

John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit NJ-15P, Sayreville, New Jersey Summary of Final Recommended Changes

Type of Unit: Recommended new
Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

Location of Unit: Middlesex County,
New Jersey

Congressional District: 6

Date of Final Recommended Map:
October 7, 2016

Number of Maps: Unit NJ-15P is
depicted on one map.

Base Map Imagery Source and Date: U.S.
Department of Agriculture, National
Agriculture Imagery Program, 2015

Establishment of Unit: The area
recommended for inclusion within new
OPA Unit NJ-15P is not currently
within the Coastal Barrier Resources
System (CBRS).

Recommended new Unit NJ-
15P meets the Coastal Barrier
Resources Act (CBRA) criteria for
an undeveloped coastal barrier (16
U.S.C. 3503(g)(1)) and is consistent
with the CBRA definition of an OPA,
which is an area “established under
Federal, State, or local law, or held by
a qualified organization, primarily for
wildlife refuge, sanctuary, recreational,
or natural resource conservation
purposes” (Section 12 of the Coastal
Barrier Improvement Act; Pub. L.
101-591).

Public Comments: The U.S. Fish and
Wildlife Service (Service) held a
45-day public comment period on the
draft map dated May 16, 2016, from
July 7 through August 22, 2016. There
are no comments specific to Unit NJ-
15P. For a summary of the comments
received on other units and the
Service’s responses, see the document
entitled *Summary of Public Comments
Received on Draft Maps for John H.
Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources
System Units NJ-02/NJ-02P, NJ-03P,
NJ-04, NJ-15P and NJ-16P, and U.S.
Fish and Wildlife Service Responses*

and Recommendations, which is
available on the Service’s website at:
www.fws.gov/cbra.

**Changes between Proposed and Final
Recommended Boundaries:** There are
no changes between the proposed
boundary of Unit NJ-15P depicted
on the draft map dated May 16, 2016,
and the final recommended boundary
of the unit depicted on the map dated
October 7, 2016.

Final Recommended Unit: The final
recommended map dated October 7,
2016, creates new OPA Unit NJ-15P.
Included within this new unit are
portions of Raritan Bay Waterfront
Park, owned by the Borough of
Sayreville and managed by Middlesex
County.

The Service’s final recommended map
depicts changes to the CBRS that will
only take effect if the updated map is
adopted through legislation enacted by
Congress.

Sayreville Unit NJ-15P, New Jersey

Acreeage, Shoreline, and Structures:

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Fastland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline Miles</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	0	0	0	0.0	
Added to the CBRS	113	42	71		2
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area	0	0	0		
Final Recommended Unit	113	42	71	0.8	
Net Change	113	42	71	0.8	2

*Land above mean high tide.

**Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from an interpretation of 2015 aerial imagery in consultation with National Wetlands Inventory data and other data sources as necessary.

***Approximate structure count derived from 2015 aerial imagery. The structures that are recommended for addition to this unit are park-related (e.g., restrooms). Structures without walls and a roof (e.g., picnic shelters) and structures with fewer than 200 square feet are not included in this structure count because they do not meet the definition of a "structure" in 16 U.S.C. 3503(g)(2).

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