won't be able to have those same memories, and that is completely unacceptable.

Please let me know your response. I'd like to hear more on your position.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Kryger

Flw by CCE - 24 Sept

TO U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

c/o William Quinn

LES Dump Project Manager

694 Virginia Rd

Concord, MA 01742.

PLEASE STOP THE OPEN  
WATER DUMPING OF DANGEROUS  
MATERIALS. WE ARE POISONING  
OUR WATERS, KILLING AND PUTTING  
PCBS IN OUR FISH. PLUS ALL  
THE OTHER PROBLEMS THAT WE DON'T  
KNOW ABOUT.

LET'S DO WHAT IS PROPER TO  
PROTECT WHAT WE HAVE BEEN  
SO FORUNATE TO BE BLESSED  
WITH.

 9/16/15

**SEPTEMBER 16, 2015**

**TO:**

**US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERING, GOVERNOR DAN MALLOY, SENATOR  
CHRIS MURPHY, SENATOR BLUMENTHOL**

**FROM:**

**JOHN AND BONNIE SEARLES, 71 AUTUMN RIDGE RD, SHELTON, CT 06484**

**RE: WE OPPOSE DUMPING IN LONG ISLAND SOUND!!!!!! PLEASE DEVELOP A  
BETTER PLAN FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT.**

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THE ASSEMBLY  
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ALBANY

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N.Y.S. Heritage Area Advisory Coun

September 16, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
United States Army Corps of Engineers – New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn:

We write today in opposition to the continued open water dumping of dredged material in Long Island Sound and urge rejection of the Army Corp’s of Engineers draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP).

Requested by the Governors of New York and Connecticut in 2005 and required by the EPA’s Rule 3, the goal of the LIS DMMP was to help achieve the goal of reducing or eliminating the disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound by examining alternative placement practices. The Rule designated two of the Sound’s legacy open-water placement sites, the Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound Sites to be used for eight years pending completion of a DMMP, with provisions for EPA to extend the term of use.

Though the DMMP identifies practicable potential cost-effective and environmentally acceptable placement alternatives to meet the dredging needs of ports and harbors in Connecticut, New York, and Rhode Island, the document fails to advance resolution of the dredge disposal problem by neglecting to factor in the costly environmental impacts of open water dredge disposal to the ecological services provided by the LI Sound’s natural systems.

We acknowledge the necessity of dredging and support the maintenance of harbors, bays, and channels for safe and efficient navigation for commercial and recreational purposes.

However, in light of the mandate that compelled its creation, the DMMP’s continued reliance on open water placement of dredged materials is very troubling. The 2004 Objection to Consistency Determination issued by the New York Department of State found “Long Island Sound is one of the most productive estuarine waters in the world. It provides valuable breeding, nesting and feeding habitats for myriad aquatic, avian and animal species, and provides commercial fishing, tourism and recreational benefits to the communities along its shoreline. The Long Island Sound region is also one of the most densely populated areas in North America; more than 8.4 million people live in the Sound’s watershed (FEIS ES-8). The Sound is used for water-dependent industries, recreational boating, commercial and recreational fishing and shellfishing, and recreational beach-going. It is one of New York’s most

valuable natural resources. For these reasons, the cleanliness of Long Island Sound is of paramount importance. While there is a recognized need for dredging in order to maintain navigable waterways, the designations of dredge spoil disposal sites in the Sound and the consequent dumping of sediments, as currently proposed, will degrade the Sound and threaten its environmental resources and economic viability.” The recreational boating and fishing activities cited in the Objection to Consistency Determination were identified in the Long Island Sound Study (LISS), founded by the Environmental Protection Agency, New York and Connecticut in 1985, to generate an estimated \$8.5 billion annually.

A condition of the settlement of this objection was the development of the LI DMMP with an emphasis on beneficial uses of dredged materials and other alternatives to open water disposal in Long Island Sound. The plan was mandated by New York & Connecticut to be a comprehensive plan to phase out open water disposal of dredged material and establish future protocols for dredged material management.

Instead, the draft DMMP appears to be the same open water dredge-dumping plan we have seen before.

Concerns about the Sound’s “environmental resources and economic viability” are as relevant today as they were in 2004 when the preparation of a DMMP was being contemplated and deserve a full and thorough analysis. Federal, State, and local governments have invested billions of dollars in research, grants and infrastructure improvements to repair the significant environmental damage of past waste disposal practices to the Sound’s natural systems. Stormwater management, nitrogen reduction, and marine habitat restoration are among the highest priorities of governments on both sides of the Sound.

Yet the DMMP does not comprehensively address the costs of open water disposal to the Sound's ecological systems, the effects on benthic life, the significant nitrogen loading of dredge spoils, how climate change and sea level rise may influence future dredging needs and uses of dredge materials, ocean acidification, and protocols used to control the influx of land sediments into coastal waters.

These concerns shouldn’t simply be ignored or dismissed based on simple arguments such as the dredged materials being subject to testing prior to disposal. Several studies have identified shortcomings in the sediment testing process. For example, in his book *Practical Handbook of Estuarine and Marine Pollution*, author Dr. Michael J. Kennish, a specialist in estuarine and marine ecology, indicates “Studies have shown that bulk sediment analyses do not predict short or long-term release of contaminants and that no relationship exists between bulk sediment and bioaccumulation. Hence, bulk sediment analyses do not provide an adequate assessment of water quality effects nor any level of environmental protection.”

The article “Sedimentary Environments in Long Island Sound: A Guide to Sea-Floor Management in a Large Urbanized Estuary” from the United States Geological Survey (USGS) highlights the Sound’s vulnerability to sea floor impacts, indicating “As a consequence of this enormous population [8.4 million people], the sound is heavily used, and, thus, the sea floor can be affected by human activities. The sea floor comprises a variety of benthic habitats that support a large commercial and recreational fishery. It can also be a sink for wastes and contaminants derived from sources such as wastewater treatment plants, urban runoff, riverine input, and airborne transport.”

The water quality of the Long Island Sound directly impacts the millions of people who live along its shores as well as avian and marine species who live in or pass through it. Issues that directly impact that water quality, such as open water placement of dredged materials, merit a thorough analysis and innovative problem-solving that lead to tangible results. The LIS DMMP is just the newest version of the old “out of sight, out of mind” method of waste disposal that has been with us since the dawn of the industrial revolution. Connecticut and New York asked for better and our citizens deserve better.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,



Steve Englebright -AD4  
Chair, Committee on Environmental Conservation



Fred Thiele - AD1



Dean Murray AD3



Phil Ramos -AD6



Michael Fitzpatrick - AD8



Joseph Saladino -AD9



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Chad Lupinacci - AD10

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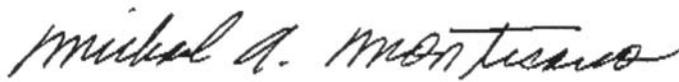


Andrew Raia - AD12



Chuck Lavine - AD13

David McDonough - AD14



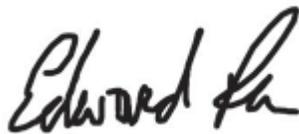
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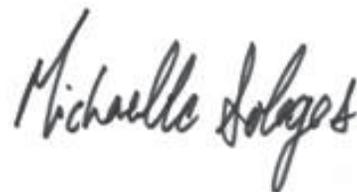
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Todd Kaminsky - AD20



Brian Curran - AD21

Michele Solages -AD22

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Shelly Mayer -AD90

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David Buchwald - AD93

CC: Governor Andrew Cuomo

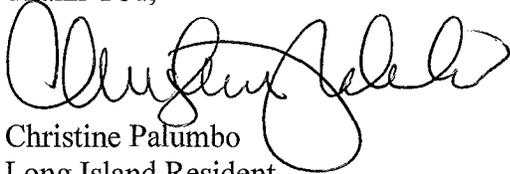
September 16, 2015

Christine Palumbo  
12 Wesleyan Rd.  
Commack, NY 11725

To Whom It May Concern:

I oppose the USACE's plan to dump in Long Island Sound. It is imperative for the USACE to develop a plan to phase out water dumping of dredged materials. A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to me and my family.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christine Palumbo", written over the typed name and title.

Christine Palumbo  
Long Island Resident

Dear USACE,

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Please develop a plan that phases out open water  
dumping of dredged material and reuses these  
materials in a safe and beneficial way.  
Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Catherine Rice  
67 Aberdeen Rd.  
Smithtown, NY 11787

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Smithtown, NY  
11787

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USACE  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DIMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
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# Peconic Estuary

PROGRAM CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Ms. Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corp of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord Ma 01742-2751

Dear Ms Quinn,

The Peconic Estuary shares a common border at “the race” located at the southeastern boundary of Long Island Sound. Water exchange between these two systems annually is considerable. It is for this reason that we register our strong concern over the adequacy of the draft dredge management plan prepared by the Army Corps of Engineers, and ask that the plan be rejected at this time.

Nearly 10 years ago the plan was mandated by New York and Connecticut to be a comprehensive plan to phase out open water disposal of dredged material, but instead the draft DMMP is a plan to continue dumping up to 30-50 million cubic yards of dredged material into the Sound over the next 30 years—perpetuating what had been intended to be phased out instead of developing a more enlightened and responsible way to manage dredged material.

In 2005, New York spearheaded the mandate for Army Corps to create a blueprint, the DMMP, to phase out open water dumping in the Sound while providing guidance and tools for a robust beneficial re-use program. It was clearly stated, in the 2005 letter co-signed by former Governor Pataki of New York and Governor Rell of Connecticut that the DMMP’s mandate, “would identify feasible and environmentally sound alternatives and establish future protocols for dredged material management. These alternatives include, but are not limited to, reducing sediment sources, reducing contaminate loading, and developing feasible beneficial reuses for dredged material, with the goal of reducing or eliminating the need for open water disposal.” New York State has a right and an obligation to hold the United States Army Corps of Engineers accountable to fulfill the requirements set forth in the signed 2005 agreement.

The Peconic Estuary Program’s Citizens Advisory Committee (PEP CAC) has historically been well represented by the marine trades industries. The CAC understands the need and importance of dredging and we support dredging harbors and marinas for safe navigation. However, there are safer, more sustainable options for preventing contamination of material that may need to be dredged. This plan was intended to investigate and help implement a modernized, new, and better approach to managing navigation and dredge material. It is here where the plan has its greatest failing. As presented in the plan, a substantial continuation of past practices of dumping dredged material in the Sound is inconsistent with federal and local efforts to protect and restore the Sound.



# Peconic Estuary

## PROGRAM CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Instead, the draft DMMP is a long-term plan to continue using our Long Island Sound as the main dumping ground for dredged materials. An estimated 17 million cubic yards of dredged material has already been dumped in LIS. This plan seeks to allow an additional 30-50 million cubic yards to be dumped over the next 30 years. The DMMP does not fulfill the mandate set forth in the agreement signed in 2005. The evaluations in the draft DMMP and the accompanying Programmatic EIS, assign value in the decision making process only to the cost of beneficial reuse options and omits any and all value to beneficial re-use as a function in protecting the Long Island Sound. It appears the draft DMMP neglects to assign any value to environmental consequences attributable to open water disposal. In fact, it seems that the document is based on the false premise that open water disposal is environmentally benign. **By emphasizing only the short-term costs instead of long-term solutions, the Army Corps fails to live up to the 2005 agreement.**

Cooperating together, both states have been significantly successful in reducing nitrogen inputs from sewage treatment plants. This progress should not be hindered by a plan to increase dumping of dredged material, but to actually reinvent how navigation and its dependent dredging can be vastly improved and modernized as was intended by this plan.

For these reasons and more, We are respectfully requesting that you reject the proposed plan and require the Army Corp to go back to the original mandate and create a plan that phases out open water dumping in the Sound.

Sincerely,

Kevin McDonald  
PEP CAC Chairman

7 Flamingo Drive  
Smithtown, NY 11787

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

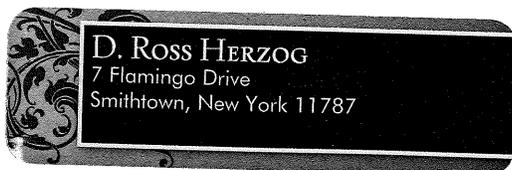
We all know how environmentally fragile the Long Island Sound already is. Each year, it gets closer and closer to becoming a dead zone.

It is time to reverse the destruction. For the sake of generations to come, please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials into Long Island Sound. Methods need to be found to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

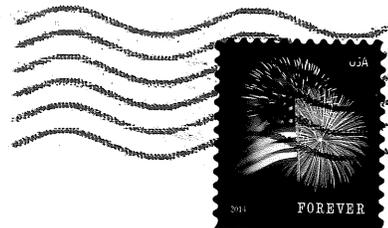
Lobsters and quality fish are gone from Long Island Sound. If open water dumping continues, these species will never return. Please, do it now!

Sincerely,

  
Ross Herzog



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Theresa R Grebla

58 Greenfield drive

Shelton, CT. 06484

To The U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers

I'm writing you today in strong opposition of the plan to continue dumping dredged material into the open water of our Long Island Sound. As a lifelong resident of Connecticut, I am aware of how much effort it has taken to turn around the condition of the LI Sound. It has taken years to see results of these efforts due to the dumping that went on decades ago. I am appalled that the USACE is planning to reverse this progress by dumping dredged materials into open water rather than using environmentally safe alternatives. This is very short sighted, as we'll end up spending money later to clean it up, after fish and wildlife are dead or dying and jobs are lost. Please have some fore thought and redirect these hazardous materials before that happens.

As a new Grandparent I'd like to think we owe it to future generations of Connecticut families to not intentionally do harm. This is not a situation without options; I implore you, our Senators and the Governor to do the right thing.

Thank you for your time,

Theresa R Grebla

*PS. I would appreciate a response informing me of your position.*

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

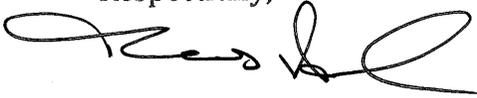
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Respectfully,



T. Hanke  
6 Greenfield Dr.  
Shelton, CT. 06483

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

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6 Greenfield Dr.  
Shelton, CT. 06484

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September 16, 2015

Governor Cuomo  
NYS Governor  
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Cuomo,

**We the undersigned organizations are writing today to request that New York State stand strong against open water dumping of dredged material in Long Island Sound and oppose the Army Corp's of Engineers draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP).** The plan was mandated by New York & Connecticut to be a comprehensive plan to phase out open water disposal of dredged material, but instead the draft DMMP is a plan to dump 30-50 million cubic yards of dredged material into the Sound over the next 30 years.

The Long Island Sound is an Estuary of National Significance, generating \$17-36 million to our regional economy annually. Eight million people live within 50 miles of the Sound's shores. The Sound is home to more than 120 species of finfish and countless varieties of birds and other animals. Between New York and Connecticut, the Sound's coastline stretches more than 600 miles. The federal governments, the states of New York and Connecticut, and local municipalities have collectively spent millions of dollars to protect and restore the Sound.

*Our organizations understand the need and importance of dredging and we support dredging harbors and marinas for safe navigation, however, there are safer, more sustainable options for disposing of dredged material.* Dumping dredged material in the Sound is inconsistent with federal and local efforts to protect and restore the Sound.

*New York has always been a significant guardian of Long Island Sound and we need you to continue New York's long standing legacy.* In 2005, New York spearheaded the mandate for Army Corps to create a blueprint, the DMMP, to phase out open water dumping in the Sound while providing guidance and tools for a robust beneficial re-use program. It was clearly stated, in the 2005 letter co-signed by the then Governor Pataki of New York & Governor Rell of Connecticut that the DMMP's mandate, "would identify feasible and environmentally sound alternatives and establish future protocols for dredged material management. These alternatives include, but are not limited to, reducing sediment sources, reducing contaminate loading, and developing feasible beneficial reuses for dredged material, with the goal of reducing or

eliminating the need for open water disposal.” New York State has a right and an obligation to hold the US Army Corps of Engineers accountable to fulfill the requirements set forth in the signed 2005 agreement.

Instead, the draft DMMP is a long term plan to continue using our Long Island Sound as the main dumping ground for dredged materials. An estimated 17 million cubic yards of dredged material has already been dumped in LIS. This plan seeks to allow an additional 30-50 million cubic yards to be dumped over the next 30 years. The DMMP does not fulfill the mandate set forth in the agreement signed in 2005. The evaluations in the draft DMMP and the accompanying Programmatic EIS, assign value in the decision making process only to the cost of beneficial reuse options and omits any and all value to beneficial re-use as a function in protecting the Long Island Sound. It appears the draft DMMP neglects to assign any value to environmental consequences attributable to open water disposal. In fact, it seems that the document is based on the false premise that open water disposal is environmentally benign. **By emphasizing only the short-term costs instead of long-term solutions, the Army Corps fails to live up to the 2005 agreement.**

In the Governor’s Taskforce Report, “Coastal Resiliency and Water Quality in Nassau and Suffolk Counties,” Nitrogen pollution was identified as a pollutant of concern. The report laid out a series of recommendations to curb Nitrogen pollution from entering into our harbors, bays, and estuaries. More recently, the state has allocated \$5 million in the 2015 state budget to formulate a Nitrogen Action Plan for Long Island. New York has already spent millions of dollars to reduce Nitrogen from our North Shore Sewage treatment plants to meet the federal mandate of reducing nitrogen into the Long Island Sound by 58.5%. *All these efforts are counterproductive if continued open water dumping in Long Island Sound is allowed.*

**The draft DDMP and PEIS also fail to comprehensively evaluate the addition of Nitrogen into the Sound from the dumping of dredged material.** In section 4.6 of the PEIS, USACE acknowledges the role that excess nitrogen plays in the deterioration of LIS water quality and the growth of Harmful Algal Blooms that lead to hypoxia. However, the document fails to articulate how much nitrogen is added to the Sound based on their disposal plan of 30-50 million cubic yards of dredged material.

*Studies show that dumping of dredged material increased the release of Nitrogen and Phosphorus into the waterway.* A 1.5 million cubic yard dredging project in Baltimore Harbor, which is slated for disposal at a cove south of the downtown, is estimated to have the potential to put more than 200,000 lbs of nitrogen back into the water annually. Due to this increase in Nitrogen, to an already impaired waterway, state regulators are mandated to offset that Nitrogen<sup>1</sup>.

Cooperating together, both states have been successful in reducing nitrogen inputs from STP’s significantly. This progress should not be hindered by a plan to increase dumping of dredged material in the Sound.

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<sup>1</sup> The Baltimore Sun, November 26, 2010 “State Pledges to limit Pollution from Dredging”

In the recent Long Island Economic Study, done by Earth Economics, "The Trillion Dollar Asset: The Economic Value of Long Island Sound Basin," the Sound provides an overall \$17-36 billion to our regionally economy, with \$5.2 billion annually in direct wages and over 190,000 jobs depend on the natural capital of the Sound. *A healthy Sound is directly linked to a healthy economy. Yet, continued dumping in the Sound can affect our critical recreational and commercial fishing and lobstering industries.* According to the PEIS, contaminants within and around the disposal sites are already found, including elevated PCB's in fish and elevated copper in lobsters. The Army Corps fails to address how dumping 30-50 million cubic yards of additional sediment will not add to the contamination.

We are thankful for New York's leadership in protecting and restoring the Long Island Sound. We recognize that New York has been a driver in exploring alternatives to open water dumping, and requiring New York projects to use beneficial re-use options. We are asking that you continue New York's legacy and reject the proposed plan and require the Army Corp to go back to the original mandate and create a plan that phases out open water dumping in the Sound.

We look forward to working with you on this critical issue. If you have any questions regarding this important matter please feel free to contact Adrienne Esposito at 516-390-7150.

Sincerely,

Adrienne Esposito  
Executive Director  
**Citizens Campaign for the Environment**

Bob Deluca  
President  
**Group for the East End**

Jeremy Samulson  
Executive Director  
**Concerned Citizens of Montauk**

Bill Toedter  
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**North Fork Environmental Council**

Enrico Nardone  
Executive Director  
**Seatuck Environmental Association**

George Hoffman  
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Arthur H. Kopelman, Ph.D.  
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T. James Matthews  
Chair  
**The Northwest Alliance**

Susan Krause  
President  
**Four Harbors Audubon**

Maryann Johnston  
President  
**Affiliated Brookhaven Civic  
Organizations (ABCO)**

Stella Miller  
President  
**Huntington-Oyster Bay Audubon**

Lillian Ball, Founder  
**WATERWASH Projects**

Neil Krupnick  
President  
**Northville Beach Civic Association**

Kevin McAllister  
President/Founder  
**Defend H2O**

Joan Hughes  
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**East Quogue Citizens Advisory  
Committee**

Michele Baron  
President  
**Moriches Bay Civic Association**

Roy Reynolds  
President  
**East Moriches Property Owners  
Association**

Al Algier  
President  
**East Quogue Civic Association**

Janice Landis  
President  
**Hampton Bays Civic Association**

Andrea Spilka  
President  
**Southampton Town Civic Coalition**

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Dear U.S. Army Corps of engineers,

As a citizen of Long Island I urge you to come up with a new plan instead of dumping your waste into our Sound. You'll make water unsafe for everyone and destroy the creatures if not dealt with properly, Find a new plan!!!

Sincerely,  
Joseph Bezzette

*FW by CCE - 16 Sept 15*

Dear US Army Corp of Engineers,

Please reconsider your plans to dump in the Long Island Sound!

This area has already had its share of ecological damage. We have a high incidence of breast cancer (perhaps caused by environmental issues) on Long Island, we are still recovering from the effects of Hurricane Sandy, and our fish population has already dwindled as a result of waste.

Please, please, please find a better way to reuse the dredged materials that you are proposing be dumped in the Long Island Sound. I am trying so very hard to raise children that think of the environment and the others that share this island with us, not just do what is easiest or least expensive. They need you to act as a role model and do the right thing!

Please respond to his letter with your plans for action and I am hoping that you can be persuaded to find an alternative method for the disposal of harmful materials in our already sick Sound.

Thank you,  
Connie Parisi  
11 Garden Lane  
Commack, NY 11725

ATTN: USACE

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island sound!  
I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open  
water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these  
materials in a safe and beneficial way!

A healthy Long Island Sound is important and should  
not be taken for granted!!

Thanks for listening

Karen Orrach  
Concerned Citizen

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We support the beneficial reuse  
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It is important to us that  
we have a healthy LI Sound

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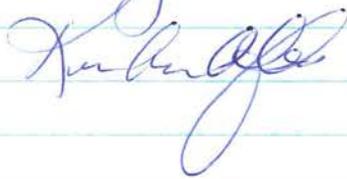
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Dear Sir,

The Dumping of Sedged Materials in our sound is wrong. Use of these materials can be used to better other areas of our Environment. If the sound is not in need of fillers and other improvement why dump unwanted materials into it.

Please think before you add unwanted materials int our sound.

Sincerely,



9/16/15

Dear USACE,



Honestly, I don't think it's a good idea to dump waste into the Sound. Even though it seems like you're only dumping into the Sound, it gets out into the Ocean and could hurt or worse, kill hundreds of species. It makes me sad to think about all the animals (sea) that die every year from waste. We need to help these poor things not worsen it. Try to come up with a different plan that won't hurt the environment, such as repurposing it. Also to Governor Cuomo, we need to stop this. You are here to help people and the environment. This is our earth and we need to take care of it.

From Lauren Henders 

FW by CCE - 16 Sept 15

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing this letter to let you know that I strongly oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! These are waters that my children and myself swim in and I find it truly appalling that you would even consider adding toxic waste to our waters.

I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead, reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I am sure there are much better uses than just dumping.

Sincerely,



Jennifer K. Ricciardi

September 16, 2015

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to you out of concern for the pollution in the Long Island Sound. I live along the north shore of Long Island. I would love to preserve the beauty of the water without it being polluted with dredged materials being dumped there. There are much safer and beneficial ways to go about this. I urge you to do so. For the living creatures in the water, as well as the beauty and safety of our environment. Please look into safer ways to do this for our future.

Thank you,

*Amanda Greco*  
*Amanda Greco*

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September 16, 2015

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Thank you,

Barlene Greco  
Barlene Greco

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Troy Glick  
16 Wichard Blvd.  
Commack, NY 11725

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

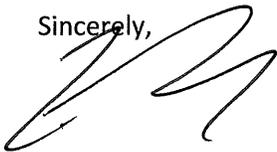
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The health of the Long Island Sound is very important to me.

I would appreciate a response in writing of your position on this issue.

Sincerely,

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Patricia Glick  
16 Wichard Blvd.  
Commack, NY 11725

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Madame,

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Sincerely,

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Danielle Rogan  
181 Hickory Lane  
Smithtown, NY, 11787

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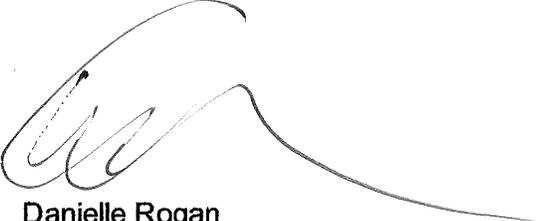
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A clean, healthy Long Island Sound is an important part of Long Islanders' lives. It is a place people go with their families to enjoy the beauty that is our beaches and sound. It is home to an abundance of wildlife. A clean Long Island Sound is crucial to everyone.

I would appreciate a written response from you informing me of your position on this matter.

Thank you in advance,



Danielle Rogan

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Please Stop dumping Now

Mike Bailey  
29 HARVARD LA.  
COMMACK NY 11725

U.S. Army of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
Lis Drimp PROJECT MANAGER  
CONCORD MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn

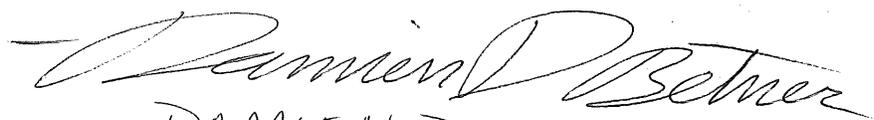
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Your Dredge Material Management Plan Blatantly Fails to address the impacts on our Water Quality and Casually ignores the Beneficial Reuse options.

Long Island Sound Is Not A Dumping Ground!  
It is a valuable Resource that our TAX Dollars support.

I would Like a written Response addressing my concerns and informing ~~me~~ of your position and How you will REVISE your plan to Appropriately HANDLE Connecticut's Dredge waste.

Toxic Contamination and Nitrogen pollution can Not go unrecognized, we are 100% Accountable For Everything we Leave Behind.



DAMIEN D BETNER

39 Catherine Street E. Northport N.Y.

11731

P.S. may we all come together  
and make this place Better

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA

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Sincerely,



Marc Segal

Smithtown, NY

FRANK POTUCEK

September 16, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers:

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I insist that you oppose USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years. I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

A healthy Long Island is important to me and my growing family.

It would mean a lot to my family if you could respond, in writing informing me of your position.

Respectfully,



Frank Potucek, MBA  
28 Villa Ln  
Smithtown, NY 11787

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9/16/15

To Whom it May Concern,

I am not happy to hear that dumping of dredged material is being talked about and being considered again. There are so many reasons not to do this and I dont understand why it is again being considered. Open water dumping is unnecessary and dangerous. This will increase pollution in our water, destroy our fish and in turn be toxic towards humans. Why not use dredged material as a resource and not waste. Any educated person would understand that we need to preserve our beautiful land and not destroy it.

Sincerely, Diane Geringer

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager 696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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FW by CCE - 16 Sept 15

Cameron Campbell  
69 Grandview Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787

To: US Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan,

I recently heard that your department is recommending dredge spoils be dumped in Long Island Sound for the next 30 years in 4 locations. I oppose this recommendation as it will negate the efforts of many environmental efforts to clean and protect our waterways. There needs to be a serious evaluation of other options for disposal or reuse of these dredge spoils, as open water dumping can not continue.

