



SPRING CREEK PARK, NY

Ecosystem Restoration Project

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DESCRIPTION

The proposed ecosystem restoration project seeks to improve the habitat in Spring Creek Park, located in northern Jamaica Bay, and bounding the counties of Kings and Queens. The construction, maintenance, and improvement of the network of channels in Jamaica Bay required the dredging of millions of cubic yards of material. Most of this material was deposited in nearby wetland areas, profoundly degrading the salt marsh community at Spring Creek. The proposed project would restore 37 acres of habitat, 17 acres of inter-tidal salt marsh, and 20 acres of coastal grassland and maritime shrubland combined.

AUTHORIZATION

Section 1135(b) of WRDA 1986, as amended [33 U.S.C. 2309(a)]

STATUS

A preliminary restoration plan documenting federal interest was completed and approved. The feasibility study, including development of an Environmental Restoration Plan (ERP), HTRW sampling, and engineering and cultural review, was initiated. After several years of inactivity, this Feasibility study is being finalized in 2012. This project is expected to be constructed in partnership with the City of New York Department of Parks and Recreation, similarly to the Gerritsen Creek Ecosystem Restoration in Marine Park, NY.

STUDY COST

Estimated Federal	\$1,035,450
Estimated Non-Federal	<u>0</u>
Total	\$1,035,450

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