

# Incorporated Village of Westhampton Beach

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August 4, 2021

Lisa Kombrink, Esq.  
Town of Southampton  
Community Preservation Department  
24 W. Montauk Highway  
Hampton Bays, New York 11946

Re: Community Preservation Fund  
Water Quality Improvement Project Plan Fund (WQIPP)  
Westhampton Beach Stormwater Improvement Project

Dear Ms. Kombrink:

I am providing the following information in response to a request by Jacqueline Fenlon on behalf of the Water Quality Advisory Committee:

**1. Is the cost of remediation included in the amount requested by the Village in the grant application?**

The cost for potential remediation and/or treatment of contaminated soils and groundwater was not reflected in the amount requested by the Village in its 2021 WQIPP grant application.

**2. Describe the below grade degree of disturbance.**

The total area to be excavated for drainage improvements is approximately 1,860 cubic yards of soil for roughly 800 linear feet of drainpipe, 15 catch basins, 4 leaching pools and 68 leaching galleys.

**3. If remediation is necessary, what do you expect the cost range to be?**

The unit price in the bid for contaminated fill removal is \$150 per cubic yard. It is not known at this time the amount of soil that would have to be excavated and treated, if any. Under a worst-case scenario, this would equate to \$279,000 for removal and an additional \$93,000 for import of clean fill at \$50 per cubic yard. Therefore, if the entirety of the excavated area consisted of contaminated soil, the additional cost to the Village would be approximately \$372,000.

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Additionally, dewatering will be required for the installation of the drainage system in the Parlato Parking lot. As part of the dewatering permit application, samples need to be submitted to NYSDEC and if any contaminants are found, treatment will be required prior to discharge of any water. Groundwater treatment will vary depending on the contaminant. One of the contaminants identified by the DEC as of December 2020 is PFAS since it has previously been identified in wells north of the project site at Gabreski Airport. It has not been determined whether the DEC would require below detection limit for discharge, but if that standard is required, the costs of removing PFAS from groundwater to below the detection limit would be approximately \$150,000 per month. It is anticipated that drainage work will require approximately 1-month of dewatering resulting in a potential \$150,000 cost for groundwater treatment.

In total, contamination in the soil or groundwater could result in upwards of \$522,000 in additional costs to the Village if encountered. At this time, it is not known if any contaminants are present in the soil or groundwater within the project area. These costs are further dependent on the type of contaminants as well as the concentration of contaminants.

Should contamination be identified at the project site, the Village may submit a request for supplemental funds to address same.

Please let me know if you require any additional information. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Maria L. Moore, Mayor  
Village of Westhampton Beach

Cc: Jacqueline Fenlon