



## South Carolina Planning Education Advisory Committee (SCPEAC)

February 16, 2026

### NOTICE OF DECISION

**Title of Program:** Beaches 101

**Organization:** Elko Coastal Consulting, Inc.

**The following action has been taken by the SCPEAC on this application:**

APPLICATION RECEIVED                      Date: February 9, 2026

APPLICATION REVIEWED                      Date: February 12, 2026

ACCEPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION              Date: N/A

a)       X   ACCREDITED for: 180 minutes (3.0 hours) CE credit hours: 4.0

b)     DENIED ACCREDITATION

b)     \_\_\_\_\_ RETURNED for more information

**If accredited:**

a)     Authorized Course No.: 2026-02

b)     Date of accreditation: February 16, 2026

Certification Signature, MASC Administrative Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

*L.P. Floyd*

Certification Signature, SCPEAC Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

*Stephanie Monroe Tilson*

**For further information, contact Urica Floyd at 803-354-4754  
or the committee at [SCPEAC@masc.sc](mailto:SCPEAC@masc.sc).**



## Application for Accreditation of a Continuing Education Program or as a Sponsor Organization

NOTE: This certification form, together with the required information referenced therein, shall be submitted to the South Carolina Planning Education Advisory Committee (SCPEAC). Applications are due no later than at least 30 days prior to the first scheduled presentation of a program or class. Once submitted, as the applicant, if you have not been contacted within 5 business days of a submittal, you should reach out with an email or phone call to [scpeac@masc.sc](mailto:scpeac@masc.sc) or to 803.354.4754 for application status. Approvals are generally granted within 24 to 48 hours. If no objections are raised by a member of the SCPEAC within 10 business days of receipt, the program shall be considered accepted. If an objection is raised, a teleconference meeting shall be scheduled with appropriate public notice, as soon as reasonably possible, to review the application. The Committee will consider extenuating circumstances where the 30-day deadline cannot be met. The primary applicant or staff member organizing the training must meet the minimal educational requirements of at least an undergrad degree, plus 5 years experience in the planning field.

### Reason for Application

Choose one:

Request as a Local Official for Continuing Education Program Approval  Request as an Organization for Accreditation of a Continuing Education Training  Request as an Organization to be an Approved Sponsor of Continuing Education Programs

### Applicant Information

*The primary applicant or staff member submitting the training for approval must meet the minimal educational requirements of at least **an undergrad degree, plus 5 years experience in the planning field**. The submitting applicant certifies the proposed Continuing Education Program meets the educational requirements in Section 6-29-1340 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and that the proposed presenter is qualified to give the presentation.*

Name

Nicole  
First

Elko  
Last

**Municipality/County/Organization**

Elko Coastal Consulting, Inc.

**Position**

President

**Phone**

(843) 371-7082

**Email**

nelko@elkocoastal.com

**If you are a COG Director, indicate which jurisdiction the certification is being requested for:****Applicant Resume/Vita**

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## Information About Organization Providing the Training

**Organization Name**

Elko Coastal Consulting, Inc.

**Organization Address**

P.O. Box 1451

Address Line 1

PO Box 1451

Address Line 2

Folly Beach

City

South Carolina

State

29439

Zip Code

**Organization Phone**

(843) 371-7082

**Organization Website**<https://www.elkocoastal.com>**Name of Training Contact**

Nicole Elko, Ph.D.

**Title of Training Contact**

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## Training Program Information

**Title of Planned Training or Program**

Beaches 101

**Date of Training**

4/6/2026

**Length of Training Session (i.e. 60 minutes, 90 minutes, 3-hours, etc.)**

3 hours

**Training Location**

City of Folly Beach

**Brief description of the Training or Program and its relevant content:**

The Beaches 101 Training Course offered by Elko Coastal Consulting provides participants with a comprehensive introduction to coastal environments, focusing specifically on beach dynamics and management. This course covers essential topics such as coastal processes, shoreline erosion, restoration techniques, and sustainable beach management practices. Designed for both professionals and enthusiasts, Beaches 101 combines classroom instruction with hands-on fieldwork, ensuring attendees gain practical knowledge relevant to real-world coastal challenges. By completing this training, participants will be equipped with foundational skills to assess, maintain, and enhance beach environments effectively.

**Method of presentation (in-person; virtual; or other):**

in-person

**When will materials be distributed (before or at the time of the program):**

at the time of program

**Description of materials to be distributed:**

Slides of the training presentation and relevant references/reports/studies

**Method of Advertisement (Describe how you plan to notify local officials of the program):**

City announcement, The course is sponsored by the City of Folly Beach, intended to be taken by elected officials and their designees. The City will "market" the training course internally.

**Additional Comments**

## Required Attachments

**Brochure, if available:**

**Course Presenter(s) and credentials (include brief resumes and qualifications, combine into one .pdf document):**

Elko bio short 2026.pdf

**Copies of all handouts and course materials (combine into one .pdf document). If the course materials is a video/webinar recording include an informational sheet with video summary, links to the host site of the video, etc.:**

Beaches 101-Day1-2018.pdf

day 2.pdf

Beaches101-Day3-2018.pdf

**Evaluation Form and method of evaluation (each program must be evaluated, combine into one .pdf document):**

Beaches 101 Training Course Evaluation Form.docx

**Certification. By submitting this application, the applicant agrees to:**

1. Allow in-person observation, without charge, of the Program by the SCPEAC Committee members. Any food, travel, or lodging costs will be the responsibility of the Committee member.
2. The applicant acknowledges that its approval for this Program may be withdrawn for violations of the regulations or failure to comply with the agreements and representations contained herein and as may be required by the SCPEAC.

Dr. Nicole Elko is President of Elko Coastal Consulting based in Folly Beach, SC. She provides non-profit management services at the Executive Director for the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association (ASBPA); an Executive Director of the U.S. Coastal Research Program; and Administrator of the South Carolina Beach Advocates. Dr. Elko has 25 years of experience in coastal science and management, leading many coastal resilience projects along the U.S. Southeast and Gulf coasts. She served on Governor McMaster's South Carolina Floodwater Commission in 2019.

Dr. Elko received her Ph.D. (Geology) from the University of South Florida after working with the USGS Coastal Marine Geology Program, St. Petersburg, and while serving as the coastal coordinator for Pinellas County, FL. She is presently serving as an emeritus civilian member of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Coastal Engineering Research Board (CERB) and also as a member of NOAA's Hydrographic Services Review Panel (HSRP). Both the CERB and HSRP are Federal Advisory Committees that provide advice to agency leadership on national coastal research and development needs. Dr. Elko teaches a "Beaches 101" training course to regulators and elected officials in the Carolinas and advises several graduate and undergraduate students.

In her free time, she enjoys surfing with her family. She has served as the Director of the Folly Beach Wahine Classic since 2018 where her non-profit experience helps advocate for overcoming gender stereotypes and barriers in women's surfing.

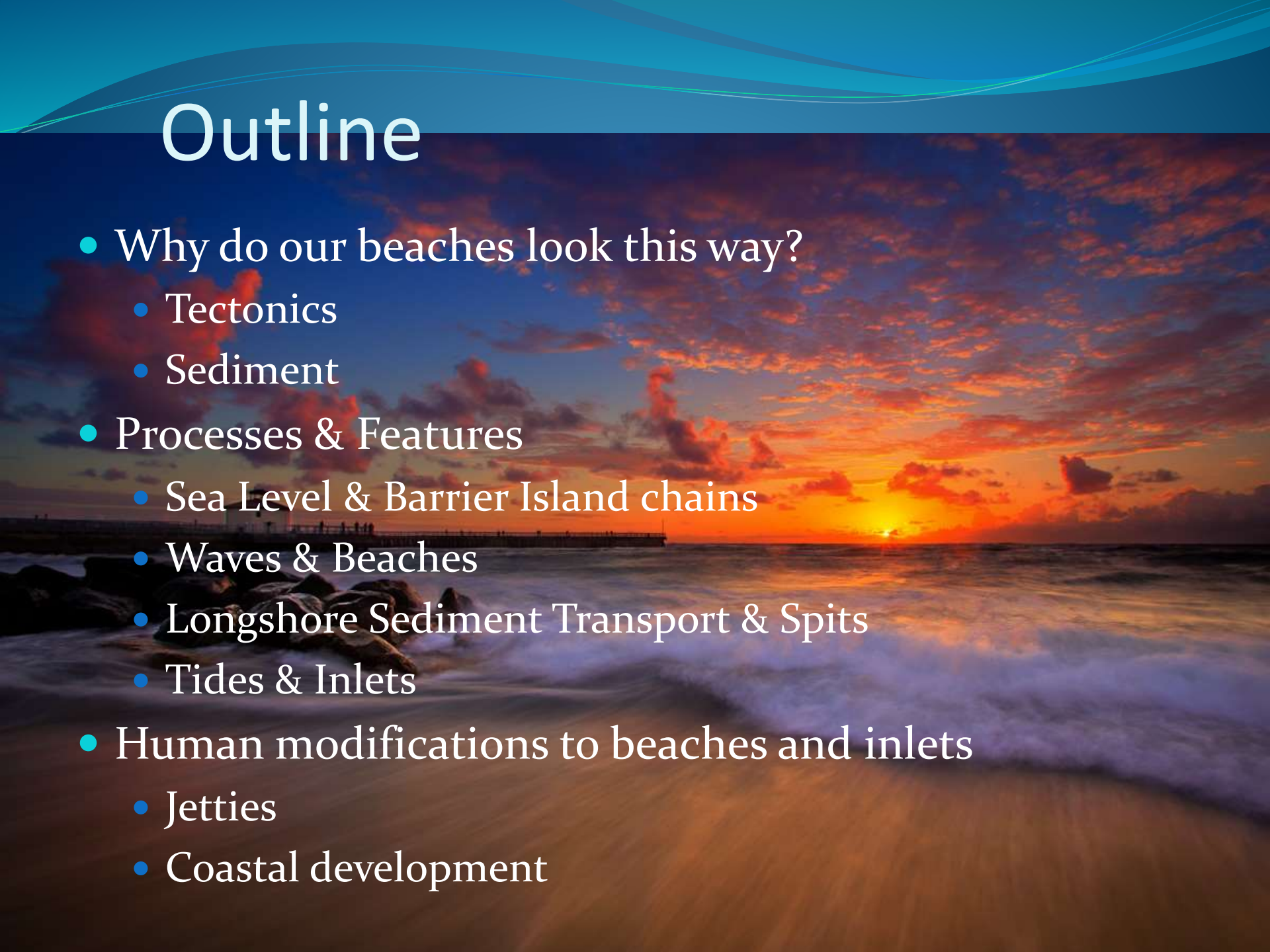
# Beaches 101: A Training Course for Coastal Managers

Nicole Elko, Ph.D.

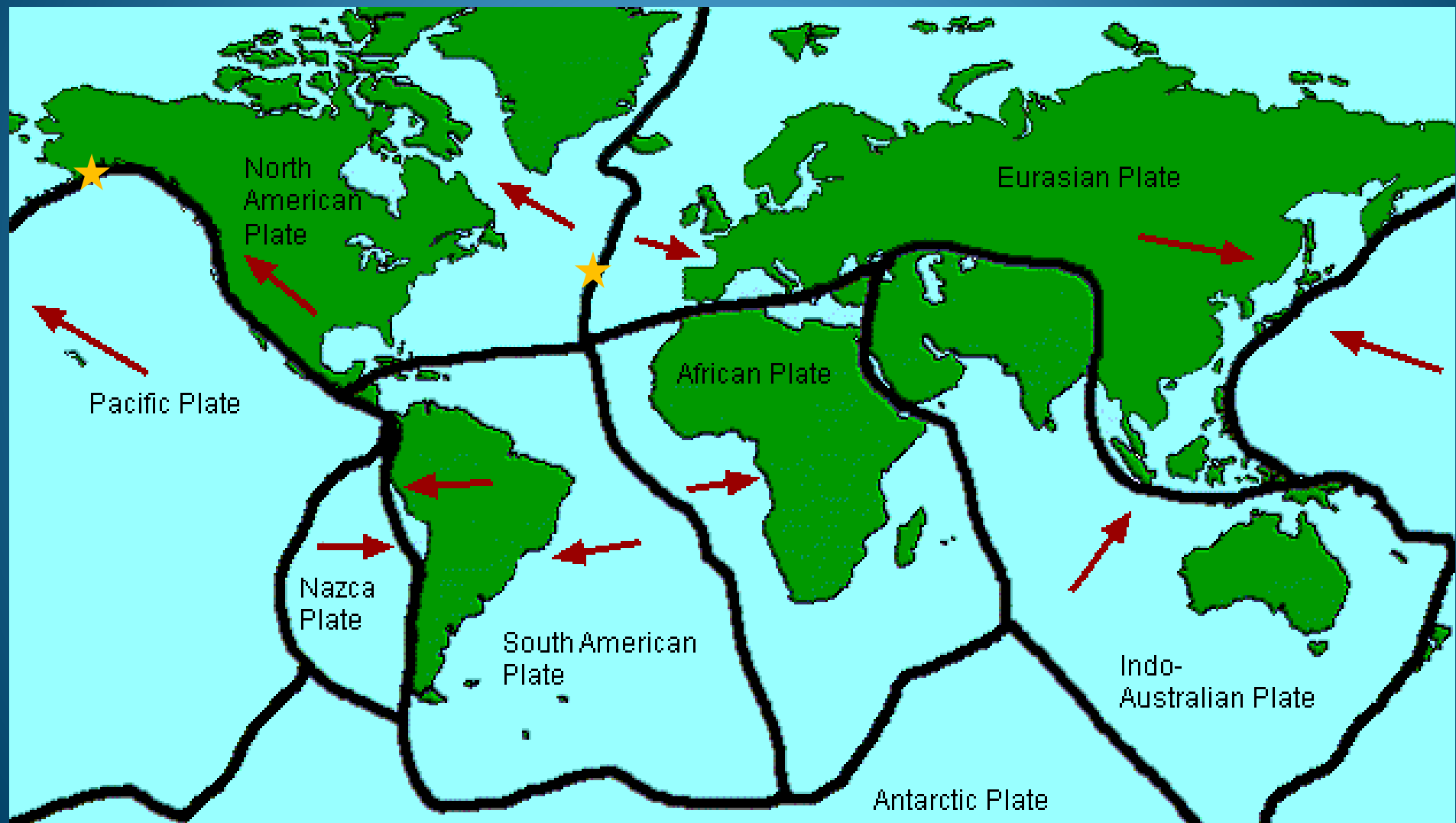
October 3, 2018

## Coastal Processes Primer Beaches & Inlets

# Outline

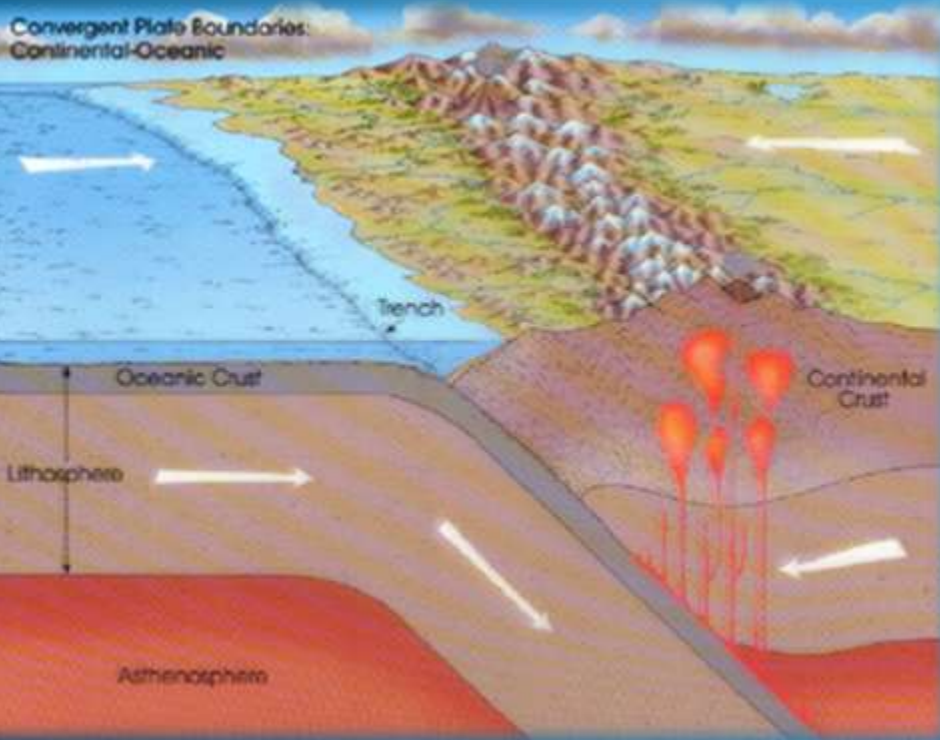
- Why do our beaches look this way?
    - Tectonics
    - Sediment
  - Processes & Features
    - Sea Level & Barrier Island chains
    - Waves & Beaches
    - Longshore Sediment Transport & Spits
    - Tides & Inlets
  - Human modifications to beaches and inlets
    - Jetties
    - Coastal development
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- A scenic sunset over a beach. The sky is filled with vibrant orange and red clouds, with the sun low on the horizon. The ocean waves are breaking on the shore, creating white foam. In the distance, a pier or breakwater extends into the water. The foreground shows the sandy beach and some dark rocks.

# Plate Tectonics



# Tectonics: Types of Coastlines

Convergent Plate Boundaries:  
Continental-Oceanic



Collision Coast (e.g., Alaska)



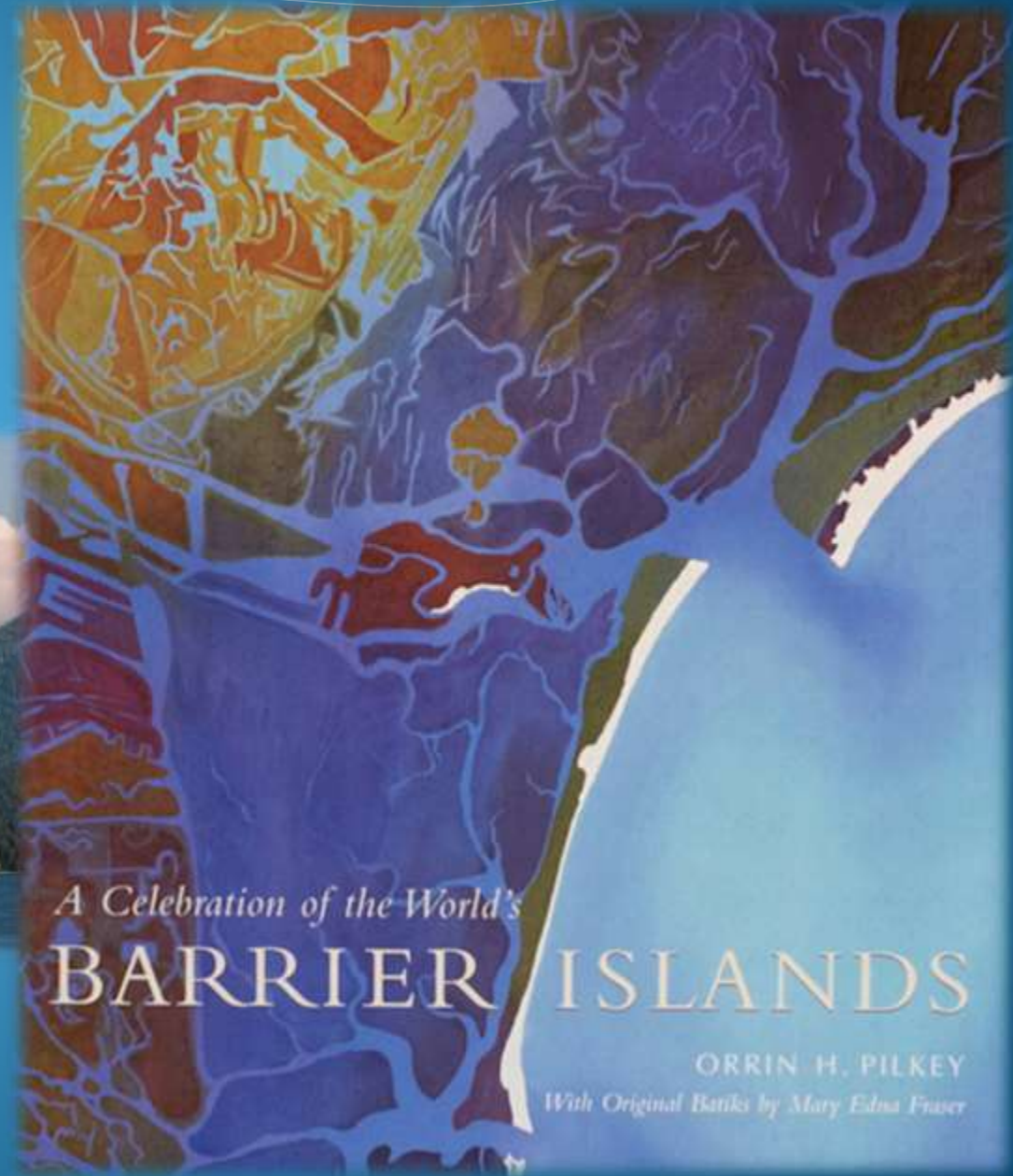
Sea Floor Spreading... ..  
It's tearing me apart... ..

**HELP!!**

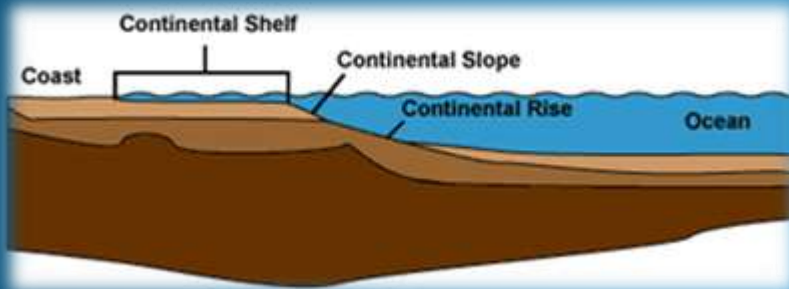


Trailing Edge Coast (e.g., S.C.)

