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**Long Island State Park Commission Bethpage State Parkway
Case Files B2874**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of digital copies of individual case files documenting the acquisition and appropriation of land by New York State and the Long Island State Park Commission for the creation of Bethpage State Parkway. These files include correspondence, memorandums, deeds, mortgages, appraisals, contracts and agreements, property titles, abstracts of titles, inspection reports, purchase vouchers, tax bills, property descriptions, and property surveys.
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Scope and Content Note

This series consists of digital copies of individual case files documenting the acquisition and appropriation of land by New York State and the Long Island State Park Commission for the creation of Bethpage State Parkway. The parkway is located in Nassau County and extends from the village of North Massapequa to Bethpage State Park in the hamlet of Old Bethpage. The land was originally part of the New York City watershed properties on Long Island. The files include correspondence, memorandums, deeds, mortgages, appraisals, contracts and agreements, property titles, abstracts of titles, inspection reports, purchase vouchers, tax bills, property descriptions, and property surveys. Items of note include materials related to the story of Audrey D. Buenaventura, who staged an armed protest against the taking of her land by the state. The files also contain information regarding lands formerly owned by the Jones, Hewlett, and Willetts families.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

Administrative Information

Existence and Location of Originals

Original copies of these records are held by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's Long Island Parks Regional Archives facility in Oyster Bay, New York.

Acquisition Information

Only Boxes 1-6 and Folders 1-4 from Box 7 of the original 9 boxes of records were scanned and included in this accretion. The remaining records are at the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's Long Island Parks Regional Archives facility.

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Access Terms

- New York (State)
- Nassau County (N.Y.)
- Parks--Government policy
- Recreation areas
- Highway engineering
- Case files
- Mortgages
- Land surveys
- Old Bethpage (N.Y.)
- North Massapequa (N.Y.)
- Moses, Robert, 1888-1981
- New York (State). Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

- **Bethpage Park Authority**