



Trustees of the Freeholders

116 Hampton Road
Southampton, NY 11968

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Department: Trustees of the Freeholders
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ADOPTED

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Expand Daytime Beach Driving Area Along Peconic Bay Beach as Mitigation for 4x4 Beach Closures Caused by Piping Plover and Least Tern Activity

WHEREAS the Trustees of the Freeholders and Commonalty of the Town of Southampton (the "Trustees") are the holders of a right-of-way known as "Peconic Beach Road," which right-of-way was granted on March 31, 1892 and recorded in Liber 366 Page 509 and grants the Trustees a right-of-way 75-feet in width measured from mean highwater along the shores of Peconic Bay from the easterly side of the Shinnecock Canal to the westerly side of Sebonac Inlet for "persons, vehicles or animals of all kinds and description for any and all purposes;" and

WHEREAS, the breeding activity of Piping Plovers and Least Terns, which are either endangered or threatened species that are protected by the federal Endangered Species Act and the Laws of the State of New York, has required the Trustees to close 4x4 beach driving throughout the ocean beach in the Town of Southampton; and

WHEREAS, the Trustees have heard the numerous requests from the freeholders and residents of the Town to find ways to mitigate the reduced access to the beach caused by the 4x4 beach driving closures; and

WHEREAS, there is currently a 300-foot long stretch of Peconic Beach Road east of the northerly terminus of Cold Spring Road that is open for day time beach driving pursuant to Section 63(M) of the Rules and Regulations for Management and Products of Town Waters; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, daytime 4x4 beach driving and parking shall be permitted on the bay beach from the northerly end of Cold Spring Road extending 2000 feet to the east to a sign that shall be erected by the Bay Constables, and beach access shall be taken from Cold Spring Road only; and be it further

RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be repealed by the Trustees, at their discretion.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Edward J. Warner Jr., President
SECONDER:	William Pell IV, Trustee
AYES:	Warner Jr., Horowitz, Pell IV, Stafford, Welker

Financial Impact