EDITORIAL & STORIES on NJ DEP confirming Caven Point was remediated by 2004, refuting big lie by Paul Fireman's front groups

8/15/22 Jersey Journal EDITORIAL "Tune out aggressive lobbying and pass LSP law" https://www.nj.com/opinion/2022/08/tune-out-aggressive-lobbying-and-pass-lsp-law-jersey-journal-editorial.html

Stack's bill would preserve the ecologically sensitive peninsula as a natural habitat, effectively thwarting any attempt to lease or sell it to a private entity like Fireman's golf course. But already last week, one of Fireman's front groups tried to redirect the conversation with insinuations that the land needs pollution remediation, something the state Department of Environmental Protection has long said is complete.

8/8/22 The Jersey Journal by Jake Maher "Bill that would protect the birds at Caven Point, not birdes, is approved by Senate Committee" https://folsp.org/protection%20bill%208-8-2022%20(1).pdf Or "subscribers only" at

 $\underline{https://www.nj.com/hudson/2022/08/bill-that-would-protect-birds-at-caven-point-not-birdies-is-approved-by-senate-committee.html}$

Friends' note: The Paul Fireman funded phony "astroturf group" which has pushed total lies for two years about the LSP Protection Act to kill the Act because Fireman wants to bulldoze LSP's Caven Point Natural Area to relocate golf holes for his multimillionaire members, continues it total lies to harm the LSP Caven Point protection bill because Fireman of course still wants to privatize Caven Point. Their statement was surely written by Fireman's lobbyist Eric Shuffler.

"Liberty State Park For All, a group funded by Fireman, issued a statement Monday thanking Stack for his support for the park and attempting to reframe the question of the preservation of Caven Point to one of contamination. Similar to other areas in Liberty State Park, there is historic contamination at Caven Point including chromium and petroleum that pose a threat to the safety of our community. We strongly urge the legislature to conduct a thorough review of the historical significance of Caven Point as well as an environmental investigation, with a commitment that any remaining contamination in Caven Point be cleaned".

"The state Department of Environmental Protection <u>has said</u> (links to the NY Times story below) that Caven Point was remediated in 2004 and does not require additional clean-up".

- 1/9/20 The New York Times by Tracey Tully "1 Percent Wants to Seize a Migratory Bird Habitat" https://www.nytimes.com/2020/01/09/nyregion/liberty-state-park-golf-course.html

Golf course officials also say that contaminated land at Caven Point would be remediated, but a state spokesman said the plot was cleaned and deemed safe in 2004 for its current use. Additional cleanup is not required, "Larry Hajna, a D.E.P. spokesman, said in an email.