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Nina:

As a follow up to our brief meeting yesterday that recaps the current status of proposed Stamford dredging projects, please note the following:

Cove Island

The start date of any dredging is dependent on two major components.

- 1) Obtaining the permits to undertake the work and
- 2) having the funds to bid and award the work.

At this time since Stamford does not have in-hand the permits for the work or the funds to undertake the work, providing a completion date would only be speculative. This said, please note the following efforts:

Currently, the City is moving forward with project design but has not obtained the permits to undertake the work. The process for obtaining the permits is on-going and may take between 6 to 12 months to do. Although the City was successful in obtaining funding for the design and permitting through the CDOT's Port Authority, the funds to do actual dredging construction are not in hand. Our plan, regardless of available City funding, was to get the dredging design, permitting, and cost estimate prepared by Coastline Consulting and Development in time to be eligible for applying this year for ConnDOT Port Authority (PA) Infrastructure funding to pay for the dredging. We asked about applying for the funds last year for the Cove dredging, and Joe Salvatore of the State PA told the City that the permitting has to be in place first.

Currently capital project has an funding authorization of \$3,330,762 but is only bonded for \$280k. The Cove Island \$1.5 MM conceptual cost estimate is being updated and will be provided in the Preliminary Engineering Report that will be submitted to the City shortly. The concept cost includes cost for pulling and reinstalling timber piles which anchor the docks in place. The concept cost includes many assumptions that are being further evaluated.

Cummings

As we discussed, RACE coastal engineers has identified the dredging required for "the basin" at Cummings. They have also obtained a DEEP permit but are currently working to obtain a permit from the ACOE. Due to a high level of contaminants in the NW corner of the basin that area may remain in place since the State of NY who has jurisdiction over where dredged material gets deposited has indicated that this material may not be disposed of at the Central Long Island Sound Disposal Site.

The same process for Cove will be used at Cummings as it relates to seeking PA funds.

Hope this is helpful information.

Regards,

Lou