My family has used and will continue to use these waterways for many years and we need to see the gains we have experienced over the past decade in improved water quality and the revitalization of aquatic life continue to expand – not take a major step backwards.

I would like to receive information from your office on your plans for alternatives to open water dumping.

Best regards,

Cameron Campbell

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. Campbell', written over the printed name.

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FW by CCE - 16 Sept 15

Erin Campbell  
69 Grandview Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787

To: US Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
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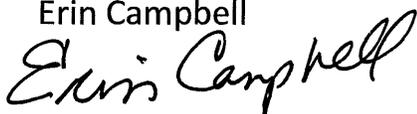
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Best regards,

Erin Campbell

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Sep. 16, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

C/O Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

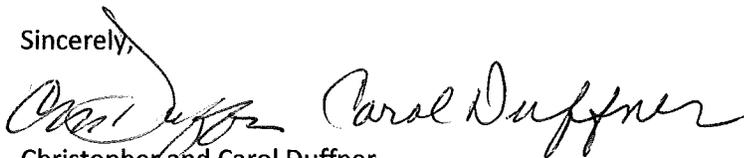
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Ms. Quinn:

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Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Christopher and Carol Duffner. The signature on the left is for Christopher Duffner and the signature on the right is for Carol Duffner.

Christopher and Carol Duffner

18 Sandra Drive

Hauppauge, NY 11788

A-2A-1593

September 15, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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I am writing to you today to express my opposition to your plan to dump dredged material into Long Island Sound!

Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,



Kylie Benz  
361 Forest Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787

September 15, 2015

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LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,



Rhianna Benz  
361 Forest Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787

September 15, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
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696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

  
Danielle Beauvais Benz  
361 Forest Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787

September 15, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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William Norton  
361 Forest Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787

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Dear Meghan Quinn,

The Long Island Sound is not a dumping ground. The dumping plan fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution, fails to address impacts of toxic contamination, and ignores important beneficial reuse options.

I fully oppose dumping in the L-I Sound.

Sincerely,

Doreen Murphy

To whom it may concern

I oppose Dumping in the  
Long Island Sound.

~~Matthew~~  
Alpine Dr  
Unionville CT 06085

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U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
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696 Virginia Rd.  
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Thomas A. Graves  
30 Lexton Drive  
Farmington, CT 06032

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Marlene P. Bradshaw  
30 Lexton Drive  
Farmington, CT 06032

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U.S. Army of Engineers

C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742.

Dear Meghan Quinn

I am writing you to let you know of my dismay when I read of the backwards thinking in what to do with dredged materials removed from our rivers and ports and then just dumped back into our precious Long Island Sound. This family has always cherished the waters of Long Island Sound, nature in general and helped whenever possible in both volunteering and monetary donation to organization working to keep our waterways clean. How clean our water, air and land are is a local and national pride thing. To remove materials from our waterways is necessary for maintaining of waterways, we are not disputing that, but to turn around and dump it into the Long Island Sound is something a Third World country would do. The United States of America is a first class country, let's step up and find a beneficial and cost effective use for this dredged up materials.

I fully support the beneficial reuse of dredged materials across this great land of ours. The materials could be used to fill in sink holes, fill abandoned mines, top landfills, etc... The continuation of dumping dredged materials into the Sounds water for the next 30 years or more is not a plan; it is the easy way out or a lack of planning. The US Army of Engineers did not try to figure out alternative uses instead it took the easy way out. Let pose this issue to our high school and College aged young Americans and let them show us alternative for these materials.

Do not undo all the work that has, in the past, and is currently being done to keep the Long Island Sound clean. The future generations of voters live in this house hold and are keeping an eye on what is and what is not done by today's government. This household has two long term voting adults, a 19 year old voter and in a year or so our youngest child shall also be voting and voicing there opinions.

Please let me know, by return mail, what your position is on this matter of shuffling around the dredged materials into our precious Long Island Sound waters.

A Truly concerned family of Connecticut.



Roger da Silva  
Four Elizabeth Road  
Farmington, CT 06032

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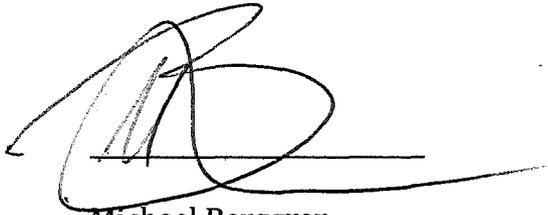
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I am writing this letter to request alternate practice of the proposed "dredge and dump" in the Long Island Sound (LIS). My family has enjoyed the beauty and cleanliness of the sound for many years and look to continue doing so. Your proposed plan has the potential to impact my family, any many others like mine so I am requesting alternate plans be devised!

Please seek alternate methods of dumping the dredge as recommended by Citizens Campaign. You may or may not choose to read these letters but please understand if this is the letter you read, take it seriously!

I look forward to a response on this matter!

Regards,



Michael Berggren  
22 Woodside Dr  
Farmington CT 06035

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I have grown up on the sound and love and I hope that future generations will be able to enjoy Long Island Sound too.

  
Heather Saia

FW. By CCE 9/15/2015

to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Myron Yousman  
10 Wyndwood Road  
Farmington, CT 06032

Dear Meghan:

I am writing to oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. A better plan needs to be developed to phase out open water dumping and to reuse the materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A healthy Long Island Sound is extremely important to me and all the residents of the State of Connecticut.

Please respond in writing to this comment.

Thank you,

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Myron Yousman

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Jacob Textor  
28 Pine Drive  
Unionville, Ct 06085

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Ari-Anna Poole  
93 Webster St  
Unionville, Ct 06085

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Heather Johnson-Poole  
93 Webster St  
Unionville, Ct 06085

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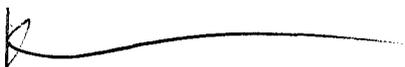
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Kyle Poole  
93 Webster St  
Unionville, Ct 06085

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U.S. Army Corps Of Engineers

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LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd

Concord, MA 01742

Ms. Quinn,

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these material in a safe and beneficial way instead.

We all have a responsibility to the future of our environment in which our children must live.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,



Stephanie Stewart

Farmington, CT

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

Long Island sound is a great area that offers many options for recreation that our family enjoys. To continue enjoying this are, we need to make sure that the water stays clean and unpolluted. The plans to continue dredged material dumping in Long Island sound is a threat to the future of this area for years to come. I believe these plans are not necessary and can be avoided. It is much better to invest in looking for a better use for the dredged material.

Best Regards

Sameh Khalil  
4 Colony Rd.  
Unionville, CT 06085-

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Dear U.S. Arm Corps of Engineers,

I oppose you plan to dump into Long Island Sound, I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe beneficial way.

From,  
Brian M. Seholm  
16, Lincoln street, Unionville CT, 06085

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMIP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

LIS is My Home!  
If you came in my yard  
with a bag of garbage  
I would chase you away!

STOP!

70 Hillcrest Rd,  
Niantic CT,  
06357  
Heather-Renaé Powers  
A-2A-1613  
Niantic, CT

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Dear USACE,

I oppose to your plan of dumping in the Long Island Sound!

I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Keliana Borat

56 East Shore Blvd

06085 Unionville, CT

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose your plan to dump  
dredge waste in the open water of  
the Long Island Sound.

STEVE TRITANO  
91 BIRDSEYE RD  
FARMINGTON, CT. 06032

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

A healthy Long Island Sound is important to me. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Respectfully,  
Grace Woodcayh  
Unionville, CT

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
215 DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms Quinn,

We have a cottage in Niantic, CT and enjoy our summers in Niantic on Long Island Sound.

We are opposed to the USACE Dumping Plan for the sound since the impact on the sound's wildlife has been proven to be negative. This could have a dramatic impact on fishing, both recreational and business, and should be reconsidered since other uses of the dredged material would have no negative impact on the environment.

Please reconsider the plan to continue dumping dredged material in the Long Island Sound.

We would appreciate a written response to our request. Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,  
Wendy & Gary Grant

Home: 184 Hampshire Dr  
Glastonbury, CT 06033

FW By CCE 9/15/2015

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A Joan Lachance I always separate the  
the plastic bags clean them if they re dirty  
less pollution. I rinse the cans and plastic  
containers,

God Our Father gave us this beautiful  
planet clean water and these beautiful  
birds and all kinds of fish

We have to respect it. Its our duty  
to do so. If we don't do this. This  
whole world we be a disaster

Sincerely  
J L

FW By CCE 9/15/2015

From: Al Saade

14 CHERRY Dr. Farmington, ct 06032

TO: U.S. ARMY Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

Lis DMHP project Manager

696 virginia rd.

Concord, MA 01742

I Oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound.

FW By CCE 9/15/2015

FW by CCE - 15 Sept 15

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Sincerely,  
Chelsea C. Gustafson  
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Chelsea Gustafson  
21 Lake St.  
Unionville, CT 06085

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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I am writing this letter to hope that the dumping in the Long Island Sound will stop during my childhood I would spend my in the beaches in the New Haven area

Another plan should be develop for the dumping in open water of any material. I support the beneficial reuse of dredge materials - instead of open water dumping.

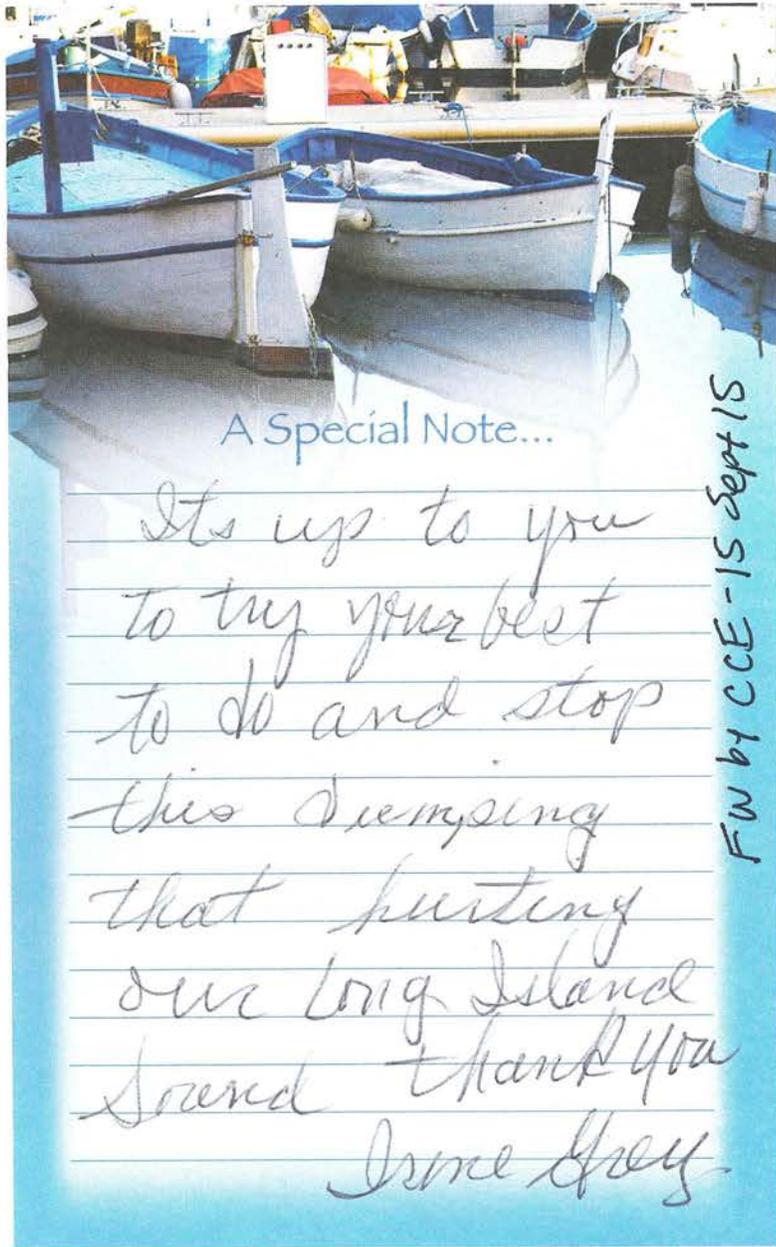
I would like a response in writing informing me of your position.

gtd  
Jackeline Diaz.

Jackeline Diaz  
30 Circle Dr.  
Unionville Ct 06085

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US Army Corps  
c/o Meghan  
LIS DMMP Project  
696 Virginia  
Concord, MA. 01



A Special Note...

It's up to you  
to try your best  
to do and stop  
this dumping  
that hurting  
our Long Island  
Sound Thank You  
Irene Grey

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56 Merriam St.  
Unionville, Ct  
06085

To: USACE

Please do not dump in  
Long Island Sound. I am a citizen  
of Connecticut and use the sound  
for recreation. Please use the resources  
at your disposal to develop a plan  
that phases out open water dumping  
of dredged materials.

Sincerely,  
Janet Spasiano

Linda Ronning  
375 Twilight Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787  
[Ronning.linda@yahoo.com](mailto:Ronning.linda@yahoo.com) 631.365.4220

September 15, 2015

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696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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I would appreciate a written response informing me of your position on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Ronning".

Linda Ronning

# *Wading River Civic Association*

*PO Box 805, Wading River, NY 11792*

*[wrcivic@optonline.net](mailto:wrcivic@optonline.net)*

September 15, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
Programs & Projects, Management Division  
US Army Corps of Engineers, NE District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

RE: Comments for the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan & Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound.

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Ten years ago after a heated battle over open-water dumping of dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound New York, Connecticut, the Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency agreed to design a new plan that would provide alternatives to dumping. Alternatives that would either eliminate or reduce open-water dumping. Ten years later we are presented a new plan(DMMP) which to put it mildly is a major disappointment. Open-water dumping in the Long Island Sound is not eliminated or reduced but rather increased.

What happened? It appears the plan that has opted for short term solutions that put a premium on costs rather than seriously considering a long term plan that "would identify feasible and environmentally sound alternatives and establish future protocols for dredged material management." It is our view that by emphasizing short-term costs instead of long-term solutions, the Army Corps has not lived up to the 2005 agreement.

The DMMP fails to explain how the dumping of 30-50 million cubic yards of additional sediment will not add to the contamination in the Sound. The DMMP does not provide data to show how increased dumping in the Sound will not hinder efforts to reduce Nitrogen levels in the Sound. More importantly the DMMP ignores the monetary costs of degradation and the long term environmental consequences of open water disposal. It is our belief that this approach is not in accordance with the EPA's Final Rule. The Final Rule states that the use of practicable(preferential environmental) alternatives may mean there will be additional costs in comparison to open-water disposal.

In conclusion we do not feel that the DMMP and the PEIS are in accordance with the 2005 mandate to create a plan that would reduce open -water dumping. We respectfully suggest the Army Corps go back and create a plan that actually will

eliminate or reduce open- water dumping in the Sound.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sid Bail".

Sid Bail  
President

September 15, 2015

As a grandparent, I call upon you to consider not only the repercussions of your dredged material dumping in the Long Island Sound on my grandchildren but the detrimental effects of said practice on your grandchildren. As a lifelong Connecticut resident, I call upon you to stand by the agreement of 2005 that was designed to phase out open water dumping and consider alternate uses for the dredged material.

Dredged material can be used according to my sources. I wholeheartedly oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Use your reported resources to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe, beneficial way so that my grandchildren and YOURS don't have to pay the price for your shortsightedness.

DO THE RIGHT THING NOW. The Long Island Sound should be valued, not destroyed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine C. O'Connor".

Christine C. O'Connor

29 Walnut Farms Drive

Farmington, CT 06032

oconnorchristine60@gmail.com

September 15, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

Dear Sirs:

Please make every effort to rethink your current plan to continue to dump dredged materials directly into L.I. Sound. This is not the sort of thing a technically advanced society should be doing in light of the potential consequences that could be caused by whatever chemicals or toxins that may be present.

Please rethink your position.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert LaRocco". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Robert LaRocco

19 Kenny St.

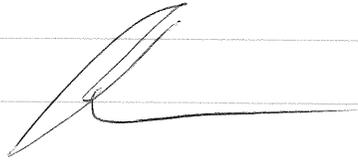
Hauppauge, NY 11788

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To whom it may concern,

Please stop your plan  
to dump waste into Long  
Island Sound. Please Respond.

Richard Kramer



Kramers

56 Hillcrest Rd

Niantic CT 06357

HARTFORD CT 061

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US Army CORPS OF Engineer

C/O Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Mgr

696 Virginia Road

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Mailed  
September 15, 2015

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LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

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Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Darci Lombardo

25 Bridge Street  
Old Saybrook CT  
06475

PM 15 Sept 15

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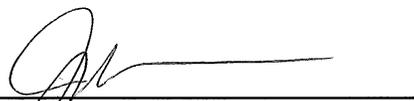
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25 Bridge Street  
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Old Saybrook CT 06475  
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Pm 15 Sept 15

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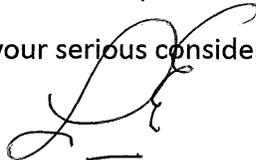
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LAWRENCE CASLER

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NORTH HAVEN, CT 06473

U.S. ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS

C/O Meghan Quinn  
LISDMAP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord MA 01742

9/15

Ms. Quinn,

I oppose any plan to dump dredged materials into Long Island Sound. Please develop an alternate plan that reuses this material.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

William Baffo  
80 New Mill Rd  
Smithtown NY  
11787

FW by CCE: 15 Sept 15

Paul and Deborah Bella  
58 Shirley Court  
Commack, NY 11725

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project manager  
696 Virginia Road.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

This letter serves to relay our opinion about the dumping of dredged material into the Long Island Sound.

It is disturbing to think that when the possibility exists to use these materials in a safe and environmentally beneficial way, any other way would even be considered.

The Long Island Sound is a natural treasure and precious to all - whether you reside on the New York or Connecticut side, or if you are a person or one of thousands of forms of life living in and around the sound.

We love Long Island, and we want our children to experience all that it has to offer now and in their future.

Please consider instead a plan that phases out open water dumping.  
The earth and many on it will thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Paul and Deborah Bella

A-2A-1636

FW by CCE: 15 Sept 15

Dear USACE

I'm oppose Your plan to dump in  
Long Island Sound.

Urge You to develop a plan that  
phases out open water dumping of  
dredged materials and reuses  
these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Chong Soon 

FW by CCE: 15 Sept 15

Frances Feil  
54 W Chestnut St  
Farmingdale, NY 11735

To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
Lis Dump Project Mgr.  
696 Virginia Rd. Concord MA 01742

Just a not to let you know that I and my spouse are vehemently opposed to the USACE's plan to dump their dredge into Long Island Sound! I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping!

It is vitally important to me to maintain a healthy Long Island Sound for all to use! It is up to all of use to make sure our environment is healthy and can maintain the species that call Long Island Sound their home!!

I would appreciate a response in writing informing me of your stand on this very important issue!

Thank you for any support you can give to this issue,

Frances Feil

FW: CCE 15 Sept 15



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

C/o Meghan Quinn  
415 DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742



USACE

I oppose the plan to dump  
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open water dumping of dredged  
materials and reuses these  
materials in a safe and beneficial  
way.

Patricia Murtagh



E120-5231



DATE: 9 / 15 / 15

TO: Ms. Quinn  
U.S. ARMY CORP. OF ENGINEERS

From:  
Citizens Campaign for the Environment  
225 Main Street A-2A-1639  
Farmingdale, NY 11735

FW by CCE: 15 Sept

To the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers,

I am writing to inform you that I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse those materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Living on the north shore of Long Island, the sound is basically in my backyard. I urge you to keep it clean and environmentally protected so it will continue to be as beautiful as it is today.

Thank You,

  
Roxanne Basandella

FW by CCE: 15 Sept

US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
US DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Please stop the dumping  
of toxic dredge into the Long Island  
Sound. This dumping is putting  
the water at risk of contamination.

Please consider the option  
of beneficial reuse of the dredge  
materials as opposed to open  
water dumping.

Sincerely

Lenora Chechilo  
Lenora Chechilo

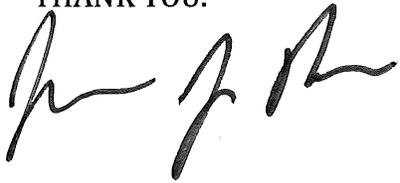
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US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
LIS DMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA RD  
CONCORD, MA 01742

DEAR MS. QUINN:

I WAM WRITING TO TELL THE USACE THAT I OPPOSE THEIR PLAN TO DUMP  
DREDGED MATERIAL CONTAMINATED WITH DIOXIN IN THE LONG ISLAND  
SOUND.

THANK YOU.

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DIMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern.

I, along with many others, am in opposition to your plan of dumping in the Long Island Sound.

Your time would be better served coming up with a plan to keep our waters safe and clean.

This is the era of "Reuse and Recycle" it should apply to all - don't you think

A concerned citizen  
Dana Valentin

FW by CCE! 15 sept

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
L&MMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Somers Ma 01742

Tell the USACE that you oppose  
their plan to dump in Long Island Sound!  
Urge them to develop a plan that phases  
out open water dumping of dredged materials  
and recycles these materials in a safe and  
beneficial way.

9/10/15

Dear USACE,

I am writing to you oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a Plan that no longer ~~is~~ dumping dredged materials into open water, it is toxic and harmful. Please find a way that reuses the materials in a SAFE way that is beneficial to All living things.

Thank you!

Stephanie Trees

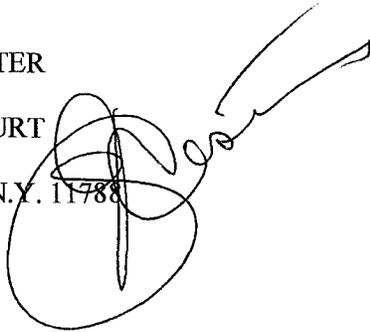
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
C/O MEGHAN QUINN  
LIS DMMP PROJECT MANAGER  
696 VIRGINIA RD.  
CONCORD, MA 01742

DEAR MS. QUINN,

I AM WRITING TO ASK THAT YOU LOOK FOR ALTERNATIVES TO THE PLAN TO DUMP  
HAZARDOUS AND DREDGED MATERIALS INTO THE LONG ISLAND SOUND. PLEASE GIVE  
THIS CONSIDERATION AS I OPPOSE THIS PROPOSITION.

RICHARD COSTER  
4 GROTON COURT  
HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. 11788

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Coster", is written over the printed name and address. The signature is stylized and somewhat illegible.

A-2A-1646

Brittney Field  
37 Maureen Drive  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
631-656-8924

September 15, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

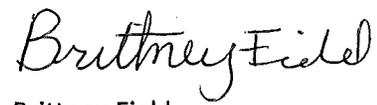
Dear Ms. Quinn:

I oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

As a longtime resident of Long Island, it is important for our waterways to be safe for the future of my family as well as my fellow Long Islanders. Pollution and toxic contamination is not acceptable.

Thank you for your consideration to this matter. I anxiously await your reply.

Sincerely,

  
Brittney Field

Kevin Fitzpatrick  
37 Maureen Drive  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
631-656-8924

September 15, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

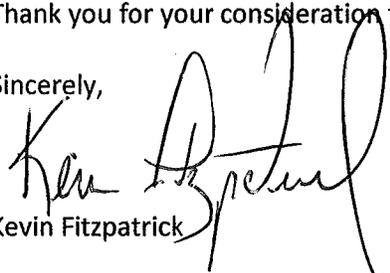
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Thank you for your consideration to this matter. I anxiously await your reply.

Sincerely,

  
Kevin Fitzpatrick

A-2A-1648

Darinda J. Field  
37 Maureen Drive  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
631-656-8924

September 15, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

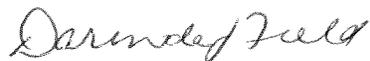
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Thank you for your consideration to this matter. I anxiously await your reply.

Sincerely,



Darinda J. Field

Dear Meghan Quinn

I oppose your plan to dump  
in the Long Island Sound.

I urge you to develop a plan that  
Phases open water dumping of dredge  
material and reuses the material in a  
safe and a beneficial way.

Simon Ekper Bruner

September 15<sup>th</sup> 2015

S.E. Brunson  
Smithtown, NY

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To USACE C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Proj. Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA 01742

Please develop a plan for dumping dredge materials instead of random dumping into the Long Island sound. These materials should be reused in a safe + useful way.

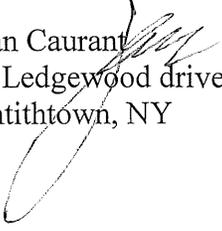
Michael Alessi  
272 Bow Dr  
Hauppauge NY 11788

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US Army Corps of Engineers

I oppose dumping dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. Develop a plan to reuse these materials in a beneficial way.

Jean Caurant  
12 Ledgewood drive  
Smtithtown, NY



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US Army Corps of Engineers

I oppose dumping dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. Develop a plan to reuse these materials in a beneficial way.

Thomas DiCicco  
12 Ledgewood drive  
Smtithtown, NY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom DiCicco', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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FROM THE DESK OF

**AILEEN HEYEN**

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
% Megan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn

I am vehemently opposed to the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for least 30 years. I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping. I urge you to develop a plan and phases out open water dumping.

Long Island Sound is where I grew up and my children grew up and my grandchildren are growing up and swimming and playing.

I would appreciate a response on this matter.

Respectfully,

Aileen Heyen



A-2A-1654

8 MEADOW LANE. MOUNT SINAI. NY. 11766 631-331-1193

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To U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

I oppose your plan to dump  
in the Long Island Sound, I am urging you  
to develop another plan that phases out  
open water dumping of dredged materials  
and reuses these materials in a safe and  
beneficial way.

Emily

Lisa Jackman

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DUMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound, ~~etc~~

Paul  
c/o Sandra Dr.  
Hugobon NY 17888

September 15, 2015

Mrs. Mary Grattan  
25 Walnut Farms Drive  
Farmington, CT 06032

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Please tell the USACE that you oppose their plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Long Island Sound is Connecticut's greatest natural resource. Continuing to dump unwanted refuse is not the answer to preservation of this body of water, which is ours and for all of us now and for generations to come. As citizens of this state we need to be vigilant in the up-keep of our environment and it's natural resources.

Thank you for your sincere consideration in this matter.

With kind regards,



Mary Grattan

September 15, 2015

U.S Army Corps of Engineers  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn

I Strongly oppose dumping in Long Island Sound. I and my family swim in the sound often during the summer and I'm afraid that the current plan to dump dredged material in the Sound will eventually pollute it forever.

Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Please inform me in writing informing me of your position.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Pudlik Jr.", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John Pudlik Jr.

10 Walnut Farms Dr.

Farmington CT, 06032

September 15, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

This letter stands to serve as my opposition to the USACE dumping into the waters of Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse the materials in a safe and beneficial manner in the most expedient of time frames.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia D. Fitzgerald". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "D".

Patricia D. Fitzgerald  
6 Stewart Lane  
Wilton, CT 06897

September 15, 2015

TO: US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

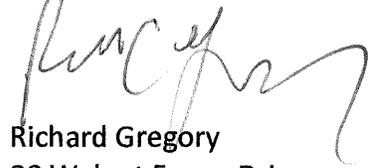
Dear Ms. Quinn

My family is opposed to your plan to dump dredged material in the Long Island Sound. We urge you to pursue alternate plans that avoids open water dumping and finds safer methods for disposing this material.

Dredged material can be used in beneficial ways, and we support those methods as a long-term solution over dumping into the Sound.

We look forward to many years of enjoying healthy Long Island Sound and would appreciate your considered response on this issue.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Gregory", written over the typed name.

Richard Gregory  
30 Walnut Farms Drive  
Farmington, CT 06032

9-15-2015

Dear Ms Meghan Quinn,

I am writing to inform you that I and my family oppose the USACE plan to dump any pollutants in the Long Island Sound. We also oppose dumping of dredged materials in open water.

Surely we have learned from the prior poisonings in Pennsylvania from polluted mines, the restrictions on eating certain fish when pregnant due to the Mercury levels and the loss of marine life secondary to Nitrogen pollution in our oceans and waterways.

