

**IMPACT ON AGRICULTURAL LAND RESOURCES**

10. Will the Proposed Action affect agricultural land resources? \_\_\_ Yes X No. Division activities will not limit or interfere with the use of agricultural land (see page 14 of the Plan). Mosquito control can benefit the equine industry by reducing transmission of WNV, which has a high equine fatality rate.

<b>IMPACT ON AGRICULTURAL LAND RESOURCES</b> (Examples that would apply to Column 2)	<b>1</b> Small to Moderate Impact	<b>2</b> Potential Large Impact	<b>3</b> Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
The Proposed Action would sever, cross through, or limit access to a field of agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc.			

IMPACT ON AGRICULTURAL LAND RESOURCES (cont.)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
Construction activity would excavate or compact the soil profile of agricultural land.			
The Proposed Action would irreversibly convert more than 10 acres of agricultural land or, if located in an Agricultural District, more than one acre of agricultural land.			
The Proposed Action would disrupt agricultural land management systems (e.g., subsurface drain lines, outlet ditches, strip cropping); prevent agricultural land management measures from being installed; or create a need for such measures (e.g., cause a farm field to drain poorly due to increased runoff)			
Prime or unique farmland as defined by USDA-SCS 7 CFR Part 657 and governed by the Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981 is involved.			
Please list other impacts:			

**IMPACT ON AESTHETIC RESOURCES OR COMMUNITY CHARACTER**

11. Will proposed action affect aesthetic resources, or the character of the neighborhood or community? \_\_\_ Yes X No

IMPACT ON AESTHETIC RESOURCES OR COMMUNITY CHARACTER (Examples that would apply to column 2) (If Necessary Use the Visual EAF Addendum in Section 617.23)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
Introduction of proposed land uses, projects or project components obviously different or in sharp contrast to current surrounding land use patterns or existing man-made additions to the landscape.			
Introduction of proposed land uses, projects or project components as described in the above example that will be visible to users of aesthetic resources. This will eliminate or significantly reduce the public enjoyment or appreciation of the appearance or aesthetic qualities of a resource or community character.			
Introduction of project components that will result in the elimination or significant screening of scenic views known to be important to the area.			
Please list other impacts: Mosquito control has a positive impact on the community by reducing infestations that can interfere with outdoor activities or transmit disease.	X		Positive impact.

**IMPACT ON HISTORIC AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

12. Will Proposed Action impact any site or structure of historic, prehistoric or paleontological importance? \_\_\_ Yes X No

IMPACT ON HISTORIC AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES (Examples that would apply to column 2)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change

			(Enter Yes or No)
Proposed Action occurring wholly or partially within or contiguous to any facility or site listed or eligible for listing on the State or National Register of historic places.			
Any impact to an archeological site or fossil bed located within the project site.			
Proposed Action will occur in an area designated as sensitive for archeological sites on the NSY Site Inventory.			
Please list other impacts:			

### 13. IMPACT ON OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION

Will Proposed Action affect the quantity or quality of existing or future open spaces or recreational opportunities?

Yes  No

IMPACT ON OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION (Examples that would apply to column 2)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
The permanent foreclosure of a future recreational opportunity.			
A major reduction of an open space important to the community.			
Please list other impacts: Mosquito control has a positive impact on open space and recreation by reducing infestations that can interfere with outdoor activities or transmit disease. Occupied recreational areas are not treated.	X		Positive impact.

### 14. IMPACT ON CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS

Will Proposed Action impact the exceptional or unique characteristics of a critical environmental area (CEA) established pursuant to subdivision 6 NYCRR 617.14(g)?

Yes  No

List the environmental characteristics that caused the designation of the CEA: Protection of groundwater, habitat protection, fish and wildlife resources.

