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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists 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 state parks in Montauk and the Town of East Hampton on the South Fork of Long Island's East End.
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Arrangement

This series is unarranged.

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Scope and Content Note

This series consists 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 state parks in Montauk and the Town of East Hampton on the South Fork of Long Island's East End. Areas covered within this series also include Hither Hills State Park, Montauk Point State Park, Camp Hero, and Montauk Downs. Additionally, there is information regarding

Montauk Parkway, Napeague State Park, Gardiner's Point State Park, and the Montauk Beach Development Company.

These files contain items such as correspondence, memorandums, deeds, contracts, agreements, appraisals, land titles and abstracts, inspection records, invoices, and property surveys and blueprints. Items of note include maps of well locations related to Amagansett Water Company and material pertaining to acquisition of Hither Hills to protect the freshwater supply, forests, and endangered species in the area. There are also documents concerning appropriation of land owned by Montauk Syndicate, Inc.; and correspondence regarding Adolph Senner, the Montauk real estate broker alleged to have operated a land value inflation scheme.

The series also contains records related to the potential establishment of Gardiner's Point State Park by the commission, following purchase of the land for fifty dollars from the United States War Department in 1924. Gardiner's Point is located near Gardiner's Island and previously served as the location of the Fort Tyler United States military installation.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Only Folders 1-10 from Box 2 were digitized and included in this series. The remaining records are available in their original format at the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's Long Island Parks Regional Archives facility.

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.

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Access Terms

- New York (State)
- Montauk Point (N.Y.)
- East Hampton (N.Y.)
- Long Island (N.Y.)
- Parks--Government policy
- Recreation areas
- Correspondence
- Memorandums
- Land surveys
- Case files
- Mortgages
- Leases
- New York (State). Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation
- Moses, Robert, 1888-1981