In this era, there must be a clean, environmentally sound way to dispose of such waste, not to mention ways to avoid its production.

The Long Island Sound provides economic support to our state through tourism, our family enjoys visiting its beaches, our friends fish in these waters.

I urge you to consider the vast impact the USACE plan can have on our State and our families. I look forward to hearing from you about your position on this issue.  
Sincerely,

Amy Carlucci Wu, MD

4 Hendrickson La  
Farmington CT

9/15/15

U. S. Corp. of Engineers

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Please tell the USACE that I oppose their plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I have lived on Long Island and Connecticut for 72 years.

Please help to preserve the quality for future generations

Robert D. Galante  
24 Walnut Farms Drive  
Farmington, Ct. 06032

Terrence OBrien  
24 Hendrickson Lane  
Unionville, CT 06058

September 15, 2015

**STOP DUMPING IN LONG ISLAND SOUND**  
*Long Island Sound is Not a Landfill*

- The LONG ISLAND SOUND is an estuary of NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE home to more than 120 species of finfish and countless varieties of birds and other animals
- The federal government, the State of New York, the State of Connecticut and local municipalities have SPENT MILLIONS of dollars to protect and restore the Sound
- Beluga whales and pods of dolphins have returned to the Sound- All signs that RESTORATION efforts are WORKING

Unfortunately, the progress made to restore the Sound remains threatened by the open water dumping of harmful dredged material. While dredging is necessary to maintain navigable waterways and harbors, open water dumping of dredged material is both UNNECESSARY and DANGEROUS.

**I oppose the Dredged Material Management Plan to dump in Long Island Sound**

**Please respond to me, in writing, as why the Dredged Material Management Plan (DDMP) is the best option for the next generation of residents of New York and Connecticut.**



Terrence OBrien

US Army Corps of Eng.  
c/o Methan Down

G. SANDERS  
888 DAKENIDGE  
UNIONVILLE  
CT 06085.

9-15-15.

Dear Sirs,  
Please stop dumping toxic  
chemicals in Long Island Sound

Thank you

Gary Sanders.

**Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Linda Auriemma [laurie6656@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 14, 2015 11:24 PM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Stop Dumping in LI Sound

The dumping of dredged material in the LI Sound has to stop. Our water quality and marine life are already in jeopardy.  
Come up with another plan as was promised.

Linda & Paul Auriemma  
945 Fanning Rd.  
New Suffolk NY 11956

Sent from my iPhone

9/14/2015

Dear USACE;

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound.

Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

John Eiamundo

# Jeanine Fazzini

21 Ivy Hill Drive  
Smithtown, NY 11787

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September 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To Ms. Meghan Quinn:

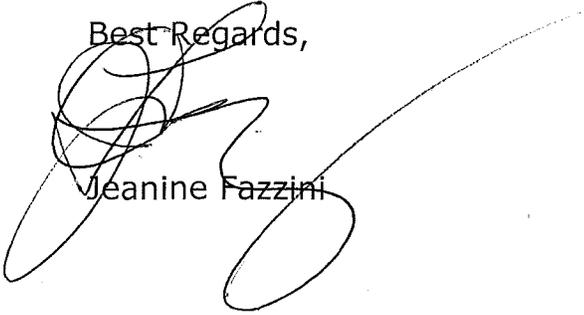
I am writing today to let you know that I oppose the USACE plan to dump in Long Island Sound.

I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping for dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you.

Best Regards,

Jeanine Fazzini



Winifred S. Chesley  
495 Thayer Pond Road  
Wilton, CT 06897-2321

September 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

It is beyond my understanding that the U.S. Corps of Engineers, which spends BILLIONS of dollars to secure the safety for those living by our waterways and using them for pleasure and business, would allow dumping of dredged materials in Long Island Sound. There are beneficial ways this dredging material can be used, not detrimental as planned.

~~This dumping is counter intuitive to all the work and money spent on restoring the~~  
Long Island Sound to a body of water where the sea life is safe to eat and in which children are safe to swim.

We are told over and over again to recycle and reuse. To stop the dumping of dredged material in the Long Island Sound is one way to protect our exceptionally beautiful local natural resources.

Sincerely,

Winifred S. Chesley

To: USACE

From: Corey Sebia; 473 Thayer Pond Rd, Wilton CT 06897

Date: 9-14-15

Subject: STOP OPEN WATER DUMPING

It is the easy solution to dump dredged materials in open water, instead use these dredged materials for a safe and beneficial use!

Please Oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in Long Island Sound (LIS)

LIS is truly a treasure to be protected not a garbage dump site!

Please respond in writing that describes your position on this issue!

Sincerely, Yours



To: US ACE

From: Anne Mankenbeck, 473 Thayer Pond Rd, Wilton CT

Date: 9-14-15

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Sincerely yours

Anne Mankenbeck

To: USACE

From: Thomas Sabca, 413 Thayer Pond Rd, Wallon CT 06897

Date: 9-14-15

Subject: STOP OPEN WATER DUMPING

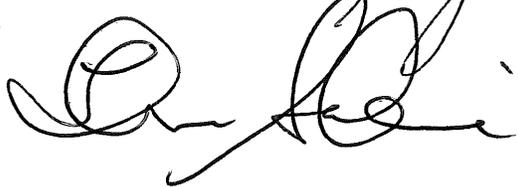
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Sincerely Yours



September 14, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS Dmmp Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers,

**STOP DUMPING IN LONG ISLAND SOUND!**

**PHASE OUT OPEN WATER DUMPING OF DREDGED MATERIAL!**

**MY KIDS WANT TO SWIM IN THE SOUND SAFELY!**

Urgently,



Andrew Foote  
269 Nod Hill Road  
Wilton, CT 06897

September 14, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS Dmmp Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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Urgently,



Susanna Carrillo  
269 Nod Hill Road  
Wilton, CT 06897

September 14, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS Dmmp Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

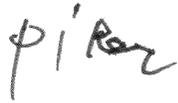
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**PHASE OUT OPEN WATER DUMPING OF DREDGED MATERIAL!**

**MY KIDS WANT TO SWIM IN THE SOUND SAFELY!**

Urgently,

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Piper Carrillo-Foote  
269 Nod Hill Road  
Wilton, CT 06897

September 14, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS Dmmp Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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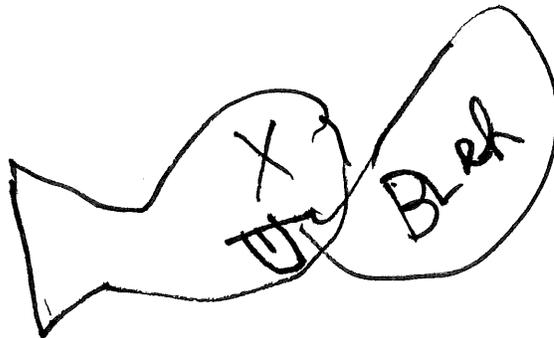
STOP DUMPING IN LONG ISLAND SOUND!

PHASE OUT OPEN WATER DUMPING OF DREDGED MATERIAL!

MY KIDS WANT TO SWIM IN THE SOUND SAFELY!

Urgently, *Everett Carrillo-Foote*

Everett Carrillo-Foote  
269 Nod Hill Road  
Wilton, CT 06897



*PS. We swallow that water!*

September 14, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a 10 year old boy and I love living close to the ocean and going boating and sailing. Please do not dump anything bad for the environment in the sound. I want to have a boat when I get older and be able to fish and swim in the water.

Thank you!

Matthew

Matthew Corrigan  
Wilton CT Resident

487 Thayer Pond Rd

E. D. Challes  
3 Pheasant Run Rd  
Wilton, CT 06897

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn

Sept. 14, 2015

HIS DMM P Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

A healthy L.I. Sound is very important to all of us.

I oppose the USACE plan to dump in L.I. Sound and urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials as well as uses these materials in a safe and beneficial way for all of us.

Please respond in writing and inform me of your position.  
Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Don Challes

September 14, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

Our family lives close to Long Island Sound and we are concerned about the quality of the water and the health of marine life living in the sound. We are against open water dumping of dredged materials and feel there are other areas where dredged materials can be used. Long Island Sound is NOT a dumping ground. We want to continue to be able to be able to enjoy this natural resource so close to home and would like future generations to be able to enjoy as well. Please develop a well thought out plan to use dredged material in a beneficial way to everyone.

Thank you for your consideration –

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debbie Corrigan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping 'C' at the end.

Debbie Corrigan  
Wilton CT Resident

487 Thayer Pond Rd

# Kadee Alonso

76 Hillbrook Road • Wilton, CT 06897 •



September 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I strongly oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials. There is a way to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. Cap landfills, construct wetlands, nourish beaches, fill abandoned mines!

Sincerely,

Kathryn Alonso

September 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DUMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to your plan to continue dumping in Long Island Sound. You need to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse them in a safe and beneficial way.

Why would I want to swim in the Sound among these dredged materials?

Sincerely,

Barbara Mueher

September 14, 2014

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Recently, I was thrilled to hear that there have been sightings of Porpoises in the waters of the Long Island sound. This, and several other maritime events, indicate that the waters of the Sound are slowly becoming cleaner and more capable of sustaining life and having a positive effect on the delicate ecosystems of Long Island.

Now I hear of a plan to dredge Connecticut Harbors and dump that contaminated sludge back into the Sound. This "plan" fails the Sound, its inhabitants and those who live near the Sound. It does nothing to protect the Sound from: additional nitrogen pollution, it does nothing to address the impacts of toxic contaminants and it does nothing to review important and beneficial reuse options. It seems to me that this is the easy way out. Sometimes plans are (1) easy, (2) plausible and (3) WRONG! This plan has a number 3 written all over it in the worst way

Please reconsider this truly inane plan and explore other options where this sludge may actually be put to some beneficial use.

Respectfully,



Ken Morseon

51 Blue Spruce Lane  
Commack, NY 11725

September 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

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Michelle Weiner

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Lawrence Weiner

September 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to you today in regards to the dumping plan. I am lifetime resident of Long Island and I strongly oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Long Island Sound for at least 30 years. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. I have visiting the beaches along the Long Island Sound for close to 60 years and I have seen the deterioration in the water due to the impacts of toxic contamination. I urge you to develop a safe alternative to the dumping plan. I would appreciate a response in writing to verify that you received this letter of concern. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. Lagomarsine

A-2A-1684

Jacqueline Amedo  
4 Daisy Lane  
Commack, NY 11725

September 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Please be advised that I completely oppose any plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. This is a large community beach servicing people and the home to thousands of fish. There must be other ways of formulating your plans – no?

Thank you.



Jacqueline Amedo

25 Verbena Drive  
Commack, NY 11725  
September 14, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound.

Please, you must develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials.

I support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

I have lived on Long Island my entire life and this move will keep our island healthy. It is important to me and my family.

Sincerely,

P. DeMartino

Dear Meghan Quinn,

September 14, 2015

I am writing this letter to inform you about the dumping in our Long Island Sound. I am urging you to STOP this process. Our waters are not a dumping ground and we need to think about the consequences of our future generations!!

Sincerely,  
Jeneane Rainey

Ms. Barry  
18 Newton Road  
Hauppauge NY 11788

September 15, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

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Thank you for your time,

Ms. Barry

Dear Ms. Quinn,

September 14, 2015

The US Army Corps of Engineers recently released a draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP). Connecticut, out of the three subject states in the DMMP, has the greatest dredge need. As a marina at the mouth of the Connecticut River, dredging is critical to the survival of our business.

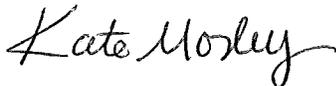
By regulation, the Federal Government is tasked with finding the most economical and environmentally sound method for maintaining navigational access. The research shown in the DMMP has shown that most of today's material is found suitable for open water placement following extensive physical, chemical, and biological testing. The existing open water placement locations (Western, Central, Cornfield Shoals, and New London) have all proven to provide the most economically viable placement locations for the projects from their geographic locations for the projects from their geographic regions without adversely affecting Long Island Sound. These placement sites should be designated to remain open by the EPA as a result of extensive research completed in this plan. The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection has publically stated their support for the DMMP.

The marine industry in Long Island Sound employs 55,000 people (40,000 employees in Connecticut alone) and has an economic output of nine billion dollars. Without support for the DMMP, these jobs will be lost and the revenue from the Industry will no longer be viable. A 15% drop in navigational economic impact is forecasted in the next 20 years.

Saybrook Point Inn, Marina and Spa employs 400 people and brings in significant tourism dollars. Saybrook Point is a unique entity- there are very few resort hotels with marinas in this area, so there is quite a draw to come to Saybrook Point as it currently stands with the marina. Due to our location at the mouth of the Connecticut River, silt accumulates at a high rate within our basin, causing a significant need for dredging every 3 – 5 years. Without continued dredging, we will cease to be able to accommodate seasonal or transient boats, causing a drop in tourism dollars and lost tax revenue. Support for the DMMP is critical to the survival of our marine business.

Your support for this plan is vital. Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,



Kate Mosley

Marina Manager  
Saybrook Point Marina  
Old Saybrook, CT 06475  
860-395-3080  
Kate@saybrook.com

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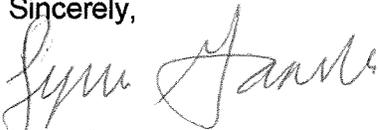
Dear Meghan Quinn,

I oppose USACE's plan to dump in Long Island Sound!

My family and I love living on Long Island and a healthy Long Island Sound is very important to us.

A plan needs to be developed that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lynn Gamble".

Lynn Gamble  
Concerned Citizen and Long Island Resident  
5 Grassy Pond Dr  
Smithtown NY 11787

September 14, 2015

Kathleen Ayers Lanzillotta  
65 Grassy Pond Dr.  
Smithtown, New York 11722

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS BMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to let you know that I oppose the USACE plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way. This is very important to protect our environment!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathleen Ayers Lanzillotta". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Kathleen Ayers Lanzillotta

9/14/2015

to Meghan Quinn

US Army Corps of Engineers

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd

Concord MA 01742

I am writing to let you know I and my family OPPOSE any dumping in Long Island Sound! Please look for an alternative to Dumping in our waters, its so Bad for the ECOSYSTEM and all of us. Please Consider other ways to use The sediment.

Jeanne Loscialpo  
36 Winston DR  
Smithtown NY 11787

**From:** [mary.a.mullaney@gmail.com](mailto:mary.a.mullaney@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Monday, September 14, 2015 7:28:04 PM

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I oppose the continued dumping of contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound and urge the Army Corps of Engineers to honor the original agreement and focus on beneficial reuse options as an alternative.

Mary Mullaney 4 Franklin Dr Bedford Hills NY 10507

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Elizabeth Perrone  
72 Vidoni Drive  
Mount Sinai, NY 11766

September 13, 2015

U.S. Army Corps. Of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Hello,

I am writing to advise that I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan to beneficially reuse the dredging material. As a resident of Long Island's beautiful North Shore, I feel it is important to keep the Sound clean for now and for future generations. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Perrone

To: USAC

9/12/15

Please have the foresight to understand the consequences of dumping dredged materials back into Long Island Sound. Instead, please use these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

112 Beach Ave.  
Madison, CT 06443

Wendy Henderson  
Wendy Henderson



John Reilly

9-12-15

56 Vidoni Drive

Mt. Sinai, N.Y. 11766

DEAR MS. QUINN:

I AM WRITING YOU TODAY TO EXPRESS MY DEEP CONCERN OVER THE PROPOSED PLAN TO DUMP DREDGED MATERIAL IN LONG ISLAND SOUND. I URGE THE USACE TO FIND A SAFER, MORE BENEFICIAL WAY TO DISPOSE OF THIS MATERIAL. PLEASE RELAY MY OBJECTION TO THOSE PROPOSING THIS.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

John Reilly

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
US DMRP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

9-12-15

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In Long Island Sound. I urge you  
to develop a PLAN THAT PHASES  
OUT OPEN WATER DUMPING OF  
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Very Truly Yours,  
Ray A. H. C.  
RAC

September 12, 2015

6 Cole Ct.  
Farmingdale, NY 11735

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Please do not dump in Long Island Sound. Please find develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Cancer is rampant on Long Island and dumping in the Sound may be playing a part in that. Please do what you can to keep Long Island safe. Thank you.  
I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Angela Hamberger". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Angela Hamberger

9/12/15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
WIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, Ma 01742

To Whom it may concern,

I oppose the plants dump in L.I. Sound  
Develop a plan to reuse these materials!

Rosemary Caelhane  
Mary Werner

## **Kaminski, Mike NAE**

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**From:** Marilyn [lopresm@optonline.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 12, 2015 8:17 AM  
**To:** LISDMMP, NAE  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dumping in Long Island Sound

Dear Manager Meghan Quinn:

In am writing to you in protest of any dumping in the Long Island Sound, by the U.S. army Corps of Engineers, of any materials.

Your report claims that these materials are environmentally acceptable. For those of us who live on,or near, our beautiful Long Island Sound, no materials are acceptable.

Growing up on Long Island Sound all of my life, I can attest to the fact that changes in water quality and sea life has taken place. We have been fighting the effects of dumping and the changes brought on by Connecticut's nuclear plant, for many years.

Your proposals can not take place. We refuse to stand by and let a federal agency,that is supposed to represent us, and whose very existence depends on our tax money, further ruin the waters in which we swim, fish, and in which our children play.

Please find alternative plans for these materials that do not impact Long Island Sound, or any other water ways.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours truly,  
Marilyn LoPresti Ph.D  
Post Office Box 173  
East Marion, NY 11939

**From:** [rie71029@aol.com](mailto:rie71029@aol.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Sunday, September 13, 2015 12:38:34 AM

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Marie Price  
West Haven Ct

**From:** [bgarlock98@icloud.com](mailto:bgarlock98@icloud.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Sunday, September 13, 2015 12:20:24 AM

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Roberta Garlock  
West Haven, CT



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT  
696 VIRGINIA ROAD  
CONCORD MA 01742-2751

September 11, 2015

Programs and Project Management Division  
Civil/IIS Project Management Branch

The Honorable Kristen Gillibrand  
United States Senate  
478 Russell  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Gillibrand:

I am writing in response to your letter, dated August 25, 2015, related to the Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS). The DMMP and PEIS were released for public review on August 17, 2015. On July 24, 2015, we issued a public notice that announced four public hearings (two in New York and two in Connecticut), which we held during the week of August 24, 2015.

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A-2A-1703

Your letter requests a further extension of time for public review to 120 days, which would extend the review period to December 15, 2015. In addition we have had discussions with Elizabeth Murray of Representative Israel's office regarding the consideration of a similar public review period extension.

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If you have any questions or comments, please contact Ms. Meghan Quinn, Project Manager, at (978) 318-8179, or Mr. Michael Keegan, Civil/IIS Project Management Branch Chief, at (978) 318-8087.

Sincerely,



Christopher J. Barron  
Colonel, Corps of Engineers  
District Engineer

Copy Furnished: see attached

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United States Senator  
155 Pinelawn Road, Suite 250 North  
Melville, NY 11747

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US Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LISDMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd. 9/11/15  
Concord, MA 01742  
To: USACE

We do not support your plans  
to dump dredged materials  
back into the LI Sound. Please  
come up with alternatives to  
use this material.

Joan and Chris Stollberger  
~~Joan and Chris Stollberger~~  
49 Mark Dr.  
Smithtown, NY 11787



to: US Army Corps of Engineers. 9/11/15  
c/o Megan Stein  
his DUMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Tell the USACE that you oppose their  
plan to dump in Long Island Sound!  
Urge them to develop a plan that phases  
out open water dumping of dredged mater-  
ials and recycles these materials in a  
safe and beneficial way.

Linda M. Forbes



*Support Our Troops ~ Remember Our Veterans*

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9/11/15

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way.

Thank you for your  
consideration.

Bruce & Louise Beckwith

9/11/15

USACE,

I strongly oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I am urging you to develop a plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and come up with a plan to re-use these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Long Island Sound is a delicate and beautiful resource to us. As a mother and grandmother, I implore you to help us keep Long Island Sound clean for generations to come.

Jeanine R. Wulff  
JEANINE R. WULFF  
62 Lido Rd  
Unionville CT 06085

Dear USACE,

Sept 11, 2015

I oppose the plan to dump  
in Long Island Sound.  
Please take the time to develop  
a plan that phases out open  
water dumping of dredged  
materials ~~instead~~ and reuse  
these in a safe, beneficial way

Sincerely,  
Ann E. Boyett

9/11/15

Dear USACE

We oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! We urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and recycles these materials in a safe and beneficial way. A healthy LIS is important to us.

Jean Clary  
Paul Dubrosky  
16 Mohawk Drive  
Unionville Ct 06085

September 11, 2015

To whom it may concern:

The USACE's recent draft to phase out pollution in the Long Island Sound is quite obviously selfish and focused on convenience and miniscule cost restrictions.

Ten years ago, New York and Connecticut agreed together that they would phase out open water dumping and use dredged material as a resource instead of a waste product. In turn, the USACE began to put together a Dredged Material Management Plan to help stop open water dumping in the Sound and outline an environmentally friendly beneficial reuse program for this waste. It was assumed that the dredged material would be put to a good use, seeing as it is safe for the environment. One example of possible reuse of this material would be filling in over 3,000 abandoned mines in Pennsylvania, which are a constant threat to public health. Other examples include, but are not limited to, capping landfills, constructing wetlands, and nourishing beaches. None of these options were considered in the draft plan that the USACE put together.

The USACE draft plan is clearly based around being cheap, easy, fast, and convenient. The draft fails to recognize the impacts of both open water dumping and the economical effect dumping will have on this region. For example, open water dumping of dredged materials contributes directly to nitrogen pollution, which kills fish and algal blooms. Millions of dollars have already been spent on decreasing nitrogen levels in the Sound, and so it would be counter cost-effective to reintroduce the main cause of these nitrogen levels only to pay millions more dollars trying to eliminate the pollution. The document also refuses to acknowledge the impacts of the toxic contamination that could occur when dumping dredged materials back into the open water. Many studies show that contaminants have already been detected in and near the chosen disposal sites in the forms of elevated PCBs in fish and elevated copper in lobsters. The USACE refuses to explain how they will avoid furthering contamination when they dump 30-50 million more cubic yards of silt to these areas.

And so, to the honorable Governor Malloy and the Senators Chris Murphy and Richard Blumenthal and finally to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, I wholeheartedly do not support the DMMP (Dredged Material Management Plan) that has been drafted to handle this situation. The Long Island Sound is a beautiful ecosystem and American landmark, not a landfill that we may fill with waste and whatever else we so desire. I urge you, Governor Malloy and Senators Richard Blumenthal and Chris Murphy, to please stand with me on this worthy cause of protecting one of America's many beautiful features. I would very much appreciate a letter back

from one or all of you, stating your stance on this horrific plan to desecrate the Long Island Sound.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eliza Douglas', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Eliza Douglas

4 Woodside Dr  
Farmington CT 06085

16 Butternut Drive  
Unionville, CT 06085

September 11, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to tell you that I oppose the dumping of dredged material in Long Island Sound. I urge you to reevaluate your proposal and to develop a plan that will phase out open water dumping of these materials into the Sound. These materials can and should be reused in a safe and beneficial way.

I hope you will conduct further study of this issue and find a more environmentally responsible way to handle dredged material. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



Lynn Johnson-Corcoran  
Unionville, CT

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
attn: Meghan Quinn

9-11-2015

David Neal  
6 Circle Drive  
Unionville, CT 06085

I am writing to express my concern to the issue of dumping of dredge materials into the Long Island Sound. I would urge you to develop more eco-friendly methods for the use of the dredged waste. For example, there are methods for the re-use of the dredged material that will not negatively impact the Long island Sound. We need to focus our attention on the preservation of the sound for the present and future generations. We cannot continue to outdated methods for the removal of dredged waste. If there is a method of treating and re-using the dredged material, then we have an obligation to explore this. We owe this to ourselves as well as all others. present and future.

I would ask to support the end of the current plan to dump dredged material into the Long Island Sound for at least 30 years.

I would welcome a response to hear your stance on this important issue.

Thanks,  
  
David E. Neal

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

September 11, 2015

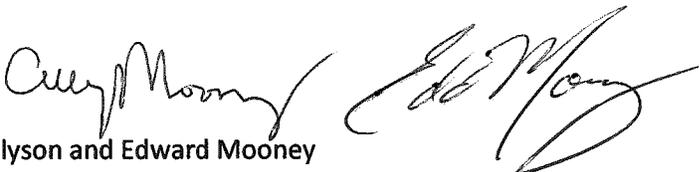
Dear USACE,

I'm writing to let you know that I strongly oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials. These materials can and should be reused in a safe and beneficial way.

As a parent, educator, and life-long Connecticut resident, I feel strongly that the health of Long Island Sound is necessary to the future and well-being of all Connecticut residents. Please help Connecticut be on the forefront of making environmentally friendly decisions.

My family urges you to change your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I appreciate your time and attention to this very important matter.

Thank you,

  
Allyson and Edward Mooney

22 Webster Street  
Unionville, CT 06085

September 11, 2015  
Rocco Floccari  
11 Long Hill Rd  
Smithtown, NY 11787

US Army Corps of Engineers  
Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project manger  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, VA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my opposition to the practice of open water dumping of dredged material into Long Island Sound.

Please develop another plan that phases out open water dumping of these materials and reuses them in a safe and beneficial way.

Best regards,



Rocco Floccari

September 11, 2105

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Respectfully,

*Daniella Downing*

11 Teapot Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787

September 11, 2015

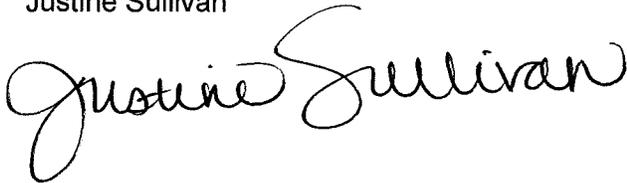
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
% Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom it May Concern:

I am appalled by your plan to dump dredged materials into the Long Island Sound. I am certain with a little bit of thought and planning, you would be able to devise a much more beneficial and environmentally safer way to reuse these materials. Please consider doing so, so that we on Long Island can continue to enjoy the Sound.

I would like to be informed of your decision and future plans. Please use the above address to correspond.

Sincerely,  
Justine Sullivan

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Justine Sullivan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

11 Hawkins Ave.  
Smithtown, NY 11787  
September 11, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I implore you to halt the dredging and dumping of dredged materials by the US Army Corps of Engineers into the Long Island Sound estuary. My concerns of damage to our ecosystem, in addition to the further decimation of the Long Island fishing industry are paramount, and I share these objections with many Long Islanders. As there are suitable alternatives to disposing of dredged materials, I believe it is in the best interest for our generation and future generations to protect our shores, our marine life and our citizenry.

Thank you for your protection and service to the wonderful places we call home.

Best regards,  
  
Neal Richman

Terry Noto  
17 Teapot Lane  
Smithtown, NY 11787

September 11, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineer  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan Quinn,

Please be advised that I strongly oppose the plan of the U.S. Army Corps. of Engineers to continue the open water dumping of dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan that phases out the open water dumping and instead will reuse the dredged material in a safe and beneficial way for our sound.

A healthy Long Island Sound is extremely important to our family and friends and hope you will consider developing an alternative plan.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry Noto". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Terry Noto

September 11, 2015

U.S. Army corps of Engineers  
c/o Maghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Meghan:

I am writing this letter to tell you that I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I urge you to develop a plan to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way. Your plan fails to recognize environmental impacts of open water dumping and economic impacts dumping will have on the region. We must act more responsibly in this day and age of so much pollution and environmental destruction of our ecosystems.