# Tectonics: Types of Coastlines



# Continental Shelf Width



# Beach Sediment

...erodes from neighboring uplands



“Appalachian” Granite



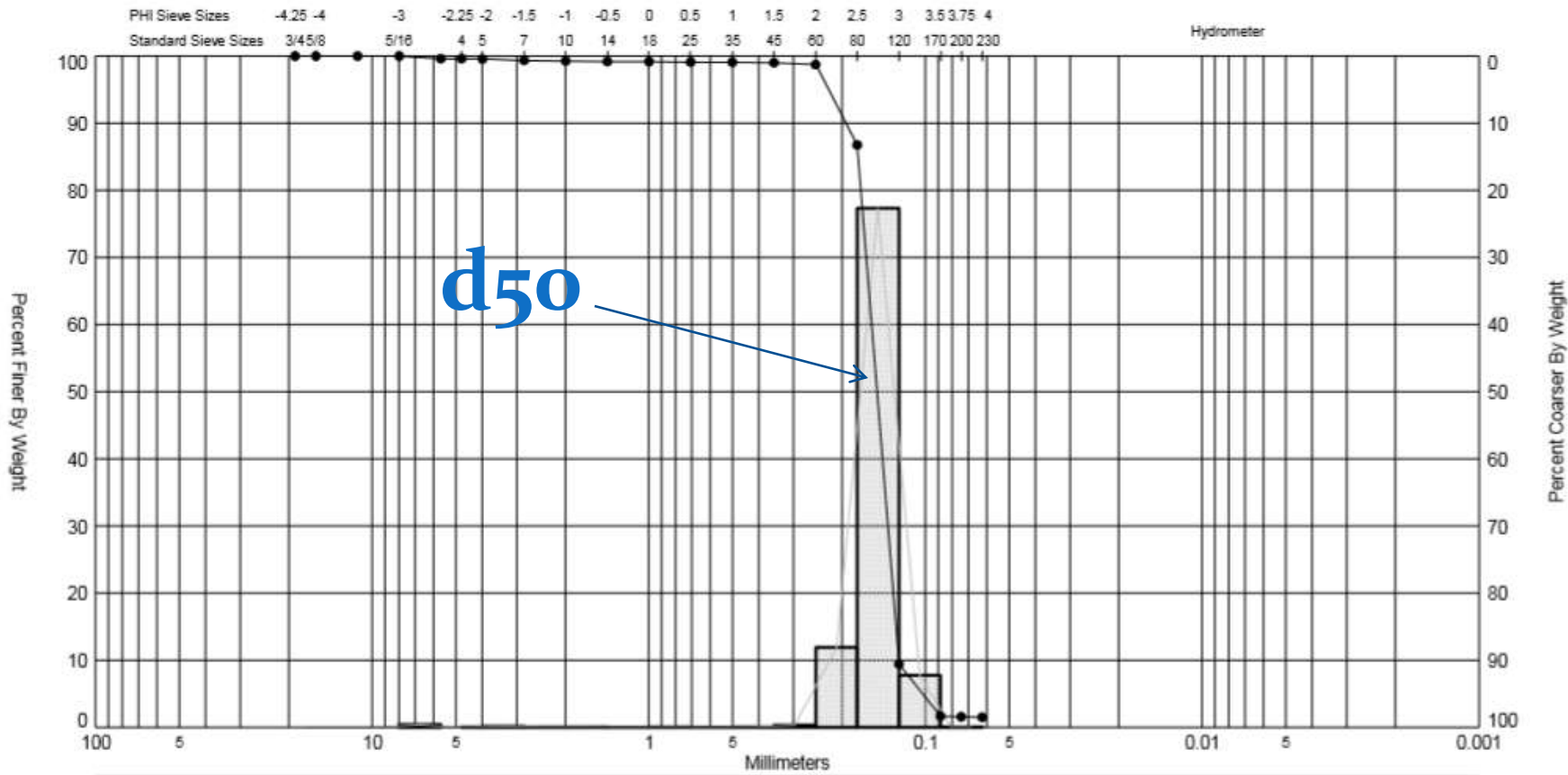
Quartz & Shells

# Beach Sedim




Granulometric Report				CPE		
Depths and elevations based on measured values				Coastal Planning & Engineering 2481 NW Boca Raton Blvd, Boca Raton FL 33431 ph (561) 391-8102 fax (561) 391-9116		
Project Name: Big Hickory Beach Composites						
Sample Name: -8.0 ft COMP						
Analysis Date: 09-09-09						
Analyzed By: PB						
Easting (ft):		Northing (ft):		Coordinate System:		Elevation (ft):
				Florida State Plane West		
USCS:		Munsell:		Comments:		
SP				Composite data. Average wet Munsell Value is 5.		
Dry Weight (g):	Wash Weight (g):	Pan Retained (g):	Sieve Loss (%):	Fines (%): #200 - 1.59 #230 - 1.51	Organics (%):	Carbonates (%):
100.00	100.00	1.50	0.01			7
Sieve Number	Sieve Size (Phi)	Sieve Size (Millimeters)	Grams Retained	% Weight Retained	Cum. Grams Retained	C. % Weight Retained
3/4"	-4.25	19.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5/8"	-4.00	16.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7/16"	-3.50	11.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5/16"	-3.00	8.00	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
3.5	-2.50	5.66	0.50	0.50	0.65	0.65
4	-2.25	4.76	0.10	0.10	0.75	0.75
5	-2.00	4.00	0.23	0.23	0.98	0.98
7	-1.50	2.83	0.45	0.45	1.43	1.43
10	-1.00	2.00	0.45	0.45	1.88	1.88
14	-0.50	1.41	0.50	0.50	2.38	2.38
18	0.00	1.00	0.42	0.42	2.80	2.80
25	0.50	0.71	0.53	0.53	3.33	3.33
35	1.00	0.50	0.55	0.55	3.88	3.88
45	1.50	0.35	0.80	0.80	4.68	4.68
60	2.00	0.25	2.78	2.78	7.46	7.46
80	2.50	0.18	12.53	12.53	19.99	19.99
120	3.00	0.13	68.66	68.66	88.65	88.65
170	3.50	0.09	9.44	9.44	98.09	98.09
200	3.75	0.07	0.32	0.32	98.41	98.41
230	4.00	0.06	0.08	0.08	98.49	98.49
Shell Hash calculated from visual estimate of shell <4.75mm and >2.8mm.						
Phi 5	Phi 16	Phi 25	Phi 50	Phi 75	Phi 84	Phi 95
3.34	2.97	2.90	2.72	2.54	2.34	1.56
Moment	Mean Phi	Mean mm	Sorting	Skewness	Kurtosis	
Statistics	2.55	0.17	0.82	-4.28	24.1	

GRANULOMETRIC REPORT BEACH\_COMPOSITES.SPX\_JPERKZL.DOT 10/14/09

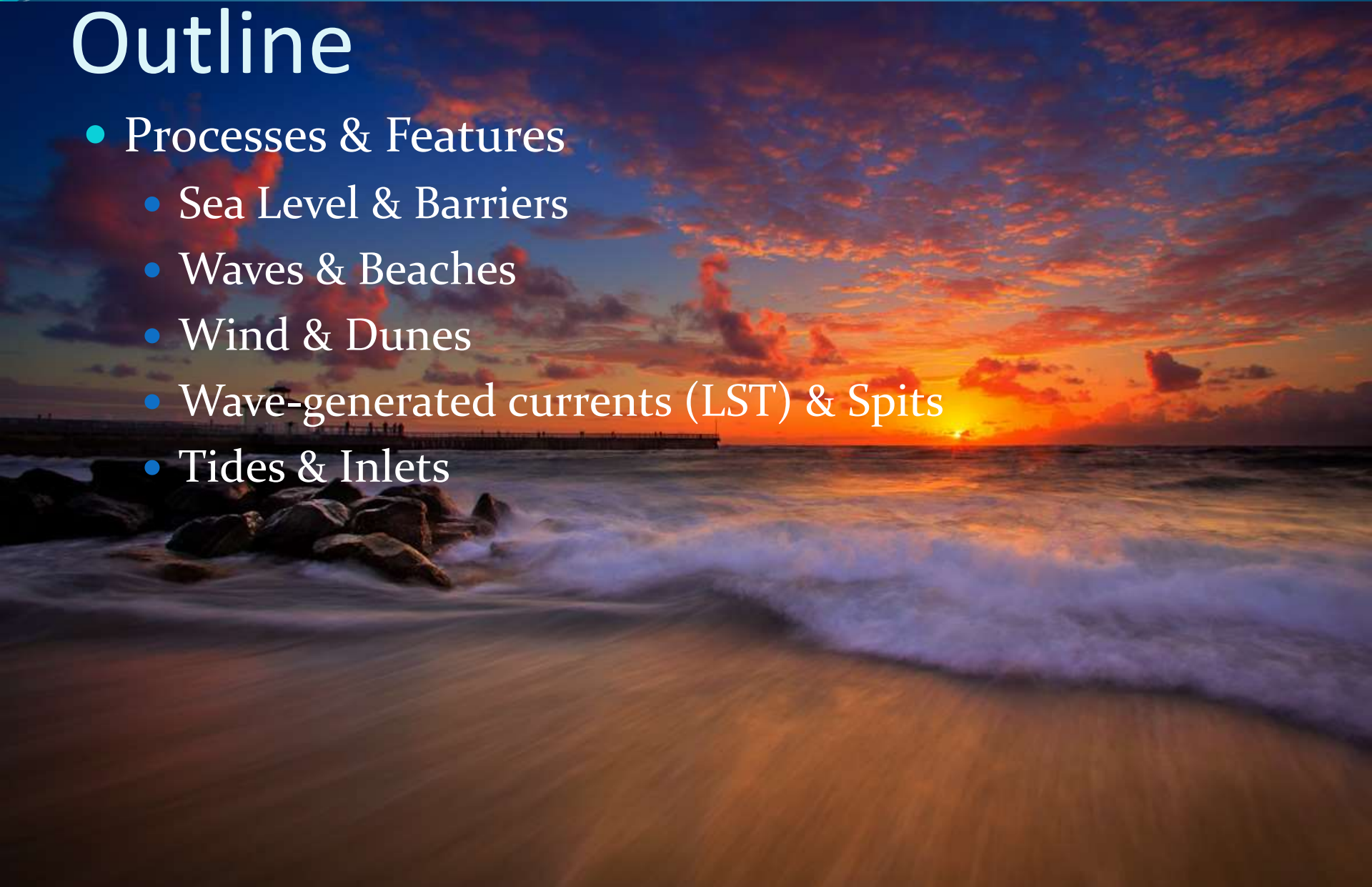


Gravel		Sand			Silt and Clay
Coarse	Fine	Coarse	Medium	Fine	

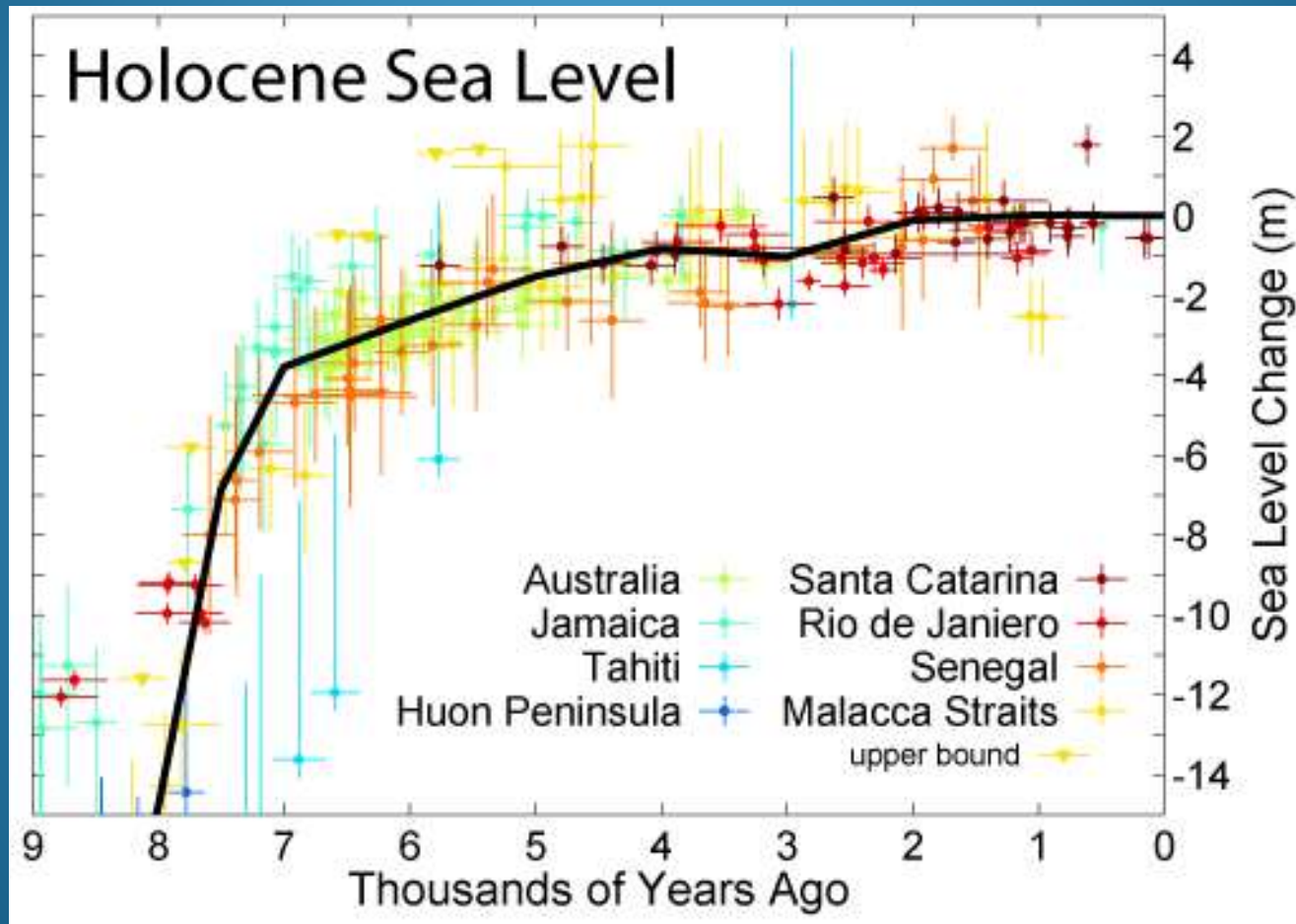
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R-222.5+450 (-8.0 ft)	—●—	-8.0	SP	#200 - 1.59 #230 - 1.52		3	2.74	2.68	-7.49	74.89	0.5	Project Name:	Big Hickory Beach Samples
Comments:												Analysis Date:	08-27-09
Depths and elevations based on measured values												Analyzed By:	PB
						Coastal Planning & Engineering 2481 NW Boca Raton Blvd, Boca Raton FL 33431 ph (561) 391-8102 fax (561) 391-9116						Easting (X, ft):	741,770
												Northing (Y, ft):	697,944
												Horizontal System:	NAD 1983
												Vertical System:	NAVD 88

# Outline

- Processes & Features
  - Sea Level & Barriers
  - Waves & Beaches
  - Wind & Dunes
  - Wave-generated currents (LST) & Spits
  - Tides & Inlets



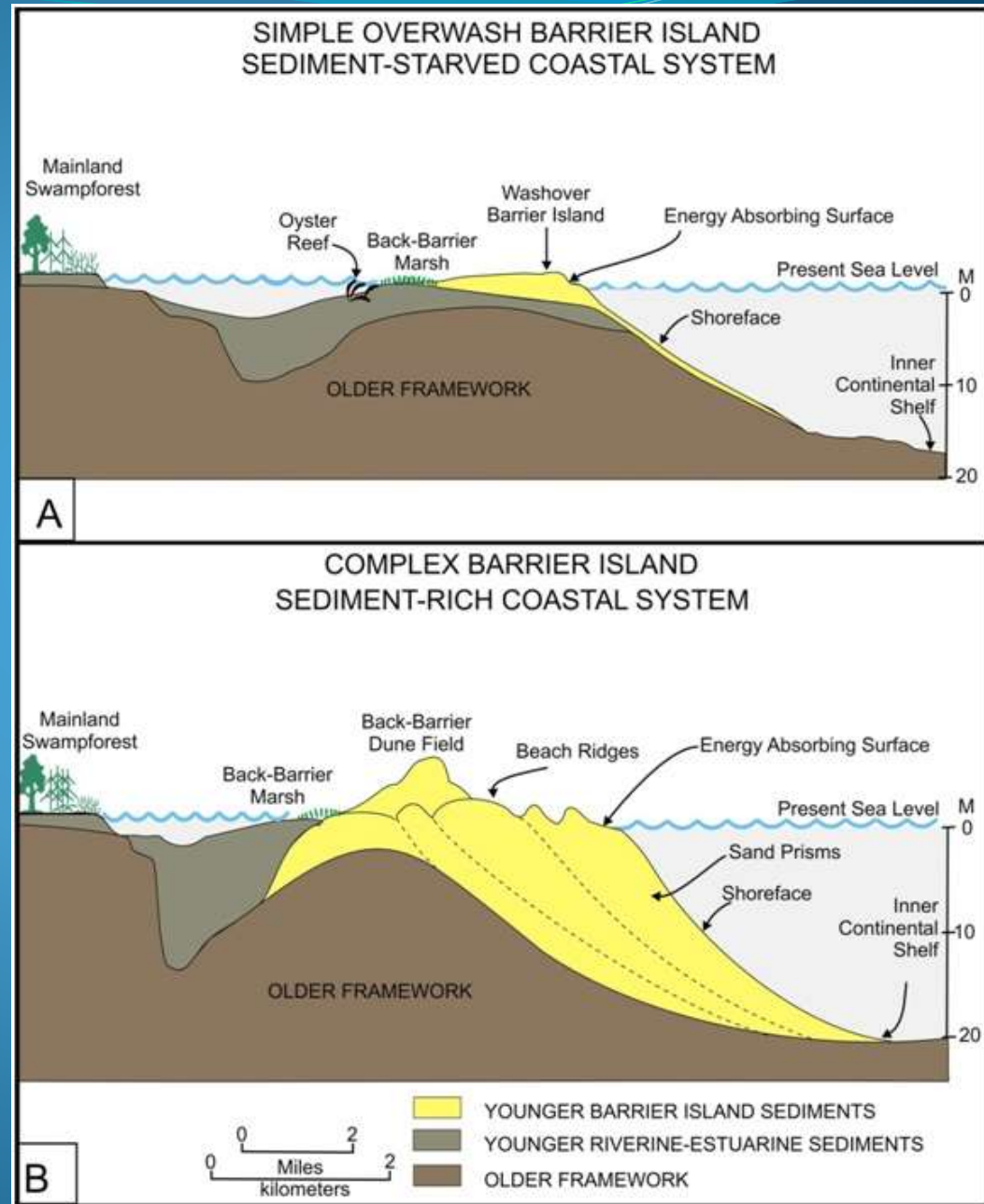
# Sea Level Change & Barrier Islands



**SLR in Charleston since 1921: 3.2 mm/yr (1ft/century)**

# Barrier Islands: Retrograding or Prograding

- Sediment Supply
- Rate of sea level change
- Storminess/erosion



# Barrier Islands: Prograding

Caladesi Island, FL



Sullivans Island, SC



SLR = 2-4mm

Amelia Island, FL



# Barrier Islands: Retrograding



SLR = 2-4mm

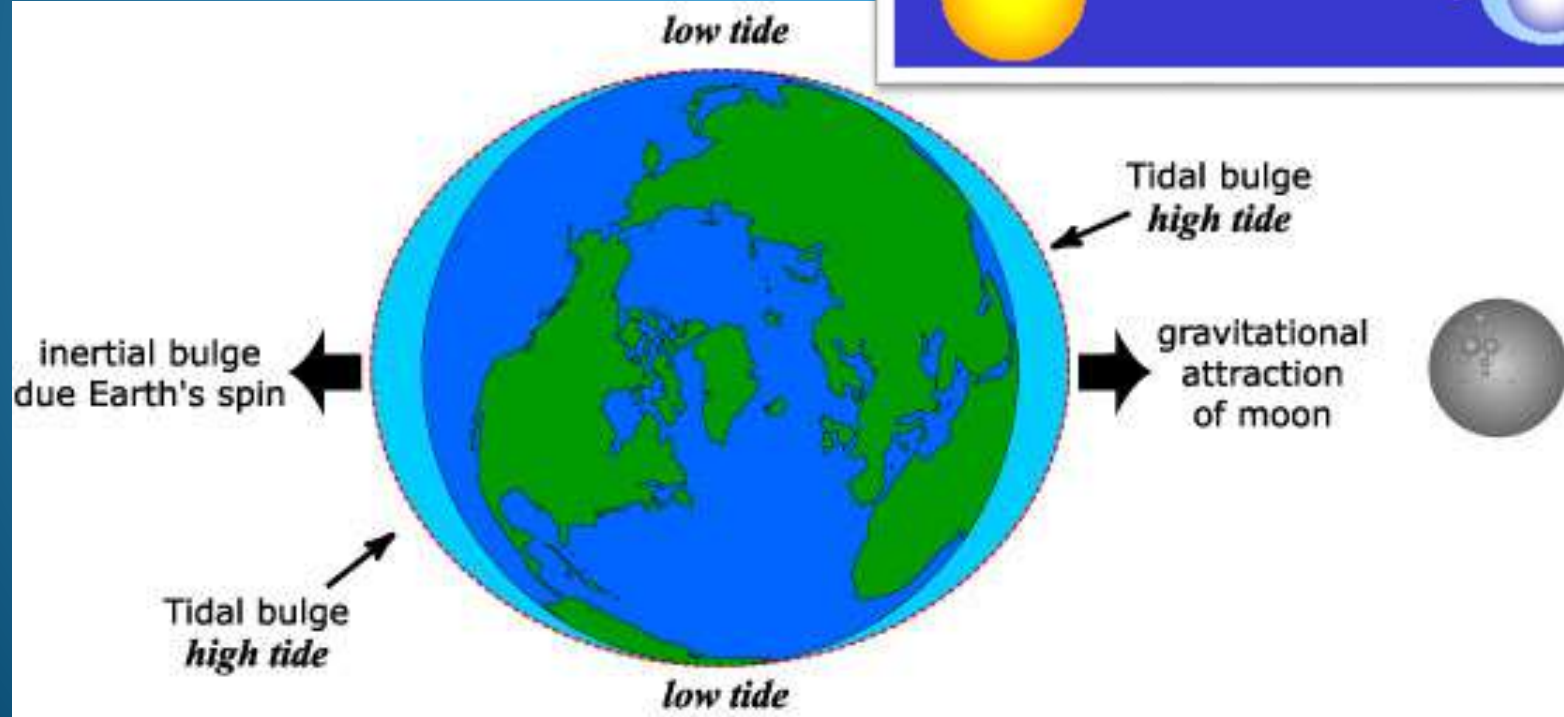
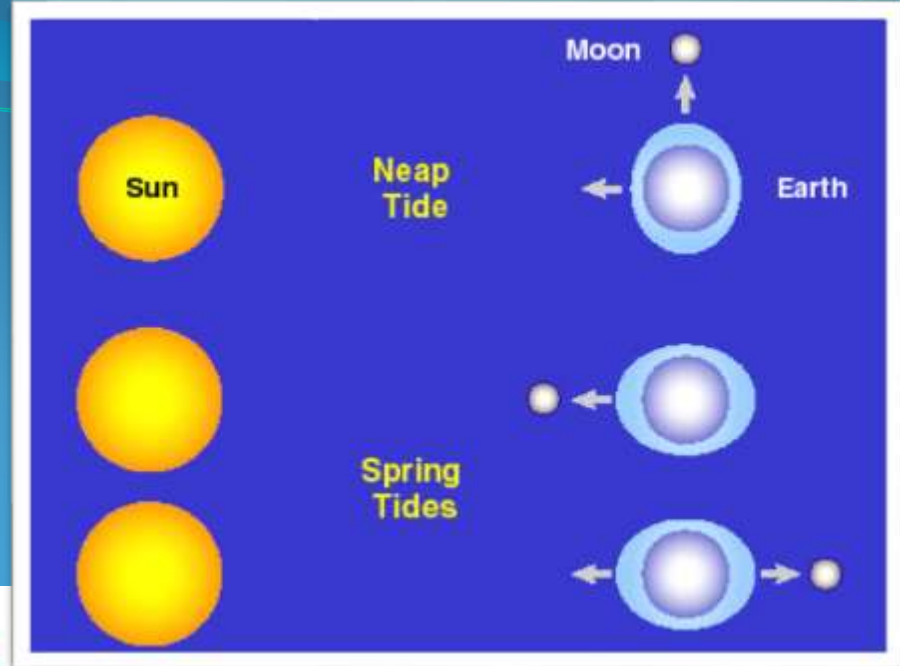
# Barrier Islands: Retrograding

