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Peconic Estuary Intermunicipal Agreement
for Watershed Management



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The Peconic Estuary Program (PEP) retained NP&V, working with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County (CCE), to establish an inter-municipal agreement (IMA) to establish collaboration efforts of 12 east end municipalities, Suffolk County and the NYS Department of Transportation to work together towards water quality improvements in the Peconic Estuary. The intention of the IMA was to establish a collective effort to secure funding and provide cost-saving implementation of water quality improvement programs and projects to benefit the Peconic Estuary. This effort involved regular meetings with representatives from all the municipalities/entities within the surface water contributing area of the Peconic Estuary, as well as meetings with each of the municipal governing boards.

NP&V and CCE drafted the IMA, established priority actions and programs with the IMA participants, established a Work Plan outlining various priority projects and actions, and completed several implementation products including: a grant application to establish funding for an estuary coordinator and three on-line training modules with supporting checklists and materials to assist participants with MS4 Stormwater Permit training requirements (illicit discharge detection, goose management and facility best management practices).

