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New York District

Moriches Inlet, NY

Federal Navigation Channel Maintenance and Stewardship

FACT SHEET

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DESCRIPTION: Basic environmental coordination will be performed. The inlet is being maintenance dredged during November 2008 to January 2009 by the Suffolk County Department of Public Works (SCDPW).

AUTHORIZATION/PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Moriches Inlet Project was authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1960 and the 1985 Supplemental Appropriation Act. The existing Moriches Inlet Federal Navigation Project provides for a channel, 10 ft. deep, 200 ft. wide, extending from that depth in the Atlantic Ocean to Moriches Bay, at a length of approximately 0.8 mile, and a channel, 6 ft. deep, 100 ft. wide, to the Long Island Intracoastal Waterway, length approximately 1.1 miles. In addition, the project includes a deposition area at the entrance of the channel, 14 feet deep plus 2 feet overdepth, 350 feet wide, and 3,000 feet in length.

STATUS: Maintenance dredging is occurring this winter. Approximately 460,000 CY of material will be removed and placed at Cupsogue Beach, Smith Point and other areas.

Maintenance dredging of the inlet was last performed in February 2004 using Federal/non-federal cost-share funds. Approximately 250,250 cubic yards of material were removed from the channel and deposition basin and placed along the shoreline west of jetty.

Engineering and design will continue on the project. A condition survey of the Inlet was performed in the March of 2008 and is located on the webpage below.

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