

AMERICAN LITTORAL SOCIETY

SANDY HOOK, HIGHLANDS, NJ 07732

Karen Kroon Borough Administrator 1701 North Ocean Ave Seaside Park, NJ 08752

RE: American Littoral Society Cost Estimates for the Seaside Park Bayfront Restoration Project Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) Mitigation Plan Modifications

Dear Ms. Kroon:

At the request of Mayor Peterson, the American Littoral Society (the Society) is pleased to continue our working relationship with the Borough of Seaside Park and is submitting this cost proposal to move forward with revisions to the Bayfront Restoration Project SAV Mitigation Plan based on comments from US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), NOAA Fisheries, and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) received via email on July 17, 2024 from USACE. This proposal lists the tasks the Society can perform on the project moving forward.

It should be noted that any additional services not defined in this proposal will be considered outside the scope of work and will be billed on a time and materials basis in accordance with our standard rates. In the event it is projected that more effort is needed (i.e., additional time to address multiple revisions or regulatory comment), the Society will notify Seaside Park of an additional level of effort in advance.

Task 1: SAV Mitigation Plan Revisions – On behalf of the Borough, the Society will revise the SAV Mitigation Plan based on comments received from USACE, NOAA Fisheries, and NJDEP. This work will include a detailed literature review, coordination with SAV specialists, and document drafting. Our fee for this task is **\$4,868.00**.

Task 2: Continued Agency Coordination – The Society will continue to correspond with regulators regarding project permitting. It is anticipated that there will be additional meetings with regulators following submission of the next SAV mitigation plan iteration. This task will cover the continued agency coordination as well as one round of additional mitigation plan revisions and response to comments. Our fee for this task is **\$4,362.00**.

Task 3: Project Coordination – The Society will continue to participate in project related meetings and correspondence with partners to ensure project completion. This task also includes internal management. Our fee for this task is **\$2,667.00**.

Task 4: Public Outreach – The Society will attend and/or organize one (1) public meeting. This meeting will inform the public of the project status and garner further public support and buy-in. Our fee for this task is **\$1,263.00**.

Total for all tasks: **\$13,160.**

Costs do not include permit fees or engineering. Please review and call me if you have any questions or comments. Thank you for making the Society a part of the team.

Sincerely,

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Captain Alek Modjeski Habitat Restoration Program Director American Littoral Society 732-291-0055