I would appreciate a response in writing informing me of your position. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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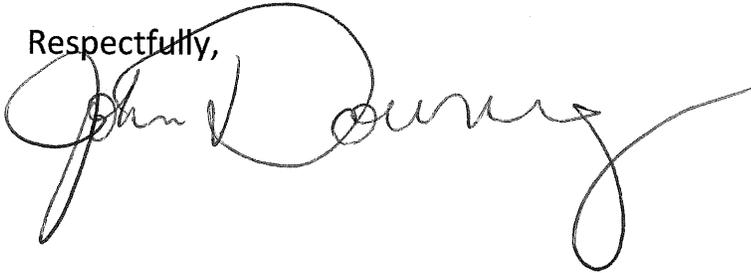
Joseph Logan  
62 Brookside Drive  
Smithtown, New York 11787

September 11, 2105

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Respectfully,



Ms. Alisa Downing  
78 New Mill Rd.  
Smithtown, NY 11787

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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September 11, 2105

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! Develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Respectfully,

*Alisa Downing*

 Ms. Alisa Downing  
78 New Mill Rd.  
Smithtown, NY 11787

MID-ISLAND NY 117

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*US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, NH 03302*

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Marty Duchow and Deborah Taylor  
17 Litchfield Rd  
Unionville, CT 06085

September 11, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms Quinn,

As concerned citizens and residents of the state of CT we oppose the USACE plan to dump dredged material in the Long Island Sound. The draft Dredged Material Management Plan released in August 2015 fails to recognize the environmental impacts of open water dumping.

Studies show that open water dumping can increase harmful nitrogen loading and correlates with elevated levels of toxins found in aquatic life. Nitrogen pollution in LIS contributes to fish kills and algal blooms, and millions of dollars have already been spent to reduce nitrogen in the sound.

There are numerous beneficial uses for dredged material such as beach nourishment, constructing wetlands, capping landfills and brownfield sites, and filling in abandoned mines.

We urge you to go back to the drawing board and re-draft a plan that serves to benefit a larger population both human and aquatic, and not a plan that is just cheap, easy and convenient.

Sincerely,

  
Marty and Deborah

September 11, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to inform you that I oppose your plan to dump dredged materials in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

I grew up on Long Island and spent every summer of my childhood swimming and boating in Long Island Sound – back in the days when the lobster population was healthy and plentiful, and the water was clean. Times have changed.

Please re-think your plan and preserve the treasure we have in Long Island Sound before it's too late.

I would like to hear back from you in writing on this issue.

Regards,

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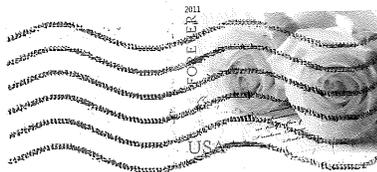
Ruth Cullen  
41 Sylvan Avenue  
Unionville, CT 06085  
(860) 404-8932

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Sarah Huebner  
22 Buena Vista Dr  
Unionville, CT 06085

HARTFORD CT 061

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US Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742



9/11/15

Dear Ms Quinn,

It has come to my attention that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has not come up with an environmentally friendly plan to phase out open water dumping agreed to in 2005. Long Island Sound is home to aquatic life and much a part of human lives in a densely populated area. Using the Sound as a dump for dredged material is not acceptable and should be considered criminal. Please devote some serious attention to this matter. Thank you  
Sarah Huebner

A-2A-1729

Dear U.S Army Corps of Engineers

9/11/15

I strongly oppose their plan to dump in (my) Long Island Sound. I have fished there with my family for years and would very much like to continue.

Please urge them to develop a plan that phases out water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

We only have one Sound. Please save it for our future families.

Sincerely  
Milissa Campana  
Yohan Campana



Milissa Campana  
22 Linden Place  
Smithtown, NY 11787

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
A2A-1730  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
US NMMP Project Manager

**From:** [lbowen@optonline.net](mailto:lbowen@optonline.net)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Friday, September 11, 2015 11:06:15 AM

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The Long Island Sound is an estuary of national significance, with millions of people living in and around its watershed. It is unacceptable to allow the continued dumping of contaminated dredged material in this important water body.

In 2005, New York and Connecticut agreed to phase out dredge dumping and requested that the Army Corps develop a Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) focusing on beneficial reuse and sustainable solutions. This agreement was supported by the public and was a critical step toward protecting our beloved waterway. However, the draft DMMP fails to deliver on that promise and instead allows for another 30 years of dirty dredge dumping.

I oppose the continued dumping of contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound and urge the Army Corps of Engineers to honor the original agreement and focus on beneficial reuse options as an alternative.

Respectfully,  
Lisa Bowen  
13 11th St  
Carle Place, NY 11514

September 10, 2015

Jennie Ellis, Citizens Campaign

2404 Whitney Avenue

2nd Floor

Hamden, CT 06518

SUBJECT: STOP DUMPING IN LONG ISLAND SOUND

TO THE FOLLOWING PERSONS: Gov. Dannel I P. Malloy, Sen. Chris Murphy, Sen. Richard Blumenthal

Recently a young college student, Jennie Ellis, visited my home in Farmington, CT w/information regarding the issue to STOP using Long Island Sound as a landfill. I oppose any USACE plan that continues to dump dredged material into the Sound and would ask you all to consider "developing a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials" into the Sound. Reusing these materials in a more safe and beneficial way will benefit everyone. A healthy Long Island Sound is vitally important to everyone.

Each of you has been elected to serve the needs and best interests of those of us living in CT. Do your part in not allowing this USACE Dumping Plan to continue. It fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution, fails to address impacts of toxic contamination, and ignores beneficial reuse options available.

I would ask each of you for a written response to my request concerning this letter. CT is waiting for your action. Please do not disappoint the citizens of CT.

I appreciate your thoughtful consideration to this important issue.

Sincerely,



Barbara Newsheller, 72 Birdseye Rd., Farmington, CT 06032

Copies to: Gov. Dannel P. Malloy, Sen. Chris Murphy, and Sen. Richard Blumenthal

PS: THANKS for the effort! I applaud you for doing this great work, especially in hot 90 plus humidity!!

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Sept. 10, 2015

To the responsible directors  
of USACE.

Our family opposes your plan to dump in  
Long Island Sound!

You must develop a plan that phases  
out open water dumping of dredged  
materials and reuse the materials  
in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

The Keshwan Family  
21 Wyndwood Rd.

Farmington, Ct 06032

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

September 10, 2015

Dear Ms Quinn,

We absolutely oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. It is not a landfill! There must be a better alternative, one in which you can phase out open water dumping of dredged materials. Find ways to reuse the materials in safe and beneficial ways.

We use the Long Island Sound every year throughout the summer months. We go to the beach. We camp by the beach. We fish in the Sound.

It is our responsibility to be mindful and courteous of the Sound and all those creatures that live in it. It is your responsibility as well, as is the protection of those creatures.

We sincerely hope you take this to heart and put a halt to this irresponsible behavior.

Sincerely,

The Baron Family  
16 Crestwood Circle  
Farmington, CT 06032



save the animals! Love Riley Baron

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9/10/15

To U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! You need to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,  
Nicole Pittsley

Nicole Pittsley  
10 Cheryl Dr.  
Farmington, CT

06032

Krista Caro  
3 Wildwood Rd  
Farmington, CT 06032

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

September 10, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn,

Please do not continue dumping any waste or dredged material into Long Island Sound. It is long overdue that a better plan is made. We need to keep as clean as possible for my children. The decisions you make are my future, so why not make a more durable plan to reuse this material. Please take care of our ocean!

Sincerely,

Krista Caro

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Krista Caro". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "Krista Caro".

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Anita Z Caro  
3 Wildwood Rd  
Farmington, CT 06032

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

September 10, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to you to voice my heartfelt opposition to the continued dumping of dredged materials in Long Island Sound. In my opinion, the Sound is continually at risk due to the population and traffic through the area. The idea intentionally dumping any waste into it is a relic of the 1970's. I admit I do not know the ecological and pollution aspects of this to the fullest, but I am certain enough that this is not healthy. I could tell you that the health of Sound is important ecologically and economically, but I am sure given your positions you understand that. Why are millions spent to preserve the Sound when we are dumping in it?

Please find a better way. Is there any chance of returning it to the land it ran off of?

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Anita Caro

22 Wyndwood Rd.  
Farmington, CT 06032  
September 10, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

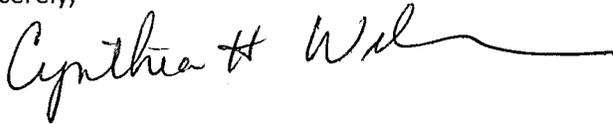
Dear Meghan Quinn,

I am writing to express my opposition to the draft Dredged Material Management Plan released earlier this month. It fails to honor a 2005 agreement to by Connecticut to phase out open water dumping in Long Island Sound and look for uses for the dredged materials.

Long Island Sound should not be considered open water. This marine ecosystem has a relatively narrow channel to the larger open ocean therefore; nitrogen and other toxins can build up to harmful levels. Please find creative and beneficial uses for the dredged material.

A healthy Long Island sound is important and this action would set back recent restoration efforts

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cynthia H Wilbur". The signature is written in black ink and includes a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Cynthia Hurtt Wilbur

15 Maplewood Road  
Farmington, CT  
September 10, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

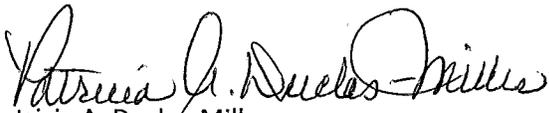
Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing in opposition to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I am also urging you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and use them in a more safe and beneficial way.

As a native Connecticut resident I am concerned with the health of Long Island Sound and want to protect it for future generations.

I look forward to your response in writing as to your plans for this issue.

Sincerely,

  
Patricia A. Duclos-Miller

15 Maplewood Road  
Farmington, CT  
September 10, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely,

  
Wayne W. Miller

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

September 10, 2015

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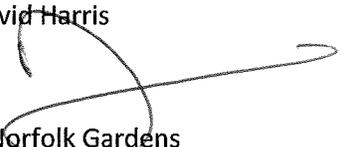
I am writing to oppose the plan to dump in the long island sound and I urge you and others to seek alternate plans to phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse this material in a safe and beneficial way.

I am urging Governor Malloy, Senator Murphy and Senator Blumenthal to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in the Long Island Sound (LIS) for at least 30 years. I support the beneficial use of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

We should all be concerned of the potential health risks and should all strive for a healthy Long Island Sound.

I am requesting a writing reply with your response to this very important issue. Thank you for your time and consideration to this matter.

Best,  
David Harris



4 Norfolk Gardens  
Farmington, CT 06032

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

September 10, 2015

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Best,  
Vicky Harris



4 Norfolk Gardens  
Farmington, CT 06032

Jenifer Wogen  
17 Whitehall Place  
Farmington, CT 06032

September 10, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A healthy Long Island Sound is important to us, we spend a lot of time there pursuing recreational activities in the summer.

I look forward to your written response to my letter.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JW', written over a horizontal line.

Jenifer Wogen

September 10, 2015

**US Army Corps of Engineers**  
**c/o Meghan Quinn**  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern,

We are strongly opposed to your plan to continue dredged material dumping into the Long Island Sound. We have lived on Long Island and Connecticut, and have enjoyed the beautiful Sound for years; we would like that beauty and the safety of use of the Sound preserved for many generations to come!

Please consider the beneficial re-use of dredged material instead of open water dumping.

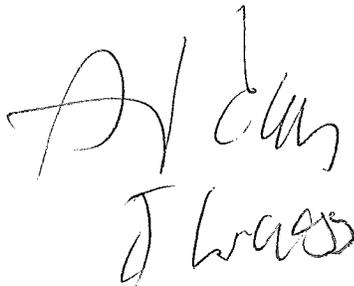
Sincerely,



Elizabeth Riordan

Aidan Flagg

Madeleine Flagg



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77 Knollwood Road  
Farmington, CT 06032  
September 10, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to inform you of my opposition to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers plan to dump dredged materials in the Long Island Sound. Certainly the Corps has the knowledge and means to develop a more environmentally friendly plan that would reuse the dredged material in beneficial ways. As a Connecticut resident and as someone who grew up on Long Island this matter is extremely important to me and to my family.

Sincerely,

Sharon Lynch

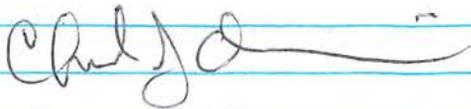
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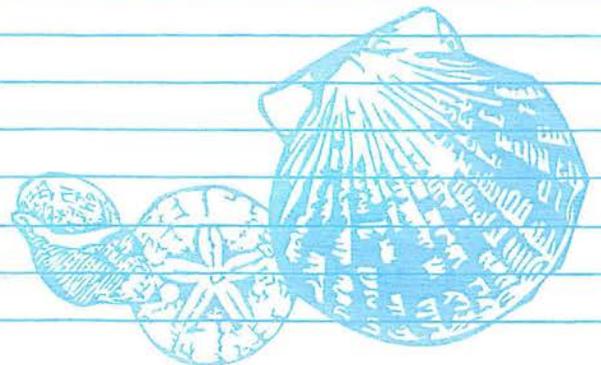
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c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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Long Island Sound. I urge you to  
develop a plan to phase out open  
water dumping of dredged materials.  
You should reuse these materials in  
a safe and beneficial way

Thank You.



Charles Ohannessian  
45 Tanglewood Rd.  
Farmington, CT 06032



9/10/15

Dear Ms. Quinn or to whom it may concern:

I am writing to encourage USACE to create a plan that better addresses the dumping of dredged material into Long Island Sound. The current plan does not adequately care for the life in the sound. Let's be good stewards of the world around us and not just do the easy, cheap, or convenient thing.

The plan needs to phase out open water dumping and provide for the reuse of the dredged material. ~~We~~ <sup>we</sup> can <sup>use the material more</sup> ~~be~~ <sup>safely</sup> and in a more beneficial way! We don't want to waste money already spent improving the sound. ~~and~~ We want a healthy sound - it supports our economy.

Thank you for your attention.

Best,

Alanie Gifford + family

A-2A-1747

34 Wyndwood Rd  
Farmington, CT  
06032

09/16/15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

- Please do not dump in Long Island Sound. I agree your Plan.

Thank You -

WATER  
23 LEMBERS DR  
FARMINGTON, CT 06032

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o. Meghan Quinn  
LIS Dump Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord MA 01742

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To USACE

I oppose your Plan  
to dump in Long Island  
Sound. Develop a Plan  
to phase out open  
water Dumping of  
Dredged materials

Sal Lombardo  
Commack N.Y.

TEAM USA ROAD TO RIO



DATE: 9/10/15

To: Ms. Quinn, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

From:  
Citizens Campaign for the Environment  
225 Main Street  
Farmingdale, NY 11735  
A-2A-1749

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

FW by CCE - 10 sept

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases ~~a plan~~ out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,  
Elena Hambardjiev

cell. 631 2208274

20 Peacock h Commack

A-2A-1750

N.Y. 11725 cell 631 2208274

hambard. elena@gmail.com.

*FW by CCE- 10 Sept 15*

U.S ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

C/O MEGHAN QUINN

I OPPOSE YOUR PLAN FOR DUMPING IN THE LONG ISLAND SOUND. THE LONG ISLAND SOUND IS A FRAGILE ECOSYSTEM THAT LOOKS LIKE IT MIGHT BE ON THE EDGE OF RECOVERY. THE SOUND HAS IT'S OWN PROBLEMS WITH WHAT IS THERE. LET'S NOT ADD TO THEM!

Edwin Pfeifer

40 Gannet Drive

Commack, N.Y. 11725

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*FN by CCE -10 sept 15*

**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Rd.

Concord, MA 01742

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

I oppose your plan to dum in the Long Island Sound! PLEASE develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

**RESPECTFULLY YOURS,**

Bonnie A. Foti

[Pick the Date]

*FW by CCE - 10 Sept 15*

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn, LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord MA 01742

To whom it may concern,

As a lifetime Long Island resident it is disheartening to me to learn of any plan that includes the dumping of harmful materials into the Long Island Sound.

The Sound is not just a body of water, it's a lifeline for all the residents of our Island. I strongly encourage you to reconsider your proposal, and develop a new plan which phases out all open water dumping of dredged materials, and instead reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial manner.

Having a healthy Long Island Sound is critical not only for our generation, but for our children's generation, so that they may enjoy the Sound the way it was meant to be enjoyed: clean and vibrant.

I appreciate your time and due diligence regarding this measure.

Sincerely yours,  
Seth Wallach  
Lifetime resident of Long Island  
Reporter, The Smithtown News

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to protest the dumping of more dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound. I believe the future nitrogen pollution and added toxic contamination should not be ignored just to save some money now. There are alternatives such as wetland construction, landfill capping and abandoned mine filling that might be more expensive but will be more environmentally friendly at this time. Not keeping Long Island Sound healthy is only going to cost more in the long run. I think you should reconsider the plan to continue dumping in the Sound.

Sincerely,  
Richard Meyer  
26 Glenwood Dr.  
Hauppauge NY 11788

9/10/15

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom It May Concern –

I am writing to state my opposition to USACE plans for continued dumping of dredged material into Long Island Sound. Further I would ask that USACE consider and develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and instead reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

A healthy Long Island Sound is very important to me and my family and I would ask that you please acknowledge receipt of this letter in writing.

Respectfully,



Jason Stange  
23 Cheryl Drive  
Farmington, CT 06032

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U.S Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA 01742

September 10, 2015

Dear Ms Quinn,

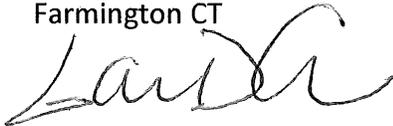
I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

We have long been residents of CT but rarely swim in the sound due to the poor water quality. It is often murky and dirty. We have so many beautiful beaches in CT and it's a shame we cannot enjoy them more.

Protecting the environment and the animals in it, including those that reside in the sound is important to us. I teach my children that all life is valuable. Dumping in the sound and contaminating the waters puts many aquatic lives at risk. It saddens me that someday many of them will no longer be here due to contamination caused by humans.

Please support this cause and find another solution that is not harmful to the environment.

Regards,  
Gary Green  
Farmington CT

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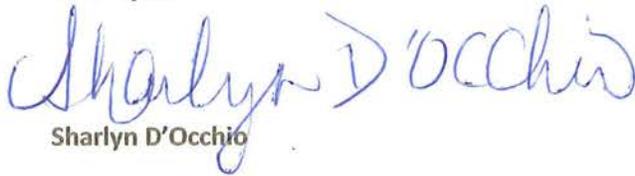
Sharlyn D'Occhio  
9 Deborah Lane  
Farmington, CT 06032

US Army corps of Engineers  
C/O Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

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**Thank you**

  
Sharlyn D'Occhio

**and my daughter, Rachel Stets (age 10)**

Rachel Stets

**From:** [luvapug2012@gmail.com](mailto:luvapug2012@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
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Susanna Stone 5 Barberry Lane Middle Island New York 11953

**From:** [carrain@yahoo.com](mailto:carrain@yahoo.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
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Lorraine Carr  
carrain@yahoo.com  
29 Lake Street  
West Haven, CT 06516

**From:** [regattagirl@gmail.com](mailto:regattagirl@gmail.com)  
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Sincerely,  
Jessica O'Sullivan  
PO Box 167  
Shoreham, NY 11786

**From:** [katrich2@aol.com](mailto:katrich2@aol.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
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Yours truly,  
Kathryn Richardson  
187 W Norwalk Rd  
Norwalk, CT 06850

Date: September 9, 2015

To: US Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMO Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

I am writing to express my concern  
and to oppose your plan to dump  
dredged materials into Long Island Sound.  
Long Island Sound has been used as a  
dumping site for many years and every  
effort should be taken to preserve the  
Sound for future generations.

Sincerely,  
Gina Moore  
7 Ledgewood Drive  
Farmington Ct 06032

9/9/15

Dear USACE,

We just wrote this letter to say that we oppose to your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phase out open water dumping of dredge materials and reuse them in a safe way. All of the wrong steps we take impacts not only the environment but also the next generations that come. So please listen to us.

4 Hillcrest Rd,  
Niantic CT  
06357

Sincerely,  
the Torres family



**Barbara Gilbert**

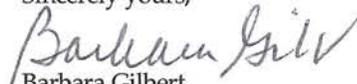
86 South Beechwood Road  
Niantic, CT 06357  
September 9, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meaghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn

I oppose the plan to dump in Long Island Sound. Please phase out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse the materials in a safe and beneficial way. Dredged materials can be used for our beaches and wetlands. You should evaluate the nitrogen pollution and impacts of toxic contamination.

Sincerely yours,

  
Barbara Gilbert

Grace Catalano  
90 Bayview Road  
Niantic, CT 06357

September 9, 2015

US Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord MA 01742

Dear US Army Corps of Engineers:

I am writing to you to state that I oppose your plan to dump into our beloved Long Island Sound. I believe that you are creating a terrible environment for those who live on the sound. You should create a plan to stop dumping in Long Island Sound and how to reuse the trash in environmentally beneficial ways.

I feel that as an active community member I should point out some problems with your draft. Your draft fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution. Nitrogen pollution contributes to fish kills and algal blooms. Millions of dollars have spent to save LIS.

Another reason is the impacts of toxic contamination. There has been an elevation of PBC's in fish, also an elevation of copper in lobster.

Instead of dumping trash in Long Island Sound,, we could have been constructing wetlands, or filling in abandoned mines.

Overall, Long Island Sound is very important to me, and even more important if its healthy. Please respond informing me on your positon!

Sincerely,

Grace Catalano

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September 9, 2015

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn;

I am writing you in response to the DMMP draft of August 2015 by the USACE that allows for continued long term dumping into Long Island Sound. I strongly oppose this plan. It is my understanding that the USACE was asked to find alternative ways to deal with dredged material in 2005. If the need was great ten years ago, it is greater still today. As we are forced to look at the long term effects of so many careless human misuses of our planet, certainly dumping into open water should not be something that is allowed to continue.

As a lifelong resident of Connecticut and it's coastline I am urging you to oppose this plan and search for alternate, eco-friendly alternatives to open water dredge dumping. The overall health of Long Island Sound is critical for Connecticut tourism, businesses and industry, as well as the health of its residents.

Thank You

Dawn Bond  
91 Bayview Rd  
Niantic, CT 06357

September 9, 2015

Dear Meghan Quinn,

I am writing to you to urge you to oppose the USACE plan to continue dredged material dumping in LIS for at least 30 years.

Connecticut needs to develop a plan that phases out water dumping of dredged materials and create a plan than can reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

In the past Connecticut and New York agreed to phase out dumping in the sound. We need to hold the USACE to their assigned task which was to develop and dredging material management plan.

The health of LIS is vital to our health as citizens of this state and the adjoining states that share this body of water. We cannot afford to lose the valuable resources LIS provides.

LIS is not a dump!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie Corona".

Mrs. Laurie Corona

39 Whitecap Rd.  
Niantic, CT 06357  
Sept. 9, 2015

Megan Quinn  
US Army Corps of Engineers  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742

Dear Dr. Quinn,

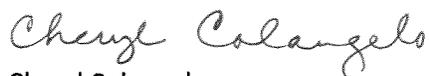
I am urging the USACE to stop the plan to dump in Long Island Sound, and to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Long Island Sound is a valuable resource to New England and New York, and effects our health now, and the health of future generations. As a mother, grandmother, and health care professional, I have a vested interest in improving the quality of the Sound and preventing future abuse of this resource.

Please let me know in writing how the USACE will be addressing this concern.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

  
Cheryl Colangelo

86 S. Beechwood Road  
Niantic, CT 06357  
September 9, 2015

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meaghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

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Sincerely yours,

  
David Walters

September 9, 2015

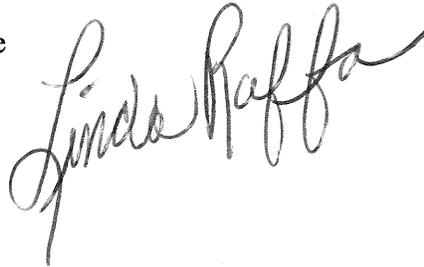
To:  
U S Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

As a citizen of Niantic, CT, I have the good fortune of living by Long Island Sound. I have been noticing the improvement of the Sound waters along the years. The preservation of Long Island Sound has been a concern over the years and our congressmen and senators have always acted on behalf of preserving and improving the Sound.

It is for this reason I am writing to show my opposition to the USACE plan of continued dumping of dredge material into Long Island Sound. It seems that the beneficial reuse of dredged material dumping is not being taken into consideration. Beneficial reuse options such as beach nourishment, wetland construction, landfill capping, and abandoned mines fill in are in our best interests, rather than possible elevated PCBs around disposal sites.

I know dredging is important for the maintenance of waterways and harbors, but open water dumping is not. Please reconsider your draft plan and look into reuse options.

Thank you,  
A resident of Long Island Sound Shoreline  
Linda Raffa  
222 Giants Neck Road  
Niantic, CT 06357

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Raffa". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name and address.

September 9, 2015

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

c/o Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP Project Manager

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As a concerned citizen of Long Island, I'm writing to tell you that I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials, instead reuse those materials in a more safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'F.P.', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Frank Prisinzano

24 Butterfly Drive

Hauppauge, NY 11788

September 09, 2015

**From: Brenda Barrantes**  
3 Shawnee Lane  
Commack NY 11725

**To: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**  
**c/o Meghan Quinn**  
**LIS DMMP Project Manager**  
**696 Virginia Rd.**  
**Concord, MA 01742**

Dear U.S. Army Corps of Engineers;

I am writing this letter in regards to the draft LIS DMMP plan.

The proposed LIS DMMP draft does not address how to safely and environmentally remove dredged material from the Long Island Sound; instead it continues to use the LIS as a dumping ground for the dredged materials. Though dredging is necessary, open water dumping of dredged material is **not!** Open water dumping of dredged material is an unnecessary practice, it increase harmful nitrogen loading and correlates to elevated levels of toxins in fish.

I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound! I urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Sincerely,



Brenda Barrantes

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US Army Corps of Engineers.  
C/o Member Quin  
LIS O&P Project mgr.  
694 Virginia Rd.  
Concord MA. 01742

I oppose the plan to dump  
in Long Island Sound. Develop a  
plan that phases out open water dumping  
of dredged materials & recycles these  
materials in a safe & beneficial  
way.

Please respond in writing  
of your position.

Sincerely,  
SUSAN RUBINO  
65 Cardinal Ln  
Hampden MA 01788

John T DiGangi  
22 Partridge Drive  
Commack, NY 11725

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord , MA 01742

September 9, 2015

RE: USACE Dumping Plan

Dear Ms Quinn:

I oppose the USACE plan to permit dumping of dredged materials in Long Island Sound. I am asking that you urge them to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John T. DiGangi".

John T. DiGangi



ANN LAMIA  
18 SWAN LN  
HAUPPAUGE NY 11788-2218

USACE  
LIS DMMP Project manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, Ma 01742

C/O Meghan Quin

Dear Meghan Quinn

I have been a resident of Long Island for over 48 years and am greatly concerned about the plan to dump in Long Island Sound.

I oppose this plan and urge the USACE to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and establish a plan to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

Thank you for your consideration of a vital issue for Long Island waterways.

Sincerely

Ann Lamia

9/9/2015

9-9-15

Dear Ms Guinn et al,

While we appreciate the need to save funds we oppose open water dumping of dredged material in our Long Island sound. We are already dealing a nitrogen pollution problem, Now we also face possible PCB contamination, We here in Ind. have already lost our fishing industry. We need to keep our waters clean & safe for ourselves and the whole country!

Sincerely,  
Barbara Reiss  
65 Gannet Dr  
Commack, NY 11725



U S Army Corp of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Guinn  
LIS DMMP Project Mgr  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord, MA 01742

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6 Holiday Park Dr  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
September 9, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
C/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Ma . 01742

I oppose your plan to dump in the Long Island Sound. Please develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

The future of Long Island depends on it.

