



# TOWN OF RIVERHEAD NEWS

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### **Supervisor Jens-Smith Announces \$3 Million Grant from New York State for Water District Improvements**

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced a \$3 million grant to support water infrastructure projects in the Town of Riverhead. This grant is funded through the state's Water Infrastructure Improvement Act and Intermunicipal Grant programs.

"Investing in our state's water infrastructure is critical to regional growth and prosperity and maintaining safe, healthy communities," Governor Cuomo said. "By improving our water infrastructure, we are protecting our natural resources, laying the groundwork for future prosperity and helping to create a stronger, healthier, New York for all."

"It's critical that we ensure our drinking water is free of contaminants and safe for all New Yorkers," said Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul. "This investment in grants for infrastructure improvements on Long Island will address needs to enhance and protect water quality, and also help to create more than 1,000 jobs in the area. We want to make sure that communities have the resources they need to make upgrades to their water treatment systems and ensure the health and safety of residents."

Supervisor Laura Jens-Smith said, "I want to thank Governor Cuomo for recognizing the need in Riverhead for this funding. Since coming into office I have made ensuring our residents continue to have clean drinking water a priority. This grant money will go towards much needed improvements, so that we can continue that mission. Protecting our water resources is essential to maintaining our residents' health, and I could not be happier with today's announcement that Riverhead is receiving this money."