

2024 Shelter Island Shellfish Seed Planting Report

In the winter and spring of 2024, oysters and hard clams were spawned at the Suffolk County Marine Environmental Learning Center at Cedar Beach Southold by Cornell Cooperative Extension hatchery staff. The resultant larvae and juveniles were cultured at the Marine Center and growout sites until planting took place in the summer and fall of 2024.

20,000 oysters at an average size of 40mm were planted on August 1st in Coecles Harbor.

17,000 oysters at an average size of 50mm were planted on August 28th in West Neck Creek and Menantic Creek.

540,000 clams at a size range of 8-15mm were planted on September 24th in various locations in West Neck Harbor/Creek/Bay, Dickerson Creek, Menantic Creek, Congdons Creek, Gardiners Creek, Crab Creek and Coecles Harbor.

Shellfish plantings were conducted by Cornell Cooperative Extension staff and Shelter Island Town Bay Constables.

See maps included for planting areas of clams and oysters.

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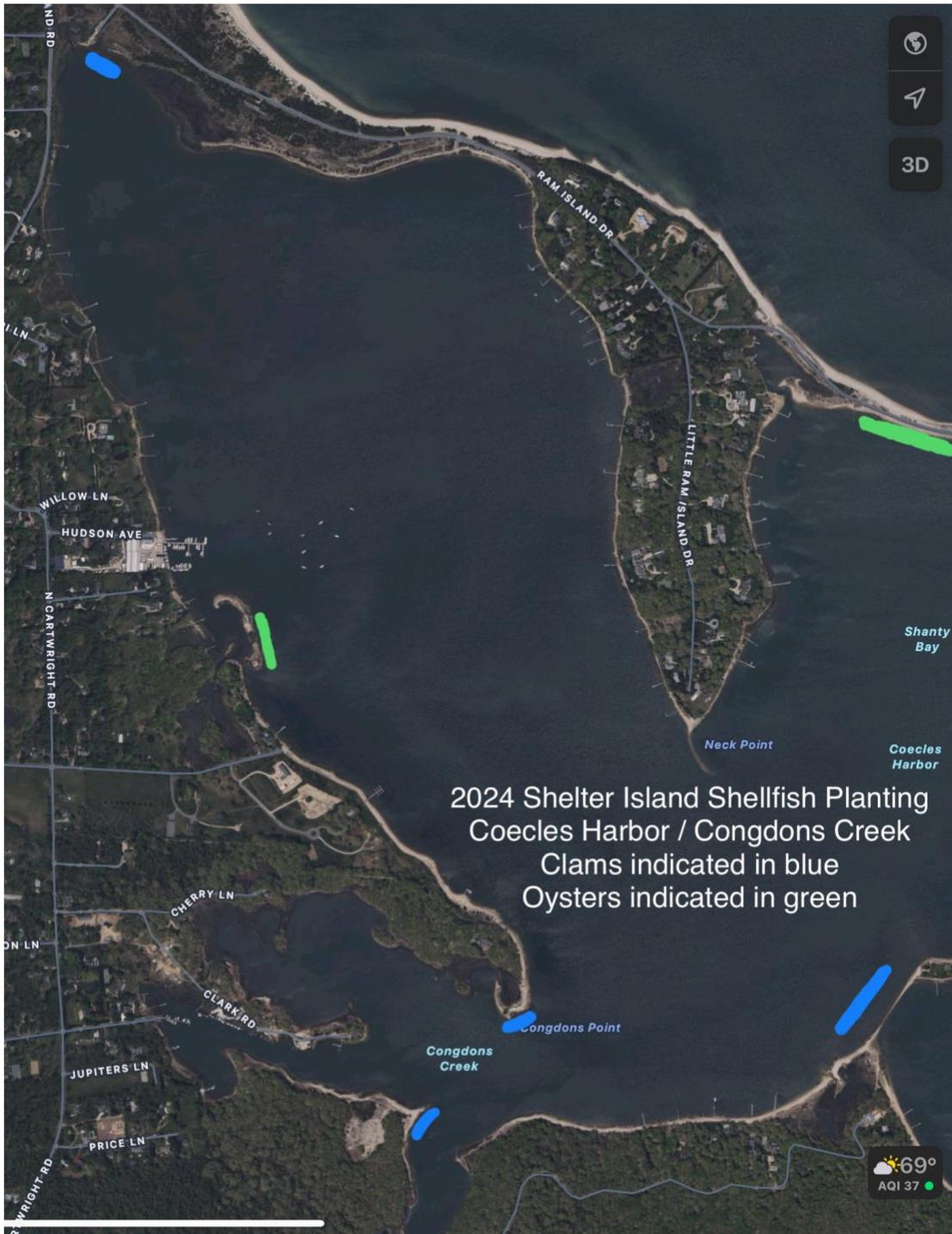
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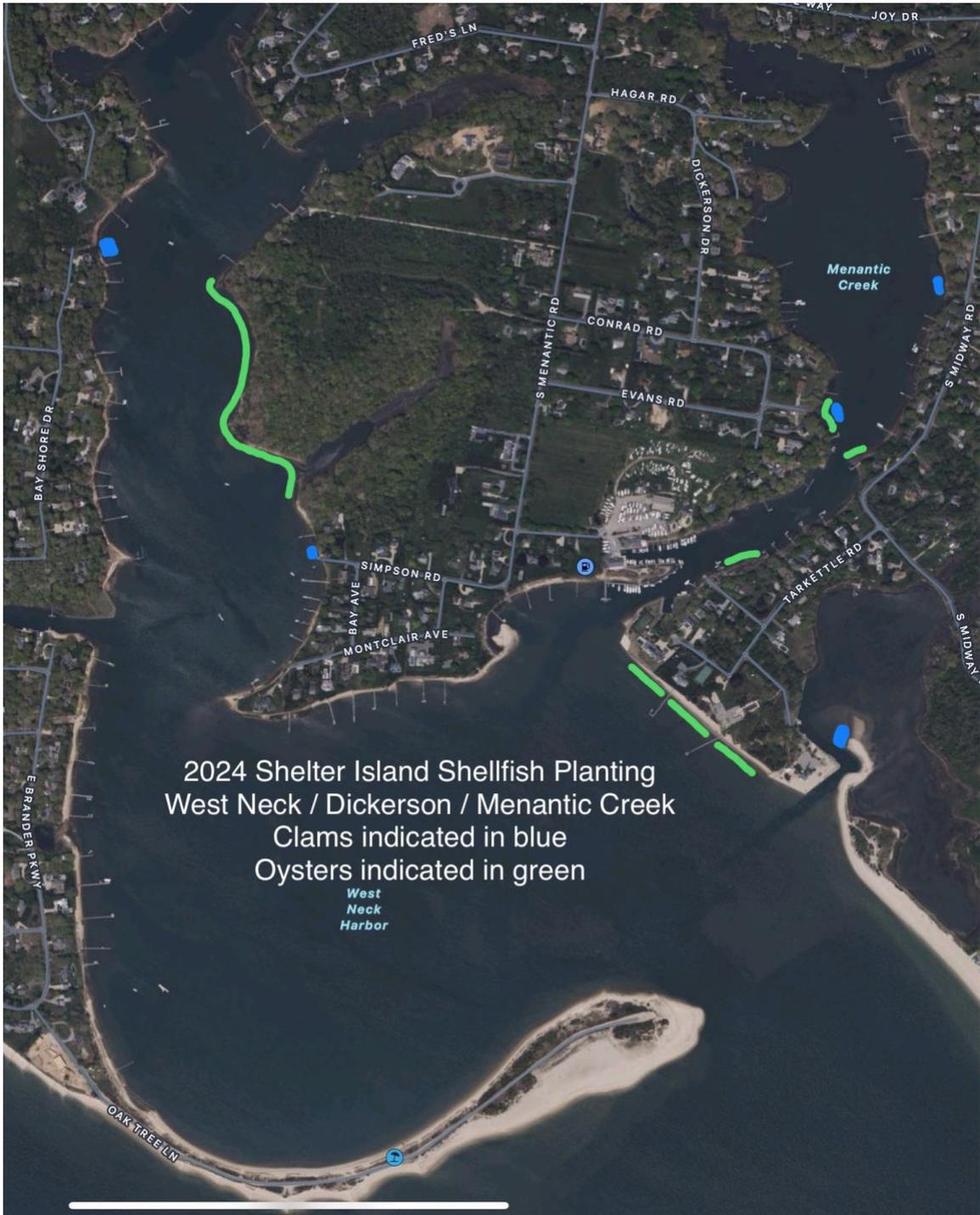
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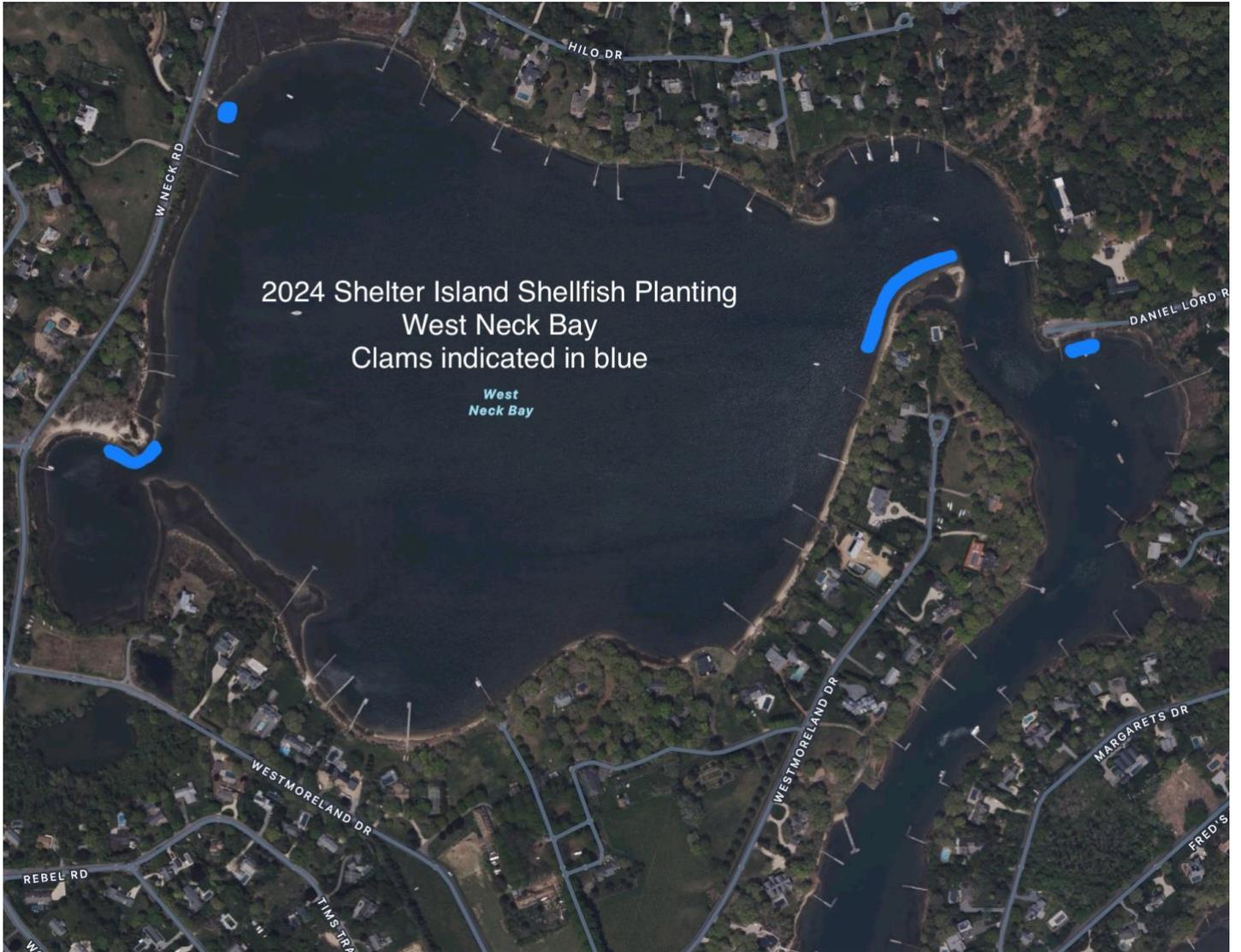
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2024 Shelter Island Shellfish Planting
Coecles Harbor / Congdos Creek
Clams indicated in blue
Oysters indicated in green