Respectfully  
Marie Dacey

September 9, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

c/o Meghan Quinn

The Beck family of Niantic, Ct opposes the USACE plan to continue dredged material dump in LIS for at least 30 years. We support the beneficial reuse of dredged material instead of open water dumping. A healthy LIS is important to us as it is literally our front yard. We urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuses those materials in a safe and beneficial way.

The Beck family

Carl and Marie

*Marie Beck*

*Beck  
3 Arcadian Rd.  
Niantic CT 06357*

HARTFORD CT 061

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*U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Mgr.  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 01742*

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Lydia Age 6



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David Winston  
1128 Cove Road  
Stamford, Ct. 06902

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA. 10742-2751

September 9, 2015

Ms Quinn:

I had the opportunity to attend the Public hearing regarding the DMMP at UCONN inn Stamford recently.

I found the discussion most educational and enlightening. However I did not express any opinions at that time.

After some thought I believe you should consider the elimination of the disposal sites in Long Island Sound.

It is my opinion that the need for dredging in harbors and commercial waterways is of primary importance to the communities that the commercial activities are located in. Therefore one would think that those communities would practice up-shore development that minimized the need for dredging in their coastal areas.

It is my opinion that coastal communities like Stamford are only interested in development for the sake of profit and larger tax bases. This development as most of us know creates larger impermeable areas and more accelerated runoff which is the primary cause of our waterways being scoured at outlet sites and siltation deposition at the harbor areas in Long Island Sound.

I do not believe Long Island Sound should be the final resting place of this development debris.

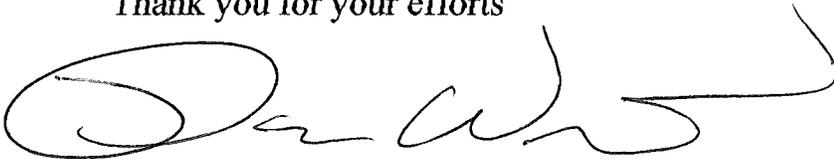
It should be returned to an upland site in the community from which it came or a suitable upland landfill. Long Island Sound should not be considered every developers dream deposit area.

I understand the closing of the two remaining disposal sites will cause inconvenience however this should be chalked up to the price of progress for the community involved.

Long Island Sound should no longer be considered the cheapest alternative. Maybe the disposal agreement going forward will include mandatory open space and larger storm water retention requirements for coastal communities.

At the very least the cost of continued disposal in Long Island Sound should not be cheap. The burden of success should be placed on those communities to recognize their downstream contamination.

Thank you for your efforts

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David Winston

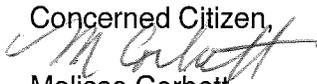
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

To Whom it may concern,

I am very concerned about the Long Island Sound and I would like to hear a full explanation of why dumping of dredged materials is happening. It has come to my attention that it is possible to plan for materials that are being dredged to be used purposefully instead of dumped. Please consider safe and beneficial ways of doing this.

Concerned Citizen,

  
Melissa Corbett  
96 South Beechwood Road  
Niantic CT 06257

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Leah Maragliano  
35 Cardinal Lane  
Hauppauge, New York 11788  
631-979-8163

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742

September 9, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am a resident of Long Island, New York and I am writing to you regarding my concern over the open water dumping of dredged material in the Sound by the United States Corps of Engineers (USACE). This process is causing harm to the many species of fish, birds, and other animals and impacting our regional economy.

I am aware of the agreement made in 2005 with which the USACE was requested to create a plan, the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP), to phase out open water dumping in the Sound. The plan was also to include an environmentally sound alternative to the dumping of such material. The draft of the plan, which was released this past August, did not fulfill this request.

Why is the Long Island Sound being used as a dumping ground? Seventeen million cubic yards of dredged material have already been dumped in the Sound. Why would the federal government of New York, Connecticut, and local municipalities invest millions of dollars to protect and restore the Sound, and yet allow this abomination to continue? Thirty to fifty million cubic yards more of sediment matters! It is common knowledge that Nitrogen from such dumping is killing the fish and contributing to algae blooms.

I urge you to oppose the USACE plan to continue destroying our Estuary! We need our Sound for it's beauty, it's wildlife, it's recreation, it's tourism, and it's employment! I want to know I can count on you to lead the way in doing right by our environment and our communities!

Thank you in advance for your written response to this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ms. Leah Maragliano". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Leah Maragliano

Maureen K. Bright  
4 Bay Crest  
Huntington, New York 11743

September 9, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
US Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

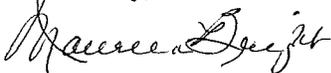
Dear Ms. Quinn:

I have recently become aware that the federal government has put forward a proposal to dump 50 million cubic yards of dredged material from Connecticut into the Long Island Sound over the next 30 years. Our government has spent millions of taxpayer dollars in environmental restoration of the Long Island Sound. In Suffolk County the legislature and County Executive have taken steps to reduce nitrogen discharge from sewage treatment plants, implemented policies to reduce road runoff and new technology testing is taking place to reduce the nitrogen from our homes and businesses which finds its way into our water. The federal proposal undercuts these efforts to restore and protect our water quality and our quality of life.

As a child growing up on Long Island, I spent every day of my summers learning to swim in the LI Sound, fishing, learning about water life and the wonders of life enhanced by an understanding of the waters that surround us. As an adult I brought my children to learn to swim, fish and experience the LI Sound. Over the years we moved closer to the Sound so that we could enjoy the beauty of water year round and one day hopefully provide the same experiences for our future grandchildren.

I implore the Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency to abandon their intent to continue dumping contaminated dredge spoils into the Sound and to work with Suffolk County officials to come up with a better plan for all Long Islanders. While we all deserve a better plan, future generations deserve more from us. We are capable of a better solution - we owe it to the children who ought to grow up with the same opportunities and experiences as previous generations.

Sincerely,



Maureen Bright

William & Christine Scheer  
77 Louis Drive  
Farmingdale, N.Y 11735

Sept.9,2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP Project Manager  
696 Virginia Road  
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Dear Ms Quinn:

The draft DMMP proposed by USACE fails to evaluate additional nitrogen pollution. Nitrogen pollution has been an issue on long island as evidenced by the fish kill and algal blooms we have recently seen. It also fails to address the impact of toxiccontamination, including PCBs. Studies have shown this to be a problem within and around current disposal site.

Your plan to dump in Long Island Sound is unsound, open water dumping should be phased out and a plan should be implemented to reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

The sound is important to both Connecticut and New York residents who live by and utilize the waters for fishing and recreation.

Please reconsider your draft regulations with these issues in mind, and make positive changes for Long Island and its inhabitants.

Sincerely

  
William & Christine Scheer



# SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE



**DUWAYNE GREGORY, PRESIDING OFFICER**

September 9, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
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Dear Ms. Quinn:

We the undersigned members of the Suffolk County Legislature are writing to request that the United States Army Corps of Engineers extend the comment period for the Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for a minimum of 120 days from the date the documents were made available to the public, which was on August 17, 2015.

Also, we request USACE hold additional public hearings on Long Island later this fall. The only hearings scheduled for Long Island were on August 24 & 25. In addition to being an inconvenient time for most institutions and individuals as late August is a popular time for vacations, not enough time was given for stakeholders to review these highly complex and lengthy documents. It is unrealistic to assume the Draft DMMP and FEIS can be read, absorbed and responded to in a thoughtful and thorough manner in only seven days.

The Long Island Sound is recognized as an estuary of national significance. This critical resource has been degraded by pollution, inappropriate development and rising water temperatures. Millions of dollars have been dedicated to preserve the viability of the Sound for future generations to come. Every precaution must be taken to ensure that the Long Island Sound will remain a clean, productive body of water for fishing, recreating and commerce. To continue to dump even minimally contaminated dredge spoil into the LIS is counter to this charge.

The DMMP was developed per the 2005 request of the governors of both New York and Connecticut because of the general acknowledgement that continuing to dispose of potentially toxic dredge spoil in the LIS were not in our collective best interest. The goal of the DMMP, as stated the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) final rule and restated in the draft document was that *"... each proposed dredging project will be evaluated to determine whether there are practicable, environmentally preferable alternatives to open water disposal. ... Alternatives to open water disposal that will be considered include upland disposal and beneficial uses such as beach nourishment. If environmentally preferable, practicable disposal alternatives exist, open water disposal will not be allowed."*

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According to the DMMP, "... the Plan for any particular project is defined as the least cost environmentally acceptable alternative for constructing the project."

The long-term costs of continuing open-water disposal of dredge spoil in the Long Island Sound have not been completely assessed and the alternatives have not been given adequate consideration.

The long-term effects of open-water dumping are not well understood, but we do know that toxins bio-accumulate in marine life. We don't fully understand the synergistic effects of various toxins when combined in the same environment. What might be considered to be an acceptable level of a particular toxin by today's standards could be found to be harmful in the future. Other threats, such as climate change in the form of rising sea levels and water temperature, are bringing additional challenges that must be addressed to secure the long-term health of the Long Island Sound.

The short term savings of open water disposal may indeed cost our descendants dearly in the long run.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Very truly yours



DuWayne Gregory  
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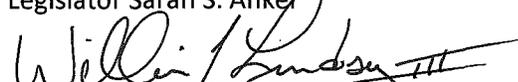
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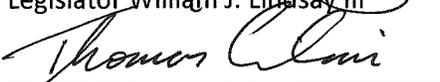
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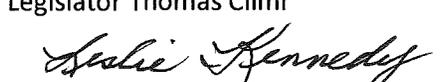
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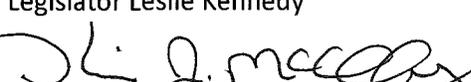
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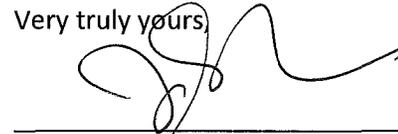
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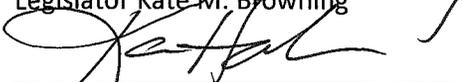
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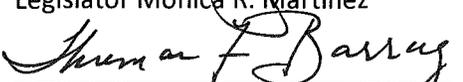
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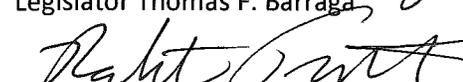
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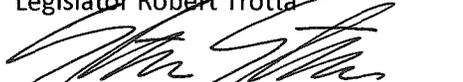
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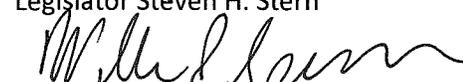
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We are spending millions to clean up previous dumping of dangerous materials. We must stop adding to the problems we already have.

The Army Corps of Engineers solved many problems in building the Panama Canal. They are capable of solving these simple problems if they so chose.

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Peter Flournoy  
41 Glen Avenue  
Norwalk, CT 06850

**From:** [Kim.vicente@gafundraising.com](mailto:Kim.vicente@gafundraising.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 09, 2015 12:02:32 AM

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Kim Vicente

11park street Westhampton, NY 11977

**From:** [leslie5682@yahoo.com](mailto:leslie5682@yahoo.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [ SUSPECTED SPAM - GW1] [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
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Alissa Harrison  
Fairfield, CT

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East Rockaway, NY 11518

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Denise Altobelli  
156 Fair Harbor Drive  
Patchogue Ny 11772

September 8, 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
c/o Meg Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd.  
Concord, MA 0742

Dear USACE,

This Letter is to inform you that I oppose your plan to dump in Long Island Sound. I would urge you to develop a plan that phases out open water dumping of dredged materials and reuse these materials in a safe and beneficial way.

It's important that we stop ruining our natural resources in Long Island Sound, both environmentally and economically.

Please respond in writing to inform of your position on this issue

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Jensen".

Gail Jensen

37 Two Mile RD.

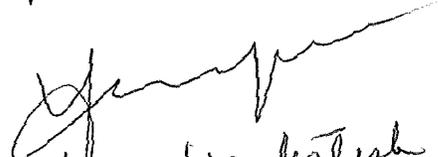
Farmington, CT 06032c

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To

US Army Corps of Engineer  
40 Mepham Camp  
415 DMMB Project Manager  
696 Virginia Rd  
Concord MA 01742

I am a resident of Connecticut, we oppose your plan  
to dump dredged material in LIS  
Please develop alternate plans to safely  
dispose dredged material.

  
Jayashree Venkatesh  
21 Paul Spring Rd  
Farmington CT 06032

September 8, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-271

Dear Ms. Quinn:

The Sound Beach Civic Association joins with the many voices on Long Island in opposition to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and EPA plan to continue burying dredged spoils in Long Island Sound. Using the Long Island Sound as a dumping ground is simply unacceptable.

In 1987 the Long Island Sound was designated an estuary of national significance. It is part of what makes Long Island so special. Home to many species of wildlife and serving as a breeding ground for many other species that spend most of their life in the ocean, its water quality needs to be protected. The warmer waters of the Sound have already caused the lobster population to move north to colder waters, and although there currently is an uptake in the fish population, there are still some dead zones.

For years municipalities have been working to reverse the degradation caused by years of dumping in its waters. We therefore strongly reject this plan to continue the dumping of dredged spoils into the Sound and call for the reuse of sediments as well as alternatives where possible. Rejecting the possibility of using dredged sediment to rebuild wetlands, restore beaches, cap landfills, etc., as being too costly is again simply unacceptable.

We realize that identifying feasible and economical alternatives is not as simple as it looks, but it needs to be done. We therefore also join the many voices calling for an extension of the review process. This is important. The public needs more time to review the proposal. The April 30, 2016, deadline is simply not long enough to review a document that took over ten years to develop and is 1300+ pages long. If we know more, then we can ask more educated, better questions.

In summary, rather than choose to turn the Long Island Sound into a garbage dump, it is our hope that the ACE and EPA will hear our voices and allow more time to review the report in order to better address the impact of long-term dumping of dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound and pursue and recommend beneficial uses of dredge sediment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bea Ruberto".

Bea Ruberto, President

Cc: U.S. Congressman Lee Zeldin  
State Senator Kenneth LaValle  
State Assemblyman Anthony Palumbo  
Suffolk County Executive Steven Bellone  
Town of Brookhaven Supervisor Edward Romaine  
Suffolk County Legislator Sarah Anker  
Councilwoman Jane Bonner

**From:** [ha171@optonline.net](mailto:ha171@optonline.net)  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
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Heather and Richard Ackerman  
509 Middle Rd  
Bayport, NY 11705

**From:** [Rosemary Koepele](#)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LI Sound  
**Date:** Saturday, September 05, 2015 3:43:09 PM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to request that our Long Island Sound NOT be used as dumping grounds for dredged material and for the Government Agencies to please come up with alternatives. I grew up on this water and now I am raising 9 children who cherish the sound. We fish, kayak, paddle board and swim daily. The children enjoy catching the sealife in their minnow nets and studying them before letting them go. My sons love to bring home the fish they catch and have them for dinner. We collect oysters clams and mussels to eat as well. Please do not allow our way of life destroyed. This is no way to treat our precious resources.

Sincerely,  
Rosemary Koepele  
212 Bay avenue  
Huntington Ny 11743

September 4, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
LIS SMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Dear Ms. Quinn,

As an Estuary of National Significance, I'm writing today to express my opposition for the plan to dump 50 million cubic yards of dredged material from Ct. into Long Island Sound.

I live approximately 500 yards from Huntington Bay, connected to Long Island Sound. On the water we enjoy swimming, fishing, sailing and clamming. Over the years, countless dollars have been spent cleaning up this vital water system and progress is shown as this summer we've had a high population of Bottlenose Dolphin and for the first time in a while a Humpback Whale ventured into the Milford, CT to feed on the copious amounts of Menhaden available.

This plan over the course of thirty years will be a steady negative impact on our reefs, shell fishing, and fish populations in general and the fodder they feed on. In the last ten years, LIS has lost its Lobster population due to a slight increase in water temperatures combined with the spraying of pesticides to ward off West Nile Virus. How many man made impacts can the Sound take? Will this kill our hard shell clamming industry, the last source of income for baymen on LIS? Please consider not approving this dump and take the material either to offshore waters out in the ocean or to a fill here on land. It's the right thing to do to further clean up our waterways for future generation of Long Island and Connecticut to enjoy. It's astonishing this project is under consideration.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Trusting you will not approve this proposal.

Bob Giordano  
210 Bay Ave.  
Huntington, NY 11743  
631-423-6593  
funbobbydesign@optonline.net

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**From:** [m51aed@aol.com](mailto:m51aed@aol.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] dredge waste  
**Date:** Friday, September 04, 2015 11:23:21 AM

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This is to voice an objection to the dumping of dredge waste from Conn. into LI Sound

Thank you

Mary Donohue  
m51aed@aol.com

**From:** [rdedomenico1@gmail.com](mailto:rdedomenico1@gmail.com)  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
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Robin DeDomenico  
37 Anchor Court  
West Babylon, N.Y 11704

**From:** [Habel, Mark L NAE](mailto:Habel, Mark L NAE)  
**To:** [Habel, Mark L NAE](mailto:Habel, Mark L NAE)  
**Subject:** FW: LIS DMMP/PEIS Comment Period and Deadline Extension (UNCLASSIFIED)  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 23, 2015 6:32:13 AM  
**Attachments:** [Draft LIS DMMP Consensus Extension Request 090215.docx](#)

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From: Perkins, Stephen [<mailto:Perkins.Stephen@epa.gov>]  
Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2015 7:39 AM  
To: Sandi Allen ([sandra.allen@dos.ny.gov](mailto:sandra.allen@dos.ny.gov)); Greg Capobianco ([gregory.capobianco@dos.ny.gov](mailto:gregory.capobianco@dos.ny.gov)); Betsey Wingfield - CTDEP; Thompson, Brian; Scully, William C NAE; Keegan, Michael F NAE; Quinn, Meghan C NAE; Gratz, Jeff; Pechko, Patricia; Anderson, Kate  
Cc: Hamjian, Lynne; Cote, Mel; Brochi, Jean  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP/PEIS Comment Period and Deadline Extension

Dear DMMP Colleagues,

We are all aware of the requests to extend the public comment period on the draft DMMP and PEIS to 120 days. I expect we've all also recognized that the extension of the site deadline to April 30, 2016 was predicated on a schedule that included 30 days for public comment. In an effort to accommodate the public interest in an extended comment period, EPA is proposing that we all execute a consensus extension of the deadline for the Central and Western sites to August 31, 2016. Attached is a draft extension letter that does just that. Our aim is to confine our consideration to the process time conundrum. Hopefully a good deal of the letter looks familiar from prior extension letters we have considered.

Please share this message as appropriate and discuss this draft within your respective teams and get back to me with a read on whether you can recommend that your agency principal sign off on such a letter. If you feel edits are necessary for clarity, please let me know. Please copy the other parties on your response.

Thanks in advance for your timely consideration.

Stephen

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## Corps of Engineers releases Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan for public review

**CONCORD, Mass.** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers released for public review and comment the Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) on Monday, August 17, 2015. The DMMP and PEIS are available for review on the Corps website at: [www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/ProjectsTopics/LongIslandSoundDMMP.aspx](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/ProjectsTopics/LongIslandSoundDMMP.aspx).

The public comment period will run through Oct. 16, 2015. Public Hearings were held in New York and Connecticut and two additional Public Hearings are scheduled for September 16-17, 2015.

The first two public hearings were held in New York: on Monday, Aug. 24, 2015 at the Village Center at Port Jefferson, NY; and on Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015 at the Marriott Long Island in Uniondale, NY. Two subsequent public hearings were held in Connecticut: on Wednesday, Aug. 26, 2015 at the University of Connecticut-Stamford in Stamford, CT; and on Thursday, Aug. 27, 2015 at the Holiday Inn-New London, CT.

In order to provide the public added opportunity to comment, two additional hearings will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at the Hotel Indigo, Long Island - East End (1830 West Main Street, Rt. 25, Riverhead NY), and Thursday Sept.17, 2015 at the Omni New Haven Hotel (155 Temple St, New Haven, CT 06510). Hearings at all locations will begin at 6 p.m. with registration at 5:30 p.m.

The primary purpose of the hearings is to solicit the public's comments and input. Additionally, the Project Team will provide background information on the LIS DMMP/PEIS, details on how the screening of alternatives was performed and information on the alternative formulation process. The presentations given at the public hearings will assist reviewers in understanding the process, which should help the public as they review the Draft DMMP and Draft PEIS.

We encourage interested members of the public to review the draft documents online, so that they can better understand the processes and history involved in dredged material placement. Many are unaware that dredged material removed from Federal or private projects is subjected to rigorous physical, chemical and biological testing that not only tests the dredged material, but also the proposed placement site, as well as a "reference site", to ensure that the material is environmentally acceptable. These tests include very conservative risk assessments that must be passed before the dredged material is classified as suitable for ocean placement, and independently reviewed and assessed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The public should also be aware that on average, there has been a 35-percent reduction in the amount of dredged material deposited at Long Island Sound ocean placement sites between 2006 and 2014 when

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compared to those sites between 1984 and 2004. This is due in large part to New York and Connecticut's efforts to beneficially use sandy dredged material for coastal resiliency projects. Beneficial use is always a preferred option for Corps dredging projects when sandy dredged material is available.

For those who cannot attend the public hearings, written comments may be submitted to the Corps. Public comments on the Draft DMMP and Draft PEIS should be forwarded no later than October 16, 2015 to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, (ATTN: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn), 696 Virginia Road, Concord, MA 01742-2751.

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**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**  
New England District

696 Virginia Road  
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# PUBLIC NOTICE

**Date: September 3, 2015**

**Comment Period Ends: October 16, 2015**

**File Number: NAE-2015**

**In Reply Refer To: Meghan Quinn**

**Or by e-mail: [Meghan.C.Quinn@usace.army.mil](mailto: Meghan.C.Quinn@usace.army.mil)**

On August 17, 2015 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) released, for public review, a Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound that was requested by the Governors of Connecticut and New York, in their letter of February 8, 2005 to the Chief of Engineers. The need for a DMMP was also identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) June 3, 2005 Rule that designated two of the Sound's historic open-water dredged material placement sites, the Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound Sites for continued use.

The draft DMMP and Draft PEIS review period has been extended the review period to run through October 16, 2015.

Mail your comments so that they will be received in Concord, MA on or before October 5, 2015.

Address written comments to:

Meghan Quinn

LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager

Corps of Engineers, New England District

696 Virginia Road

Concord, MA 01742-2751

Four public hearings held in New York and in Connecticut the week of August 24<sup>th</sup>. Two additional hearings have now been scheduled:

**Wednesday - September 16, 2015**  
Hotel Indigo Long Island - East End  
1830 West Main Street, Rt. 25  
Riverhead, NY 11901

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.  
Hearing to begin at 6:00 p.m.

**Thursday - September 17, 2015**  
Omni New Haven Hotel at Yale  
155 Temple Street  
New Haven, CT 06510

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.  
Hearing to begin at 6:00 p.m.

All interested federal, state and local agencies, interested private and public organizations, and individuals are invited to attend. Persons wishing to provide oral comments are asked to register prior to the start of the hearing. Transcripts of the meetings will be prepared. The hearing procedures are available upon request. After these comments are reviewed, any significant new issues are investigated, and any necessary modifications are made, a Final DMMP/PEIS will be published and distributed. The Final DMMP/PEIS will contain the Corps responses to comments received on the Draft PEIS.

The draft DMMP and PEIS are available <sup>A-2A-1821</sup> on our web site at:

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Christopher J. Barron  
Colonel, Corps of Engineers  
District Engineer



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September 3, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn, Program Manger  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers- NE District  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, MA 01742-2751

**RE: LIS DMMP/PEIS**

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing in support of the proposed Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan, which provides an environmentally sound program for future projects in Connecticut, New York, and Rhode Island. The U.S. Army Corps has put together a thoughtful report after engaging with the three states, agencies, and various groups.

Dredging activities are necessary to ensure that our waterways remain navigable for security, commercial trade, and pleasure boating. The DDMP and PEIS seeks a balance in protecting the natural beauty of Long Island Sound and its ecosystem as well as how to optimize funding for the dredging projects.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kathleen M. McCarty'.

Kathleen M. McCarty  
State Representative- 38<sup>th</sup> District  
Waterford, Montville

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**From:** [jamiespritzer@gmail.com](mailto:jamiespritzer@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Thursday, September 03, 2015 7:13:00 PM

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Sincerely,  
Jamie Spritzer  
1 Horseshoe Lane  
Roslyn Heights, NY 11577

**From:** [sharongjonas@live.com](mailto:sharongjonas@live.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
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Sharon Jonas. [Sharongjonas@live.com](mailto:Sharongjonas@live.com)

**From:** [Pat Schecher](#)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dumping of waste in Long Island Sound  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 02, 2015 10:25:47 PM

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We just wanted to express our concern and objections to any dumping of waste from Connecticut into the Long Island Sound. Our County Executive Steve Bellone and our Congressman Lee Zeldin are opposed to this as are we. Please reconsider the proper disposal of such waste and preserve the sound and ecosystems around it. Thanks you very much.

Sincerely yours,  
Patricia and David Schecher  
142 Sixth Street  
St. James, NY 11780

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Patrick Iannucci](#)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 02, 2015 10:55:20 AM

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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to inform you that I am opposed to dumping dredge material into Long Island Sound. Long Island cannot be a dumping ground for any questionable waste dredged out of Connecticut rivers. Long Island sound is a national treasure that is to be protected and preserved for future generations.

Sincerely,  
Patrick Iannucci  
45 Bayberry Drive  
St. James, NY 11780

Phone: 631-584-5901

**From:** [jderken34w@yahoo.com](mailto:jderken34w@yahoo.com)  
**To:** [Quinn, Meghan C NAE](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LIS DMMP  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 02, 2015 12:57:33 PM

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In 2005, the EPA and Army Corps of Engineers agreed to phase out dredge dumping and to implement a Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) focusing on beneficial reuse and sustainable solutions. This agreement was supported by the public and was a critical step toward protecting our beloved waterway. However, the draft DMMP fails to deliver on that promise and instead allows for another 30 years of dirty dredge dumping.

I oppose the continued dumping of contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound and urge the Army Corps of Engineers to honor the original agreement and focus on beneficial reuse options as an alternative.

This DMMP took ten years to complete and, with the supporting documents, totals over 1,000 pages. Yet, the draft was only released one week before the public hearings, and we were given a comment period of less than 2 months. The Long Island Sound is a public asset, and we deserve adequate time to read through this document and give substantive feedback. I urge the Army Corps of Engineers to extend the comment period to 120 days and host additional public hearings in October.

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# CONNECTICUT MARITIME COALITION



September 1, 2015

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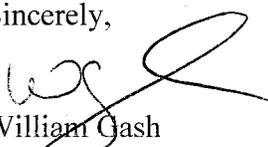
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Establishment of the new Connecticut Port Authority, pending and future public-private strategic investments, and approval of the DMMP are all cornerstones to reversing the 15 year decline of Connecticut's three deep water ports.

Thank you for your consideration of our support.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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Re: File Number NAE-2015

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As representatives from Connecticut, a state with 332 miles of coastline, coves, and harbors on Long Island Sound, we applaud the Army Corps for identifying new environmentally sound alternatives for the handling of dredging materials, such as beach nourishment and wetlands restoration. Knowing that only a small portion of dredged materials can be used on land beneficially, we also understand the continued need for open-water disposal options currently in use in Connecticut waters and support continuing this disposal method for fine-grained materials suitable for open-water placement. As members of the Congressional Long Island Sound Caucus, we have long been advocates for protecting and rehabilitating this critical natural, recreation and economic resource. To that end, we commend the Army Corps for identifying a variety of alternative management options and would like to see the Army Corps pursue beneficial use alternatives whenever feasible.

