

MEMORANDUM

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RE: Superstorm Sandy: State of New Jersey Waterway Debris Removal Project

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Important Message for Municipalities:

We are writing to thank you for all your help and support in making the State's waterway debris removal project such a success and to bring to your attention an important upcoming deadline.

Since early March, the Department's waterway debris removal contractors have been removing Superstorm Sandy debris from the waters of New Jersey. Your assistance in providing the Department with information about debris in your town helped us to clean up our waterways quickly and efficiently.

Through the end of October, the State's contractors will continue to remove remaining debris (excluding sediment) that Superstorm Sandy left in State waters. Please let us know by **October 15** if you have any remaining requests for debris removal in State waterways, marinas and lagoons at waterwaydebris@dep.state.nj.us.

After that, municipalities will again be responsible for the safety of their beaches and public areas, and hazards in the water. In case of an emergency, please contact the local station of the State Police's Marine Services Bureau

(<http://www.njsp.org/maritime/>), and in the case of an environmental emergency call 1-877-WARN-DEP.

Removal of Sandy-related sediment from marinas, lagoons, and backbay areas is ongoing and is expected to proceed well into the Fall. As always, you can track our continuing activities and progress at <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/special/hurricane-sandy/wwdebris.htm> or contact me with any specific questions.

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NORTHERN REGION:

To Date:

- Total cubic yards of debris removed (inland): 9,197
- Total number of large debris recovered: 39 vessels
- Total verified sediment removal (total cubic yards): 131,926
- Total verified acres surveyed by side-scan sonar: 32,438
- Estimated hydrographic survey acres: 177
- Total targets identified: 1,896
- Total targets retrieved: 767
- Total targets disqualified/below draft depth: 1,059

This Week's Operations:

- Contractor was issued a Notice to Proceed for Brown's Boat Yard in Zone 2. Processed sediment was verified at Berth 11 and 22 including material from Jan and Jerry's Marina and Smiths Creek marinas.
- Pre-dredge hydrographic surveys were completed at Lockwood Marina in Zone 2.

Next Week's Operations:

- Sediment removal operations in Lockwood Boat Works are permitted to begin within the week.

Estimated Completion Dates of Current Tasks for Northern Region as of 10/2/2013:

Northern Region	
Activity	Estimated Completion
Marina Sediment Removal	Late December

CENTRAL REGION:

To Date:

- Total cubic yards of debris removed: 72,997
- Total large debris (vessels, cars, etc.): 109 vessels, 4 vehicles
- Total estimated sediment removed: 215,059
- Total verified acres surveyed by side-scan sonar: 53,750
- Total verified hydrographic survey acres: 387
- Total targets identified: 5,111
- Total targets retrieved: 2,138
- Total targets disqualified/below draft depth: 2,973

This Week's Operations:

- Debris removal crews worked in Zones 3 and 4 removing debris and punchlist items. Sediment removal continued in Zone 4 area 4 and began in Zone 5 areas 6C and 6D. Sediment operations in Zone 4 area 3 have been temporarily halted due to a lack of suitable dewatering location for removed sediment. Operations in Zone 4 area 3 are expected to recommence in mid-October.

Next Week's Operations:

- Debris operations have achieved substantial completion and contractor will continue to respond to new debris sighting reports. Sediment removal operations to continue in Zone 4 area 4 and Zone 5 areas 6C and 6D. Beach quality sand is being relocated for beach replacement operations on the barrier island in Lavallette and Ortley.

Estimated Completion Dates of Current Tasks for Central Region as of 10/2/2013:

Central Region	
Activity	Estimated Completion
Overwash Sediment Removal	Late October
Lagoon Sediment Removal	Mid-November

SOUTHERN REGION:

To Date:

- Total cubic yards of debris removed (inland): 18,641
- Total large debris (vessels, cars, etc.): 42 vessels
- Total verified acres surveyed by side-scan sonar: 108,526
- Estimated hydrographic survey acres: 177
- Total targets identified: 8,213
- Total targets retrieved: 3,114
- Total targets disqualified/below draft depth: 4,873

This Week's Operations:

- Contractor removed final pass punchlist items in Zone 11.
- Punchlist debris removal will conclude in Zone 11.

Next Week's Operations:

- Sediment removal operations are expected to start in two Zone 9 outfalls.

Estimated Completion Dates of Current Tasks for Southern Region as of
10/2/2013:

Southern Region	
Activity	Estimated Completion
Blocked Storm Water Outfall Sediment Removal	Late October
Marina Sediment Removal	Early December
Lagoon Sediment Removal (Anticipated)	Pending

Report debris at 1-877-WARN-DEP or at waterwaydebris@dep.state.nj.us.

Additional information available at:

<http://www.nj.gov/dep/special/hurricane-sandy/wwdebris.htm>

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