

- THE FRONT ROW HAS TO GO -

The gist of my comments - Army Corps FIMPS meeting in Montauk.

- It's misleading to call the sandbag revetment a "reinforced dune." It's not dune and does not function as a dune.
- The beach and dune comprise a system. Beach equilibrium is realized in a functioning system.
- Geotextiles kill beaches and the bags must be removed.
- The Corps is cavalier about sea level rise, prescribing sand and structures when retreat is the appropriate option. Invest in property buyout now, delay will only cost more \$\$ later.
- The front row has to go. S. Emerson oceanfront properties must be acquired, razed and replaced with a substantial primary dune.
- Beach nourishment is a stop-gap measure which is neither environmentally or economically sustainable.
- Thank you to the Corps and our elected officials for an open and responsive process.