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NORTHPORT HARBOR Town of Huntington, New York

Ecosystem Restoration Project

FACT SHEET

DESCRIPTION: This ecosystem restoration project seeks to restore a salt marsh at the southern end of Northport Bay within the Town of Huntington New York. The salt marsh was used as a placement site for dredged material when Northport Harbor was dredged in 1963. The plan aims to restore the site to a productive tidal marshland by removing dredged material and contouring the land to maximize the productive vegetation in the area. Another objective would be to eliminate *Phragmites*, an invasive plant, from the project site.

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

STATUS: Based on the initial screening of the alternatives proposed and through consultations with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), the proposed solution appears to be the creation of a tidal estuary. The final plan will be selected after the Incremental Cost Analysis (ICA) has been completed. The ICA is scheduled to be completed by the Spring of 2004. Other tasks have been put on hold this fiscal year due to reduced funding levels in the Section 1135 program. If funds are made available in fiscal year 2005, the report may be completed by May 2005.

PROJECT COST:

Estimated Federal Study Cost	\$470,000
Estimated Non-Federal Study Cost	<u>0</u>
Total Study Cost:	\$470,000

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