Work would occur, only if needed and after regulatory approvals, in CEA's as described in the following table:

Name of Critical Environmental Area (CEA)	Larvicide	Adulticide	Maintenance Water Management	Open Marsh Water Management
<b>Town of Babylon:</b>				
Ketcham's Creek FWW	X		X	
Santapogue Creek TWL	X		X	
Santapogue Creek FWW	X		X	
Wheatley Heights FWW	X		X	
Carlls River FWW	X		X	
Mud Creek Tributary FWW	X		X	
Remnant of Tributary of Carlls River	X		X	
Sumpwams Creek	X		X	
<b>Town of Brookhaven:</b>				
Brookhaven Route 25A corridor	X	Uplands	X	

		Only		
Brookhaven Coastal Zone Area South	X	Uplands Only	X	Contains areas to be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
<b>Town of East Hampton:</b>				
East Hampton Water Recharge Overlay District	X	Uplands Only	X	
<b>Town of Huntington:</b>				
Lloyd Harbor Tidal Wetlands	X		X	To be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
<b>Town of Southampton:</b>				
Quogue Village Tidal Wetland	X		X	To be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
Southampton Aquifer Protection Overlay District	X	Uplands Only	X	
<b>Town of Southold:</b>				
Cutchogue Harbor Wetlands	X		X	To be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
Dam Pond	X		X	To be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
Downs Creek	X		X	
West Creek	X		X	
Richmond Creek and Beach	X		X	
Brushs Creek	X		X	
Cedar Beach Creek	X		X	To be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
Corey Creek	X		X	
Deep Hole Creek	X		X	
Goldsmith's Inlet	X		X	
Halls Creek	X		X	
Goose Creek	X		X	
Little Creek	X		X	
Mill Creek (Arshamomaque)	X		X	
Pipes Cove Creek	X		X	To be evaluated in the

				Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
<b>Lands Contemplated for Acquisition by the County:</b>				
Crab Meadow Addition - Huntington	X		X	
Little Plains - Huntington	X		X	
Carls River - Babylon	X		X	
Nissequogue River Addition - Smithtown	X		X	
Fresh Pond Greenbelt - Huntington/Smithtown	X		X	
Bergen Point Addition (Bulk's Nursery)	X		X	
San Souci Lakes Addition - Islip	X		X	
Mill Pond (San Souci) - Islip	X		X	
Camp Barstow - Brookhaven	X		X	
Carmens River Addition - Brookhaven	X		X	
Southaven Park Addition - Brookhaven	X		X	
Terrels River - Brookhaven	X		X	
Peconic River Addition - Brookhaven	X		X	
Inlet Pond Addition - Southold	X		X	
Pine Barrens Adjacent to County Center	X	Uplands only	X	
Maple Swamp - Southampton	X		X	
Sears Bellow Addition - Southampton	X		X	To be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
Red Creek - Southampton	X		X	
Long Pond - Southampton	X			
Montauk Addition - East Hampton	X			
Hither Woods - East Hampton	X			
<b>Other Suffolk County CEA's:</b>				
Central Suffolk Pine Barrens in Brookhaven	X	Uplands only	X	
Central Suffolk Pine Barrens in Riverhead	X	Uplands only	X	
Scallop Pond in Southampton	X		X	
Accabonac Harbor in East Hampton	X		X	To be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
Special Groundwater Protection Area	X	Uplands only	X	
Peconic Bay and Environs	X	Uplands only	X	Contains areas to be evaluated in the Plan and by State and federal resource agencies (DEC, DOS, USFWS, Corps of Engineers).
Fishers Island	X			

Larval control in these areas will be the subject of DEC review and Article 15 permit requirements designed to avoid significant adverse impacts. Adulticide applications will be limited to upland areas except in the event of a public health threat declared by the NY State Department of Health, at which time they would be exempt from most SEQRA requirements. Under all circumstance, DEC will be consulted for appropriate environmental safeguards. Maintenance water management to be conducted under the plan will be done after consultation with and with the approval of DEC and will be designed to maintain wetlands in substantially their present conditions. No significant adverse impacts on resources are expected from maintaining these existing systems. The Long Term Plan will evaluate the possible use of Open Marsh Water Management or other wetlands restoration work and will assist planning efforts by the appropriate resource agencies. Because all these activities will be similar to the Vector Control program that has been conducted in the past, or designed to an even higher standard, it is unlikely that any new impacts would occur that would impair the unique or exceptional characteristics of these areas.