- Folly Beach, SC



- April 2013

# Tides & Barrier Islands



# Tides



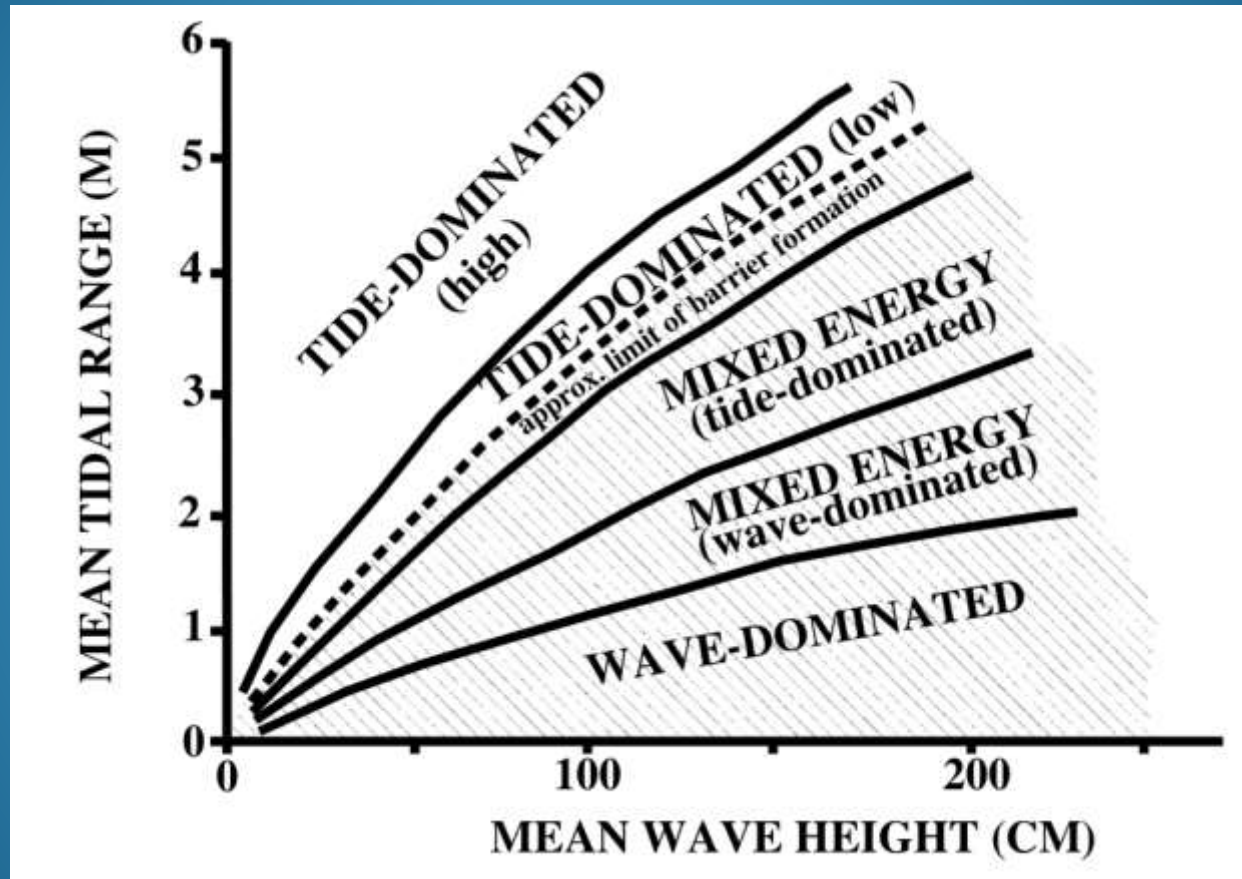
3 ft Cape Hatteras

6 ft Charleston

2.5 ft Delray Beach

Nassau  
The Bahamas

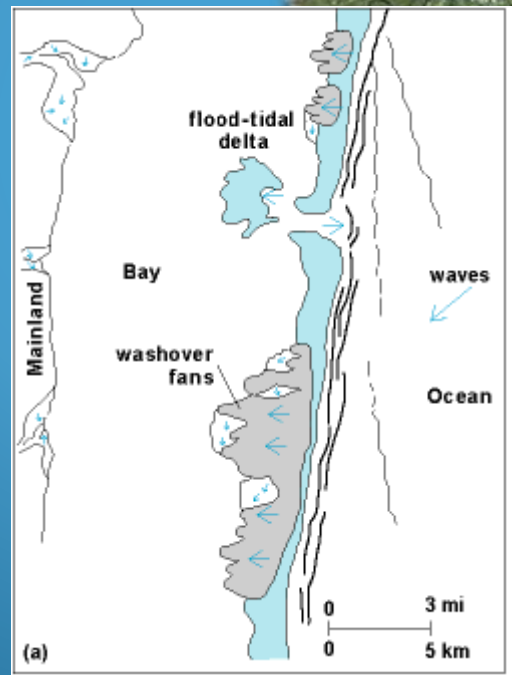
# Barrier Island Chains



- Relative influence of waves and tides (short-term processes) on barriers (large-scale features)

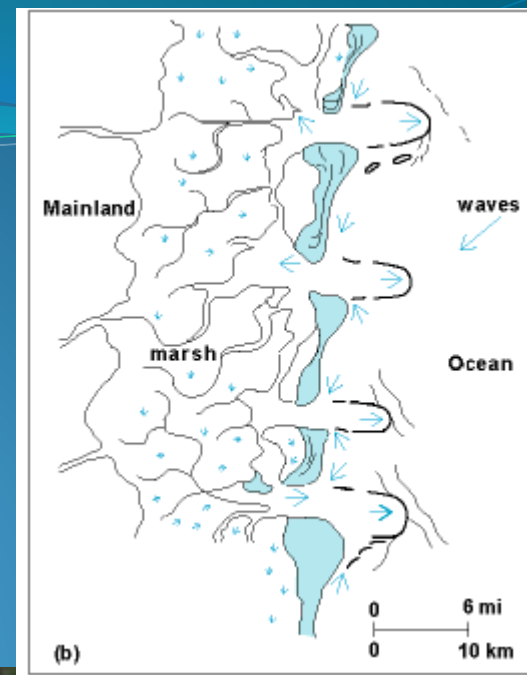
# Barrier Island Chains

- **Wave-dominated coast**
- Waves > Tides
- Long barriers
- Few tidal inlets
- Broad, shallow bay
- Outer Banks, NC
- Laguna Madre, TX



# Barrier island chains

- Mixed-energy coast
- South Carolina/Georgia
- Tides  $\geq$  Waves
- Short barriers
- Many tidal inlets
- Salt marsh



# Review

- Wave-dominated
- Mixed-energy
- Tide-dominated?



# Beaches & Waves

Pasco County, FL

**Tide-dominated Coast**

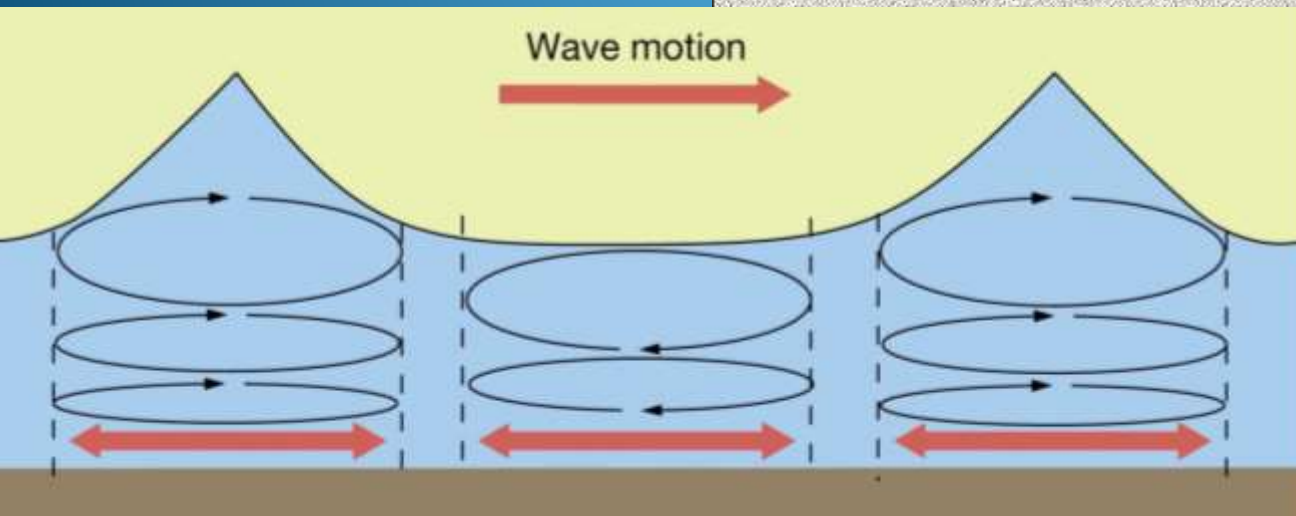
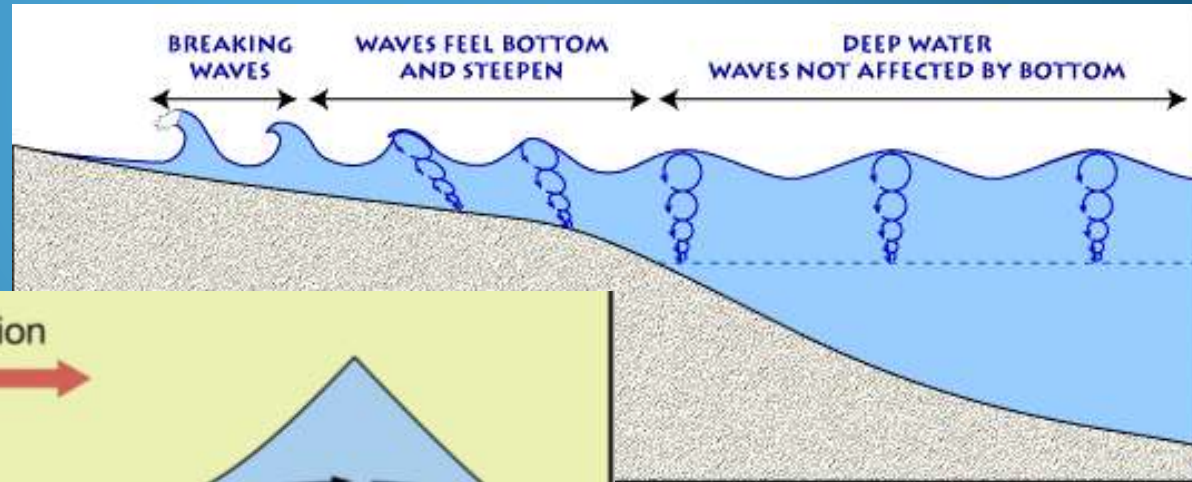
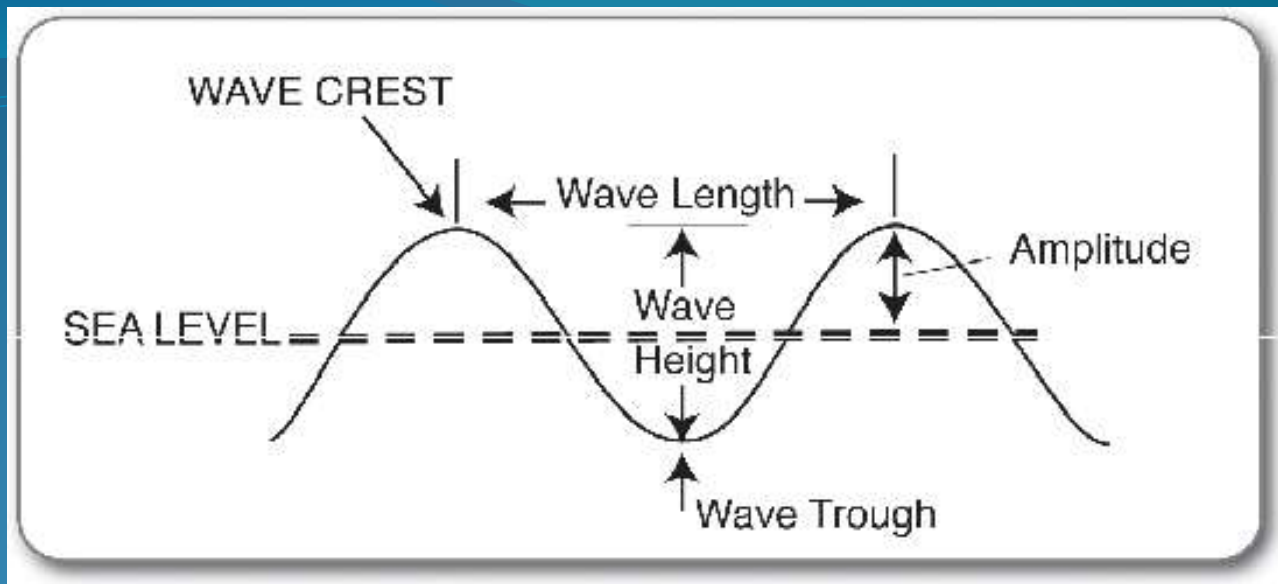
Tides >> Waves



Image © 2013 TerraMetrics  
Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO  
Imagery Date: 4/24/13

# Waves

- H
- L
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- $S=H/L$



# Waves: Generation, Wind Waves

- Wind speed
  - Duration
  - Fetch\*
- 
- Dispersion



# Waves: Swell

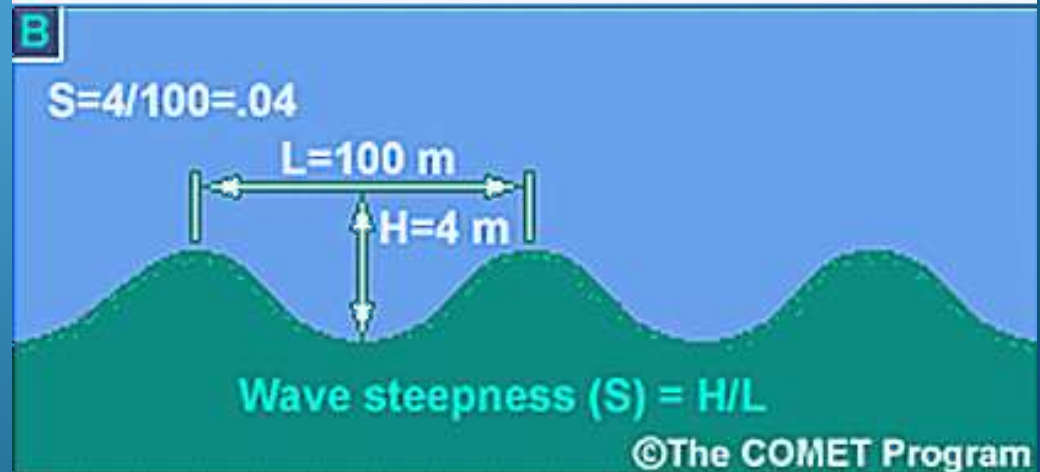
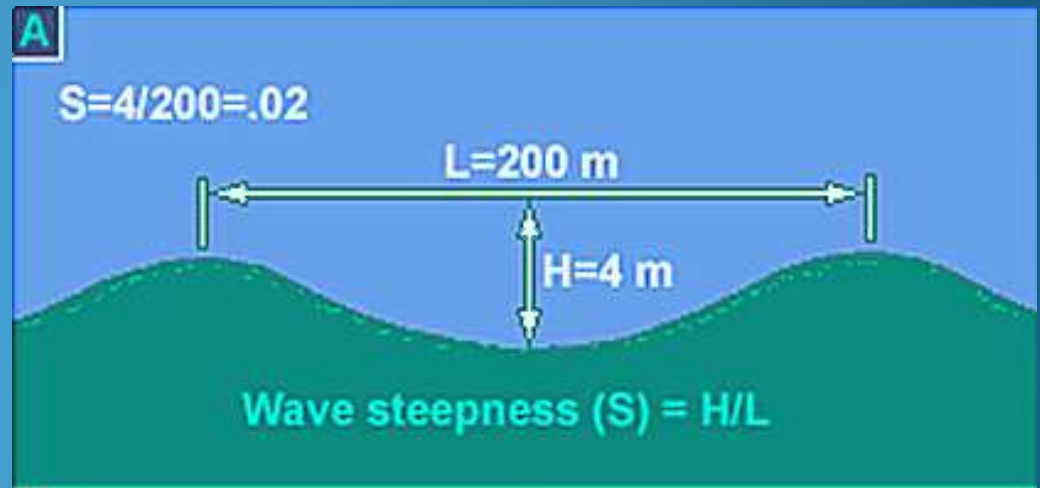


