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FACT SHEET

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BUFFALO RIVER REGIONAL SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT, NY **Regional Sediment Management - Beneficial Use of Dredged Material** Section 204 of the 1992 Water Resources Development Act, as amended Construction General (Continuing Authorities Program)

Location

- Buffalo Harbor, NY

Project Description

- This authority evaluates the use of dredged material from new or existing Federal projects to protect, restore, or create aquatic and ecologically related habitats, including wetlands; to reduce storm damage to property, in connection with dredging for construction, operation, or maintenance of an authorized navigation project
- Creation of over 5 acres of emergent, and submerged aquatic habitat
- Creation of wetland communities along the shoreline
- The creation of deepwater fish habitat using submerged trees will increase the density and diversity of aquatic species

- Feasibility phase is 100% Federal
- Design and Implementation is cost-shared 65% Federal and 35% non-Federal

Importance

- Buffalo River is a listed Area of Concern (AOC) due to loss of fish and wildlife habitat
- A high priority as a result of sediment remediation is the restoration of aquatic habitat and wetlands wherever possible

Consequence

- Without implementation of this project, there will be a lack of alternative uses of dredged material for ecosystem restoration

Project Phase	Est. Fed. Cost of Phase	Federal Funding through FY15	FY16 Requirement	FY16 Budget	FY17 Requirement	FY17 Budget
Feasibility	\$1,550K	\$1,381K	\$50K	\$50K	\$0	NA
Design & Implementation	\$2,000K	\$0	\$100K	\$100K	\$1.8M	NA

Project Sponsor/Customer

- City of Buffalo submitted a Letter of Request in June 2014

Congressional Interests

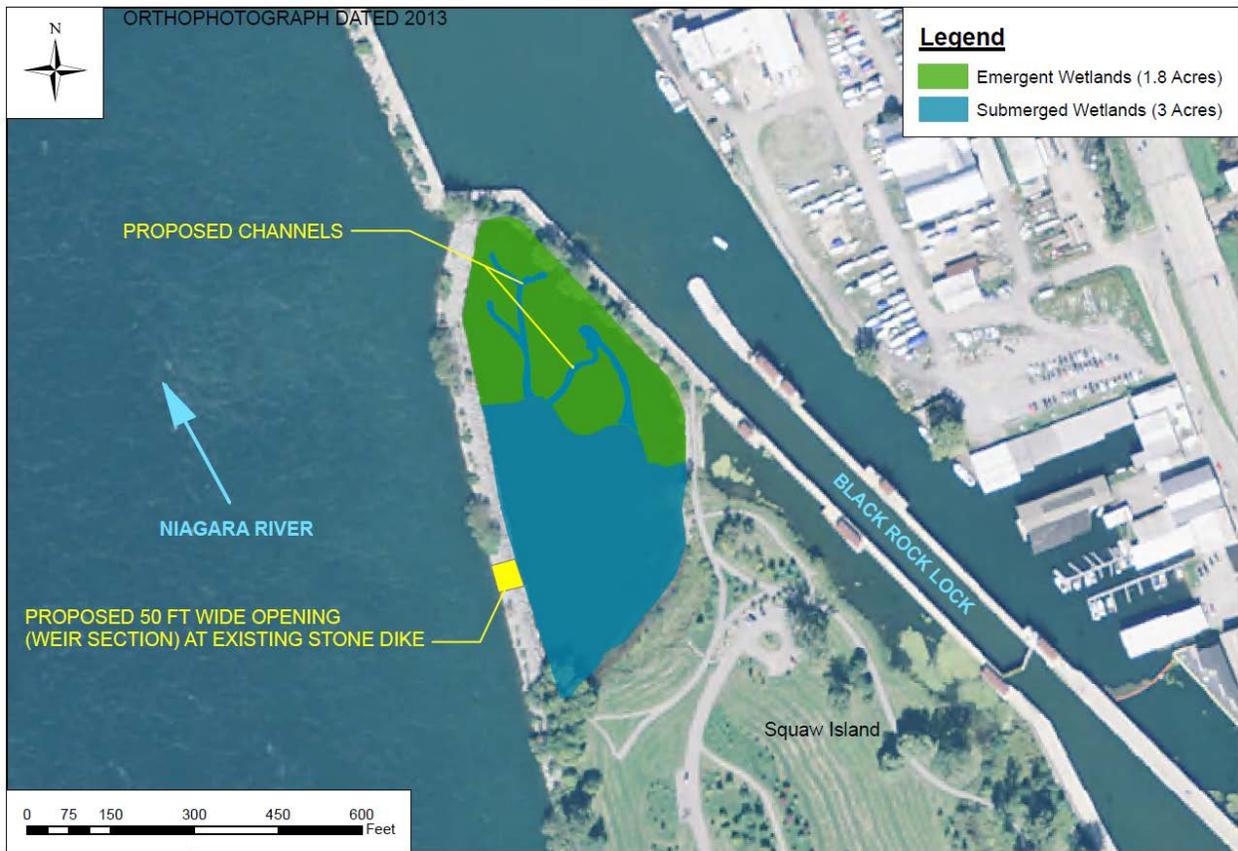
- Representative Brian Higgins D-NY-26
- Representative Chris Collins R-NY-27
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY

Current Status

- Currently the Feasibility phase is complete and the Project Partnership Agreement is being negotiated
- Additional funds would be used to complete the Design & Implementation phase
- Collaborating with Great Lakes Legacy Act (GLLA) work

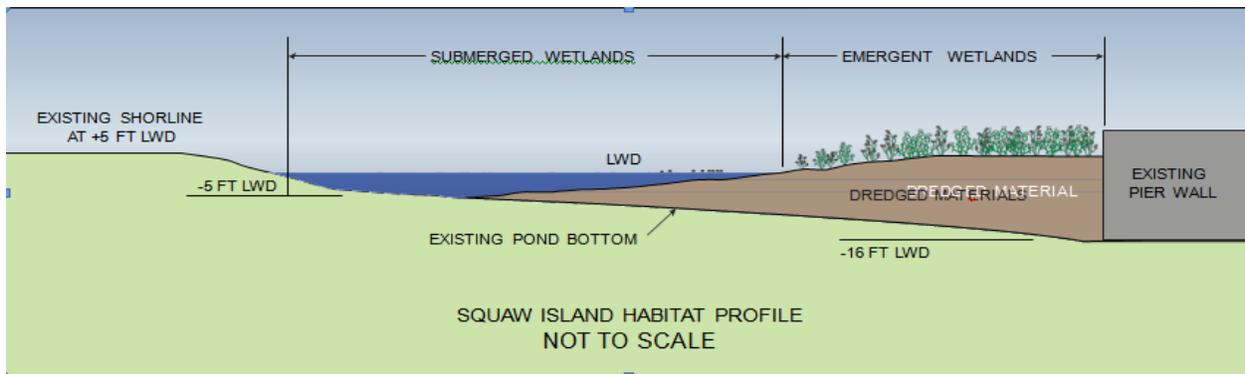
Issues

- None



Proposed Submerged & Emergent Wetlands at Squaw Island North Pond
Buffalo River Section 204

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