IMPACT ON CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS (Examples that would apply to column 2)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
Proposed action to locate within the CEA?	X		Yes - Subject to DEC permit conditions.
Proposed action will result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource?	X		Yes - Subject to DEC permit conditions.
Proposed action will result in a reduction in the quality of the resource?	X		Yes - Subject to DEC permit conditions.
Proposed action will impact the future use, function or enjoyment of the resource.			
Please list other impacts: Mosquito control can have a positive impact by reducing infestations that can interfere with outdoor activities or transmit disease. Maintaining existing water management systems can maintain current habitat values by maintaining current flow patterns, as well as reduce the need for pesticides.	X		Positive impact.

**15. IMPACT ON TRANSPORTATION**

Will there be an effect to existing transportation systems? Yes  No

IMPACT ON TRANSPORTATION (Examples that would apply to column 2)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
Alteration of present patterns of movement of people and/or goods.			
Proposed Action will result in severe traffic problems			
Please list other impacts:			

**16. IMPACT ON ENERGY**

Will proposed action affect the community's sources of fuel or energy supply? Yes  No

IMPACT ON ENERGY (Examples that would apply to column 2)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change

			(Enter Yes or No)
Proposed Action will cause a greater than 5% increase in any form of energy in municipality.			
Proposed Action will require the creation or extension of an energy transmission or supply system to serve more than 50 single or two family residences.			
Please list other impacts:			

**17. IMPACT ON NOISE**

Will there be objectionable odors, noise, glare, vibration or electrical disturbance as a result of the Proposed Action?

Yes  No

IMPACT ON NOISE (Examples that would apply to column 2)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
Blasting within 1,500 feet of a hospital, school or other sensitive facility.			
Odors will occur routinely (more than one hour per day).			
Proposed Action will produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels for noise outside of structures.			
Proposed Action will remove natural barriers that would act as a noise screen.			
Please list other impacts: Occasional slight odor from pesticide application may occur, but will dissipate rapidly.	X		

**18. IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND (HAZARDS) SAFETY**

Will Proposed Action affect public health and safety?  Yes  No

IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND (HAZARDS) SAFETY (Examples that would apply to column 2)	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
Proposed Action will cause a risk of explosion or release of hazardous substances (i.e. oil, pesticides, chemicals, radiation, etc.) in the event of accident or upset conditions, or there will be a chronic low level discharge or emission.	X		Yes – Pesticide storage and handling is subject to a broad array of DEC and EPA regulation and oversight, including site inspections. The Division complies with Article 12 of the Suffolk County Sanitary Code.
Proposed Action will result in the burial of "hazardous wastes" (i.e.			

toxic, poisonous, highly reactive, radioactive, irritating, infectious, etc., including wastes that are solid, semi-solid, liquid or contain gases).			
<b>IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND (HAZARDS) SAFETY (cont.)</b> (Examples that would apply to column 2)	<b>1</b> Small to Moderate Impact	<b>2</b> Potential Large Impact	<b>3</b> Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
Storage facilities for one million or more gallons of liquified natural gas or other liquids.			
Please list other impacts: Improved protection of public health will occur due to actions taken in reducing potential vector-borne disease carrying arthropods.	X		

**19. IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD**

Will Proposed Action affect the character of the existing Community?  Yes  No

<b>IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD</b> (Examples that would apply to column 2)	<b>1</b> Small to Moderate Impact	<b>2</b> Potential Large Impact	<b>3</b> Can Impact Be Mitigated By Project Change (Enter Yes or No)
The population of the city, town or village in which the project is likely to grow by more than 5% of resident human population.			
The municipal budgets for capital expenditures or operating services will increase by more than 5% per year as a result of this project.			
Will involve any permanent facility of a non-agricultural use on more than one acre in an agricultural district or remove more than 10 acres of (prime) agricultural lands from cultivation.			
Proposed Action will replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures or areas of historic importance to the community.			
Development will induce an influx of a particular age group with special needs.			
Proposed Action will set an important precedent for future projects.			
Proposed Action will relocate 15 or more employees in one or more businesses.			
Please List other impacts: Reduced mosquito numbers will improve resident's enjoyment of their property and increase business revenue in areas where extensive adult mosquito numbers would otherwise occur.	X		