# Waves: Wave Steepness

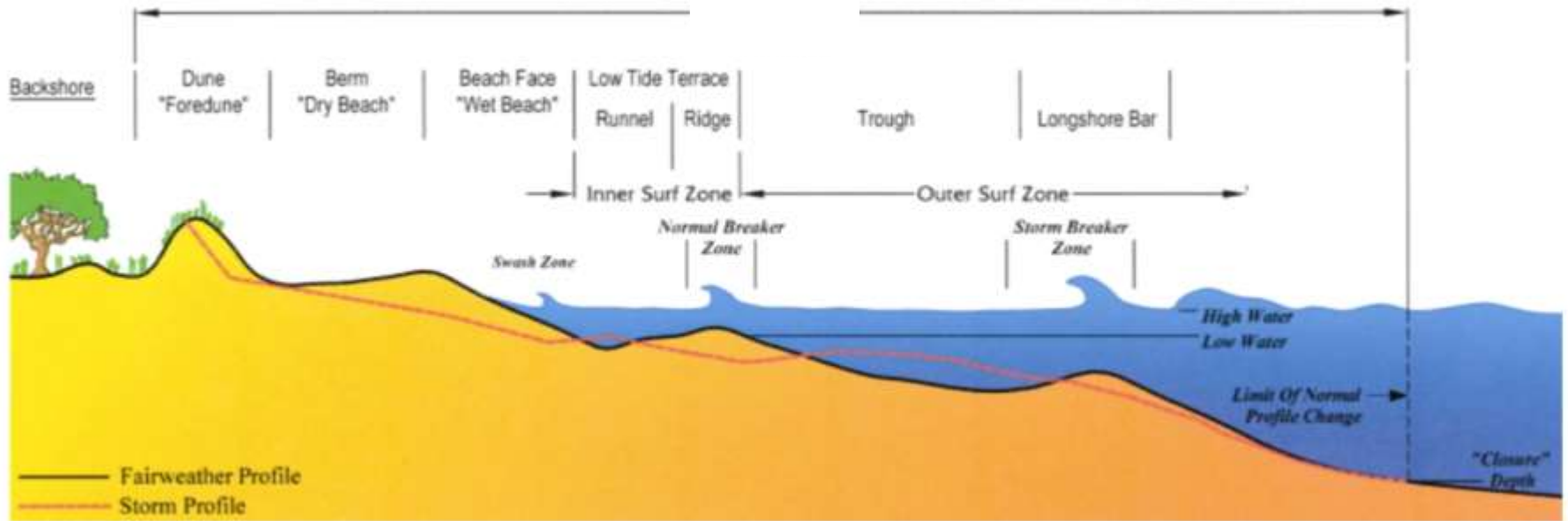


# Waves: Wave Steepness

- Constructive
- Destructive
  - Wave Energy



# Beaches

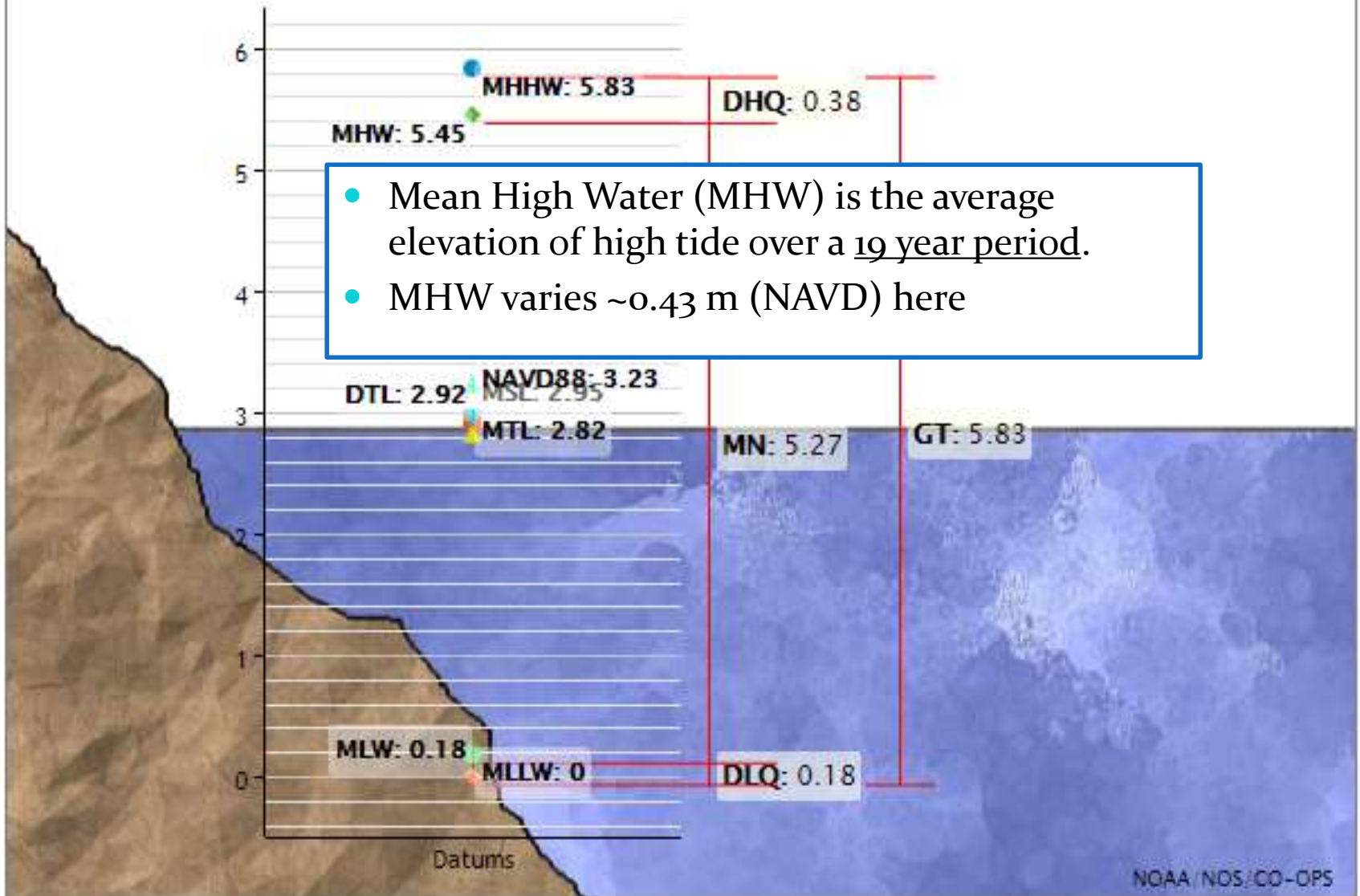


## Beach Profile



# Datums for 8666652, FOLLY RIVER BRIDGE, FOLLY RIVER, SC

All figures in feet relative to MLLW



# Beach Morphology: Ridge and Runnel

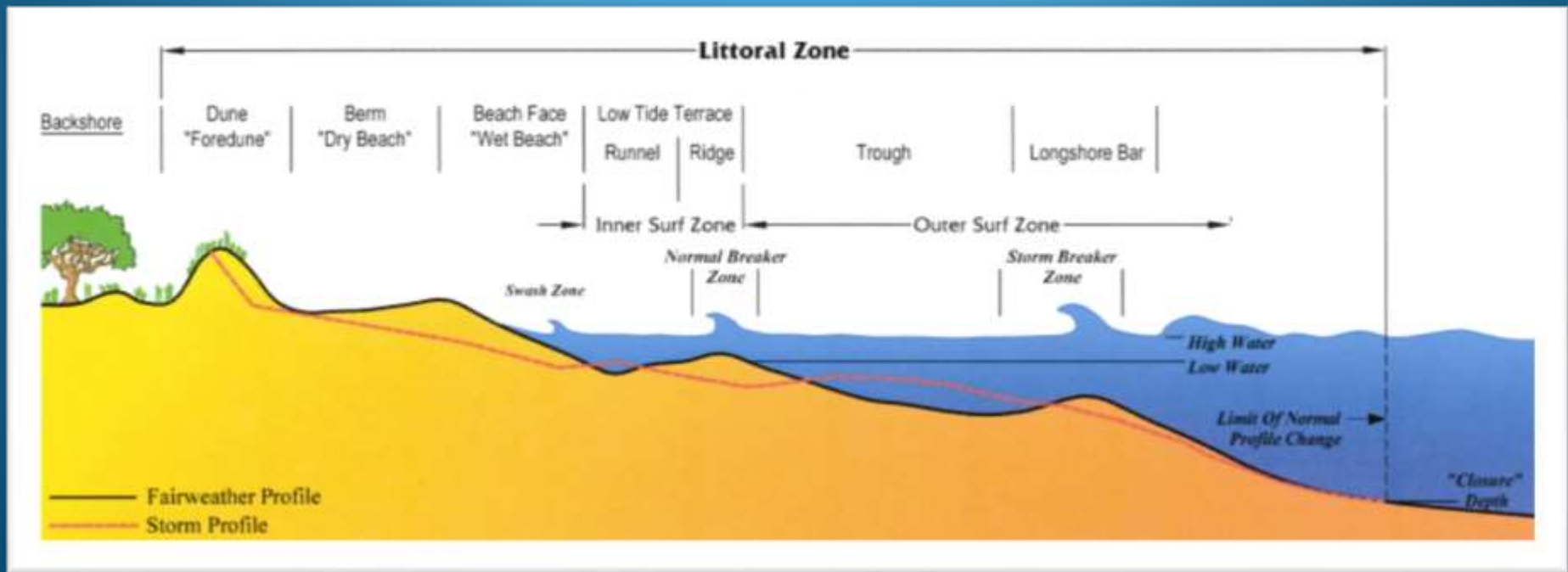


# Beach Morphology: Bubble Sand!



# Beach Morphology

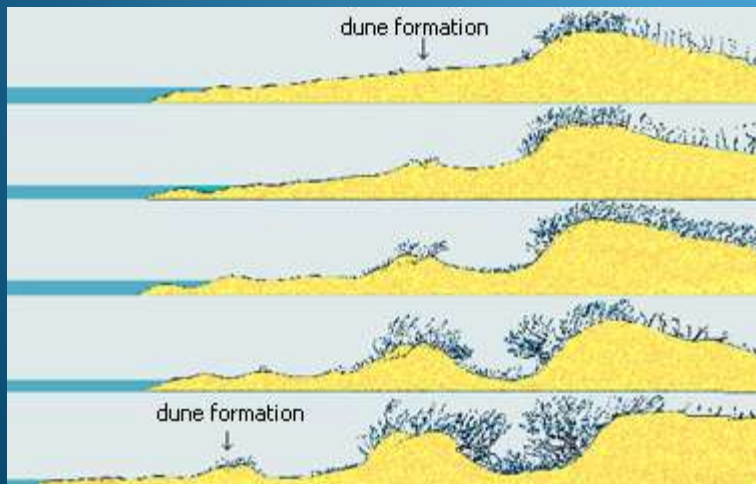
- Summer/Winter or Fairweather/Storm Profile
- Sediment & Wave Characteristics



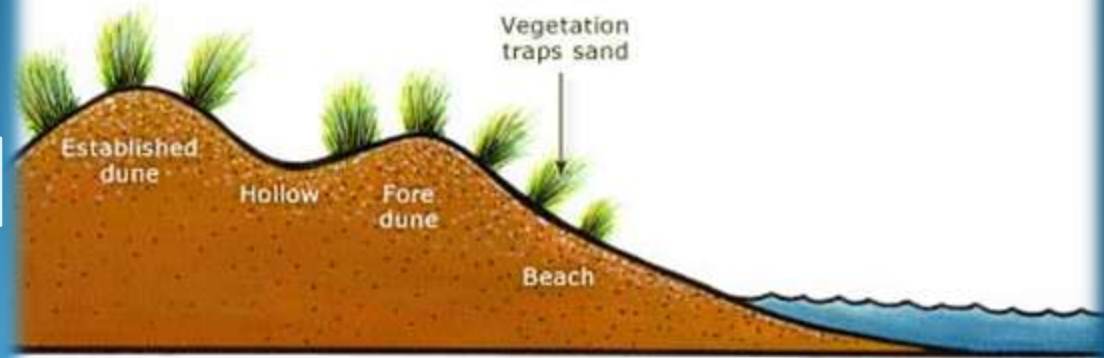
Equilibrium Beach Profile

# Dunes & Wind

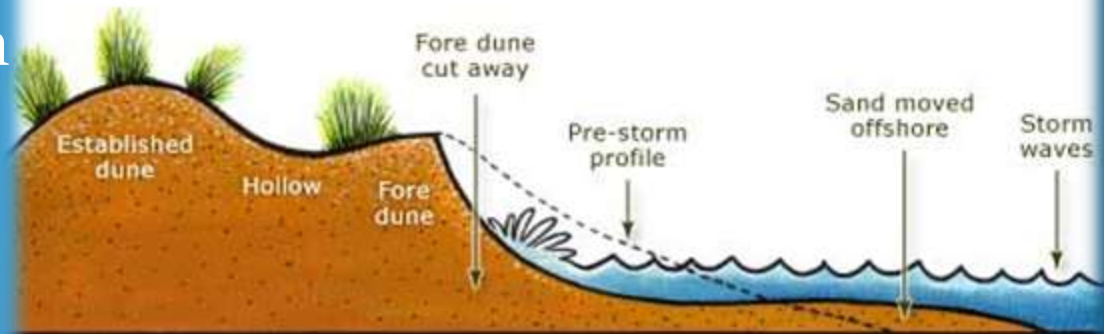
- Sediment supply
- Reliable winds
- Infrequent inundation
- Barrier to slow wind



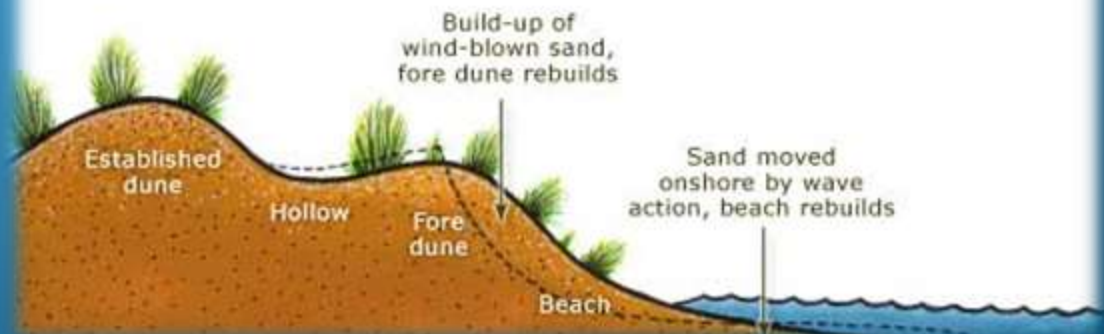
Normal beach shape, calm conditions



Beach erosion during storm



Beach and dune repair after storm



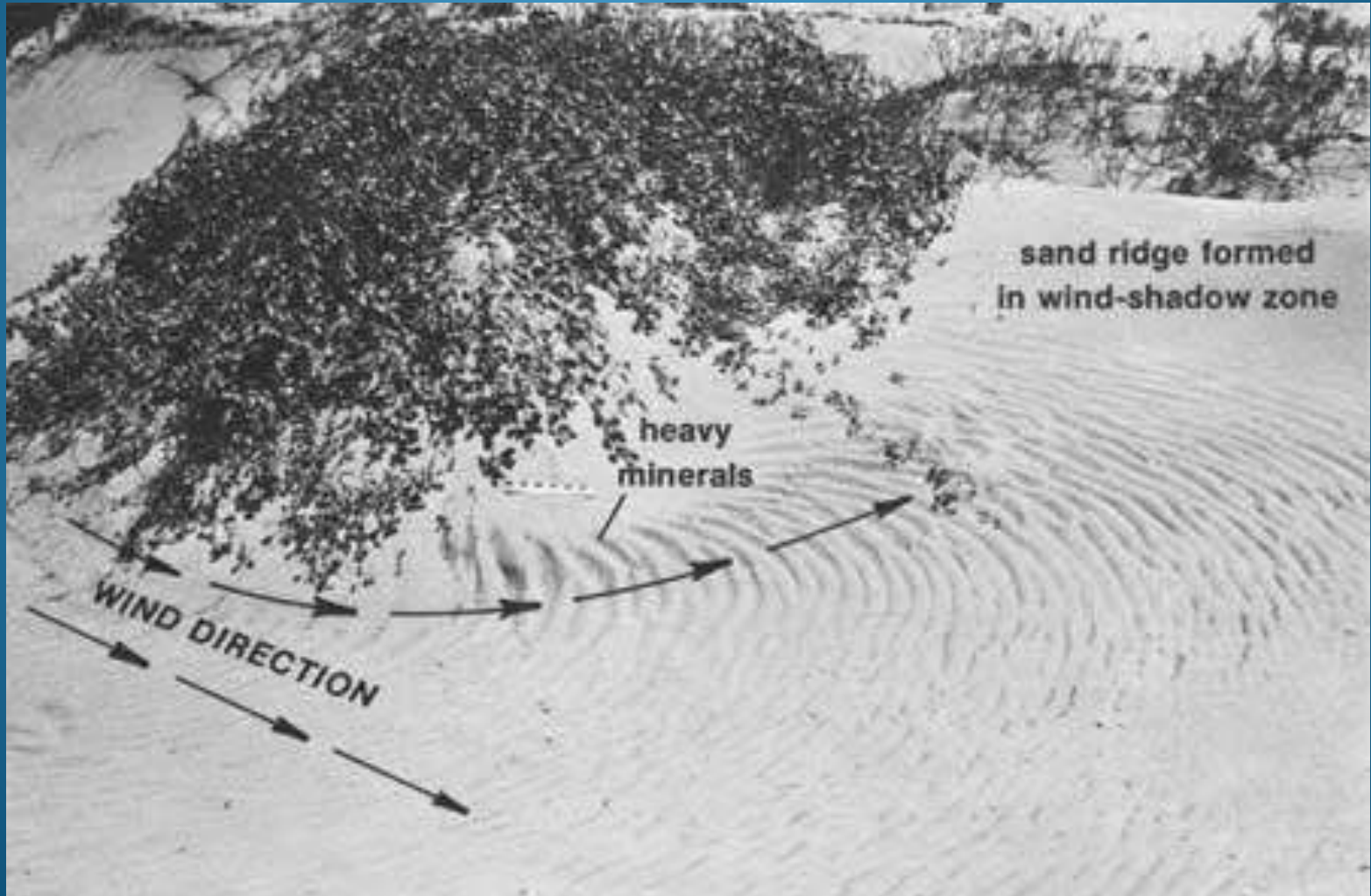
# Dunes: Cross-bedding



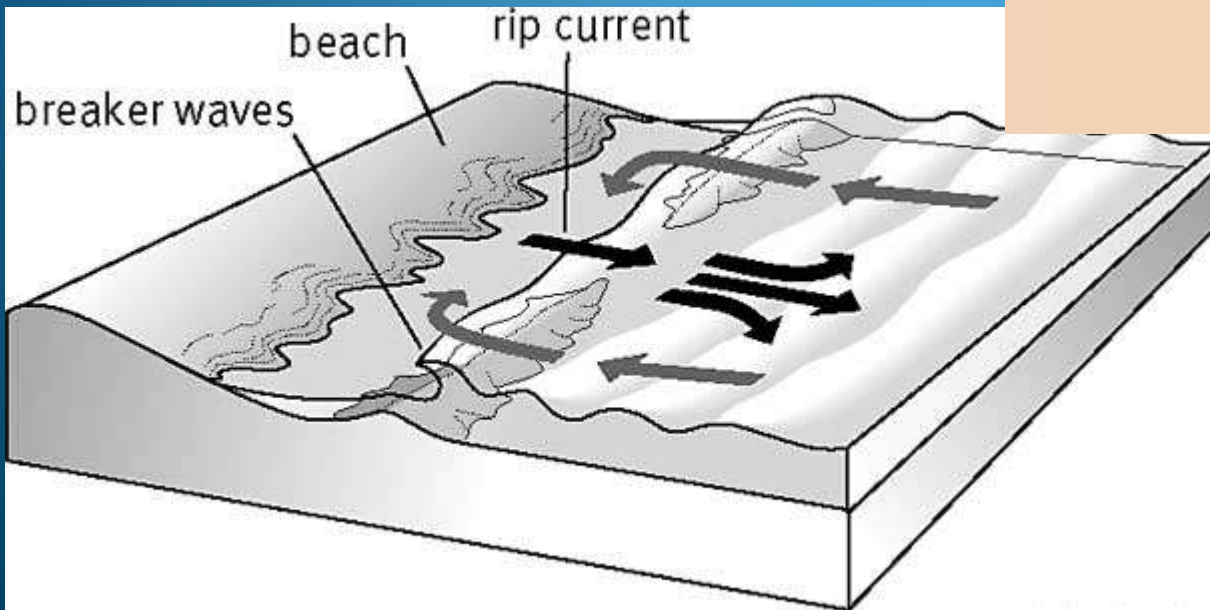
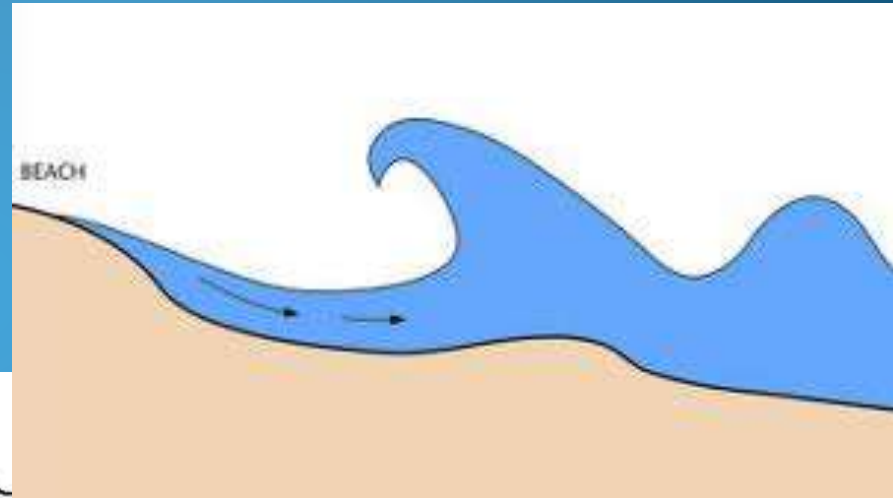
Vermilion Cliffs, AZ



# Dunes: Wind Ripples

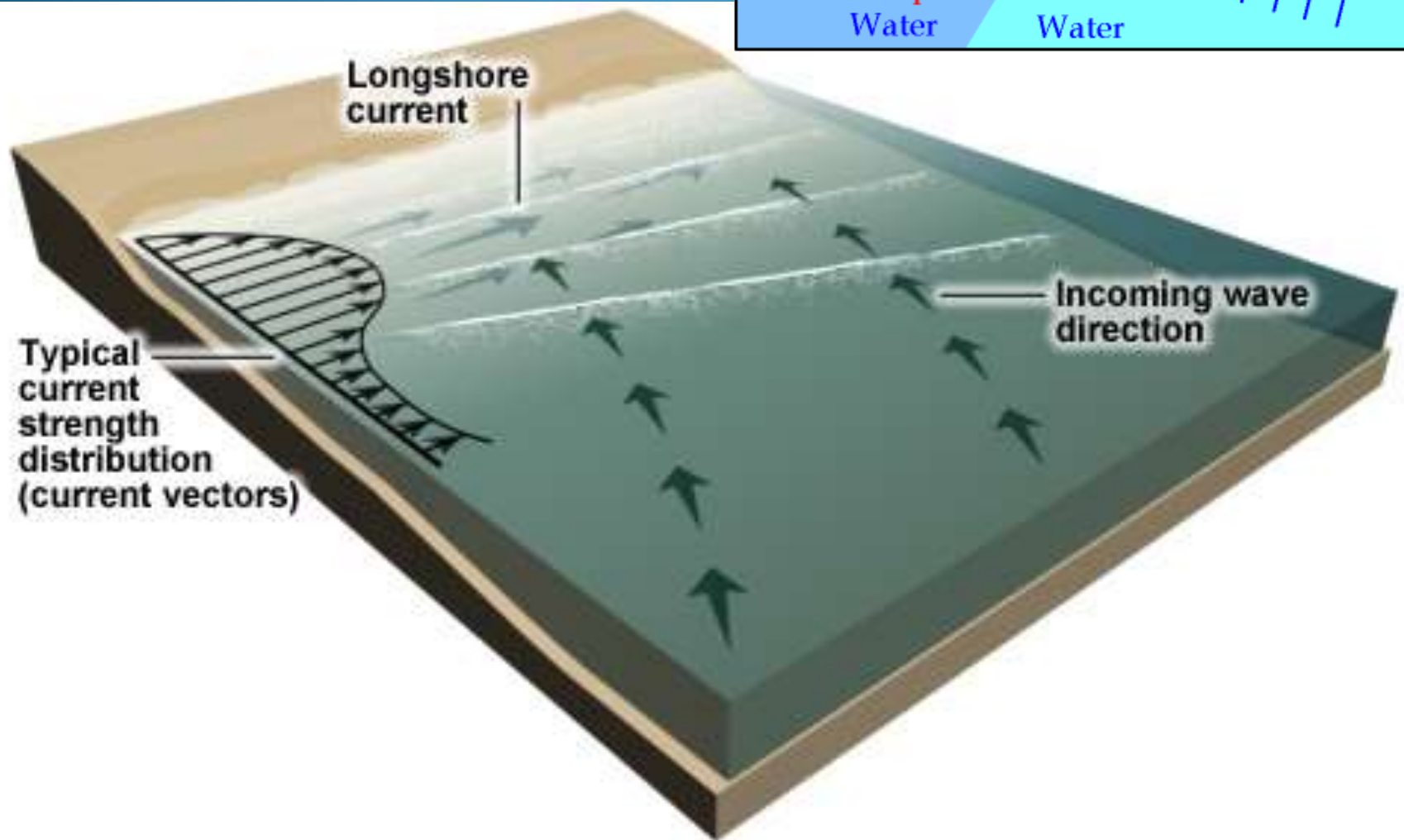
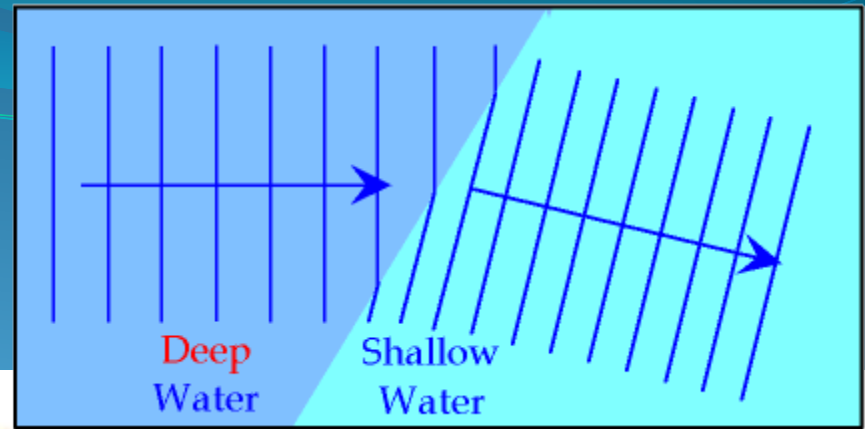