In addition to the critical goal of protecting the Long Island Sound, access to a range of dredged material placement options is absolutely vital to our state's economy – and that of the entire Long Island Sound region. According to the DMMP, economic activities that utilize Long Island Sound waterways contribute more than \$9 billion annually in economic output. Additionally, these economic activities support more than 55,000 jobs in the Long Island Sound region. As important, our region is home to a range of federal and military facilities dependent on the viability of accessible and cost-effective placement options. If this dredging plan does not move forward, it is estimated that the region will see a fifteen percent dip in navigation-dependent economic activity revenue in the next two decades, and significant – and perhaps prohibitive – increases in costs for the private, commercial and federal stakeholders.

With Connecticut's newly-minted Port Authority officially coming into existence on July 1, 2015, our state is poised for resurgence in the maritime industry. As noted by the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, imports at deep-water ports in Bridgeport, New Haven, and New London have decreased by 80 percent since 2006. Establishment of the new Port Authority, and increased focus on strategic investments needed to expand our major ports creates a significant opportunity to turn this trend around, create jobs,

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and grow Connecticut's maritime economy. This, however, will be contingent on a continued effort to maintain our channels and harbors properly.

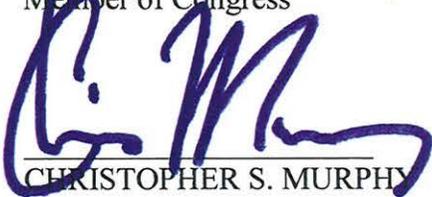
The DMMP and PEIS are the result of years of research and planning by the Army Corps and the Environmental Protection Agency, through constructive consultation with the States of Connecticut, New York and Rhode Island. They provide a comprehensive management framework of environmentally responsible and cost-effective disposal solutions for the varying types of dredged materials—specifically outlining plans for a myriad of federal dredging projects in the Long Island Sound region. Connecticut has been responsibly dredging using open-water placement for 35 years and we are pleased that the DMMP, paired with sustainable on-land solutions for suitable dredged materials, will provide the Long Island Sound region with a balanced approach for future waterway maintenance projects.

Thank you for your consideration of our views on this important topic. We look forward to the timely approval of the DMMP and continued constructive engagement with stakeholders across the Long Island Sound region on managing dredging needs in the future.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



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Cc: Meghan Quinn, LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
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MS. Quinn,

First let me say that I have spent the last 37 years in the Marina Business on the Connecticut River. I am currently in the process of applying to perform some maintenance dredging at my facility. This will be the third dredging project that I have been involved in, so it is safe to say that I speak from some experience.

I was able to attend the hearing on Thursday Aug. 27, and pleased to see the depth and breadth that the Corps and EPA has gone through to study this issue. I can say that I am in support of the DMMP.

I believe the DMMP shows clearly that the need for periodic maintenance dredging is vital to many sites on Long Island Sound.

I also think that the DMMP proves that the use of an off shore disposal site is a safe, ecological and economically sound method of disposing of dredge material, should remain an option in future projects.

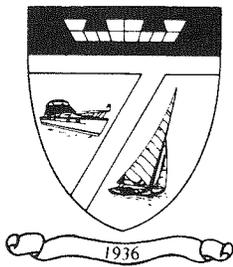
Thank you for your consideration.



Jim Brown  
General Manager  
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# Rex Marine Center

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August 30, 2105

Dear Ms Quinn,

The ability to once again use all 4 current open-water Dredge material sites is absolutely crucial to keeping the incredible resources of our Long Island Sound harbors safely navigable to historical channel depths, including our CT marinas & commercial wharfage.

There is no financially viable dredge material disposal method available for the vast majority of us for whom Beneficial Use is not an option. No matter how clean the mud from Norwalk Harbor and my marina basin may be, upland is not even close to an affordable or even practical option for materials disposal. Who wants all that mud upland? Even requiring us to dump further than the 4 LIS sites imposes so much added cost as to effectively prevent most maintenance dredging from being able to be completed.

Thank you for supporting the US Army Corps of Engineers plan that recommends the continuation of open-water disposal alt all 4 current sites. Done correctly the environment is not harmed and the thousands of Connecticut jobs that rely on safe, 100% navigable harbors are preserved and hopefully even augmented.

Yours truly,

Bill Gardella Jr

General Manager

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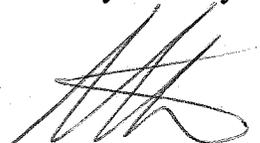
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I believe all four of the current locations for placing dredged materials should remain open. Please continue to support keeping these four locations open and an excellent solution for the dredged materials which keep public access and commerce viable in our state.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

  
Stephen Tagliatela  
Old Saybrook, CT



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Wallingford, CT



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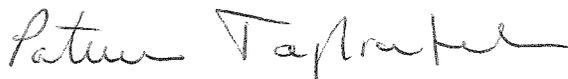
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Coral Paige

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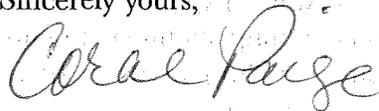
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Dear Ms. Quinn;

The federal government has put forward a proposal to dump 50 million cubic yards of dredged material from Connecticut into the Long Island Sound over the next 30 years. I join my voice to thousands of residents to let the federal government know that we vehemently oppose this plan. As Suffolk County residents, we cherish the Long Island Sound and we urge the federal government to stop the use of the Sound as a dumping ground for dredged material and to come up with alternatives so that we can bequeath a cleaner, more vibrant Long Island Sound to future generations.

Millions of dollars have been spent in environmental restoration on the Sound. We are reducing nitrogen discharge from sewage treatment plants, implementing policies to reduce road runoff and testing new technology to reduce the nitrogen from our homes and businesses which finds its way into our water. This plan -- put forth by the same federal government that declared the Long Island Sound to be an "Estuary of National Significance" -- undermines those efforts to protect and restore our water quality. I ask the Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency to abandon their intent to continue dumping contaminated dredge spoils into the Sound and to work with us here in Suffolk County to come up with a better plan for all Long Islanders.

Sincerely yours,



Coral Paige

# TESTIMONY PRESENTED TO THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

*August 27, 2015*

*Robert Ross, Executive Director*

State of Connecticut Office of Military Affairs

## ***LIS DMMP Hearing***

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Good evening Colonel Baron. My name is Bob Ross, and I am the Executive Director of the State of Connecticut Office of Military Affairs. I am here to provide testimony on behalf of Commissioner Catherine Smith of the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development. The Commissioner would like to express her appreciation for your holding this public hearing – and others in Connecticut and New York – to solicit feedback on the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound. She also sends her regrets, as a prior commitment has prohibited her from offering this testimony in person.

Connecticut's ports and harbors represent important economic development assets for the state. Studies have shown that Connecticut's maritime industry contributes more than \$9 billion to the state's economy and employs more than 40,000 people. Others studies have indicated that wages in the maritime industry are 15 percent higher than the state average.

But while our ports are an important component of the Connecticut economy, in recent years they have faced significant challenges. Import volumes at Connecticut's three deepwater ports have fallen by more than 80% since 2006, to less than 2 million tons annually; export volumes have risen modestly in recent years but still are less than 1 million tons per year.

The State of Connecticut refuses to believe that the decline of Connecticut's ports is inevitable or irreversible, which is why we recently established a new Connecticut Port Authority. The establishment of the new authority aims to help focus attention on bringing more new business activity to the state. By managing our ports collectively, we hope to better position Connecticut's maritime industry to expand export and import opportunities and, as a result, create new good-paying industrial jobs.

However, the success of the Connecticut Port Authority is contingent on the maintenance of our ports and harbors. Without a sustained effort to dredge channels and basins, the free flow of commerce at these ports and harbors is certain to be impeded.

Yet, the economic activity that the Port Authority is trying to foster is only part of the story. The benefits of dredging projects and harbor management extend well beyond that activity.

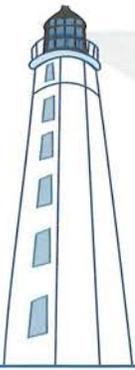
Commercial fishing, ferry dependent tourism, and recreational boating are also all significant contributors to Connecticut's maritime economy. Further, SUBASE New London depends on dredging to maintain access to its facilities, and the General Dynamics Shipyard relies on deepwater access for the construction and delivery of the submarines it constructs. These assets, along with the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and three area Coast Guard stations, are critical strategic elements in our overall national security.

Given the important economic and strategic benefits of maintaining access to Connecticut's ports and harbors, the need to assure continued cost-effective and sufficient disposal options for dredge materials is paramount. The DMMP posits a series of environmentally sound options for the disposal of dredged materials, including the beneficial reuse of such materials for beach and marsh restoration. However, though such reuses should be prioritized, continued access to open water disposal of fine-grained and salt-heavy materials is critical. Positively, the draft DMMP keeps open that option.

In conclusion, on behalf of Commissioner Smith, let me once again thank you for holding this public hearing. And let me offer the state's strong support for the recommendations in the draft DMMP. The maintenance of our ports, harbors, and waterways is essential to Connecticut's economic well-being.

Sincerely,

Robert Ross



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Gentlemen:

I write to you today in support of the recently completed DMMP for Long Island Sound. I applaud your efforts for the past 15 years in bringing this study to its conclusions. We all in the Connecticut Marine Industry recognize the enormity of the project, and I can say as the Vice Chairman of CT Marine Trades Association, we all are in support of your findings.

A few points are worth mentioning - I'll try to be as brief as possible.

1. The economic impact of prohibiting any further dredged material disposal in LIS is mind boggling to say the least. As an example, one of my former marinas on the CT River had to dredge 5,000 yds of material several years ago. Under the present conditions, that would have cost us \$30 a yard for a total of \$150,000. If you had determined that all four relocation sites in LIS had to be closed, the cost to dredge the same amount would have been \$500,000. Simply an impossible burden for a 40-slip marina and an economic disaster for the Marine Industry as a whole.
2. The position taken by the environmental community is that all dredged material is toxic and therefore injurious to Long Island Sound, and by extension therefore all of the four relocation sites HAVE to be closed down. This is simply not true, as we all know. All material to be dredged is tested extensively by the applicants and permits are based on the results of these tests. Any material that is even slightly toxic has to be capped. Material that is heavy with toxins (such as Bridgeport Harbor) has to be relocated in cad cells and then capped. To take the position that all dredged material is prohibited from LIS is unrealistic and destructive to an Industry that is vibrant and which provides access to the waterfront for the general public.

3. The support from CT DEEP, the State of CT Governor's Office, and local municipalities is an indication that the DMMP is looked favorably upon by not only the Marine Industry, but by Connecticut government. But the most significant supporter is certainly DEEP. Their support is overwhelming and you all need to listen to that support (as I think you will). There is no question that the opposition to the DMMP study has come in large part from New York and Long Island. As we all know, there is not a dredging need on Long Island. The economic impact of closing the four relocation sites is minimal to their marine industry.
4. Finally, I'd like to point out that NO ACTION on this plan which identified "practical cost effective and environmentally placement alternatives" by EPA will result in skyrocketing dredging costs, closed placement locations, fewer maintained ports and harbors, significant reduction in access and will substantially impair the regional economy. I urge that action be taken on this study that cost American taxpayers in excess of \$15,000,000 and 15 years of your time and energy.

Thanks for your <sup>time</sup> to read my letter. We appreciate your ~~tie~~ and efforts in bringing the DMMP study to closure. I will be testifying in New London this evening.



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Re: LIS DMMP Scoping Meeting comments by William C. Spicer, III

Dear Mr. Keegan:

During the ice age a glacial moraine was formed south of what is now mainland Connecticut. In those prehistoric days the moraine was a dam from approximately what is now New York City along the north fork of Long Island through Fishers Island to Westerly, Rhode Island. This moraine dammed water and formed a very large lake. Eventually the waters of that lake together with the rising level of the Atlantic Ocean due to the melting of the glaciers succeeded in breaching the low point of the moraine at what is now called THE RACE connecting the lake with the ocean. This erosion of the moraine and the rise of the sea level due to glacial melt continued for thousands of years.

Modern man eventually came upon the scene and viewed the eroded remains of the moraine together with its massive breach and number of smaller breaches. Man called the massive twin canyon breach in the prehistoric moraine to be THE RACE. East of the twin canyons of THE RACE man called the eight mile long island to be Fishers Island and the body of water north of Fishers Island and south of the Connecticut mainland and east of THE RACE, man called Fishers Island Sound. The body of water west of THE RACE and north of the eroded remains of the moraine (Great Gull Island, Plum Island and the north fork of Long Island) and south of the Connecticut mainland, man called Long Island Sound. The mouth of the Thames River and its harbor, man called New London Harbor.

The twin canyons of THE RACE were significant to the early mariners of this region. The regular 5-6 knot current together with Valiant Rock and Race Rock presented a serious threat to the sail driven craft of that day. THE RACE became known far and wide and I believe has been ranked as the sixth most dangerous body of water in the United States.

South of the eroded moraine man called the body of water west of Gardiners Island to be Gardiners Bay and the body of water east of Gardiners Island to be Block Island Sound. I note that THE RACE extends significantly southeasterly into Block Island Sound.

According to Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary the word "sound" is defined among other things as;

1 b: a long passage of water connecting two larger bodies (as a sea with the ocean) or separating a mainland and an island.

Fishers Island Sound is clearly a classic example of 1 b.

In 1980 when Long Island Congressman Ambro slipped his amendment to the MPRSA Ocean Dumping Act (33 USC Sec 1416 (f))

**(f) Dumping of dredged material in Long Island Sound from any Federal, etc., project**

In addition to other provisions of law and notwithstanding the specific exclusion relating to dredged material in the first sentence in section 1412 (a) of this title, the dumping of dredged material in **Long Island Sound** from any Federal Project (or pursuant to Federal authorization) or from a dredging project by a non-Federal applicant exceeding 25,000 cubic yards shall comply with the requirements of this subchapter.

through Congress, both without hearings in Connecticut and without any significant knowledge by Connecticut waterfront stakeholders, the sophistication of dredging regulation was far different that it is today.

In 1980 the Ocean Dumping Act was new legislation purposefully designed to control the DISPOSAL OF INDUSTRIAL WASTE IN THE ABYSS OF THE OPEN OCEAN. The Clean Water Act was also relatively new and relatively untested, but was purposefully designed to control dredging in the near shore and inland water bodies of the United States.

Since 1980, no other estuaries have been added to Ambro's inclusion of Long Island Sound under the Ocean Dumping Act while the Clean Water Act has been enhanced and has very successfully controlled dredging activities of all non-oceanic water bodies of the other 48 states.

How has the Ambro Amendment adversely effected Connecticut and Long Island Sound?

Since the ODA was originally purposefully designed to control the disposal of some really nasty wastes, the very strict testing protocols and regimens necessary for that procedure were built into the Act. Change and flexibility were also not encouraged because of the often vile nature of what was being controlled. Consequently, it did not work effectively when these inflexible controls for the disposal of often vile substances in the abyss of the open ocean were applied to the relatively mundane activity of estuarine relocation of sediment necessary to maintain safe navigation in our harbors and channels in shallow Long Island Sound.

Paperwork skyrocketed.

Costs skyrocketed.

Projects were delayed or worse.

The well-documented, proven technique of capping is not a recognized management tool under the ODA which is an inappropriate catastrophic lack of common sense.

This was the situation when on February 25, 1999 United States Congressional Representative Forbes of Long Island New York introduced H.R. 855 to amend the MPRSA Ocean Dumping Act (33 USC Sec. 1416 (f) ) to also include Block Island Sound and he promptly amended his bill to also include Fishers Island Sound. A companion bill S. 1356 was introduced by New York Senators Moynihan and Schumer. (See Exhibit 1)

Unlike the Ambro Amendment which was surreptitiously sneaked through Congress, H.R. 855 and S.1356 quickly became known and a firestorm of protest erupted from one end of Connecticut to the other. Both Connecticut United States Senators Christopher Dodd and Joseph I. Lieberman together with Connecticut's entire delegation of United States Representatives Nancy Johnson, Sam Gejdenson, James Maloney, Christopher Shays, Rosa DeLauro and John B. Larson opposed the bills that were trying to force Block Island Sound and Fishers Island Sound to be subject to the MPRSA Ocean Dumping Act. (See Exhibit 2)

Connecticut's Senators and Representatives were joined by earnest pleas of local elected municipal officials, who represented well over ONE MILLION CONNECTICUT RESIDENTS including every municipality bordering Fishers Island Sound, New London Harbor and the Thames River. The 38 Connecticut municipalities who opposed the bills were joined by 5 Westchester County New York municipalities, the Southeastern Connecticut Enterprise Region and the New London Day who on July 26, 1999 at page A 6, in a large editorial referred to the Forbes bill as "moronic proposals." (See Exhibit 3)

H.R. 855 and S. 1356 were defeated and Block Island Sound and Fishers Island Sound remained 404 waters governed by the appropriate estuarine Clean Water Act.

The defeat of the attempt to include BLOCK ISLAND SOUND AND FISHERS ISLAND SOUND under the MPRSA Ocean Dumping Act signals that there is a very clear desire by southern New England residents to have all of their estuarine waters not within Long Island Sound regulated similarly to the estuarine waters of the other 48 states under the Clean Water Act as 404 waters. The clear view is that regulating shallow estuarine waters with MPRSA Ocean Dumping Act rules designed for the disposal of industrial waste in the abyss of the open ocean are "moronic proposals" that are bureaucratic nightmares.

I suggest that an easily recognizable eastern boundary of Long Island Sound start at Little Gull Island and proceed through Bartlett's Reef to the Connecticut mainland.

BLOCK ISLAND SOUND, GARDINERS BAY, THE RACE, FISHERS ISLAND SOUND AND NEW LONDON HARBOR are not part of LONG ISLAND SOUND.

I ask a prompt acknowledgement in writing that the Long Island Sound DMMP required by MPRSA Ocean Dumping Act rules will not encroach into the adjacent Clean Water Act 404 waters that are not part of Long Island Sound.

We need to finish a Long Island Sound DMMP as soon as possible with the co-operation of everyone which will be a whole lot easier if we work with exactly the area that the law requires.

Truly yours,



William C. Spicer, III

**Statement of Congressman Joe Courtney  
Second District, Connecticut  
DMMP Hearing  
New London, Connecticut  
August 27, 2015**

I represent the Second Congressional District of Connecticut in the United States House of Representatives. Connecticut has 332 miles of coastline, coves, and harbors on Long Island Sound, much of which is found along the coast in my district. As a member Congressional Long Island Sound Caucus, I have long been a strong advocate for protecting and rehabilitating the Long Island Sound as a critical natural, recreation and economic resource for our region and the nation.

During my time in Congress, I have worked closely with a range of stakeholders on the federal, state and local levels in addressing the critical issue of maintaining our ports, harbors and channels. Dredging, and the disposal of dredged material, is a constant challenge in southeastern Connecticut. Unfortunately, the lack of a clear framework for the disposal of dredged materials in the region, as well as ongoing uncertainty over the future use of open water placement, has had a negative impact on private marinas, ports, towns and even the submarine base in my district.

That is why I strongly support the approval of the Army Corps' Dredged Materials Management Plan, or DMMP. It provides a comprehensive management framework of environmentally responsible and cost-effective disposal solutions for the varying types of dredged materials—specifically outlining plans for a myriad of federal dredging projects in the Long Island Sound region.

The DMMP comprehensively outlines the significant dredging needs in Connecticut and the larger region, with about 53 million cubic yards of dredged materials expected to be removed over the next 30 years. While much of this volume represents federal navigation projects and other federal needs, over 35 percent will be generated by non-federal permit activity – which represents small businesses, marinas, and others whose livelihood depends on dredging.

To this end, the DMMP identifies environmentally sound alternatives for the handling of dredging materials, such as beach nourishment and wetlands restoration. In Connecticut, dredged materials have not only been used for shoreline replenishment, but also for capping landfills and brownfields sites upland. Notably, I was recently involved in helping facilitate a dredging project that helped to restore a beach in Madison, Connecticut using dredged sand.

However, as the DMMP notes, only a small portion of dredged materials can be used on land beneficially. That is why there is an urgent need for open-water disposal options currently in use in Connecticut waters and support continuing this disposal method for fine-grained materials suitable for open-water placement, which the DMMP retains as a needed, appropriate and environmentally-suitable option.

In addition to the critical goal of protecting the Long Island Sound, access to a range of dredged material placement options is absolutely vital to the economy of my district and state – and that of the entire Long Island Sound region. According to the DMMP, economic activities that utilize Long Island Sound waterways contribute more than \$9 billion annually in economic output. Additionally, these economic activities support more than 55,000 jobs in the Long Island Sound region. As important, our region is host to a range of federal and military facilities dependent on the viability of accessible and cost-effective placement options. These include Connecticut-based facilities like Naval Submarine Base New London, the United States Coast Guard Academy, as well as the premier submarine builder Electric Boat.

Additionally, with Connecticut's newly-minted Port Authority officially coming into existence this year, Connecticut is poised for resurgence in our maritime industry. As noted by the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, imports at deep-water ports in Bridgeport, New Haven, and New London have decreased by 80 percent since 2006. Establishment of the new Port Authority, and increased focus on strategic investments needed to expand our major ports creates a significant opportunity to create jobs and grow Connecticut's maritime economy. Just this year, I worked with state, federal and local stakeholders secure critical new federal funding to increase the capacity of the freight line that runs to the Port of New London to support this focus on our state's maritime economy. Realizing this goal, however, will be contingent on a continued effort to maintain our channels and harbors properly.

If this dredging strategy does not move forward, it is estimated that the region will see a fifteen percent drop in navigation-dependent economic activity revenue in the next two decades, and significant – and perhaps even prohibitive – increases in costs for the private, commercial and federal stakeholders. Connecticut has been responsibly dredging using open-water placement for 35 years. Without the DMMP, and the continued access to open-water placement sites contingent on its approval, Connecticut will be negatively and disproportionately impacted – and my district in particular.

The DMMP is the result of years of research and planning by the Army Corps and the Environmental Protection Agency, through constructive consultation with the States of Connecticut, New York and Rhode Island. The DMMP, paired with sustainable on-land solutions for suitable dredged materials, provides the Long Island Sound region with a balanced approach for future waterway maintenance projects.

In short, the DMMP is a solid product and deserves support on both sides of the Sound.

Thank you for your consideration of my views on this important topic. I look forward to the timely approval of the DMMP and continued constructive engagement with stakeholders in Connecticut and throughout the Long Island Sound region on managing dredging needs in the future.



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**ENERGY &  
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Robert J. Klee, Commissioner

**Statement of Robert Klee  
Commissioner, Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protec-  
tion  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Public Hearing  
Draft Dredged Material Management Plan  
August 26, 2015  
Stamford, Connecticut**

Good evening Colonel Barron:

My name is Robert Klee and I am the Commissioner of Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP).

I thank you for scheduling this and the other public hearings to receive comment on the draft Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP).

The State of Connecticut applauds the tremendous work of the Army Corps, in collaboration with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), which has resulted in a very comprehensive document that outlines the dredging and sediment management challenges and the range of management alternatives for both Federal and nonfederal navigation projects in the Long Island Sound region for the next 30 years.

We especially appreciate your practical, cost-effective, science-based, and environmentally sound conclusion that a full range of alternatives must continue to remain available for the handling of dredged materials – including beneficial reuse as well as placement at open water sites.

Let me tell you why that approach is vital to Connecticut's needs.

Studies have shown that maritime-related commerce provides nearly \$7 billion in economic output and 40,000 jobs in Connecticut alone. In order to sustain – and grow – this important sector of our economy, dredging projects are necessary to ensure the safe and efficient use of our channels, ports and harbors. These water resources are relied upon for recreational boating, ferries, water-borne commerce including fuel deliveries, and the national security activities of a Naval Submarine Base, submarine construction and repair at Electric Boat, the Coast Guard Academy, and three Coast Guard Stations located on our waters.

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Given the characteristics of our state and its coastline - Connecticut's dredging needs are vastly more significant than other states that share the benefits and beauty of Long Island Sound with us.

A look at facts and figures in the draft DMMP makes this clear:

- The draft plan anticipates dredging at 52 federal navigation project sites in the Long Island Sound region over the next 30 years. Thirty-one of them – or almost 60 percent – will be in Connecticut.
- Total dredging needs over the 30-year period are expected to produce more than 52.7 million cubic yards of dredged materials – 75 percent of which – or almost 39.4 million cubic yards – will come from Connecticut's waters.
- More than 8 million cubic yards of sediment will be removed from Connecticut from non-Federal projects – largely those needed for continued operation of marinas and marine terminals that are important economic drivers in our state.

The key challenge addressed by the DMMP is how to handle dredged sediments that will be removed as a result of these projects.

The DMMP has done an excellent job of identifying and evaluating traditional and new alternatives for beneficial reuse of these materials – which must be a top priority.

In the past several years, for instance, Army Corps navigation projects have pumped sand directly onto Hammonasset State Park Beach in Madison, and additional sandy sediments from both federal and nonfederal projects have been placed nearshore off Hammonasset Beach as well as at Point No Point in Stratford, CT.

In the face of more frequent and severe storms resulting from Climate Change, we also envision greater use of suitable sediments for renourishing marshes and sand dunes and other projects designed to protect natural resources, people, property, and infrastructure along our coast.

Given the volume of dredged materials that will be excavated in our waters, and the characteristics of it, however, beneficial reuse alone is not a realistic answer to Connecticut's needs. It's simply a matter of geology.

Once again, a look at the facts and figures in the Draft DMMP is very telling:

- The report shows that about 75% of dredged materials from Connecticut projects – more than 29.5 million cubic yards – will be fine-grained materials unsuitable for beach nourishment.
- The volume of comparable material expected to be removed from New York waters is estimated at just over 4.5 million cubic yards.

Given that land availability, transportation, and logistical considerations severely constrain our ability to find other suitable uses for such a large volume of material, continued operation of open water sites – as is recommended in the Draft DMMP – is required to meet Connecticut’s needs.

Our experience over the past 35 years and all data that has been generated, shows open water disposal to be an environmentally acceptable practice. The evidence clearly shows that through careful oversight and management, open water placement has not diminished water quality, natural resources, aquatic life, or public health in Connecticut or neighboring states.

As has been – and would continue to be the practice - all dredged material slated for disposal at open water sites is subjected to rigorous testing to determine that it meets strict federal and state standards. When materials do not meet these standards they are **not** taken to an open water site and must be handled in other ways.

As an added measure of protection, when appropriate, Connecticut requires placement of cleaner material on top of sediment if it contains concentrations of certain constituents that are found to be present above the background levels at those locations.

If you think about it logically you can see that through open water placement we are only moving sediments already in the marine environment to a location where they are more properly managed.

Long Island Sound is Connecticut’s most important natural resource. As such, we are investing heavily in its future – through billions of dollars for upgraded wastewater treatment plants, more effective management of storm water runoff, and the development of a 21<sup>st</sup> century Blue Plan. As Commissioner of the state’s environmental agency, I would not advocate for any policy that would place Long Island Sound at risk.

I believe support for the full range of options for the management of dredged sediments recommended in the draft DMMP is consistent with our stewardship of Long Island Sound.

We thank the Army Corps for recognizing this reality. I also thank you for this opportunity to speak here tonight and we look forward to working with the Army Corps of Engineers, EPA and the New York State agencies to move forward with the recommendations of the draft DMMP.

Thank you.



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Attn: Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager

August 26, 2015

Dear Meghan,

The U.S. Army Corp of Engineers has recently released a draft Dredged Material Management Plan. I operate a boatyard on the Connecticut River and my business requires navigational access. Dredging is a critical activity to insure that the public has access to the waters and that my facility can remain open for business where it has been located for seventy years.

Dredge material make-up takes on many forms. The scientific plan currently under public review after a decade of preparation clearly shows that open water disposal to be the most cost effective and environmentally compatible method of placement without adversely affecting Long island Sound for the majority of the dredge material.

The DMMP clearly shows that of the nearly 55 federal projects, over three quarters of the material from those sites have been found to be suitable for open water disposal in the four current disposal locations. I believe that access to these placement sites must be preserved to provide an economically viable dredge solution.