19. Is there public controversy related to Potential Adverse Environmental Impacts?  Yes  No

Either government or citizens of adjacent communities have expressed opposition or rejected the project or have not been contacted.	X		
Objections to the project from within the community and intervenors. These objections are being addressed in Part 3.		X	Yes – Public notification allows persons who are concerned about pesticides to avoid



			applications and "no-spray" registry allows individuals to exempt their residence from most aduictiding.
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**If Any Action in Part 2 Is Identified as a Potential Large Impact  
or If You Cannot Determine the Magnitude of Impact, Proceed to Part 3**

Determination of Significance

Portions of EAF completed for this project:      X   Part 1      X   Part 2      X   Part 3

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF (Parts 1, 2 and 3) and considering both the magnitude and importance of each impact, it is reasonably determined that:

- A.    The project will result in no major impacts and, therefore, is one which may not cause significant damage to the environment. **Prepare a negative declaration:**      —
  
- B.    **For unlisted actions only.** Although the project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measures described in Part # have been included as part of the proposed project. **Prepare a CONDITIONAL negative declaration:**      —
  
- C.    The project will result in one or more major adverse impacts that cannot be reduced and may cause significant damage to the environment. **Prepare a positive declaration , proceed with EIS:**      X

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Signature of Preparer (if different from responsible officer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

  Dominick Ninivaggi    
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

  Suffolk County    
Name of Lead Agency

  5/ 2 / 2002    
Date

## Part 3 - Responsibility of Lead Agency

### Evaluation of the Importance of Impacts

#### Information

Part 3 is prepared if one or more impact or effect is considered to be potentially large.

The amount of writing necessary to answer Part 3 may be determined by answering the question: In **briefly** completing the instructions below, have I placed in this record sufficient information to indicate the reasonableness of my decisions?

#### Instructions

Complete the following for each impact or effect identified in Column 2 of Part 2:

1. Briefly describe the impact.
2. Describe (if applicable) how the impact might be mitigated or reduced to a less than large impact by project change.
3. Based on the information available, decide if it is reasonable to conclude that this impact is **important** to the municipality (city, town or village) in which the project is located.

To answer the question of importance, consider:

- The probability of the impact or effect occurring
- The duration of the impact or effect
- Its irreversibility, including permanently lost resources of value
- Whether the impact or effect can be controlled
- The regional consequence of the impact or effect
- Its potential divergence from local needs and goals
- Whether known objectives to the project apply to this impact or effect

#### Determination of Significance

An action is considered to be significant if:

One (or more) impact(s) is determined to be (both) **large** and its (their) consequence, based on the review above, is **important**.

#### Part 3 Statements

(Continue on Attachments, as needed)

Part 2, Items 3 and 6, Impacts on water and wetlands: The Long Term Plan will evaluate the use of Open Marsh Water Management (OMWM) and other wetlands water management techniques for the physical and biological control of mosquitoes. These techniques involve the alteration of (usually degraded) regulated wetlands, and therefore could have adverse impacts. The purpose of the Plan is to identify appropriate restoration techniques and to identify those areas that could benefit by the use of these techniques.