# Wave Generated Currents: Undertow & Rip Currents



Assume normal waves

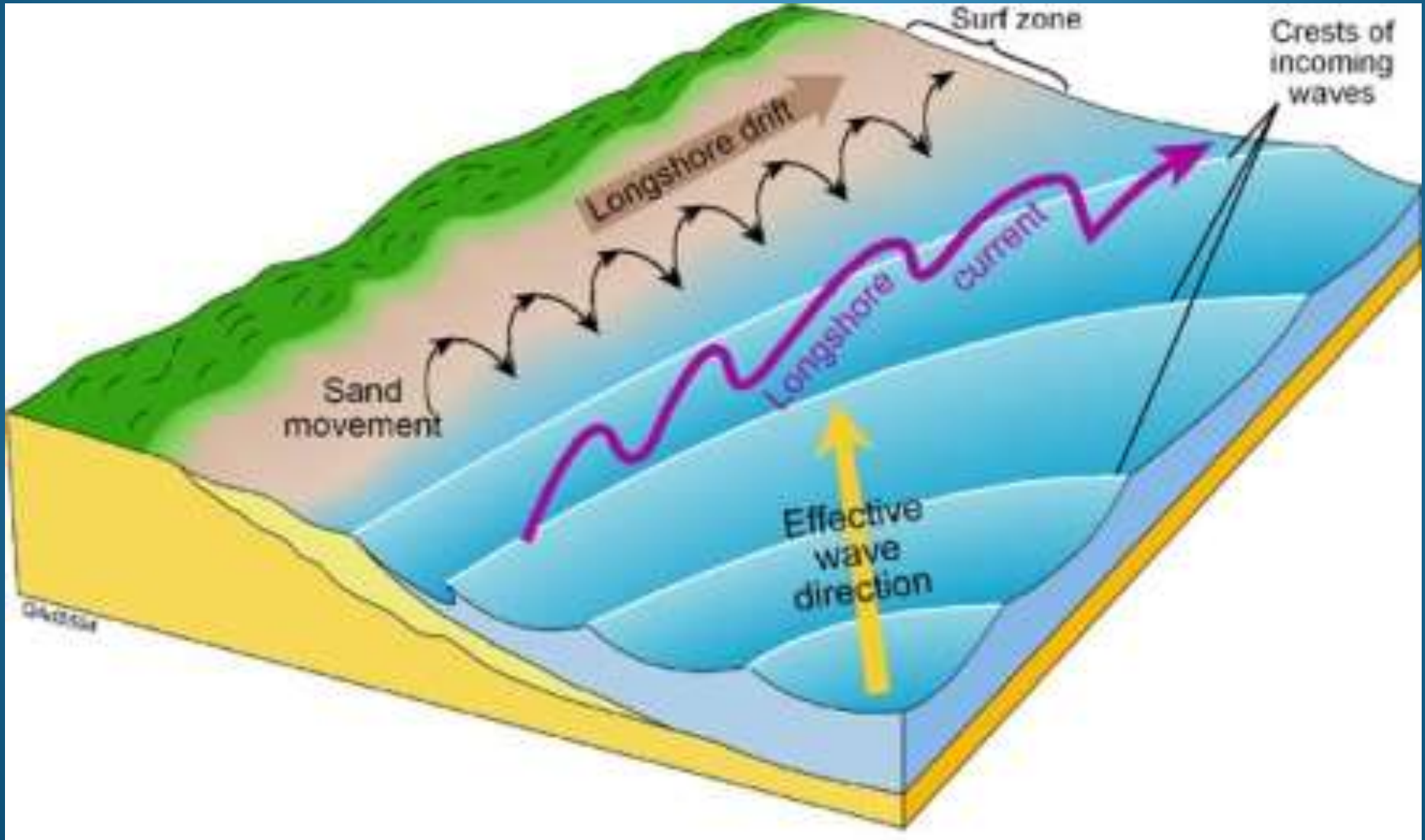
# Wave Refraction & Longshore Current



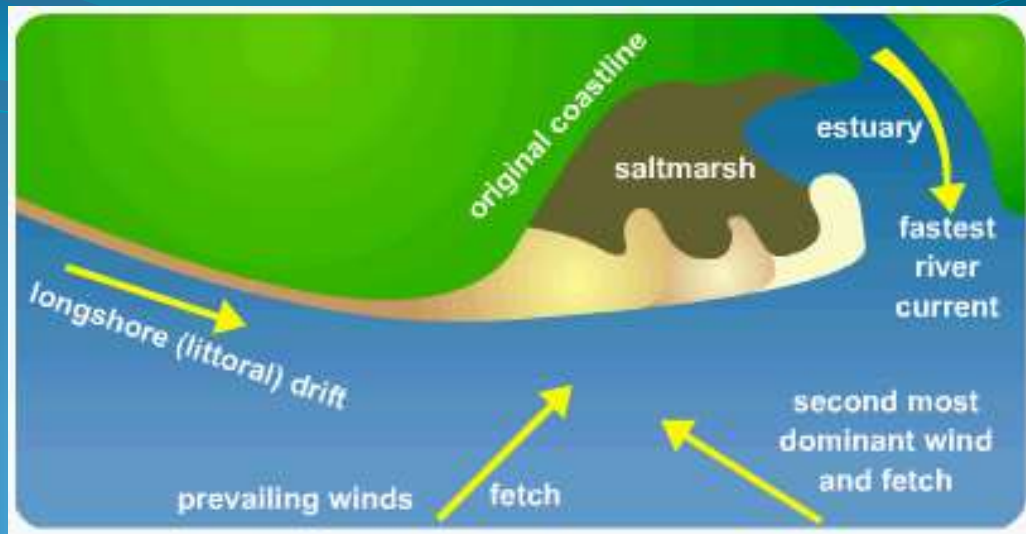
# Longshore Current




# Longshore Sediment Transport



# Spits



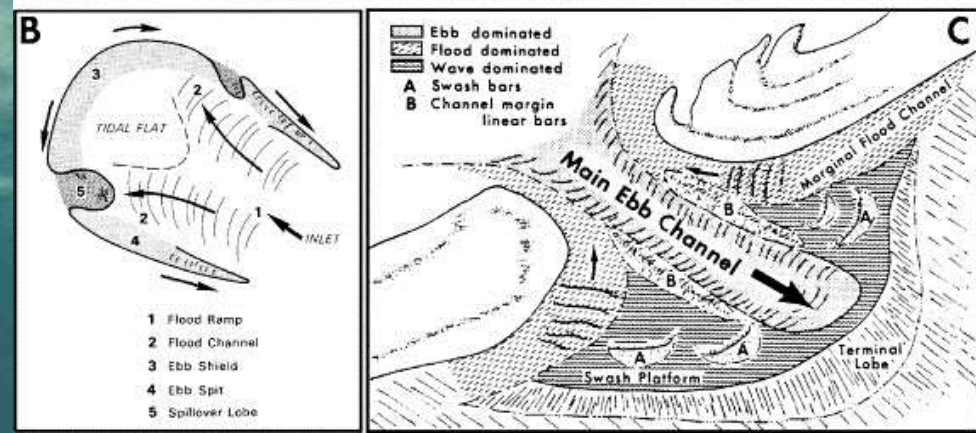
# Tidal Inlets: Significance

An aerial photograph of a coastal area featuring a large, irregularly shaped bay or inlet. A narrow, winding channel of water connects the bay to the open ocean. In the foreground, a long, straight breakwater or pier extends from the shore into the water. The surrounding land is green and appears to be a mix of natural vegetation and some developed areas with buildings. The water in the bay is a deep blue, while the water in the channel is a lighter, more turbid blue-green.

- Navigation
- Recreation
- Conduits for nutrient & salinity exchange
- Nursery & feeding grounds
- Interrupt LST, affecting adjacent beaches
- Largest shoreline changes

# Tidal Inlets: Morphology

- Tidal deltas
  - Ebb
  - Flood (rare in SC)



Marginal Flood Channel

Channel Margin Linear Bars

Main Ebb Channel

Swash bars

Gulf of Mexico

**Bunces Pass, FL**  
**Tide-dominated**

**TIDAL PRISM**



Murrells Inlet, SC  
Wave-dominated

# Tidal Inlets: Migration



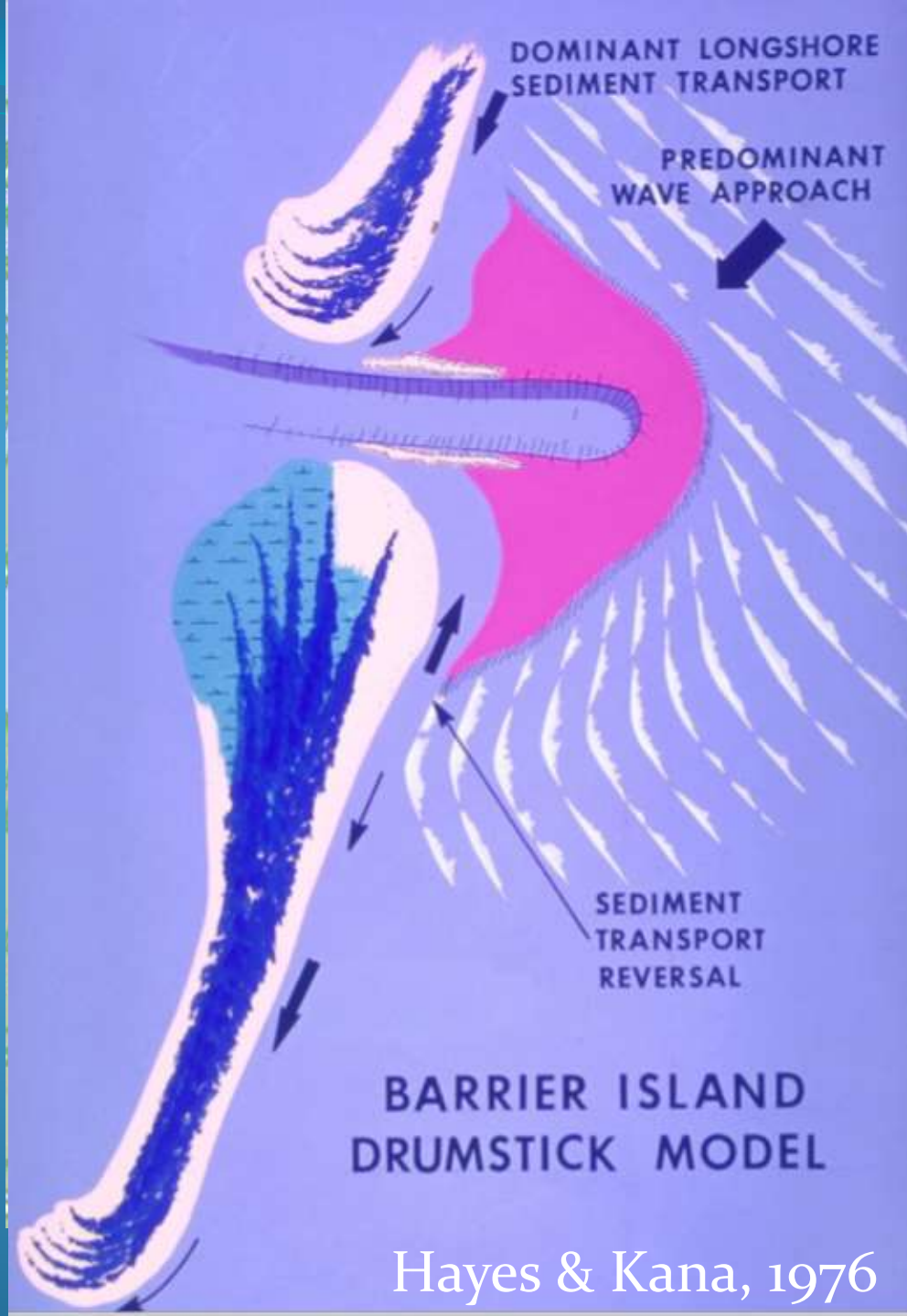
1968

1999

1950

# Tidal Inlets: Bypassing

- Wave refraction
- Sand bars migrate onshore
- Updrift: Beach ridges
- Downdrift: Spit





**M.O. Hayes**

Bull Island, SC  
Digital Orthophoto 1994

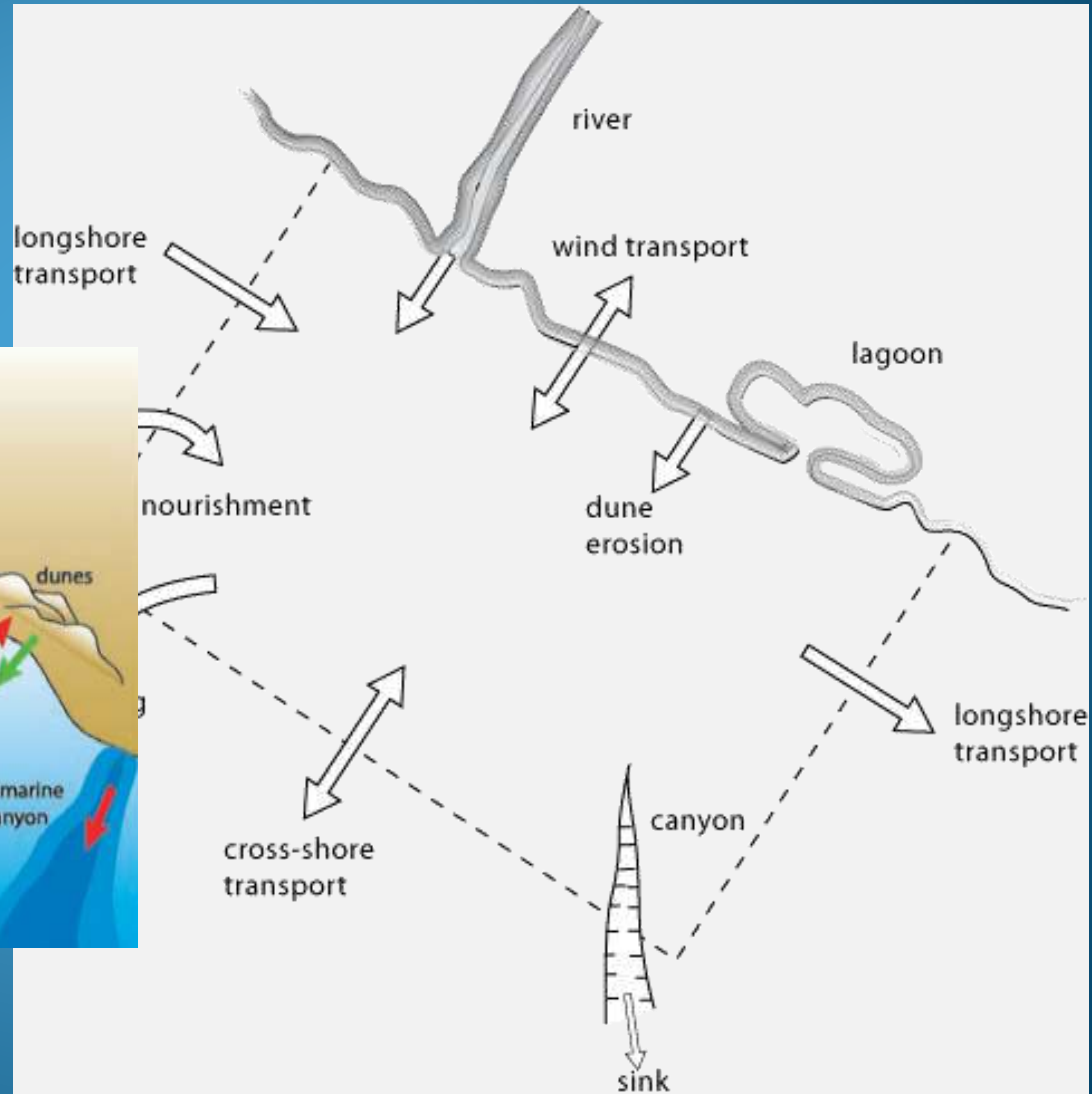
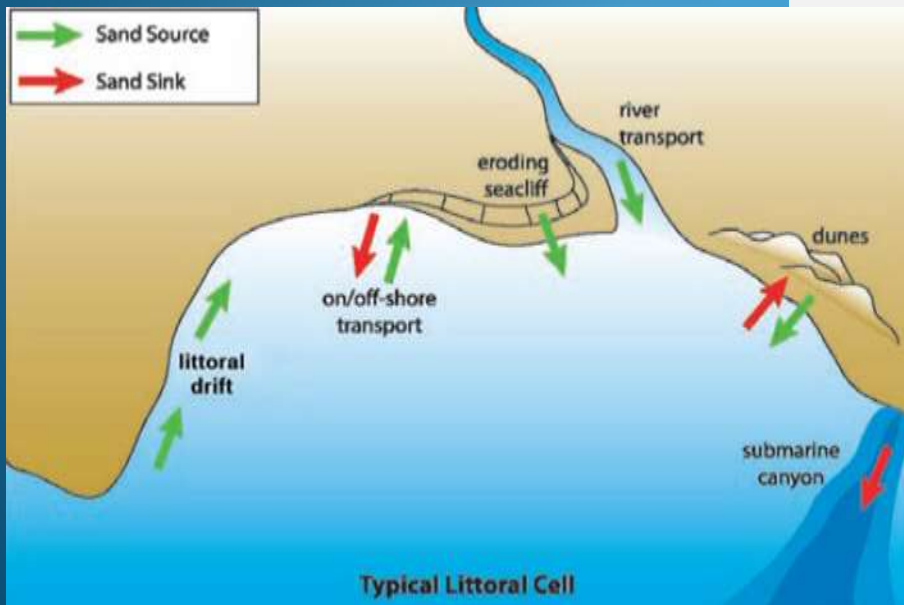


# What is beach erosion?

- Sediment Budget

- $Q_{in}$

- $Q_{out}$



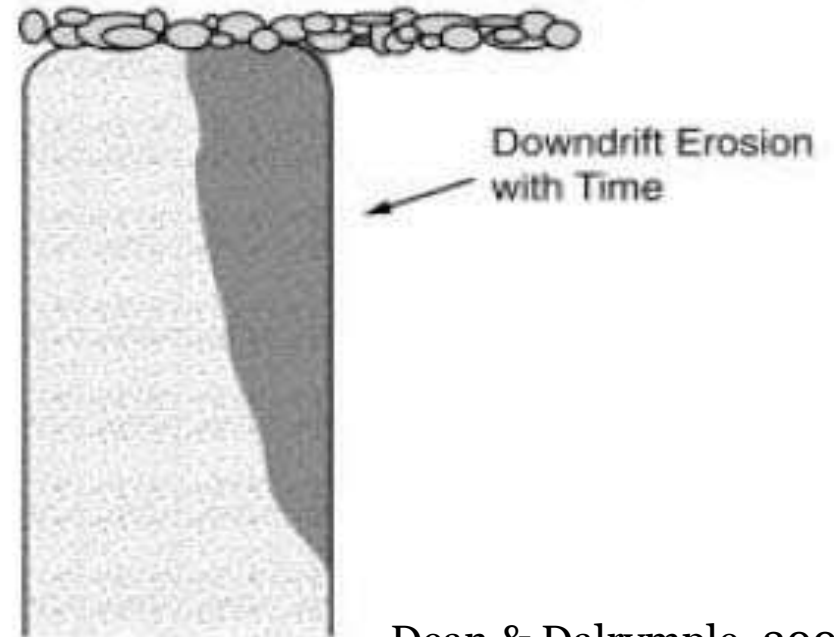
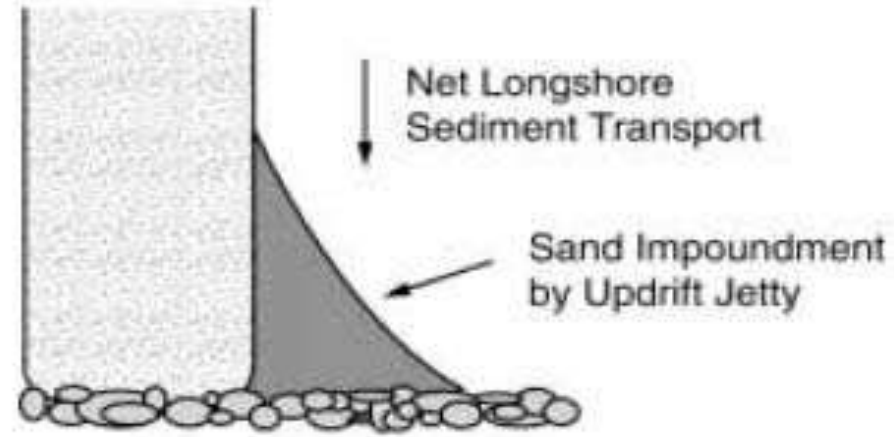
# Human Modifications to Beaches and Inlets

- Jetties
- Unregulated Beachfront Development

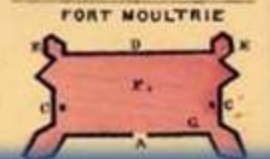
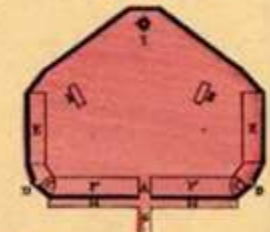
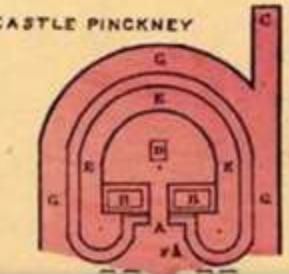
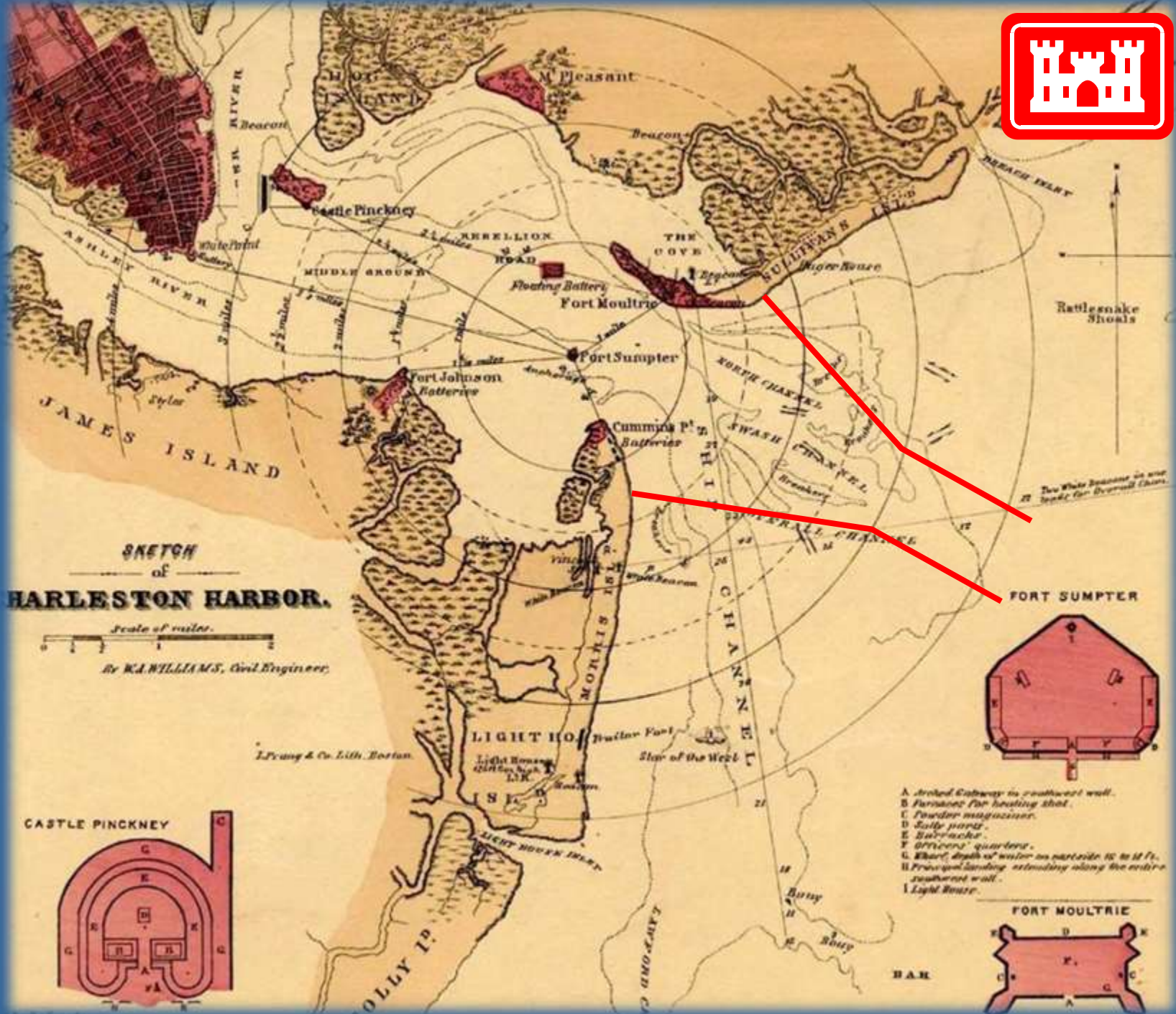
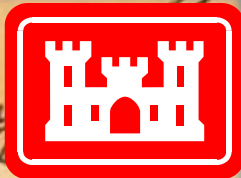
# Effect of Jetties on Adjacent Shorelines