Connecticut clearly has the greatest dredge needs of the three states involved and must take the lead in insuring navigational access by supporting the U.S. Army Corp of Engineer's recommendation for continued open water disposal in the four current locations as part of the overall plan.

To insure public access, the health of the maritime industry along with commercial activity these sites must remain open.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Robert Petzold, President

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August 26, 2015

Dear Ms Quinn,

I am writing in support of approval of the DMMP as proposed. As a manager of a marina in Mystic for 28 years, I have a full understanding of the need to protect the waters from which we make a living, but also the absolute need to dredge at a cost that is not prohibitive and undue.

In the time I have been on the Mystic River, many dredge projects have been approved and carried out with the proper care and oversight of the Corps and the State of Connecticut. With the proper spoil management (ie: capping as deemed necessary at the open water disposal site off New London and others, upland disposal as is feasible, and beach replenishment as is feasible) I have watched as our industry survives and water quality in the sound has improved year after year. With the exception of the lobster population (whose decline I believe is due to climate change and the resulting higher water temperatures) we in our part of Long Island Sound have enjoyed a resurgence in the local marine populations, resulting in more interest from our citizens.

The recreational marine industry in Connecticut is often the only access to the majority of our waters for the majority of our citizens. Exposing people to the beauty of Long Island Sound educates them in the need to preserve and protect these waters and builds support for programs and regulations to curb real pollution sources such as overboard discharge of marine sanitation devices, and the nitrogen, phosphorous, and pesticide runoff polluting the tributaries of Long Island Sound.

If any of these open water disposal sites are permanently closed, the cost of dredging will become out of the reach of most marinas. Without dredging, many marinas eventually will no longer be viable as a business, and be repurposed. Then only the privileged few will be able to enjoy the beautiful waters of Long Island Sound.

Please count me as in support of good science, common sense, and the resulting current LIS DMMP.

Sincerely,



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LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager

August 26, 2015

Corps of Engineers, New England District

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Dear Sirs:

I am writing to you today in support of your DMMP study. Having operated a family owned marina in the same location for 5 generations, since 1881, these 4 open-water placement sites need to be maintained and kept open. Connecticut, out of the three subject States in this study, has the greatest dredge need.

The existing open-water placement locations, Western, Central, Cornfield Shoals and New London have all proven to provide the most economically viable placement locations for the projects from their geographic regions without adversely affecting Long Island Sound.

The DEEP Commission is in full support of this study and has come out publicly to say so.

Too much time and money has been spent on this project to see it put on hold. No action on this Plan will result in skyrocketing dredging costs for all who must dredge, closure of the LIS open-water placement locations within a year's time, fewer maintained ports and harbors, and significant reduction in access, all of which will substantially impair the regional economy.

We must keep access to all Connecticut waterways open for the state's economic health; private, commercial, and government.

In closing let me thank you for all the hard work that has been put into this study. I as a stake holder appreciate that.

Sincerely yours,

David W. Crocker

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
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Attention: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn  
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Re: The Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound, released August 17, 2015

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing today on behalf of the Southeastern Connecticut Enterprise Region Corporation (seCTer) to support the Draft Plan that was released on August 17, 2015. seCTer is a non-profit Economic Development Corporation that provides private and public sectors with economic development services for job creation, business attraction, retention, and diversification. This includes technical assistance around marketing products and services and access to our revolving loan fund. We are also the Economic Development District (EDD) for the Southeastern Connecticut region, and are responsible for submitting the CEDS (Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy) to the federal Economic Development Agency (EDA).

In addition to the critical goal of protecting the Long Island Sound, access to a range of dredged material placement options is absolutely vital to our regional and state economies. According to the DMMP, economic activities that utilize Long Island Sound waterways contribute more than \$9 billion annually in economic output. Additionally, these economic activities support more than 55,000 jobs in the Long Island Sound region. As important, our region is dependent on a range of federal and military facilities, such as the SUBASE New London, dependent on the viability of accessible and cost-effective placement options. If this dredging plan does not move forward, it is estimated that without action the region will see a fifteen percent dip in navigation-dependent economic activity revenue in the next two decades, and significant – and perhaps prohibitive – increases in costs for the private, commercial and federal stakeholders.

With Connecticut's newly-minted Port Authority officially coming into existence on July 1, 2015, our state is poised for a resurgence in our maritime industry. As noted by the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, imports at deep-water ports in Bridgeport, New Haven, and New London have decreased by 80 percent since 2006. Establishment of the new Port Authority, and increased focus on strategic investments needed to expand our major ports creates a significant opportunity to create jobs and grow Connecticut's

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maritime economy. Turning this trend around, however, will be contingent on a continued effort to properly maintain our channels and harbors properly.

Thus we applaud the Army Corps for identifying new environmentally sound alternatives for the handling of dredging materials, such as beach nourishment and wetlands restoration. In Connecticut, dredged materials have not only been used for shoreline replenishment, but also for capping landfills and brownfields sites upland. Knowing that only a small portion of dredged materials can be used on land beneficially, we also understand the continued need for open-water disposal options currently in use in Connecticut waters and support continuing this disposal method for fine-grained materials suitable for open-water placement.

Thank you for your consideration of our views on this important topic. We look forward to the timely approval of the DMMP and continued constructive engagement with stakeholders across the Long Island Sound region on managing dredging needs in the future. To that end, if you have any questions, or would like additional information, please not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Stephen MacKenzie". The signature is stylized and written over a faint, illegible printed name.

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August 25, 2015

Colonel Christopher J. Barron  
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696 Virginia Road  
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Dear Colonel Barron,

We are writing to request an extension of the public comment period on the Draft Dredge Material Management Plan and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound. While we understand that the Army Corps of Engineers has already extended the public comment period to October 5, 2015, we believe that additional time is needed for stakeholders to fully review the documents and express their concerns.

The Draft Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (DPEIS) for the Long Island Sound (LIS) is hundreds of pages long and requires expert knowledge to fully understand the impact on our communities in New York and Connecticut. It is unreasonable to expect the public to fully review this extensive report in the short amount of time currently allotted. While we recognize that there are deadlines that must be met in order to allow for continued dredging of New York and Connecticut's waterways, it is critical that the public be provided sufficient time to have a meaningful role in this process. We have also written to New York State Department of State and Department of Environment Conservation asking that they support extending the final rule deadline to August 2016, which would allow for an extended comment period.

In addition to extending the comment period, we also ask that additional public hearings be held in either late September or October. With only ten days between the release of the DMMP and the final public hearing on August 27th, we believe additional time to review the document is needed to maximize public participation. A second round of hearings in October or late September would give the public and all interested parties the appropriate amount of time to review the plan and be prepared for meaningful public hearings.

It is in the best interest of the future of Long Island Sound to have a well-informed, meaningful discussion on the Dredge Material Management.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Steve Israel  
Member of Congress



Kristen E. Gillibrand  
United States Senator



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Meghan Quinn  
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**Re: Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan**

Dear Ms. Quinn:

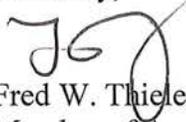
I am writing in opposition to the inclusion of any proposed open water disposal or burial of dredged material in the Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP).

While I do not discount the inherent need to dredge inlets and harbor in both Connecticut and New York waters, I firmly believe that we should not jeopardize the ecological health and productivity of this fragile estuarine ecosystem. Any such disposal seems contradictory to the federal "Estuary of National Significance" designation under the United States Environmental Protection Agency's National Estuary Program. The DMMP should focus more efforts on outlining alternative disposal mechanisms, technologies and locations.

I urge you to work closely with all levels of government to seek alternative options and abandon all open water disposal and burial of dredged materials.

Thank you for providing an opportunity to comment. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
Fred W. Thiele, Jr.  
Member of Assembly

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## Sarah S. Anker

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August 24, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
Programs & Projects, Management Division  
US Army Corps of Engineers, NE District  
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RE: 2015 Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to express my concerns with the 2015 Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) that will allow contaminated dredge spoils to be dumped into the Long Island Sound. In 2005, I attended public hearings regarding the phase out of dumping contaminated dredge material into the Sound. The final outcome from the 2005 hearing, agreed upon by both New York and Connecticut government officials, was to task the United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) to submit a report that would provide an alternative to dumping spoils into the sound by finding beneficial use for dredged material including beach replenishment, habitat restoration and mined land reclamation.

In 2013, I attended hearings and submitted comment condemning the use of the Long Island Sound as a dumping site for dredge spoils. After reviewing the recent draft plan submitted by the USACE, I could not disagree more with the report that plans to continue using the Sound as a dredging disposal site.

I have four questions for you:

1. Did you not understand that we - the residents of Long Island, public officials and professional researchers - do not want, or will not accept the dumping of contaminated dredge spoils into the Long Island Sound, that will decimated our most valuable economic and cherished water source?
2. How much money have taxpayers spent to create the 1,300 page DMMP report that took over 10 years to create?
3. Will you extend the comment period for more than 30 days (as the report says) to allow adequate time to analyze this 1,300 page report?
4. Given the lack of notification I received regarding the recent public hearing, can please notify me on upcoming hearings related to this issue?

Cont.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your willingness to hear public feedback regarding the DMMP. The Long Island Sound not only provides financial and economic sustainability through tourism and aquaculture use for Suffolk County, but it is our county's most treasured resource and as an elected official, I will do everything in my power to protect, defend and save the sound!

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact my office at (631) 854-1600.

Sincerely,



Sarah S. Anker  
Suffolk County Legislator  
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CC: US Senator Charles Schumer  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

I am a Councilwoman for the Town of Riverhead and I write this letter to express my concern and opposition as both a Councilwoman and resident of Riverhead to the US Army Corps of Engineers' and the US Environmental Protection Agency's plan to continue dumping dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound.

In 1987, Congress designated Long Island Sound an Estuary of National Significance. The Long Island Sound is among the most important and valuable estuaries in the nation. The Long Island Sound is an estuary where saltwater from the ocean mixes with fresh waters from our rivers. This estuary is located within the jurisdictional limits of two states, New York and Connecticut, approximately 110 miles long and 21 miles across at its widest point and covers an area over 1200 square miles and boasts 600 miles of diverse coastline habitat with beaches, salt marshes and tidal flats. The Long Island Sound serves as feeding, breeding, and nursery areas for many species and is the home to more than 1,200 species of invertebrates, more than 170 species of fish, and dozens of species of birds that migrate and nest along its coastline for part of the year.

The Long Island Sound supports diverse uses all dependent on the quality of its waters, living resources, and habitats. Our recreational and commercial shell fishers harvest oysters, lobsters and crabs. Our fisherman fish for fluke, flounder, bluefish and striped bass. The Long Island Sound is also enjoyed by recreational boaters and serves as transportation route for ferries to and from the East End of Long Island.

It is reported that the activities listed above and others dependent on the quality of the water and environment surrounding the Long Island Sound generate more than six billion dollars annually to the regional economy.

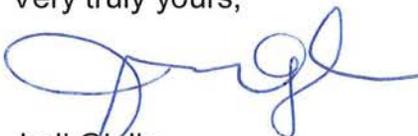
Since the mid 1980's to the present, the restoration and protection of the Long Island Sound has been a local, state and federal priority. In 1985, Congress allocated funds for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to research, monitor, and assess the water quality of Long Island Sound (Long Island Sound Study). In early 1994, the EPA's Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP), which incorporated the findings of the Long Island Sound Study including the identification of environmental issues and recommendations for restoration. The CCMP identified the following problems to be given priority for restoration of the water quality: hypoxia (low dissolved oxygen); toxic substances; pathogen contamination; debris; management and conservation of living resources and their habitats; and land use and development.

The act of dredging and dumping of spoil have well-known potential negative impacts on our environment, including degradation of water quality, changes to hydrodynamics, smothering of benthic fauna and flora, damage to marine wildlife through the dredge mechanism, species and removal of habitat. The dredge spoils often contain [toxic](#) chemicals and the process of dredging often dislodges chemicals residing in substrates and injects them into the water. The activity of dredging can create short term increases in [turbidity which have devastating impacts on](#) affect aquatic [species](#).

The potential for significant harmful environment impacts has long been recognized by the federal, state and local governments. This recognition is fully set forth in the U.S. Clean Water Act which forbids the discharge of any dredged material or fill into waters of the United States without complete evaluation of environmental impacts and elimination of the potential to degrade the water quality and other negative impacts outlined above.

For decades, the federal, state and local governments, including the Town of Riverhead, have strived to improve and protect the Long Island Sound Estuary. The dredging and placement of dredge spoil is fraught with the potential to contaminate this invaluable estuary; damage, smother, and annihilate marine species and habitat; and, finally, destroy our accomplishments and undermine the goals for future restoration of the Long Island Sound Estuary. I oppose the US Army Corps of Engineers' and the US Environmental Protection Agency's plan to dumping dredge spoils in the Long Island Sound.

Very truly yours,



Jodi Giglio  
Councilwoman, Town of Riverhead



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Town of Brookhaven Comments  
Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and  
Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement  
Long Island Sound Connecticut, New York and Rhode Island  
August 24, 2015 Public Hearing  
Port Jefferson, NY

This Plan was ten years in the making, and cost taxpayers \$1.7 million to develop. The original due date for the Plan was July 5, 2013. The Plan has received two time extensions. After reviewing the Plan I have come to the conclusion that it fails to achieve the goals of the request made by the governors of New York and Connecticut ten years ago for a plan to reduce the amount of dredge spoil dumping in the Long Island Sound.

Based upon the Plan all but about 5% of the 53 million cubic yards of dredge spoil identified as being generated over the next 30 years will be dumped in the Long Island Sound. Even unsuitable contaminated dredge spoils would be buried and capped in the Long Island Sound under this Plan.

Other alternatives (upland dumping, beach nourishment, wetland restoration) are reviewed in a preemptory manner with the Plan generally noting that any costs that are over that of open water disposal will need to be borne by the state or municipality.

The Plan repeatedly states that contaminated Confined Aquatic Disposal Cells and Confined Open Water Sites (Activities which involve excavation of the sea floor could remove a cell cap and expose the material placed in the cell below the cap to the environment) are an environmentally safe alternative. However, with sea level rise, climate change and increases in storm intensity the burial of contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound does not appear supported as an acceptable alternative. The release of toxic materials from dredge spoils can be devastating to the local ecosystem, commercial fishing, tourism and recreational activities.

In reviewing the Plan we asked a few basic questions to help guide our review. Those questions and our findings based on the Plan are below.

### **1. Does the Plan achieve its goal?**

Upon review we find that the plan does not achieve its goal. The stated goal of the LIS DMMP is intended to help achieve the goal of "reducing or eliminating the disposal of dredged material in Long Island Sound." The LIS FEIS and subsequent June 3, 2005 Rule designated two of the Sound's historic open-water placement sites, the Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound Sites (CLDS and WLDS) for continued use. The Rule allowed those two sites to be used for eight years pending

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completion of a DMMP, with provisions for EPA to extend the term of use. The EPA has twice extended use of those two sites, with site closure now projected for April 30, 2016.

Although the goal to reduce or eliminate the use of open water disposal is quoted in a number of locations throughout, the document is focused primarily on establishing conditions pursuant to which LIS may continue to be used under the current status quo as an open water waste disposal facility.

**2. Are there any quantitative reductions in the amount of dredge spoil to be dumped in the Sound listed as goals?**

Our review to date indicates there are no substantive reductions in the amount of dredge spoil planned to be dumped in the Long Island Sound. The Corps' base plans identified for each of the Federal Navigation Projects (FNPs) and suggested placement options for non-federal projects (in Section 5 of the pre-draft DMMP) continue to be open-water disposal, with few exceptions and identified alternatives, and are based solely on the assumption that all other options are too costly to be practicable for use in FNPs. Of specific concern is the plan to continue to dispose up to 80% of the dredged materials at disposal sites in LIS over the next 30 years, which represents less than a 4% reduction in the amount of dredged materials that are currently disposed of in LIS. (NYSDOS)

**3. How much has occurred in terms of prevention of sediment from filling the harbors and basins e.g. how much stormwater infrastructure has CT installed to help keep the harbors free of sediment?**

We find the Plan has not addressed prevention of sedimentation, which should have been a high priority of the Plan. It does not quantify programs or means for reducing the amount of sediment accumulating in areas to be dredged. As stated in Appendix E of the Plan, "This is not a quantitative analysis of the amount of sediment entering Long Island Sound or the potential numeric reductions these programs may bring about. These are programs that are currently addressing or could be used to address sediment entering the Long Island Sound watershed."

**4. Does this Plan comply with the Clean Water Act and the Ocean Dumping Act?**

As noted by the NYSDOS, "the current procedure for the analysis of alternatives used by the Corps is flawed because all practicable alternatives must be evaluated for compliance with the applicable federal laws, including the Clean Water Act (CWA) and Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), prior to selection based on cost." The plan indicates that the dredging projects will be evaluated for compliance individually as needed. Included in the final rule was a requirement that a DMMP address the issue of procedures and standards for evaluating placement alternatives under the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA, also known as the Ocean Dumping Act or ODA), the Clean Water Act (CWA), and other relevant statutes and regulations, for dredging projects in LIS.

The plan does go into explanation of the procedures and standards that will be used for USACE authorizations under MPRSA §103 which are also subject to EPA review and concurrence, and the potential for EPA to either veto or add conditions to the permit or civil works approval. The USACE does not issue permits under the CWA or MPRSA for USACE dredged material disposal projects under its civil works authority; rather, it supposedly authorizes its own disposal projects by applying the same substantive and procedural requirements "in lieu of" the permit procedures.

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**5. Is the USACE requesting any funding through this Plan to help them reduce or eliminate open water disposal?**

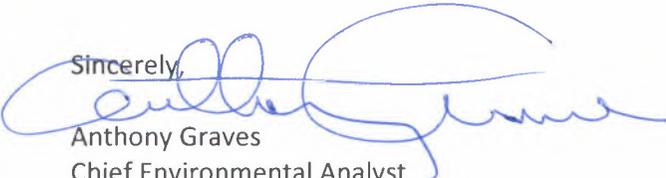
No plan can be realistic if it does not identify costs and potential sources of funding for implementation. It does not appear that this Plan identifies these critical elements for reducing dumping in Long Island Sound. It is stated that if a project exceeds certain criteria then a non-Federal sponsor will need to make up the additional costs. From the plan, "If a beneficial use is selected for a project and that beneficial use happens to be (or be part of) the Federal Base Plan option for the project the costs of that beneficial use are assigned to the navigational purpose of the project. If the project is Federal maintenance dredging then all costs of the Base Plan are Federal. If the project involves improvement dredging the the Base Plan costs are shared with the non-Federal sponsor according to the navigation project depth. Beneficial use project costs exceeding the cost of the Federal Base Plan (Federal Standard) option become either a shared Federal and non-Federal responsibility, or entirely a non-Federal responsibility, depending on the type of beneficial use."

The Town disagrees with the conclusion of the USACE that, with the safeguards of the present testing and evaluation requirements, and continued monitoring of the sites and the Sound, that open water placement of materials deemed suitable for such, is an environmentally acceptable practice.

**Conclusion:**

Much of the Plan appears to be cut and paste from long term dredge planning. We infer this was done to attempt to have a Plan in place prior to the default closing of the eastern Long Island Sound dredge open water dredge disposal site. The Town is requesting additional time to review the Plan. We also ask that the USEPA, the agency charged with protecting our environment, take a strong stance towards requiring substantial improvements to this Draft Plan prior to allowing any additional open water disposal of dredge spoil in the Long Island Sound. At a minimum it is our belief that any Final Plan should include enforceable goals towards substantial reductions in open water disposal of dredge spoil in the Long Island Sound. There should be strong quantitative goals for reduction of open water dumping for each dredging project identified within the Final Plan. There should be an enforceable overall percentage reduction in projected open water disposal, this goal should be for a 50% or greater reduction. Prevention of sedimentation in order to minimize the need for dredging is paramount, the Final Plan should have a quantitative goal of sedimentation reduction for each dredge site. Costs and potential funding mechanisms for substantial (greater than 50%) reduction in open water disposal should be enumerated in the Final Plan.

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**RE: File #0-2015-0025-US Army Corps Dredged Material Management Plan for the**

**Long Island Sound Region**

**August 24, 2015 and August 25, 2015**

CCE is a not-for-profit grassroots environmental organization in New York and Connecticut. For 30 years CCE has been engaged in campaigns to protect our environment and public health. We are active members of the Long Island Sound Study Citizens Advisory Committee and have been engaged in this issue for over 20 years.

The Dredged Material Management Plan took over 10 years and \$7 million to create, yet stakeholders were given 7 days before being asked to attend public hearings and comment on a plan that will drive policy for the next 30 years. We are first requesting that the Army Corp extend the public comment to 120 days and schedule additional public hearings in October. As the Army Corp and EPA will remember, members of the public and stakeholder organizations were very engaged in this issue ten years ago. Many stakeholder organizations have been tracking and waiting for this document to be released. Since it took ten years to produce, why are you limiting stakeholder engagement? A robust, meaningful public engagement and involvement will make for a better, more comprehensive document. In order for meaningful engagement to occur, 120 days are needed, not 45 days where half the allotted time is in August and over Labor Day weekend.

The Army Corps was mandated by NY, CT, and the EPA, to create a blueprint, the DMMP, which phases out open water dumping in the Sound while providing guidance and tools for a robust beneficial re-use program. Instead, this document is a long term plan to continue using our Long Island Sound as the primary waste disposal plan. An estimated 17 million cubic yards of dredged material has already been dumped in LIS. This plan seeks to allow additional 30-50 million cubic yards to be dumped over the next 30 years. The DMMP does not fulfill the mandate set forth in the agreement signed in 2005. The evaluations in the draft DMMP and the accompanying Programmatic EIS, assign value in the decision making process only to the cost of beneficial reuse options and omits any and all value to beneficial re-use as a function in protecting the Long Island Sound. It appears the draft DMMP neglects to assign any value to environmental consequences attributable to open water disposal. In fact, it seems that the document is based on the false premise that open water disposal is environmentally benign. **By emphasizing only the short-term costs instead of long-term solutions, the Army Corps fails to live up to the 2005 agreement. Instead, they developed a plan that turns LIS into a landfill.**

CCE will be submitting detailed comments to the Army Corp. Tonight, we would like to address the following concerns about the draft document.

**1. The DMMP should adopt regulations and disposal guidance similar to Rhode Island that prioritizes environmental impacts over costs.**

The document appears to be prioritizing the *costs* of beneficial reuse as the compelling reason to continuing open water dumping. This was NOT the mandate prescribed in the 2005 agreement. Ten years ago, when NY & CT signed the agreement for the creation of the DMMP, it was clearly stated that the document, “would identify feasible and environmentally sound alternatives and establish future protocols for dredged material management. These alternatives include, but are not limited to, reducing sediment sources, reducing contaminate loading, and developing feasible beneficial reuses for dredged material, with the goal of reducing or eliminating the need for open water disposal.”

Unfortunately, the Draft DMMP only evaluates disposal options using cost calculations that act as if adversely impacting the LI Sound is cost effective and free. The Draft DMMP does not take into account the costs of degradation associated with polluting Long Island Sound. It also does not mention or evaluate the creation of jobs and businesses that would evolve and grow if NY and CT invested in beneficial re-use.

In section 6.1 of the draft DMMP, there is a chart detailing dredge material disposal options for each federal navigation project. The majority of these projects plan on disposing dredged materials in open water dump sites. The chart does list re-use options, but only to demonstrate that they are not cost-effective. In each cost comparison, the Army Corps focuses solely on the direct costs associated with each option instead of exploring the overall costs and benefits of reuse projects. *By failing to consider the potential long-term costs of continued dumping in the Sound, or the long-term benefits of beneficial reuse, the draft plan unfairly dismisses beneficial reuse solutions.*

While marshland creation or beach nourishment may carry a higher initial cost, dumping contaminated materials in the Long Island Sound for the next 30 years comes at much a far higher long-term cost. The Long Island Sound generates between \$17 billion and \$36 billion each year, with millions of people relying on the waterway to support local businesses, tourism, fishing, and recreation. Using dredge material to fortify our beaches, improve coastal resiliency, and restore critical habitat is a far better 30 year investment than open water dumping. The Army Corps itself, in section 6.6 of the draft DMMP says, “continued climate change is expected to increase the demand for using dredged material beneficially, thereby reducing the need for open water placement”. Yet the agency chose to ignore this eventuality and instead focused on short-sighted and disingenuous cost comparisons when evaluating beneficial reuse.

Rhode Island regulations prohibit open water dumping unless it can be proven that dumping will not contribute to water violations or degradation of waters, or unless all other alternatives would be more harmful to the environment. It does not allow cost alone to be the driving factor as, unfortunately, the Draft DMMP does. *This reasonable approach sets up a process that*

*supports and encourages beneficial re-use and uses open water dumping* as a method of last resort. This Draft DMMP fails to meet the mandate of the 2005 agreement and instead is a 30 year plan to continue dumping in the LI Sound.

**2. Although the DMMP was mandated to focus on re-use alternatives, the proposed DMMP lacks a clear focus on reuse alternatives.**

While on the surface, the draft DMMP and draft PEIS seem to evaluate many of these environmentally preferred solutions, including beach nourishment, berm placement, near shore bar nourishment, Brownfield redevelopment, backfilling mines, habitat restoration and marsh creation, as well as alternatives such as confined disposal facilities and upland landfills, these documents fail to adequately and holistically consider these options.

When referring to beneficial reuse options, the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement states, “these sites would not be reasonable, long-term alternatives to open water placement. Although both state and federal agencies are pursuing alternatives to open water placement, the potential areas identified either do not have sufficient long term material placement capacity or are not cost effective...”

This is despite some of the re-use options having capacity for all of the identified dredging needs in the plan. In the Army Corps own analysis, noted in section 5.2, page 5-41 of the PEIS, they note that their re-use options could accept 25 million cubic yards of material—which is 50% of the material that is projected to be dredged in the next 30 years. *Finding re-use options for 50% of the material is a great starting point—not something that should be dismissed.*

Additional, in the EPA’s Final Rule, it clearly states that beneficial re-use options should not be discounted because of higher costs. The Final Rule states, “the final rule recognizes that use of practicable alternative may mean that there will be additional costs (in comparison to open-water disposal). The Final Rule also states that the EPA’s ocean dumping regulations defines “practicable alternative” as an alternative which is,

“available at reasonable cost and energy expenditures, which need not be competitive with the costs of ocean dumping, taking into account the environmental benefits derived from such activity, including the relative adverse environmental impacts associated with the use of alternatives to ocean dumping.”

Unfortunately, this is not the guiding language that the Army Corp used in evaluating beneficial options for dredged material. The Final Rule recognizes that even when dumping dredged material in the Sound may be “acceptable” there may be more preferable environmental alternatives. These should be used, despite additional costs. Instead of a comprehensive Dredged Material Management plan, the Army Corp provides us a LIS Dumping Plan.

It is also noted in the final rule, that “even if a practicable alternative is available for a portion of the dredged material, it must be used for disposal of that portion of the material in order to at least reduce” the use of open water dumping. Meaning, the Army Corp should clearly not discount that re-use options could accept 50% of material dredged.

- a. *The document fails to thoroughly assess viable alternatives to open water dumping, such as mine reclamation.*

This same lack of vision found in the beneficial reuse analysis can also be found when evaluating the other alternatives to this project. One major flaw is the choice to focus only on the Long Island Sound instead of considering a regional approach dredged management approach. For example, when considering mine filling, the draft DMMP mentions the Hazelton Mine in Pennsylvania, a 277 acre abandon mine seeking to receive dredge materials. However, this option is quickly dismissed because it is not in the study area and is estimated to be more expensive due to shipping costs (with no data given to support that claim). Failing to thoroughly consider a beneficial project like this one simply because it is outside the watershed is emblematic of the larger problem with this document. Ten years ago, when NY and CT were engaged in a rigorous discussion of beneficial reuse of dredge materials, the Pennsylvania DEP was advocating to take dredged materials to help with the reclamation of over 3,000 abandoned mines throughout their state. They cannot be the only state who has this need, and yet, no mention of this option is in the plan.