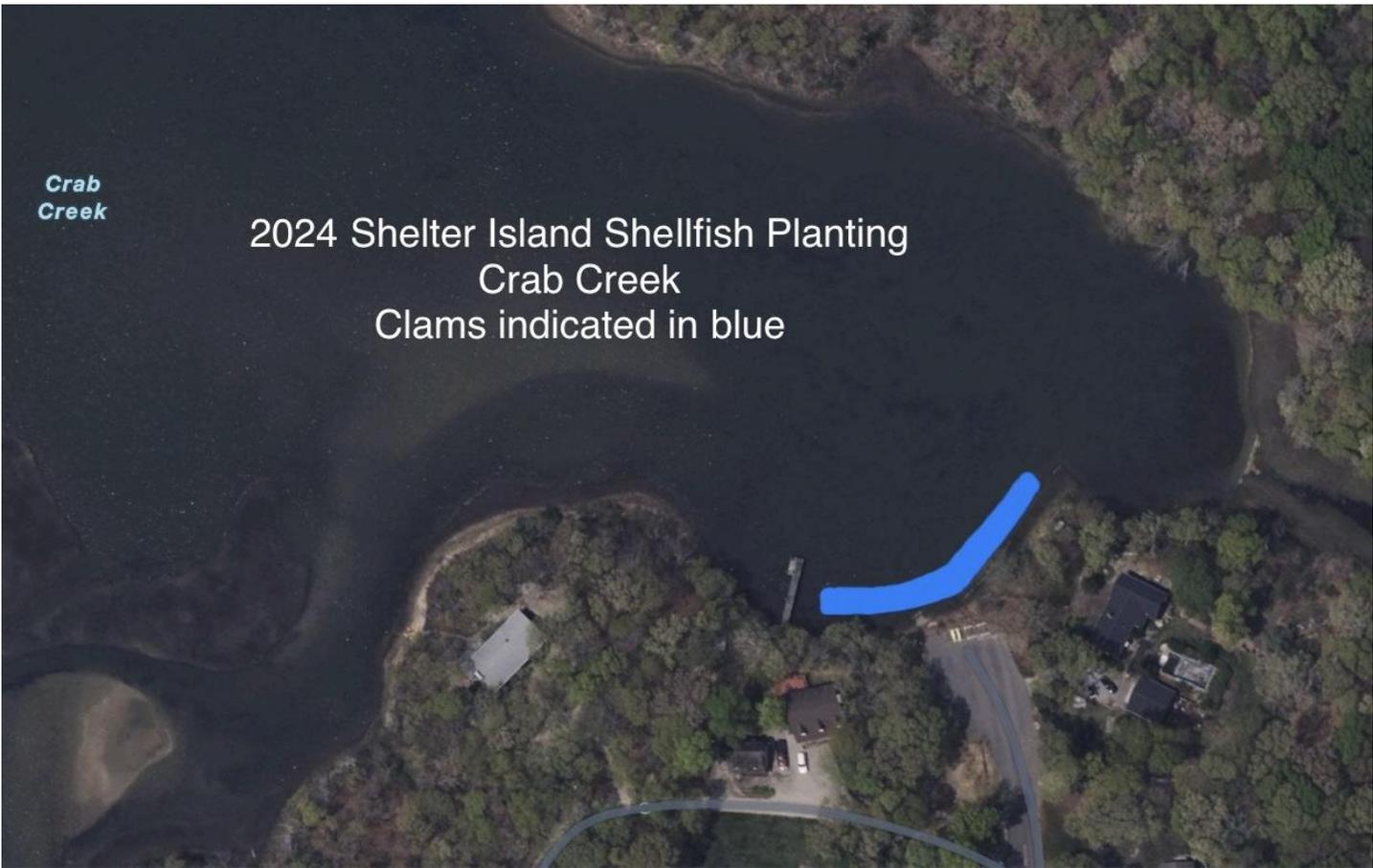


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West Neck Bay
Clams indicated in blue

West
Neck Bay

Crab
Creek

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Crab Creek
Clams indicated in blue



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Gardiners Creek
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