Part 2, Item 8, impacts on endangered species by pesticides: Habitats of endangered species would not be subject to adulticide except in the event of a public health emergency. The Division operates its larvicide program under DEC Article 15 and Article 24 permits that contain special conditions designed to protect threatened and endangered species. For every such permit, there is a special condition that sets out procedures for protection of piping plovers and least terns. Application of larvicides is prohibited to any habitats of threatened or endangered amphibians. The Division obtains the locations of these habitats from NYDEC and disseminates the information to field crews to ensure compliance. As a practical matter, these stringent conditions have led the Division to avoid activities in any habitat of endangered animal species. However, work in such areas may prove necessary, especially when breeding in such sites is near populated areas and failure to control such breeding could lead to an increase in adulticiding. For this reason, the Long Term Plan will explore what techniques, if any, are appropriate for use in and near the habitats of endangered species. For instance, bacterial larvicides have no known direct or indirect effect on amphibians and may be appropriate for use in such habitats. For the above reasons, no adverse impacts on endangered species are expected to result from the use of pesticides.

Part 2, Item 15, Critical Environmental Areas: The continued use of mosquito control pesticides and maintenance of existing water management structures would be unlikely to effect the unique characteristics of these areas, since these activities were ongoing when they were designated. However, wetland restoration and other new activities have the potential to adversely effect these areas. The Long Term Plan is intended to identify control techniques that are compatible with these areas.

Part 2, Item 19, Public Controversy: Mosquito control in Suffolk County is the subject of considerable public controversy. Many activist groups are opposed to the various techniques used, especially the use of pesticides. Some advocate a complete abandonment of mosquito control. There is also widespread public demand and support for the program, as witnessed by the thousands of call to the Division requesting relief from mosquitoes. The Long Term Plan will provide numerous opportunities for public input that should allow all interested parties to be heard as the Plan is developed.

When considering whether there should be a positive declaration and the preparation of an EIS, a review of the DEC document, "Environmental Law, Rules and Regulations Relating to Mosquito Control in New York State – Pesticide Use, Habitat Modification, Fish Stocking and Wildlife Collection" (copy attached), is instructive. On page 46 and 47, this document describes how Negative Declarations may be prepared for the use of larvicides as well as monitoring and surveillance activities. Page 47 also describes how some adulticides are "authorized for use in compliance with SEQRA requirements because they are included within the assessment contained in the New York State Department of Health's Generic Environmental Impact Statement filed in 1985". Adulticides in the Plan that are covered by the GEIS include malathion and naled. Based on this DEC guidance, most components of the Plan are either suitable for a negative declaration (larviciding; surveillance) or are already included in the GEIS (adulticiding with malathion or naled). One component that is not included, and therefore according to DEC, "could" (but not necessarily must) require a positive declaration and the preparation of an EIS would be the use of pyrethroid adulticides such as Scourge and Anvil. Use of these products, especially with respect to possible impacts on human health, have been dealt with extensively in EIS's prepared by New York City and Westchester County (Executive Summaries attached).

However, The DEC guidance does not cover the extensive use of water management by Suffolk County. Maintaining existing systems could be considered Type II under SEQRA, but the Division also seeks to implement improved water management practices, and these represent new activities. These practices, if properly carried out, should reduce the need for pesticides and restore wetland values, but these projects must be properly planned. In addition, there could be long term or cumulative consequences of maintaining or neglecting the ditch systems. One of the main purposes of this Plan is to identify those water management practices that are appropriate, in the long term, for Suffolk County wetlands. In addition, Suffolk County has more extensive and diverse wetlands than other counties in the State. There could be long term impacts on wetlands associated with the program that are unique to Suffolk County. The Long Term Plan would provide an opportunity to explore these issues.

#### POSITIVE DECLARATION

##### **Description of Action:**

The action involves the adoption of the Vector Control and Wetlands Management Long Term Plan. The Plan describes the long term direction of Suffolk County's mosquito control program. This program includes surveillance, public education, source reduction, larvicide and adulticide components. All

pesticide products will be EPA and DEC registered and will be used in strict accordance with labeling directions, precautions and restrictions. As part of an integrated approach to mosquito control, tracked vehicles might enter vegetated tidal wetlands to perform maintenance of water management systems. Wetlands restoration work may also be conducted as part of water management. No operations will be performed without prior Department of Environmental Conservation regulatory approvals.