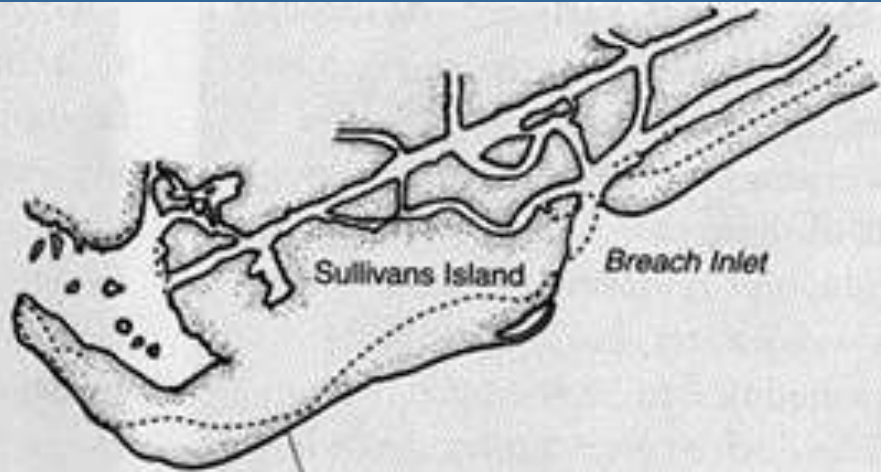
Port Canaveral, FL  
1948



Dean & Dalrymple, 2002



----- 1854 high water line  
—— 1979 high water line



Sullivan's Island

Breach Inlet

Charleston Harbor  
jetties, completed 1896



Morris Island

Folly Island

Lighthouse  
1890s: 2,700 feet (800 meters) back from shore  
1940s: at the shoreline  
1990s: 2,000 feet (600 meters) offshore and slightly tilted



# Beachfront Development

**Stabilizing  
dynamic systems**



1873



1926



2003



1951



1967



Development

Revetment

Terminal Groin

Breakwater

Seawall

**Beach Erosion “Problem”**



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Coastal Construction Control Lines

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Coastal Range Monuments

Range Monuments

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# Unregulated Beachfront Development Setback Lines

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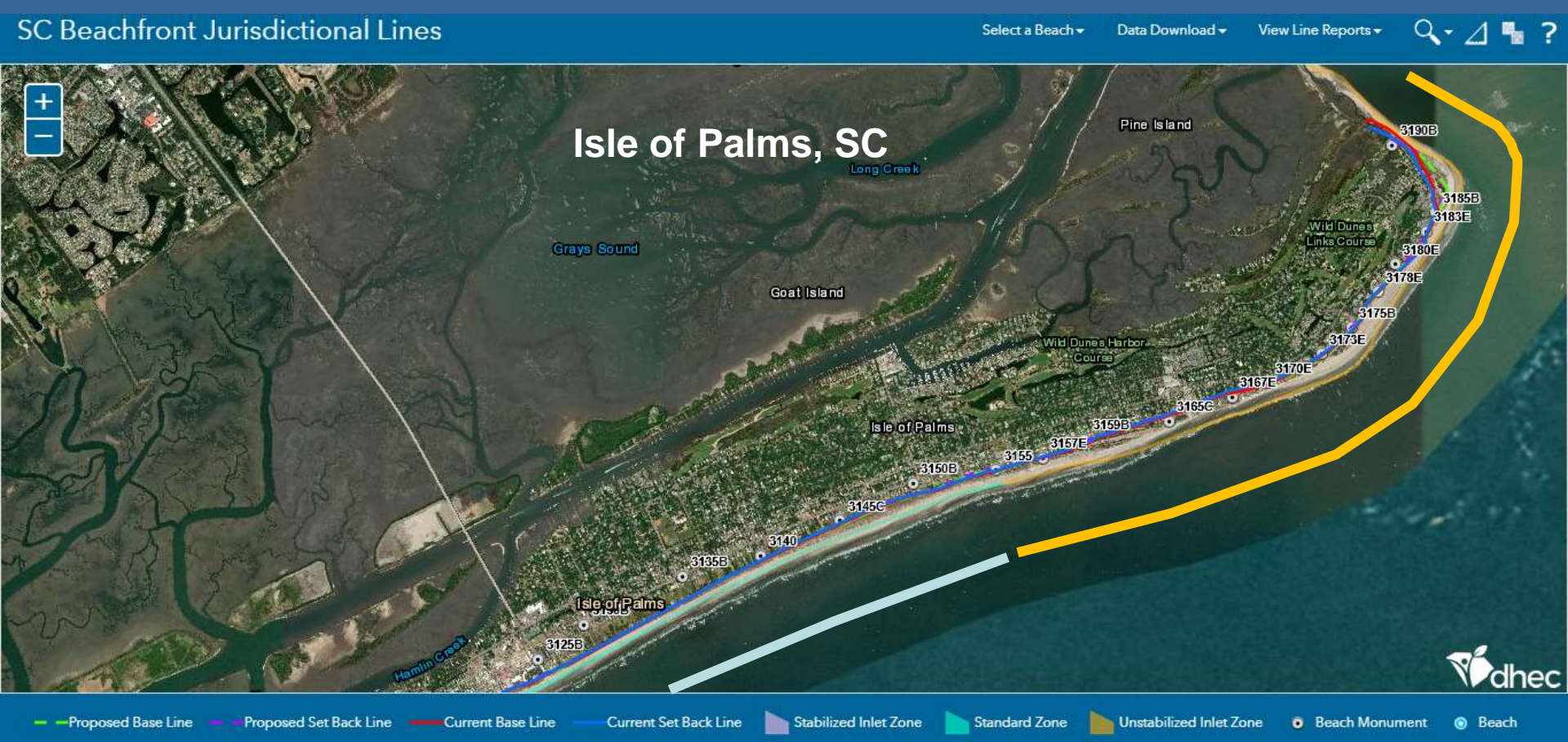
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# Standard and Inlet Zones



- Unstabilized Inlet Zone
- Standard Zone

# OCRM Beachfront Jurisdictional Lines

- Baseline
  - Standard Zones, away from inlets = dune crest
  - Inlet Zones = most landward shoreline position during the past 40 years
- Setback line
  - At least 20 feet landward of the baseline
  - Distance = 40x the long-term erosion rate (ft/yr)
- The setback line is NOT a “no-build” line

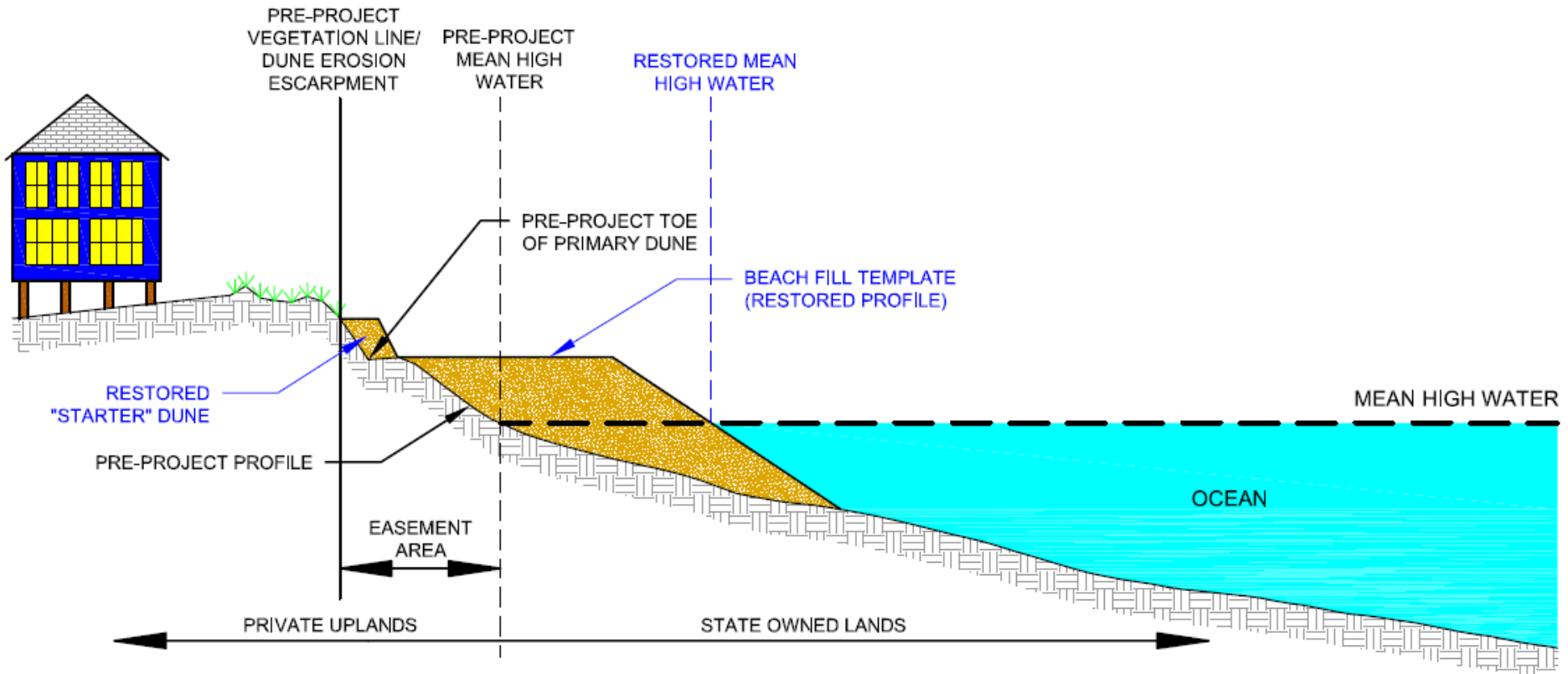
# Baseline and Setback Line: Wild Dunes



# Folly Beach: Special Exemption

- Most of the erosion at Folly is attributed to the Charleston Harbor Jetties
- There is a baseline. No 40-year setback line
- The baseline, set in 1994, is not updated
- Existing seawalls, bulkheads and revetments can be rebuilt even if damaged more than 50%

# HOLDEN BEACH CENTRAL REACH NOURISHMENT EASEMENT SCHEMATIC



Future Challenges: Sand Rights



# Folly Beach Baseline

SC Beachfront Jurisdictional Lines

Select a Beach ▾

Data Download ▾

View



Proposed Base Line   Proposed Set Back Line   Current Base Line   Current Set Back Line   Stabilized Inlet Zone   Standard Zone   Unstabilized Inlet Zone

<https://gis.dhec.sc.gov/shoreline/#>





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Lighthouse Inlet  
Heritage Preserve

2

Folly Beach County Park



Field Trip

# Beaches 101: A Training Course for Coastal Managers

Nicole Elko, Ph.D.

October 9, 2018

**Erosion Management:  
From Retreat to Structures**

# Outline

- Why preserve beaches and shores?
- Erosion Management: Spectrum of Tools



# Why Preserve Beaches and Shores?

- Storm protection,
- Economics, Recreation
- Environmental enrichment

## Non-nourished beach



## N.J. sand dunes protected Shore towns from Hurricane Sandy's wrath

By Star-Ledger Staff

on November 06, 2012 at 7:05 AM, updated November 06, 2012 at 11:44 AM

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By Ryan Hutchins and Seth Augenstein/The Star-Ledger

Hurricane Sandy did something unusual to Long Beach Island, a narrow 18-mile strip of land: The storm's raging winds and powerful surge of water carved two communities out of one.

There are the places that had a protective dune system installed and, as a result, sustained minimal damage. Then there are the areas where there were no tall dunes, where Sandy



Enlarge

Andrew Mills/The Star-Ledger

Workers have closed a breach in the barrier island at the base of the Mantoloking Bridge where Barnegat Bay met the Atlantic Ocean here after Hurricane Sandy pummeled the Jersey Shore last week, 11/5/12 (Andrew Mills/The Star-Ledger)

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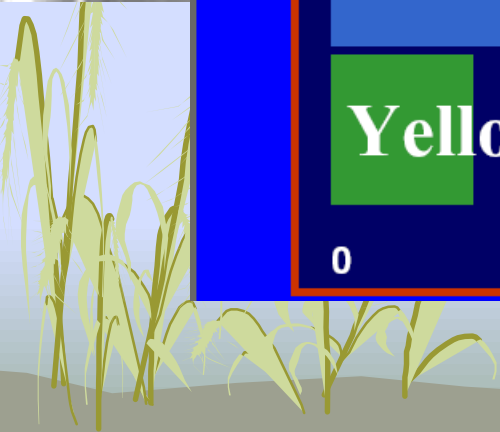
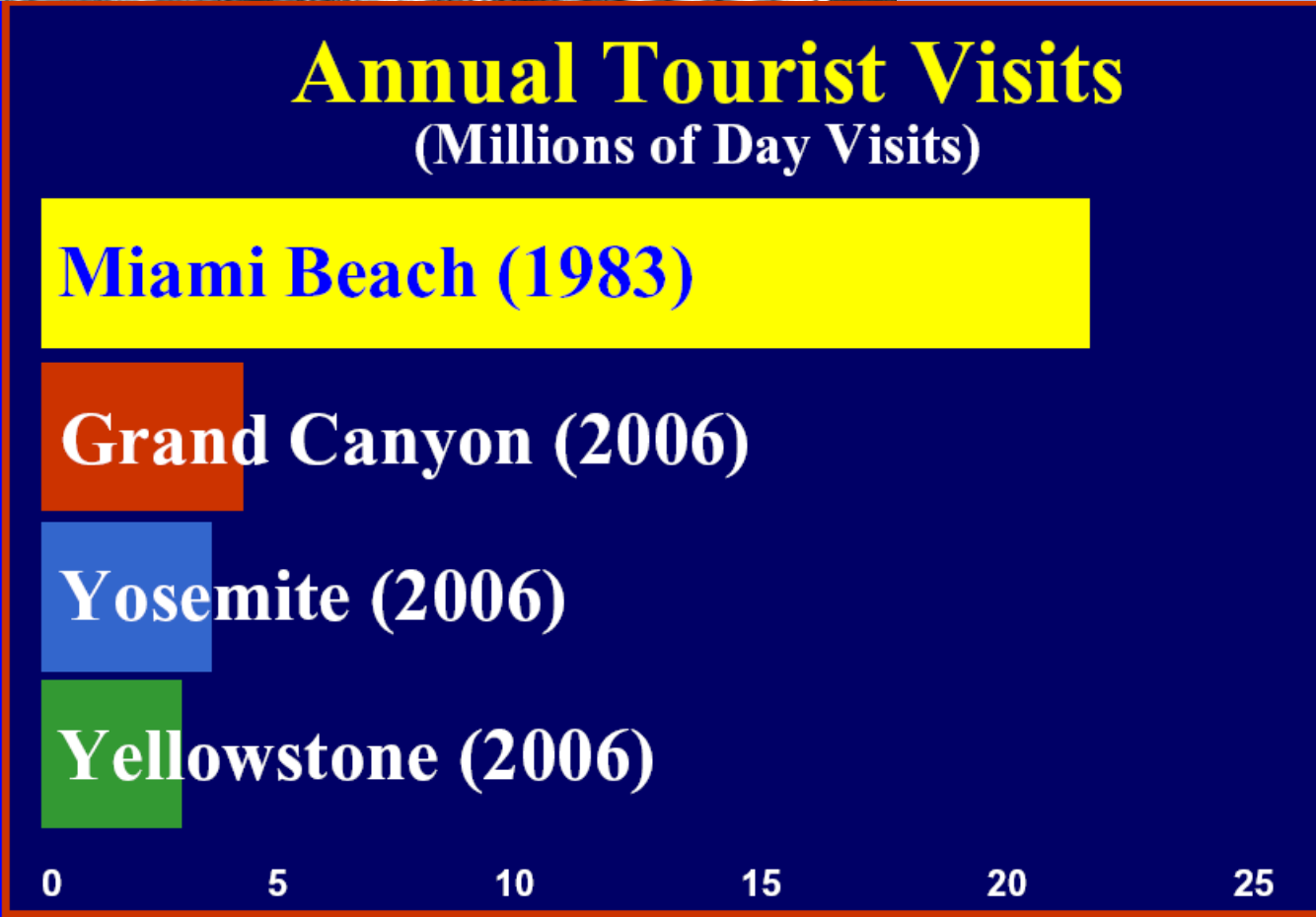
N.J. Assembly passes package of gun bills despite Republicans' protest

# Why Preserve Beaches and Shores?

- Storm protection, resilience
  - Economics, Recreation
  - Environmental enhancement
- 85% of all tourism related revenue in the U.S. is generated in coastal states
  - Beach tourists contribute \$225 billion to US economy



# *Increase Property Value: Miami Beach*



# Why Preserve Beaches?

- Storm protection, resilience
- Economics, Recreation
- Environmental enhancement



Photo courtesy Blair Witherington

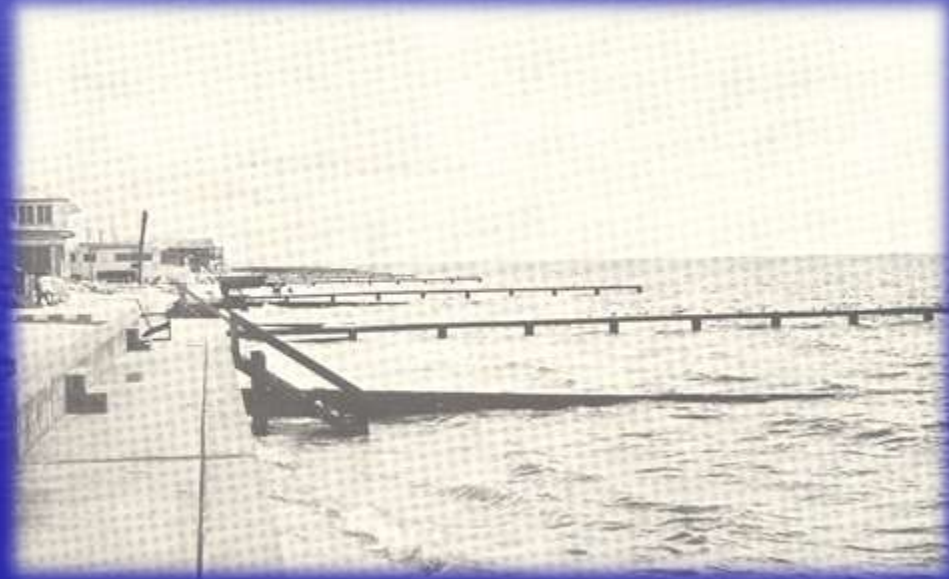


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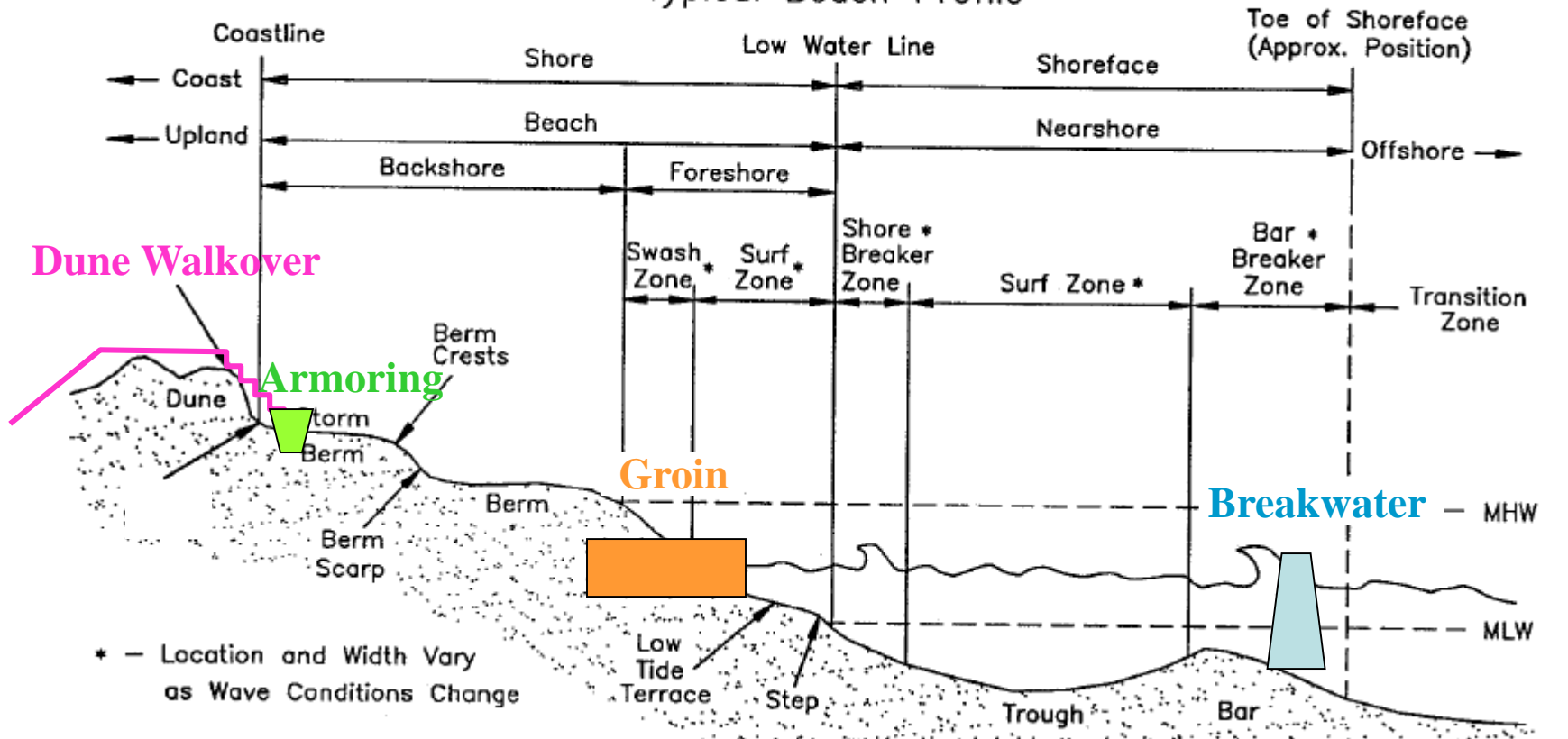
# Outline

