

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILES

DATE: December 10, 1970

FROM : Refuge Manager, Target Rock NWR

SUBJECT: Management - Lido Beach

I visited the area on December 9th and walked the entire marsh. The Nassau County Mosquito Control Commission had recently rotary chopped a 10-foot swath along all mosquito ditches where phragmites exists. Some ditch cleaning had also been carried out.

The area has been used as a dumping ground along the right-of-way and as we can afford the time and money, this right-of-way (100') should be blocked to prevent further encroachments.

The marsh is 30-40% covered with phragmites, the remainder open salt meadow with considerable tidal flotsam present. I did see an immature B.C. night heron and an American bittern while on the area. It does have potential for shore birds as well but little use by ducks can be expected.

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