September 9, 2016

Dear Neighbor,

Over the past few months, many positive steps have been taken by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to ensure that the remediation of the Dzus Superfund Site, Willets Creek, and Lake Capri remain on schedule and a top priority.

Actions that you may have missed over the summer include:

- Soil testing of residential properties was conducted and the DEC is currently in the process of evaluating the data.
- A report will be issued once the results are finalized and these residents whose soil was tested will be contacted with their individual results in the coming weeks.
- Another public informational meeting will take place in the next few months to provide the community with an update and outline the next steps in the remediation process.
- The plastic, construction type fence that was installed by the NYSDEC behind the Ace Hardware Shopping Plaza has been vandalized several times. In response, I have reached out to NYSDEC Commissioner Basil Seggos, requesting a more substantial structure, such as a chain-link fence, be constructed in this location.
- I have also been in contact with residents living around Lake Capri regarding water quality issues and have inquired with the New York State Department of Transportation about the feasibility of hooking up local road drainage systems to the state drainage system on Montauk Highway.

As always, I thank the West Islip community for your cooperation and will continue to provide updates as more information is announced. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at my district office at 631-665-2311.

Best Regards,

Phil Boyle

Member of the Senate