

State Funding Keeps Adventureland Spinning Forward

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Sen. Martinez announces New York State tourism grant funding awarded for LI adventure park's modernization project.

New York State will help Adventureland remain a Fireball, as "Long Island's Amusement Park since 1962" is set to receive \$205,600 in funding for its five-year improvement project, Sen. Monica R. Martinez announced. The \$10 million to \$15 million modernization plan will introduce several new attractions to the park while retiring some long-time favorites. But don't expect too much Turbulence from those closures. In their place will be the new thrill

ride, Top Spin; a Miniature Pirate Ship; a refurbished Viking Voyage; and the installation of a water main that will support additional attractions, all made possible in part by this grant.

Funding is being provided through a Market New York grant, a program that supports regionally themed marketing projects that promote tourism destinations, attractions and special events, as well as tourism facility capital improvement projects.

"Adventureland not only holds fond memories for nearly every Long Island child and family, but it also holds an important place in our regional economy," said Sen. Martinez. "It employs over 650 local workers who keep the Train, and other rides, moving throughout the park's operating season. Supporting Adventureland's improvement is good for patrons, impactful for our community, and beneficial for New York State."

The upgrades are expected to be Musik to the ears of visitors to the adventure park, which has operated rides, games, and attractions for children and adults of all ages on its East Farmingdale campus for more than 60 years. The multi-phased redevelopment project began earlier this year and is expected to continue until 2028, with park employment projected to increase by 10% upon completion.