- b. *The document dismisses holistic approaches, such as Confined Disposal Facilities, that have the potential to accommodate all of the proposed dredged material.*

A similar problem arises when discussing Confined Disposal Facilities (CDFs), which are one proven alternative to open water dumping. The Craney Island Dredged Material Management Area in Norfolk, Virginia, which was built in the 1940s, is still held as an example of sustainable dredge material management today. Several of the potential CDF sites mentioned in the draft DMMP have a large enough capacity to “accommodate the entire region’s long-term dredging needs”, such as the New Haven Breakwaters CDF, which has a capacity of over 52 million CY, with others able to accommodate a large percentage of the materials, including the Stratford Point and Penfield Reef CDFs, which can each handle over 33 million CY (Table 4-11). However, these CDFs were not given adequate consideration. The draft DMMP dismisses CDFs because they “require significant public investment to implement” and there would need to be coordination between all levels of government, with long-term site management by a state agency or port authority. However, this document was *meant* to provide guidance to these agencies and create a coordinated plan to implement re-use and other alternatives to open water dumping. Stakeholders, agency officials, and elected officials at the local, state, and federal level have been actively involved in shaping this process and working to end the dredge dumping in the Long Island Sound. *The plan should not discount options due to a “perceived” lack of public interest or initial funds.* The public has already invested millions in Sound restoration measures - that is the investment that we need to be protecting.

In addition, in the Draft PEIS, Table ES-2 identifies General Impacts by Alternative Type and compares them to open water disposal. Confined Nearshore Placement of Dredged Material (placement in CAD cells) was consistently identified as increasing turbidity and contaminant concentrations potentially leading to intermittent, localized, short term changes in water quality.

Page ES-10 indicates CAD cells and CDFs would destroy and/or bury bottom-dwelling resources living within the footprint. However, these assessments were NOT associated with open water disposal. The document seems to dismiss ecological impacts associated with open water disposal but hold the same impacts in high regard when associated with beneficial reuse.

**3. Under the “No Action Alternative”, within the PEIS, the Army Corp appears to have grossly overestimates the costs of eliminating open water disposal.**

The PEIS claims that if open water dumping is terminated, then the Long Island Sound region would experience losses in the Gross State Product of \$853 million over 20 years. The document goes on to say thousands of jobs would be lost and millions in tax revenue would be lost. CCE is calling on the Army Corp and the EPA to release an independent report that validates these numbers or remove the erroneous numbers from the document. *Fear mongering does not belong in science documents.*

**4. The DMMP and the PEIS fail to evaluate the increase in potential harmful pollutants such as Nitrogen and Phosphorus from dumping dredged material.**

The Long Island Sound Study created a TMDL for Nitrogen, mandating a 58.5% reduction in nitrogen entering the Sound. This spurred the investment of millions of dollars to upgrade sewage treatment plants discharging into the Sound. Despite the progress, more reductions in Nitrogen are needed, and new science is questioning whether reductions in Phosphorus are needed as well.

In section 4.6 of the PEIS, USACE acknowledges the role that excess nitrogen plays in the deterioration of LIS water quality and the growth of Harmful Algal Blooms that lead to hypoxia. However, the document fails to articulate how much nitrogen is added to the Sound based on their disposal plan of 30-50 million cubic yards of dredged material.

It is understood that dredged materials often contain varying amounts of organic plant matter, which are a significant contributor to nitrogen loading in marine environments. Laboratory studies using sampling data from more than 20 marine testing sites across the U.S. (including Norwalk, Bridgeport and Stamford, CT) show that nitrogen content from dredged sediments can range from approximately 200 to 4,000 mgN/kg, with a mean nitrogen concentration of about 1,550 mgN/kg. These quantities are sufficient to stimulate the growth of excessive amounts of algae and other aquatic plants if they were released in available forms during dredging and disposal (Jones & Lee, 1981)<sup>1</sup>.

*Studies show that dumping of dredged material increased the release of Nitrogen and Phosphorus into the waterway.* A 1.5 million cubic yard dredging project in Baltimore Harbor, which is slated for disposal at a cove south of the downtown, is estimated to have the potential to put more than 200,000 lbs of nitrogen back into the water annually. Due to this increase in

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<sup>1</sup> Jones, R.A., and Lee, G.F., “The Significance of Dredging and Dredged Material Disposal as a Source of Nitrogen and Phosphorus for Estuarine Waters,” p. 517-530 (1981)

Nitrogen, to an already impaired waterway, state regulators are mandated to offset that Nitrogen<sup>2</sup>.

Currently, New York State DEC is engaged in crafting a Nitrogen Action Plan for all Long Island Estuaries including Long Island Sound. The objective is to obtain a science based document that sets nitrogen standards for our waterways in order to ensure the recovery and sustainability of healthy ecosystems. Nitrogen has been deemed the “number one enemy” of our of poor water quality on Long Island. How will the disposal of dredge material into LIS add to the N loading? The document fails to review any and all benthic flux conditions that may occur from dredging river bottoms that are loaded with decaying matter into the LI Sound. The document needs to assess the nitrogen and phosphorus loading of the dredged material dumping into Long Island Sound.

**5. The draft PEIS is deficient in quantifying the effects from open water dumping will have on the LIS water quality, bottomlands, marine species and aquatic ecosystem.**

The PEIS ignores the guidance provided by NYS Department of State in their June 3, 2004 **Objection to Consistency Determination** ruling which, on page 7, requests the EPA analyze a range of parameters that would be affected by disposal activities including:

- Chemical parameters such as dissolved oxygen (which will be reduced in the water column during dumping activities), carbon dioxide, acidity, dissolved solids, nutrients, organics and pollutants such as heavy metals, toxics and hazardous materials (which will be released in the water column and will be present after dumping is completed.)
- The EPA must consider and evaluate the impacts from different dredging projects. Documentation on sediments from the Thames River, CT is relevant and compelling. Contaminants in this river can bioaccumulate and have far reaching consequences. Sediments in the river contain varying concentration of metals, poly-cyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH), pesticides, PCBs and other chemicals above naturally-occurring background levels.

As we are aware, LI Sound has historically had a diverse, robust marine fisheries industry. However, the last two decades have seen a dramatic decline in several of the Sound’s key species including lobster and winter flounder. The Western LI Sound has experience the greatest decline of marine life and oxygen. It is not yet determined why this is happening, so the additive impacts of dumping dredged materials cannot be simply dismissed for convenience.

Section 4.5 Sediment/Soil Quality, Contaminants and Bioaccumulation, discusses sediment quality and suitability is determined based on the level of contamination and ability to support good ecological functions. However, there does not appear to be a cumulative analysis of ecological impacts associated with dredge materials dumped in the Sound. It is imperative that

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<sup>2</sup> The Baltimore Sun, November 26, 2010 “State Pledges to limit Pollution from Dredging”

EPA provide an assessment of cumulative effects of dumping that also assess inputs from all sources into the LI sound. **Without a cumulative analysis the assessment to maintain good ecological functions is without merit.**

- 6. According to the PEIS, contaminants within and around the disposal sites are already found, including elevated PCB's in fish and elevated copper in lobsters. The Army Corps fails to address how dumping 30-50 million cubic yards of additional sediment will not add to the contamination.**

EPA, NOAA, and USGS have tested in vicinity of the four current open water dumping sites for contaminants. "Contaminants analyzed included metals, PCB congeners, PAHs, chlorinated pesticides, butyltins, dioxin/furans, radionuclides, and lipids in the tissue from fish, lobsters, worms, and clams, representing organisms that either live in close association with the sediments or are likely to accumulate elevated tissue levels of these contaminants." Aquatic life exposed to the sediments near the dump sites tested positive for many of these contaminants, with tissue from bluefish, striped bass, winter flounder, and scup containing high levels of PCBs and heavy metals, even compared to similar sediments throughout the Sound.

The draft PEIS also notes that, "At the active WLDS, CLDS, and NLDS placement areas, the metals silver, copper, cadmium, mercury, and lead were elevated". These elevated levels are very disconcerting. The Army Corp does not present a plan to reduce contaminants already found at disposal sites, nor are there plans to ensure that additional dumping will not add to the contaminants. These heavy metals bioaccumulate and become more harmful in some species over time. In fact, the draft PEIS seems to suggest that contamination at low levels is an acceptable consequence of dredge dumping.

Millions of dollars has been spent on restoring the Sound's water and reducing contaminants, it is atrocious to read a plan that will knowingly increase contamination into the Sound's waters.

- 7. CCE severely questions the characterization of the New London Disposal Site as a non-dispersive site, when the Cornfield Shoals Disposal Site is listed as a dispersive site.**

The proposed plan states, "open water placement sites are characterized as either being non-dispersive or dispersive, depending on the physical dynamics present at the location (currents, waves, etc) and the intended purpose of the site." Apparently, the plan claims that material at non-dispersive sites is intended to remain at the site where placed and will form mounds that assist in containing any contaminants. However, at dispersive sites, material "may be" dispersed either during placement or transported from the site over time by currents or waves.

The plan claims that the New London Disposal Site is a non-dispersive site, yet the Cornfield Shoals Disposal Site is a dispersive site. *CCE questions the analysis of the New London site, with its close proximity to the RACE, which has fast moving currents and the Cornfield shoals site, which is a dispersive site.*

**8. Cornfield Shoals is identified as a “dispersive site”**

Cornfield Shoals is identified as a dispersive site, however, the draft DMMP recommends no additional precautions or mitigation for open water disposal at this site. The proposed plan lists 11 federal dredging projects with the proposed preferred “least cost environmentally acceptable” disposal as the Cornfield Shoals Site. The 11 projects could total an additional 2,295,600 cubic yards of material to a site that already has had 1.3 million cubic yards of material dumped. *This site is identified by the Corps as a dispersive site because material is known to move during or after placement.* Dredged Materials can contain heavy metals, pesticides, and other toxic contaminants and should not be disposed of in places where material is known to be readily transported, contaminating other areas of the Sound. It is unclear why the designation even exists if no differentiating safety criteria are mandated. The plan acts as if dispersal should simply be accepted and not mitigated or better yet, avoided altogether.

**9. The draft DMMP and PEIS fail to meet an additional mandate set by EPA, NY, and CT which is to identify ways to reduce overall dredging needs.**

In the letter signed by the Governors of NY & CT it states, “Alternatives should include, but are not limited to, reducing sediment sources, reducing contaminate loading...” Nowhere in the document does the Army Corp discuss ways to reduce sediment loading and contaminates in our rivers, harbors, and bays. This should have been included in a comprehensive plan that focused on phasing out open water dumping of dredged material.

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**CONCORD, Mass.** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers released for public review and comment the Long Island Sound Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) on Monday, August 17, 2015. The DMMP and PEIS are available for review on the Corps website at: [www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/ProjectsTopics/LongIslandSoundDMMP.aspx](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/ProjectsTopics/LongIslandSoundDMMP.aspx).

The public comment period will run through Oct. 16, 2015, with public hearings August 24-27 and September 16-17, 2015.

The first two public hearings will be held in New York: on Monday, Aug. 24, 2015 in the Village Center at Port Jefferson at 101-A East Broadway in Port Jefferson, NY; and on Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015 at the Marriott Long Island at 101 James Doolittle Blvd. in Uniondale, NY. Two subsequent public hearings will be held in Connecticut: on Wednesday, Aug. 26, 2015 at the University of Connecticut-Stamford at 1 University Place in Stamford, CT; and on Thursday, Aug. 27, 2015 at the Holiday Inn-New London at 35 Governor Winthrop Blvd. in New London, CT. Hearings at all locations will begin at 6 p.m. with registration at 5:30 p.m.

In order to provide the public added opportunity to comment, locations for two additional hearings on Wednesday, Sept. 16 and Thursday Sept. 17, 2015, one in New York and one in Connecticut, will be announced as details are finalized.

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We encourage interested members of the public to review the draft documents online, so that they can better understand the processes and history involved in dredged material placement. Many are unaware that dredged material removed from Federal or private projects is subjected to rigorous physical, chemical and biological testing that not only tests the dredged material, but also the proposed placement site as well as a "reference

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site”, to ensure that the material is environmentally acceptable. These tests include very conservative risk assessments that must be passed before the dredged material is classified as suitable for ocean placement, and independently reviewed and assessed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The public should also be aware that on average, there has been a 35-percent reduction in the amount of dredged material deposited at Long Island Sound ocean placement sites between 2006 and 2014 when compared to those sites between 1984 and 2004. This is due in large part to New York and Connecticut's efforts to beneficially use sandy dredged material for coastal resiliency projects. Beneficial use is always a preferred option for Corps dredging projects when sandy dredged material is available.

For those who cannot attend the public hearings, written comments may be submitted to the Corps. Public comments on the Draft DMMP and Draft PEIS should be forwarded no later than October 16, 2015 to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, (ATTN: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn), 696 Virginia Road, Concord, MA 01742-2751.

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The Honorable Lee M. Zeldin  
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Zeldin:

I am writing in response to your letter dated August 10, 2015, which was received on August 20, 2015, relating to the Long Island Sound Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS). The DMMP and PEIS were released for public review on August 17, 2015. We issued a public notice (enclosed) on July 24, 2015, that announced four public hearings (two in New York and two in Connecticut), to be held the week of August 24, 2015. Another public notice (enclosed) was issued on August 14, 2015 that extended the public review period to October 5, 2015. We are also in the process of issuing an additional public notice to further extend the public review period to October 16, 2015.

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We have identified a public review period that we believe is more than adequate for public review, affording the public adequate time to provide meaningful comments and input. The LIS Project team, consisting of representatives of the New York Department of State, New York Department of Environmental Conservation, Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Connecticut Department of Transportation, Rhode Island Coastal Management Resource Council,

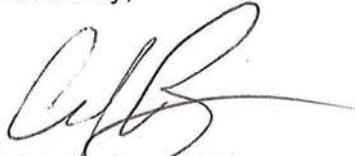
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US Environmental Protection Agency (both Regions 1 & 2), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the Corps of Engineers (both New York and New England Districts) have established a firm completion date on when the DMMP and LIS must be completed. These agencies and non-governmental organizations and interests, including regional environmental organizations, were also part of a Technical Working Group established for this study which aided in the development of the evaluation process used for the DMMP. Further extension of the review period we believe is not warranted.

We look forward to receiving the public's input during the six public hearings and via written comments submitted during the public review period.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Ms. Meghan Quinn, Project Manager, at (978) 318-8179, or Mr. Michael Keegan, Civil/IIS Project Management Branch Chief, at (978) 318-8087.

Sincerely,



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Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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August 20, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
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Dear Ms. Quinn:

I am writing to express my strong objections in the matter of the United States Army Corps of Engineers' continued utilization of the Long Island Sound for open-water disposal of dredged materials. The use of our waters for dredge soil disposal affects millions of Long Island residents in regard to recreation, industry, and fishing. Four dumping sites exist in the Long Island Sound, a small body of water in comparison to the Atlantic Ocean, which has a total of six sites in locations from Maine to Virginia. Our sound should not continue to be utilized as a means to discharge soil from sites that are potentially contaminated with toxins.

Please realize the importance and value this beautiful, natural resource has for not only Long Island, but Connecticut, as well. Our collective goals should focus on protecting the surrounding waters for our use, enjoyment and for the preservation of marine ecosystems.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I look forward to hearing from you to discuss my concerns.

Sincerely,

Jodi Giglio  
Councilwoman

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# *Town of Huntington*

## *Long Island, New York*

**FRANK P. PETRONE**  
*Supervisor*

August 18, 2015

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Dear Ms. Quinn:

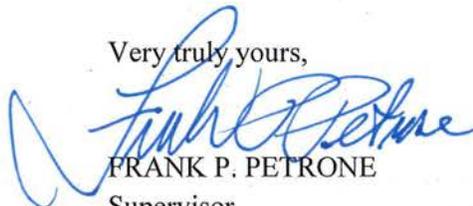
The Town of Huntington respectfully requests that the Army Corp of Engineers extend the comment period for the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (DPEIS) for Long Island Sound (LIS) to 120 days, a 90-day addition to the scheduled comment period.

The DMMP and DPEIS released this week address the vital issue of the long-term options for disposal dredged materials in this region. Its planning considerations will impact proposed dredging projects and by extension the water quality in Long Island Sound for the next two decades if and when the Dredged Material Management Plan is adopted. The Town of Huntington and other interested parties intend to review the documents, which run to 1,000 pages in length, and submit written comments. The Town believes that the comment period for a draft Plan of this magnitude needs to be long enough to permit thoughtful review, analysis and commentary.

I wish to join my colleagues in elective office at the Federal, State, County and Local levels, as well environmental advocacy groups like Citizens Campaign for the Environment, who are calling for the Army Corps of Engineers to extend the comment period and thus help facilitate a comprehensive and meaningful review.

On behalf of the Town of Huntington, I thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,



FRANK P. PETRONE  
Supervisor

FPP/mlr

cc: U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand  
Adrienne Esposito, Executive Director, CCE

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**Subject:** RE: LIS draft DMMP/PEIS available for public review  
**Date:** Monday, August 17, 2015 10:01:19 AM

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Please note that there is a typo in the email below. The public hearings are scheduled the week of 24 August at the time, date and locations identified in the Public Notice that accompanied the email.

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Subject: LIS draft DMMP/PEIS available for public review

To the LIS DMMP Steering Committee, the LIS DMMP PDT and the LIS DMMP Technical Working Group,  
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The draft DMMP and PEIS documents have been posted to our NAE web site (link below) and are ready for public review.

<http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/ProjectsTopics/LongIslandSoundDMMP.aspx>

Additionally, please see the attached public notice we released on Friday (August 14th, 2015) that extends the public comment period to October 5, 2015.

You are all welcome to submit written comments to the address shown on the public notice through October 5, 2015.

Also please note that 4 public hearings are scheduled the week of 24 October 2015. The purpose of the hearings is to for the Project Team to provide background information on the LIS DMMP/PEIS, information on how the screening of alternatives was performed; information on the alternative formulation process and to solicit the public's comments and input. The project team feels that the presentations that will be given at the public hearings will assist reviewers in understanding the process that was used which should help them as they review the Draft DMMP and Draft PEIS. Although public comments can be made at the hearings, the public also can submit additional written comments through October 5, 2015. Information on the date, time and location of the public hearings is shown on the attached Public Notice.

Thank you,

Meghan Quinn, P.E.

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

**Date: August 14, 2015**

**Comment Period Ends: October 5, 2015**

**File Number: NAE-2015**

**In Reply Refer To: Meghan Quinn**

**Or by e-mail: [Meghan.C.Quinn@usace.army.mil](mailto:Meghan.C.Quinn@usace.army.mil)**

On August 17, 2015 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will release, for public review, a Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) and Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for Long Island Sound that was requested by the Governors of Connecticut and New York, in their letter of February 8, 2005 to the Chief of Engineers. The need for a DMMP was also identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) June 3, 2005 Rule that designated two of the Sound's historic open-water dredged material placement sites, the Central Long Island Sound and Western Long Island Sound Sites for continued use.

A Public Notice, dated July 23, 2015, indicated that the draft DMMP and Draft PEIS review period would be 30 days and close on September 18, 2015. USACE has extended the review period to run through October 5, 2015.

Mail your comments so that they will be received in Concord, MA on or before October 5, 2015.

Address written comments to:

Meghan Quinn  
LIS DMMP/PEIS Project Manager  
Corps of Engineers, New England District  
696 Virginia Road  
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In addition to, or in lieu of, sending written comments, you are invited to attend one of our public hearings. Several presentations will be made at the public hearings that will assist document reviewers in understanding the process that was used in formulating and screening various management alternatives. The public hearings dates and locations are:

**Monday - August 24, 2015**  
Village Center at Port Jefferson  
101-A East Broadway  
Port Jefferson, NY 11777

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.  
Hearing to begin at 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday - August 25, 2015**  
Marriot Long Island  
101 James Doolittle Blvd  
Uniondale, NY 11553

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.  
Hearing to begin at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday - **August 26, 2015**  
University of Connecticut, Stamford  
1 University Place,  
Stamford, CT 06901

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.  
Hearing to begin at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday - **August 27, 2015**  
Holiday Inn New London  
35 Governor Winthrop Blvd  
New London, CT 06320

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.  
Hearing to begin at 6:00 p.m.

All interested federal, state and local agencies, interested private and public organizations, and individuals are invited to attend. Persons wishing to provide oral comments are asked to register prior to the start of the hearing. Transcripts of the meetings will be prepared. The hearing procedures are available upon request. After these comments are reviewed, any significant new issues are investigated, and any necessary modifications are made, a Final DMMP/PEIS will be published and distributed. The Final DMMP/PEIS will contain the Corps responses to comments received on the Draft PEIS.

The draft DMMP and PEIS are available on our web site at:  
<http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/ProjectsTopics/LongIslandSoundDMMP.aspx>

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For: \_\_\_\_\_

Christopher J. Barron  
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August 13, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
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Dear Ms. Quinn:

As a representative of the First Senatorial District, I am writing in opposition to the United States Army Corps of Engineers' and the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (US EPA) long-term plan to continue to use the Long Island Sound for the open water disposal of dredge spoil.

The Long Island Sound is an estuary of national significance and is a vital resource for fishing, recreation, and commerce. The water quality of the Long Island Sound has been under threat for decades by inappropriate land use, overdevelopment, pollution caused by the introduction of toxic substances, pathogen contamination, and hypoxia.

Throughout my tenure, I have worked to put in place policies and programs to protect this vitally important resource. To dump dredge spoil from potentially contaminated sites would do irreparable harm to the Sound. There have been numerous studies that collectively demonstrate pollution, overfishing, and contaminated dredge material disposal have eroded the health of the Long Island Sound over time, thereby reducing its resilience capacity to deal with additional ecological stressors.



I am also disappointed by the US Army Corps of Engineers' failure to adequately notify the public and other interested parties regarding the pending hearings for the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) and the Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) as local input should be a part of any plan moving forward.

The DMMP was first requested by the governors of New York and Connecticut in July 2005. A plan of such environmental importance deserves to be scrutinized by stakeholders and adequate time should be allowed. The 32 day public comment period, which ends on September 18, 2015, should be extended to give stakeholders ample time to read the documents, consider the findings, and respond appropriately.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth P. LaValle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "K".

Kenneth P. LaValle  
New York State Senator

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**Re: Request for 120-day Comment Period Extension for the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan & Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound**

Dear Ms. Quinn:

On behalf of Group for the East End, please accept the following comments and recommendations regarding the comment period and public hearing schedule for the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) & Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Long Island Sound.

For the record, the Group was founded in 1972, and represents the conservation and community planning interests of several thousand member households, businesses and individuals from all across the East End of Long Island. Our members rely on and utilize Long Island Sound for a variety of interests.

Please consider the following:

- Extend the comment period for the DMMP and DEIS to 120 days. The proposed 30-day comment period is severely deficient and cannot allow the proper review and consideration by interested parties and the public alike. The proposed documents contain plans that will have ramifications for the next 20 years and beyond. Given the serious nature of the document's content, it is critical that there be adequate time for proper review.
- Reschedule Public Hearings or Add Additional Public Hearings. The proposed document is set to be released a mere seven and ten days prior to the scheduled public hearings set for August 24<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Seven to ten days does not provide enough time to review information that is contained in a 1,000-page + plan. Public participation is key to a meaningful planning process. If the public hearings cannot be re-scheduled, please provide additional hearings in October. This will provide a sufficient amount of time for constructive public feedback and participation.

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Thank you for taking the time to consider these requests. Please feel free to contact me should you have any comments or questions. I can be reached at (631) 765-6450 ext. 213 or at [bdeluce@eastendenvironment.org](mailto:bdeluce@eastendenvironment.org).

Sincerely,



Robert S. DeLuca  
President

Cc: Senator Charles Schumer  
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**Congressman Lee M. Zeldin**  
**First Congressional District of New York**

August 10, 2015

Meghan Quinn  
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Dear Ms. Quinn,

I am writing to respectfully request that you reconsider the public comment period for the Dredged Material Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound. Currently the public comment period is only 30 days. I feel that this is much too short a period for documents which have been years in the making and will have an impact on our area for decades to come. Specifically, I request that the public comment period be extended to 120 days to better facilitate public participation.

The current 30 day period does not allow for the public to adequately review and understand the documents before them. They are hundreds of pages long and require considerable effort to properly understand. This cannot be reasonably expected from the public in only 30 days during the tourist high season of late August and early September. The public hearings available on the issue are also a concern for me. They are currently scheduled for 7 to 10 days after the release of the documents. This again is not enough time for the public to adequately review the documents and provide substantive feedback at the hearings, particularly when an Army Corps of Engineers representative mentioned during our congressional briefing on the matter that it took him a week to review the documents. It will obviously take more time for a member of the public who is not already well-versed in the specificities which the document addresses. This problem can easily be rectified by scheduling additional hearings in October to supplement the August hearings.

Once again, I would like to emphasize how important this issue is to my district. I want to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to review and provide substantive feedback on the comprehensive plans that are being presented to us. Therefore, I again request that the comment period be extended to 120 days.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Zeldin".

Lee M. Zeldin  
Member of Congress

CC:

Rep. Bill Shuster, Chairman House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure  
Rep. Bob Gibbs, Chairman House Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment



10 August, 2015

Ms. Meghan Quinn  
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RE: Draft Dredged Material Management Plan for Long Island Sound & Draft EIS -  
Request for Extension of Public Comment Period and Postponement of Hearing Dates

Dear Ms. Quinn:

I write today to request that the comment period and hearing dates for the Draft Management Plan for Dredged Materials and attendant Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement be extended for at least 120 days.

The current schedule for public hearings - starting on August 27, 7 days after the projected release date of a 1,000 page document which has been 10 years in the making - does not allow adequate time for those concerned to review the content and formulate their comments.

Friends of the Bay is a citizen advocacy organization, and an active member of the Citizens Advisory Committee of the Long Island Sound Study.

I hold the office of Vice Chairman of the Oyster Bay / Cold Spring Harbor Protection Committee, whose membership is composed of the 18 city, town, village and county governments whose jurisdictions are within the watershed of this estuary. I expect that most or all of these local government bodies, who share responsibility for these waters, will feel similarly that more time is needed to review this plan.

Maintaining water quality in our surface waters is a serious responsibility for all levels of government. Surely it is worth waiting two additional months to ensure that a policy that will constrain our actions decades into the future has the benefit of input from all stakeholders.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Paul DeOrsay  
Executive Director



cc:

Lawrence Schmidlapp, Mayor, Village of Centre Island  
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August 10, 2015

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**RE: Request for extension of comment period to 120 days for the Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound and to reschedule public hearing dates**

Dear Ms. Quinn:

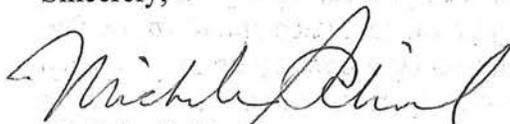
I represent the environmentally pro-active 16<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, and I am also a member of the New York State Assembly Environmental Conservation Committee. I write to respectfully request the public comment period Draft Dredged Material Management Plan and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Long Island Sound be extended from 30 days to 120 days and have the public hearings moved to October. I have been working closely with environmental advocacy groups, Citizens Campaign for the Environment, and the Manhasset Bay Protection Committee on this issue.

With the release date of these documents being August 17<sup>th</sup> and public hearings being held a week later, the comment period is simply inadequate. This plan took a decade to prepare and is expected to be about 1,000 pages long. How can we expect the public to make substantive comments on these documents with mere days to review them?

The safe navigation and disposal of dredged material is very important to my district and Long Island. Extending the comment period to 120 days will be a more reasonable time frame to allow sufficient public participation in the review process of this vital plan.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

  
Michelle Schimel  
Member of Assembly

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