

## NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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December 5, 2016

Honorable Greg Letica  
Mayor  
Village of Asharoken  
1 Asharoken Avenue  
Asharoken, New York 11768

Re: Asharoken Storm Damage Reduction Project

Dear Mayor Leticia:

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Department) is in receipt of your November 28, 2016 letter regarding the Asharoken Storm Damage Reduction Project (Project). Your letter requests additional time to respond to my November 22, 2016 letter (attached) outlining what the Village of Asharoken (Village) needs to provide to the Department and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) in order to move the Feasibility Study (Study) for the Project to the Agency Decision Milestone and completion.

Following receipt of your November 28, 2016 letter, the Department requested that the Corps extend the deadline for the Village's response from December 7, 2016 to January 10, 2017, as requested by the Village.

In their response to the Department, the Corps stated their intention is to move ahead to an orderly stopping point to the Study, and to notify the Corps chain of command of their intention to complete the Study with a negative report by the end of December if the requested letter of support is not received from the Village. If at some point the Village agrees to all the conditions required to proceed, which are described in my November 22, 2016 letter to the Village, the Corps will take action to resume work on the Study at a later date.


The Department recommends that the Village expedite whatever steps are necessary to determine if the requested letter of support can be provided, and provide a response to the Department as requested in my November 22, 2016 letter as soon as possible.



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If you have any questions, you may contact Matt Chlebus [matthew.chlebus@dec.ny.gov](mailto:matthew.chlebus@dec.ny.gov) or myself at (518) 402-8185.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alan A. Fuchs". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Alan" being more legible than the last name "Fuchs".

Alan A. Fuchs, P.E.  
Director  
Bureau of Flood Protection and Dam Safety

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