# **FORGE RIVER**Watershed Sewer Project

**UPDATE** 

"Clean Water is Quality of Life"

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# PROJECT DESIGN TEAM TO BEGIN PROPERTY VISITS

The Forge River Watershed Sewer Project has progressed to the first phase of design and engineering. Design team professionals have begun a detailed review of the project area to determine how this project will be built.

During August through November 2018, field technicians will be visiting and collecting information about every home and business in the project area. About one week before our technicians will visit your property, you will receive a door hanger to notify you of this visit. Updates and more details will also be posted on the project website, www.forgewatershedsewers.com.

Specifically, our technicians need to locate existing utilities (water lines, electrical lines, etc.) that service your property, locate your existing on-lot sewage disposal systems, and take photos of the exterior of the property. The field technicians may also need to enter your home to verify information regarding your existing electrical panel including taking a photo of the panel.

Our personnel will be wearing visible identification and will identify themselves and the purpose of their visit. We appreciate your cooperation in allowing the field technicians to enter your property to complete this important part of the design work.

### **SEWER PROJECT BASICS**

- A Truly Historic Improvement will enhance our quality of life, environment, and economy.
- Building a Better Community will increase property values, improve recreation, and benefit our local businesses.
- Improved Water Quality for the Forge River and Moriches Bay benefits our children and future generations.
- Building Phases 1 & 2 Now creates the foundation to complete Phases 3 & 4 in the future.
- Approval of the project by voters is critical for one time opportunity to obtain full federal funding for project construction.

## Got questions or comments?

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## **LATEST PROJECT NEWS**











# **HUNDREDS OF RESIDENTS ATTEND SEWER MEETINGS**

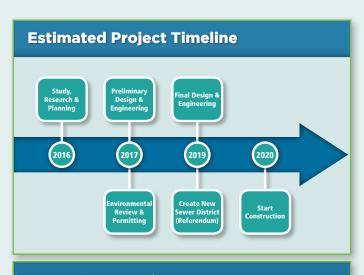
Members of the Mastic-Shirley community are playing an active role in reviewing, discussing and giving their input on the latest sewer project developments.

More than 200 residents turned out for two public information sessions at the Mastic Road firehouse in May to learn about system design, costs and estimated timeline, and to ask dozens of questions about the project. Much of the discussion focused on the need for the community to support formation of a new sewer district, which will make it possible for more than \$167 million in approved Federal funds to be used for construction.

Dozens of residents also attended a public hearing on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Many residents, community leaders and elected officials testified in support of the project, which would be a major step toward cleaning up our rivers, bays and underground water in the Mastic area.

Surveyors, engineers and other design professionals are beginning to study the project area to determine how to design and build this project. Field technicians will shortly begin visiting homes and businesses to collect vital information needed to plan for future construction.





#### **Construction Costs / Property Owner Annual Cost**

- 100% of construction costs to be funded by FEMA
- Rare opportunity for FEMA to provide up to \$167,780,000 in <u>one-time</u> construction funding
- Community support for the project vital for accessing FEMA funding
- Project design cost supported by a \$2 million NYS grant with remainder financed through the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC).

ı	PROPERTY TYPE	ANNUAL OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE COST		ANNUAL ESTIMATED COST TO PROPERTY OWNER
	Single Family Residential	\$356 <b>-</b>	\$112	<b>\$</b> 468/year