State approvals required include:

Protection of Waters – ECL Article 15

Freshwater Wetlands Permit - ECL Article 24

Tidal Wetlands Permit - ECL Article 25

Temporary Revocable Permit - 6 NYCRR Part 190 for State-owned lands

Pesticide applications will be made by ground and aerial equipment. Applications will occur as needed, with need being determined by surveys of larval and adult mosquito populations conducted by County Health Department officials, as well as assays for the presence of mosquito-borne disease. Applications will be conducted by appropriately licensed Certified Pesticide Applicators, Technicians or Apprentices in the Public Health license category. The aquatic permit applications will be accompanied by maps that detail where applications will be made for larval mosquito control. Water management activities will be conducted using specialized equipment designed to minimize impact on wetland vegetation, and under the auspices of appropriate State and Federal permits.

#### **Reasons for Supporting this Determination**

The no action alternative has been ruled out on the grounds that Suffolk County has a long history of severe mosquito infestations that can impact outdoor activities, as well as a history of mosquito-borne disease including eastern equine encephalitis (EEE), malaria and, most recently, West Nile Virus (WNV). Given the need for mosquito control, Suffolk County proceeds in a hierarchical manner from source reduction through biological and larval control to the use of adulticides as a last resort. Such an integrated program that relies primarily on preventative activities, guided by surveillance of mosquito populations and assays for mosquito-borne pathogens, has been recognized as the most appropriate strategy from an environmental point of view. This approach is described in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Pesticide Environmental Stewardship Program Partnership Strategy Document for the American Mosquito Control Association (AMCA) (<http://www.mosquito.org/PESPAMCA.htm>). Suffolk County Vector Control, as a Sustaining Member of the AMCA, fully subscribes to and follows the guidelines outlined in the PESP document. While significant adverse impacts on the environment are unlikely in the short term, it is possible that there could be adverse impacts in the long term, especially if the Division undertakes new physical alterations such as wetland restoration.

A positive declaration determination has been made mainly based on controversy with respect new Open Marsh Water Management proposals, based on reports from DEC that OMWM can, if improperly performed, have significant adverse environmental impacts. Thus, the Suffolk County commitment to an integrated OMWM and ditch maintenance reduction program could have significant, adverse impacts. However, an EIS would follow a rigorous scoping process, and all related and integrated public health and ecological issues would undergo full environmental review as part of the EIS process. Thus, issues such as pesticide usage, impacts, and mitigation would certainly be fully addressed in the EIS. Based on this

information, Suffolk County finds that adopting the Wetlands Management Long Term Plan could have significant, adverse impacts on the environment, and Environmental Impact Statement must be prepared.



3. Are any of the resources checked in question 1 used by the public during the time of year during which the project will be visible?  
 Yes  No



**DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING VISUAL ENVIRONMENT**

4. From each item checked in question 1, check those which most generally describe the surrounding environment.

XX	Within 1/4 mile*	Within 1 mile*
Essentially undeveloped	N/A	
Forested	N/A	
Agricultural	N/A	
Suburban residential	N/A	
Industrial	N/A	
Commercial	N/A	
Urban	N/A	
River, Lake	N/A	
Cliffs, overlooks	N/A	
Designated aesthetic resource	N/A	
Flat	N/A	
Hilly	N/A	
Mountainous	N/A	
Other	N/A	

NOTE: Add attachments as needed.

5. Are there visually similar projects within: N/A

- 1/2 mile\*       Yes  No
- 1 mile\*         Yes  No
- 2 miles\*       Yes  No
- 3 miles\*       Yes  No

\*Distance from project site are provided for assistance. Substitute other distances as appropriate.

**EXPOSURE**

6. The annual number of viewers likely to observe the proposed project is N/A.

NOTE: When user data is unavailable or unknown, use best estimate.

**CONTEXT**

7. The situation or activity in which the viewers are engaged while viewing the proposed action is as follows:

ACTIVITY	FREQUENCY (please list whether it is daily, weekly, weekends/holidays or seasonally)
Travel to and from work	N/A
Involved in recreational activities	N/A
Routine travel by residents	N/A
At a residence	N/A
At worksite	N/A
Please list any others:	N/A