- Why preserve beaches and shores?
- Erosion Management: Spectrum of Tools
  - Retreat  $\leftrightarrow$  Protect
  - Structures
    - Armoring
    - LST
  - Soft shore protection
    - Hybrid projects
    - Beach nourishment
    - Dunes
  - Managed Retreat



# Beach Profile Terminology

a. Typical Beach Profile



# ARMORING STRUCTURES

- Shore-parallel
- Purpose: protect upland from wave energy, limit landward erosion.
- **Seawall**: vertical walls at MHW-dune toe, deep foundations, high wave energy.
- **Revetment**: sloped on surface of backbeach or dune toe, reduce backwash.
- **Bulkhead**: vertical wall, low wave energy.
- Examples – TX, FL

# Types of Walls:



Bulkhead



Revetment



Seawall

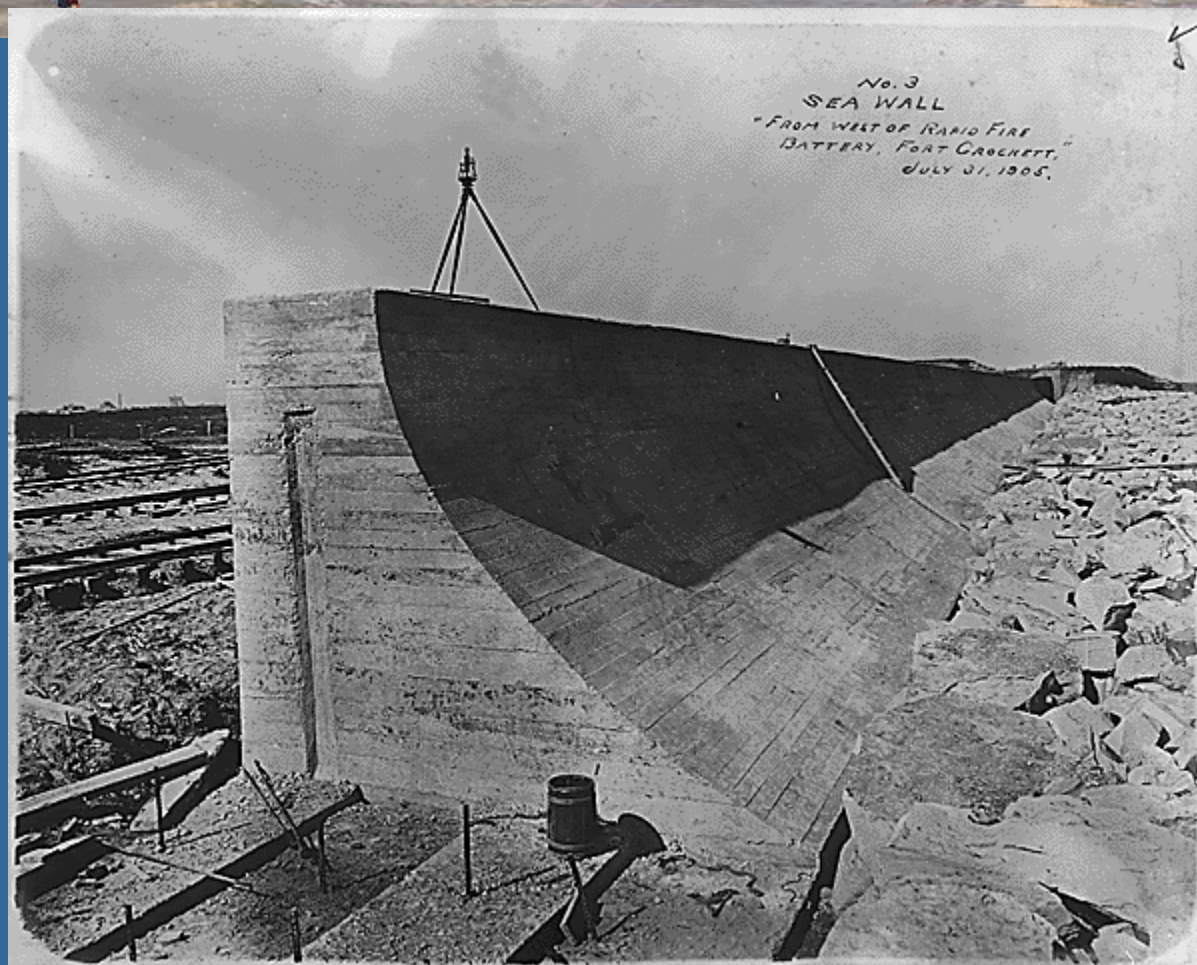


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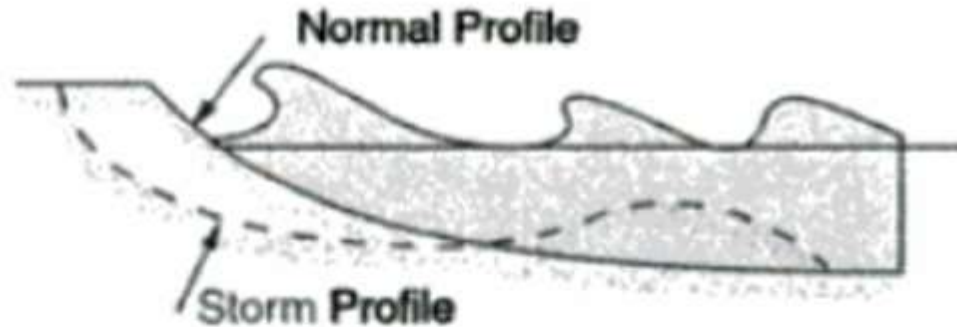
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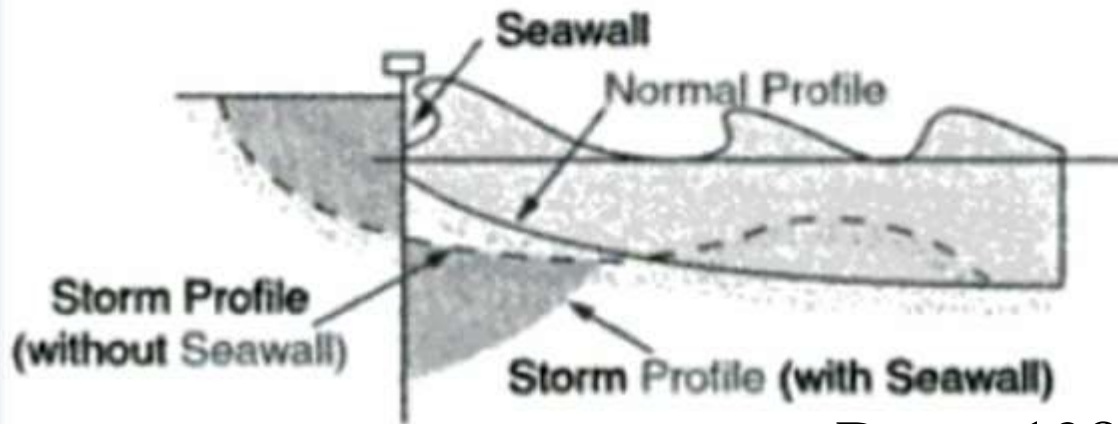
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# Profile deepening/scour



(a)



(b)

Dean, 1986



# S.C. Beachfront Management Act (1988)

- “(5) The use of **armoring** in the form of hard erosion control devices such as seawalls, bulkheads, and rip-rap to protect erosion-threatened structures adjacent to the beach has not proven effective. These armoring devices have given a false sense of security to beachfront property owners...have increased the vulnerability of beachfront property to damage from wind and waves while contributing to the deterioration and loss of the dry sand beach...”
- No new seawalls
- Existing seawalls can be rebuilt if damaged <50%.

# Buried Seawall



**The Best Kind of  
Armoring Structure**

# Revetment

Preserve the slope



# Bulkhead



1986

1989



# 1989 BULKHEAD FAILURE

1989



# Material: Geotextile tubes

- Shore-parallel or shore-perpendicular
- Purpose: to replace rock structures and provide an “easily-modified” or “temporary” structural option.
- Canvas-like or polyester sand bags.
- Environmentally friendly?
- Life span < 10 years?

# Armored Inlet Shoreline



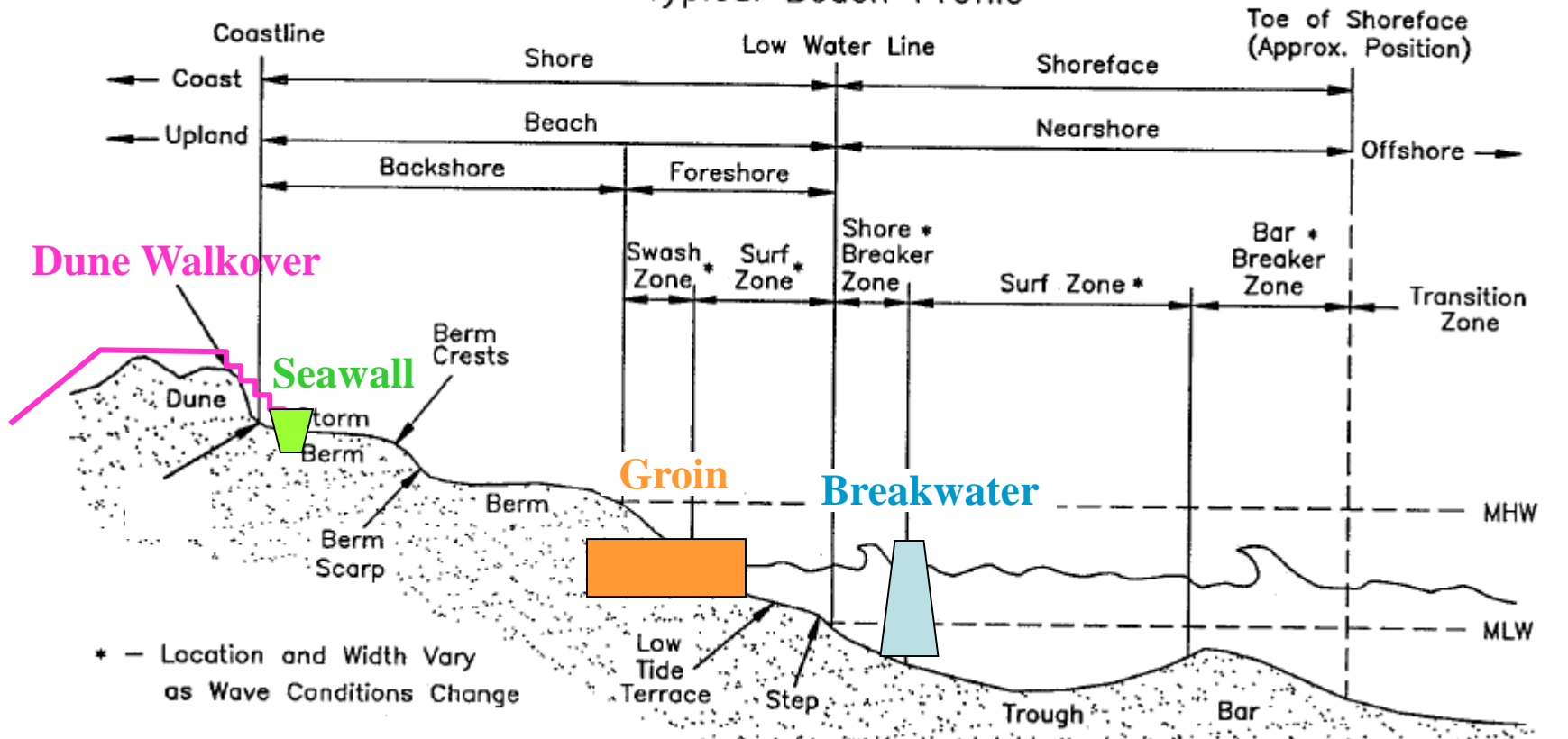
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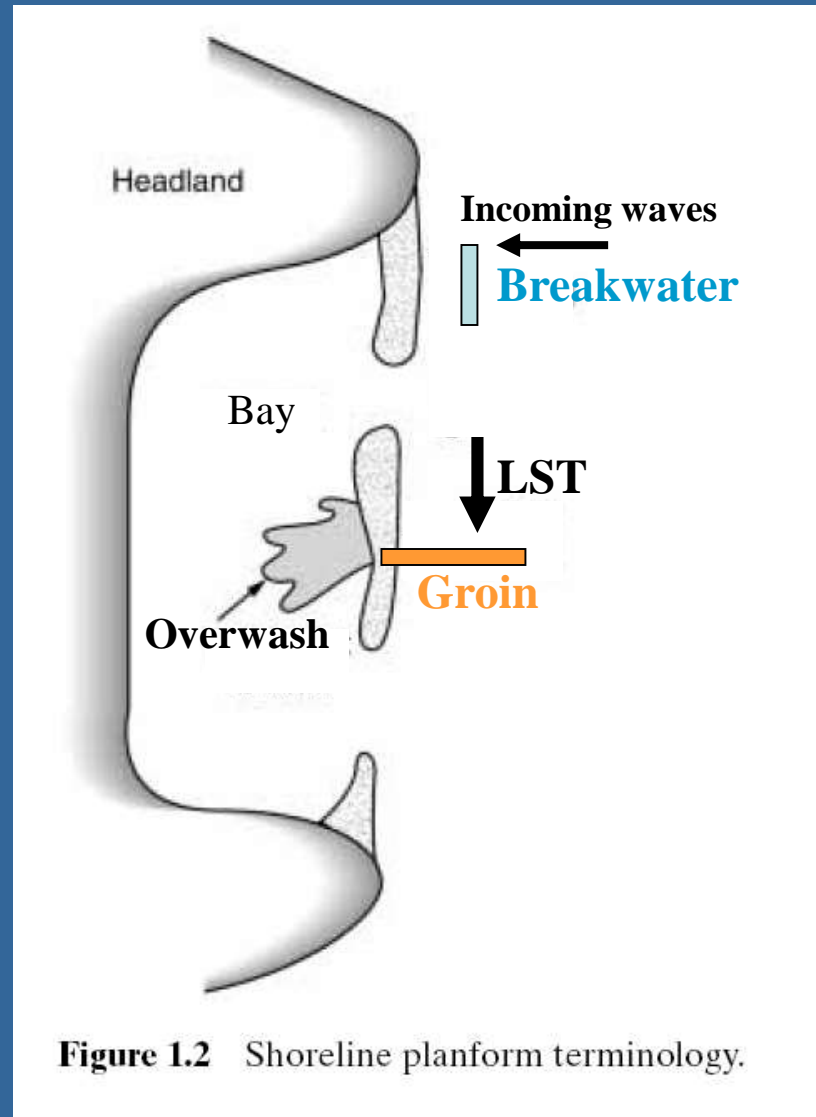
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a. Typical Beach Profile



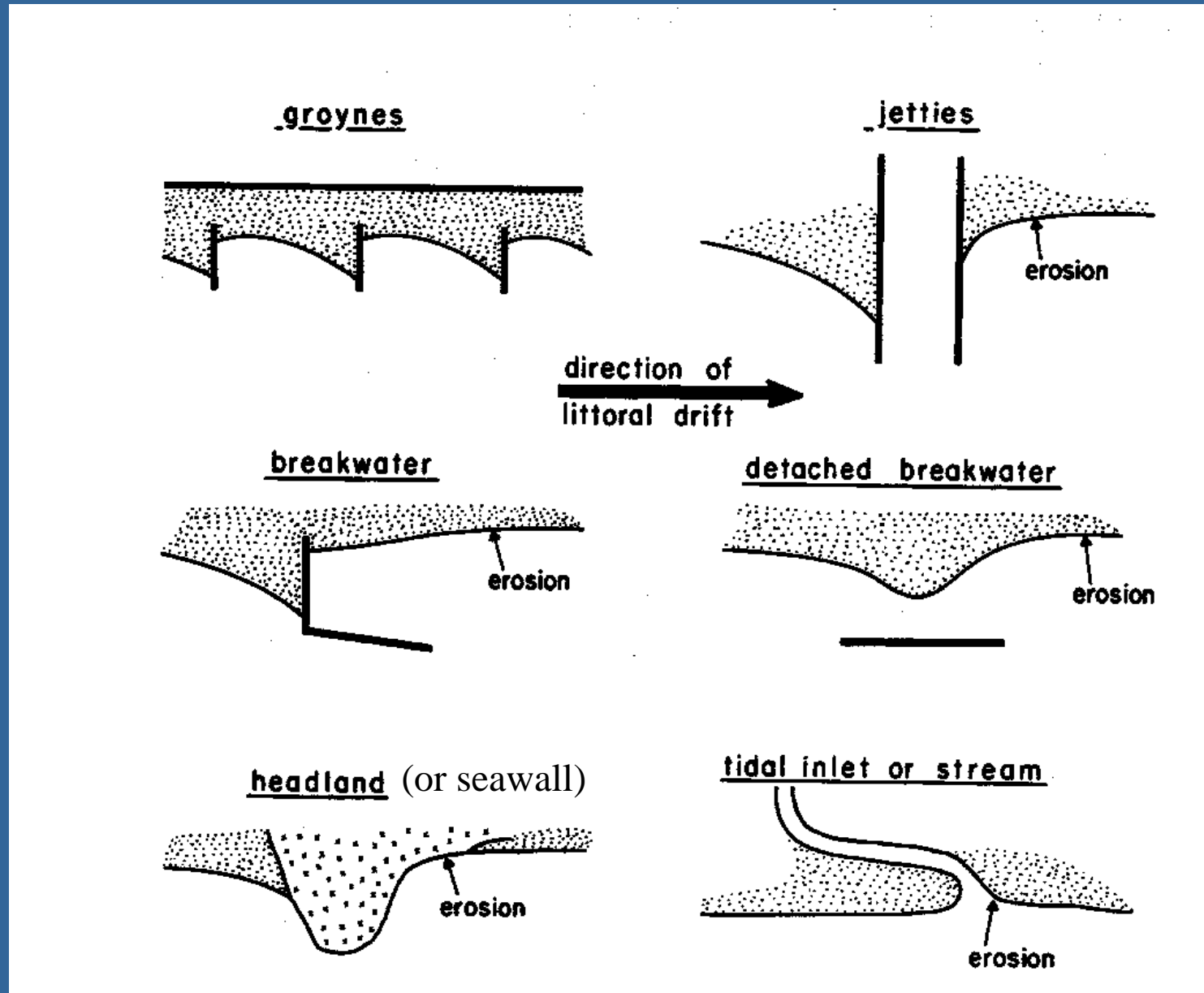
Longshore Sediment Transport Structures

# Beach Planform Terminology



# Indicators of LST Direction

LST Structures  
redistribute sand  
=  
Downdrift erosion



# LST STRUCTURES: Groins

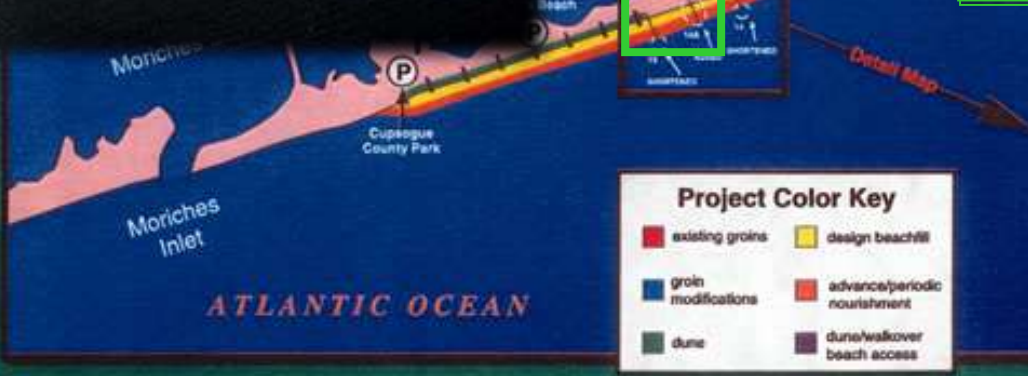
- Shore-perpendicular
- Purpose: to impound LST on the updrift side to widen the beach.
- Result: equal amount of downdrift erosion.
- Built as a vertical barrier extending offshore.
- Types
  - Single, multiple (field)
  - Terminal groin
  - Low-profile, notched, adjustable, permeable

**Not Jetties!**

# Groins: Village of West Hampton Dunes

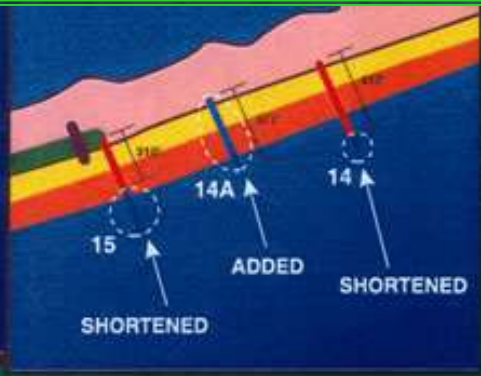


1992 Breach



**Project Color Key**

existing groins	design beachfill
groin modifications	advance/periodic nourishment
dune	dune/walkover beach access



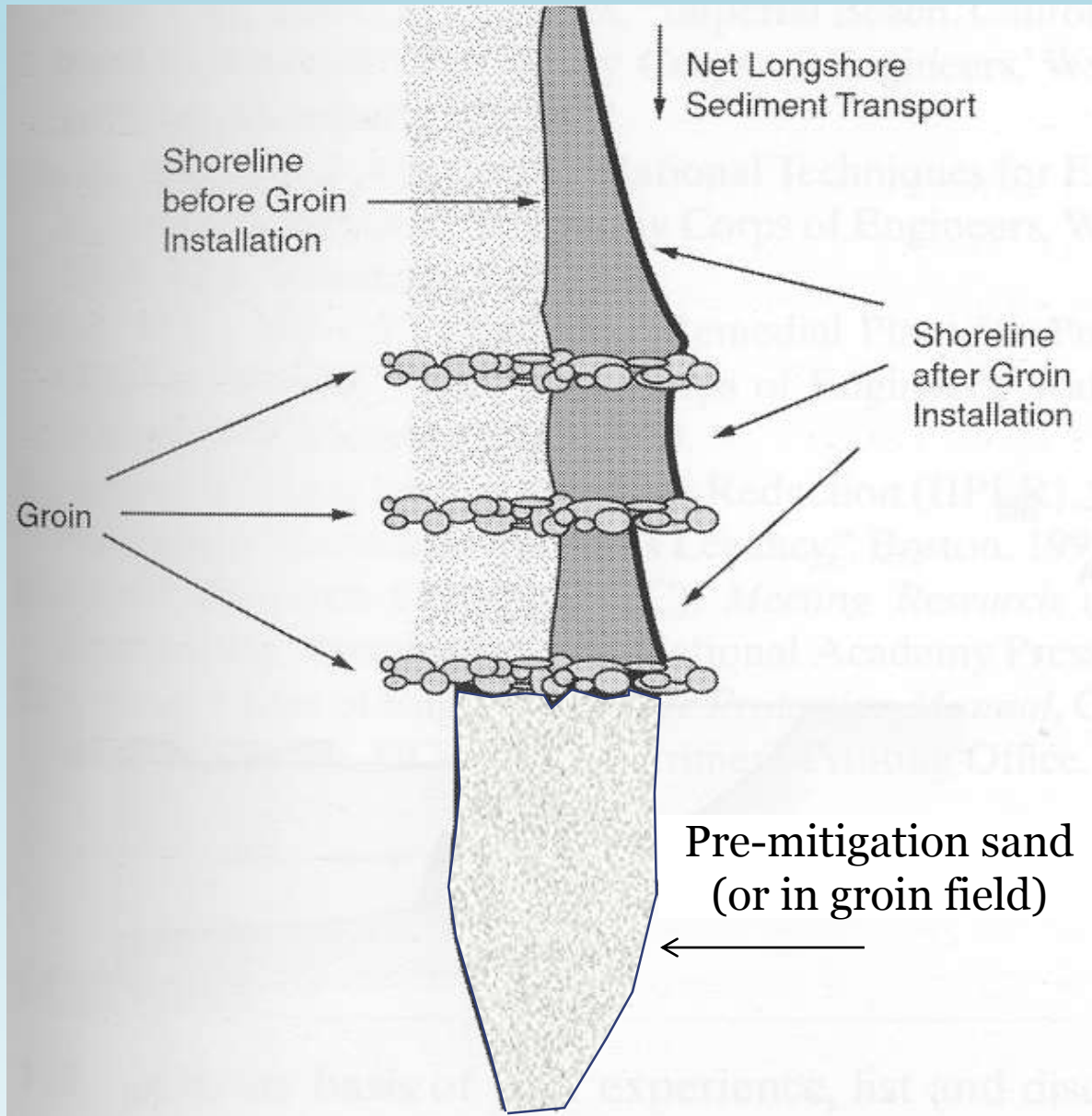
## WESTHAMPTON INTERIM PROJECT

# Lesson Learned: Groin Design

- *“Each fixed structure used in conjunction with a beach nourishment project should be filled to the upper limit of its holding capacity if its function is to retain sand.”* - **National Academy of Sciences** (NRC, 1995)

# Groin Field Design

- Pre-filled structures
- Pre-mitigation



**Figure 1.12** Effects of groins interacting with longshore sediment transport.

Modified from Dean & Dalrymple, 2002

# Groins: Materials



# Adjustable, Low-Profile, Permeable Groins



← Typical king-pile groin  
w/ adjustable panels

# S.C. Beachfront Management Act

- Exemptions for construction seaward of baseline
- (8) existing **groins**, which may be reconstructed, repaired, and maintained. New groins may be allowed only on beaches that have high erosion rates with erosion threatening existing development or public parks. In addition to these requirements, new groins may be constructed, and existing groins may be reconstructed, only in furtherance of an ongoing beach renourishment effort...

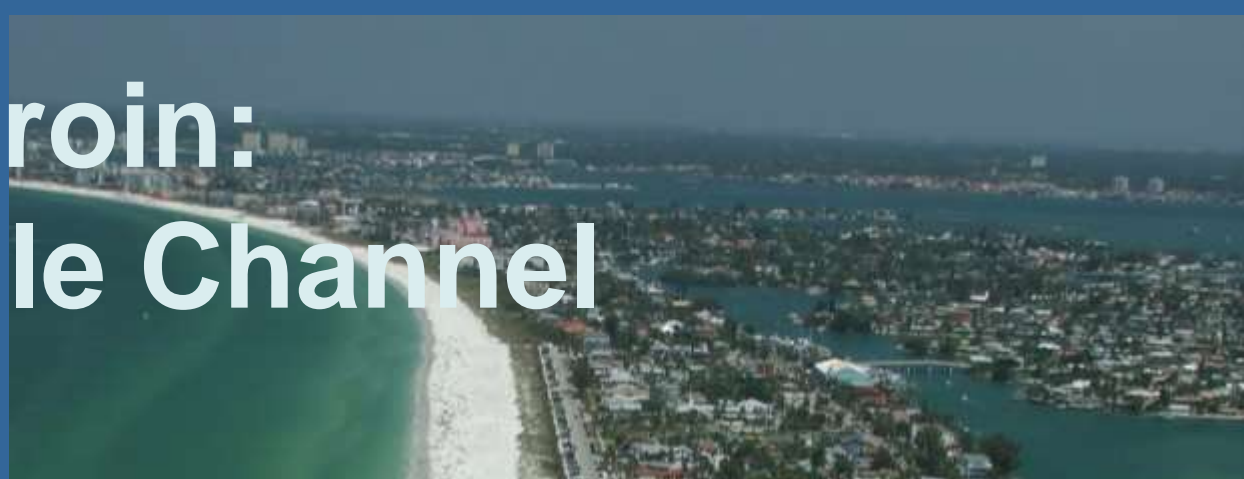
# Seawalls & LST



# LST STRUCTURES: Terminal Groins

- Shore-perpendicular
- Placed near inlets and sometimes are confused with jetties.
- Purpose: To retain sand on the beach directly updrift of the inlet
- Once filled to capacity, allow sand moving in the littoral zone to flow past the structure.
- Most effective structure – placed at end (terminus) of littoral system

# Terminal Groin: Pass-a-Grille Channel



# Terminal Groins

- Reduce beach erosion near inlet
- Reduce frequency of beach nourishment
- Enhance recreation & habitat by creating sandy beach near inlet
- Moderate large-scale inlet fluctuations
- ~Improve recreational navigation by reducing sand in inlet
- Somewhat unintrusive by design
  - Trapping capacity < volume of inlet shoals



**Where is the smartest place to install a structure on this island?**

# LST STRUCTURES: Breakwaters

- Shore-parallel
- Purpose: reduce wave energy to shoreline to limit erosion or create safe harbor.
- Built seaward of breaker line.
- Wave sheltering causes
- Single, multiple, detached
- emergent, submerged.
- May form tombolos or sand

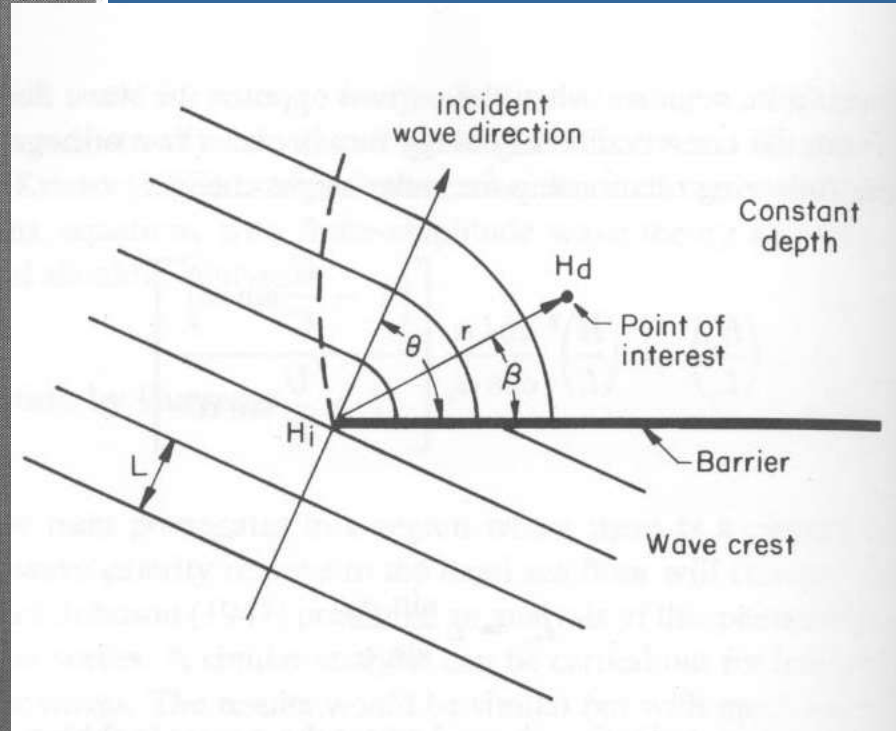


# Redington Shores, FL

2006



# Multiple Offshore Breakwaters



Kaike coast, Japan

If  $y/L > 6$ , no salient

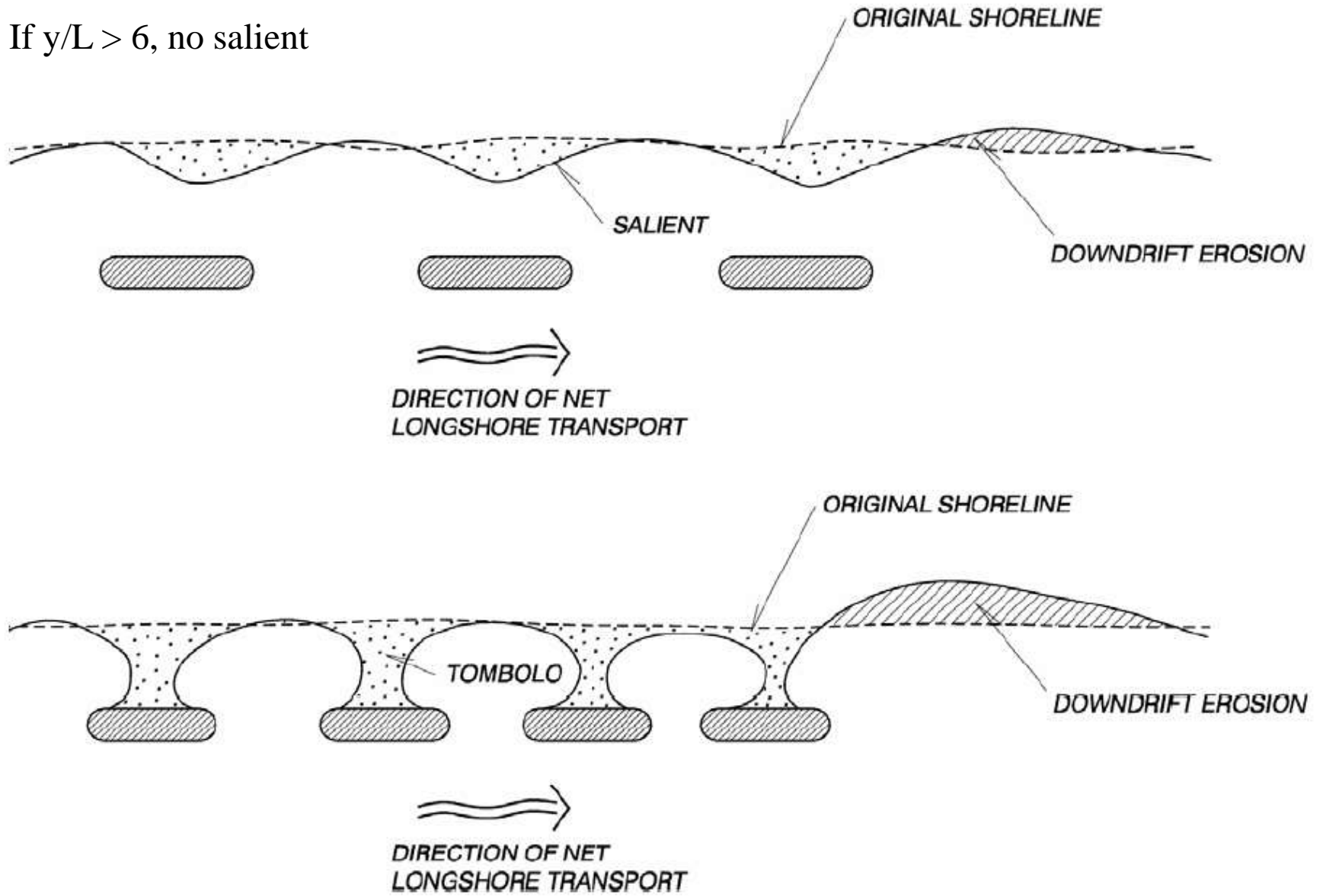
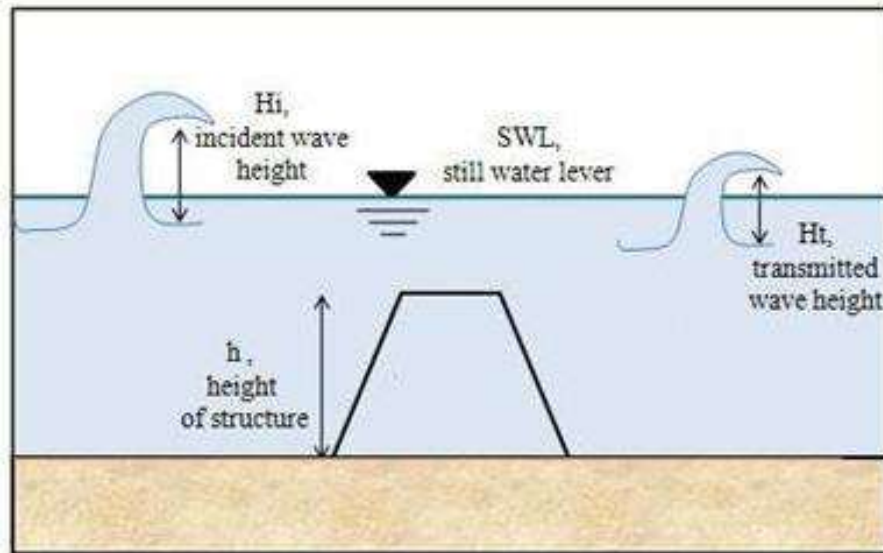
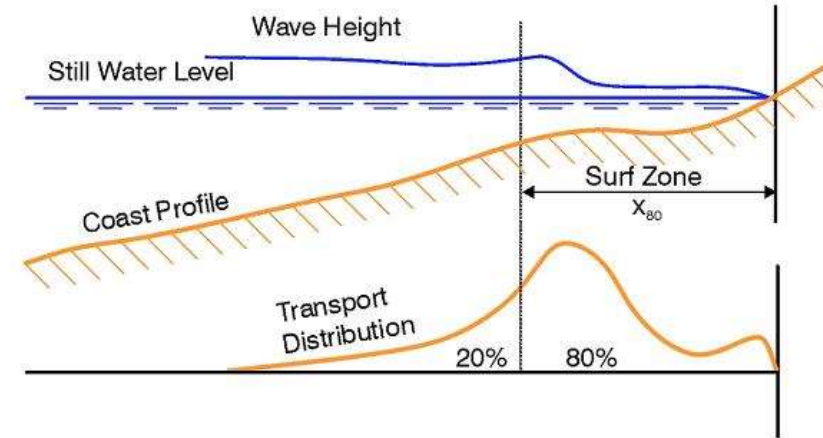


Figure VI-2-10. Typical beach configurations with detached nearshore breakwaters

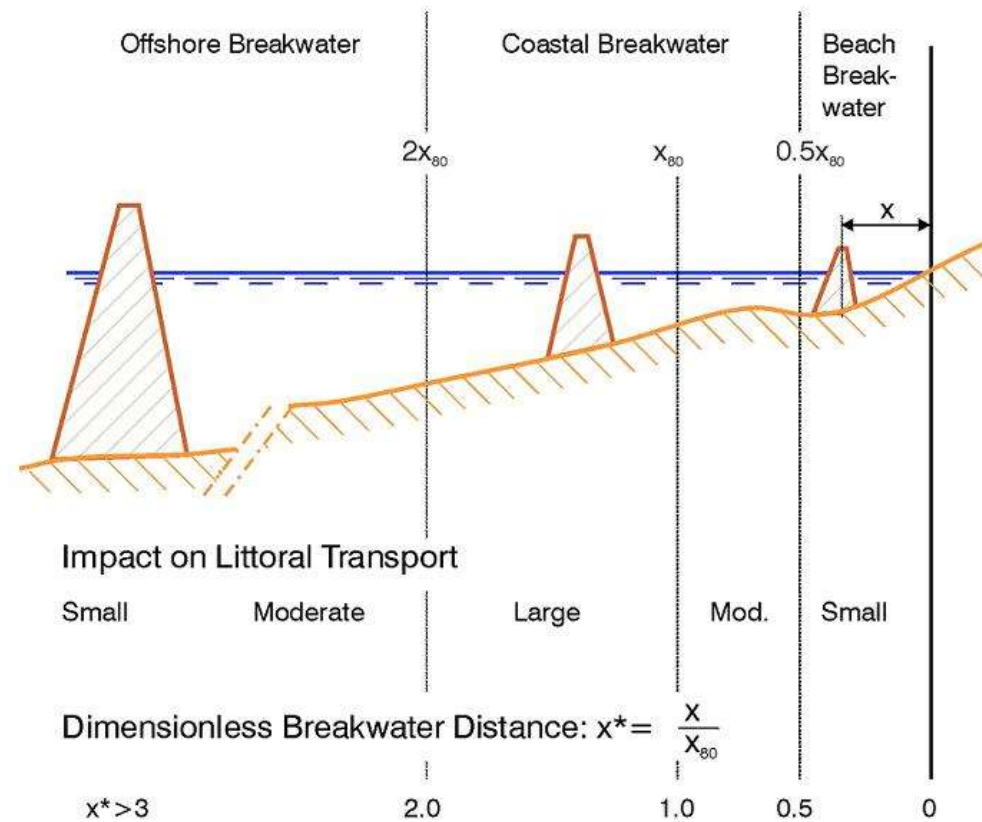
# Breakwaters



## Natural Conditions



## Breakwater Types



- Near SWL: Reduces H by 20%
- $d=1H$ : Reduces H by only 10%
- Less effective as tide/surge incr.

# Geotube Breakwaters



**El Dorado Royal, Mexico**  
**Not permeable**

# T-groins



# Structures: *A Hard Decision*

- Hardening the coastline is the most intrusive method of shore protection.
- To avoid downdrift impacts, advance fill with sand and maintain sand
  - In front of armoring structures
  - Around littoral drift structures
- Most effective at the end of a littoral system
- Difficult to implement along an open coast without downdrift effects (permeable)
- Redistribute sand, Do not create sand!

# Outline: Beach Nourishment

- Planform & Profile response
- Design considerations
- Case studies: FL, Folly
- ....
- Borrow area considerations
  - Location & Sediment characteristics
- Dredging: Sand placement methods
- Costs
- Monitoring

# Beach Nourishment



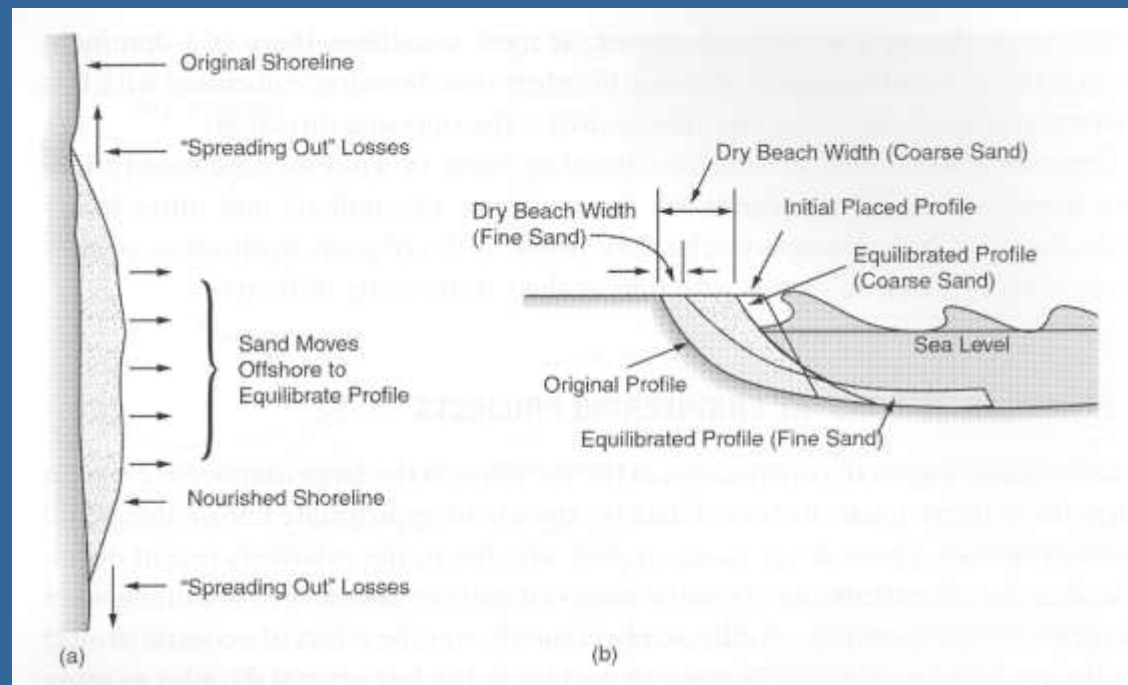
# Nourished Beaches?



# Terminology

- Beach nourishment = Placement of sediment along a typically eroding beach to advance the shoreline seaward (widen the beach).
  - AKA: “replenishment”, “beach fill”, “restoration”, “renourishment”
- Borrow area = sand source, on/offshore.
- Sediment compatibility = native vs. nourished
- Planform = longshore
- Profile = cross-shore

# Beach Nourishment 101



- Placement of sediment on an eroding beach to advance shoreline seaward to promote storm protection, recreation, and habitat.
- Nearshore perturbation that equilibrates with surrounding beaches via cross- and longshore transport.
- Longshore transport: "Planform Spreading"
- Cross-shore transport: "Profile Equilibration"

# Sediment Compatibility

## Summary of THE SAND RULE: F.A.C. Chapter 62B-41.007

- Beach compatible fill = material that maintains the general character and functionality of the beach and dune system.
  - **Composition:** Carbonate, quartz or similar material
  - **Size:** ranging between 0.062mm and 4.76mm, within **5%**
  - **Color:** similar to native
  - Shall not exceed native beach by:
    - 1. **>5% silt**, clay or colloids passing the #230 sieve;
    - 2. **>5%** fine gravel retained on the #4 sieve;
    - 3. **0%** Coarse gravel, cobbles or material retained on the 3/4 inch sieve;
  - If **rocks** or other non-specified materials appear on the surface of the filled beach in excess of 50% of background, then surface rock should be removed. These areas shall also be tested for subsurface rock percentage and remediated as required.

# Volume of Sand

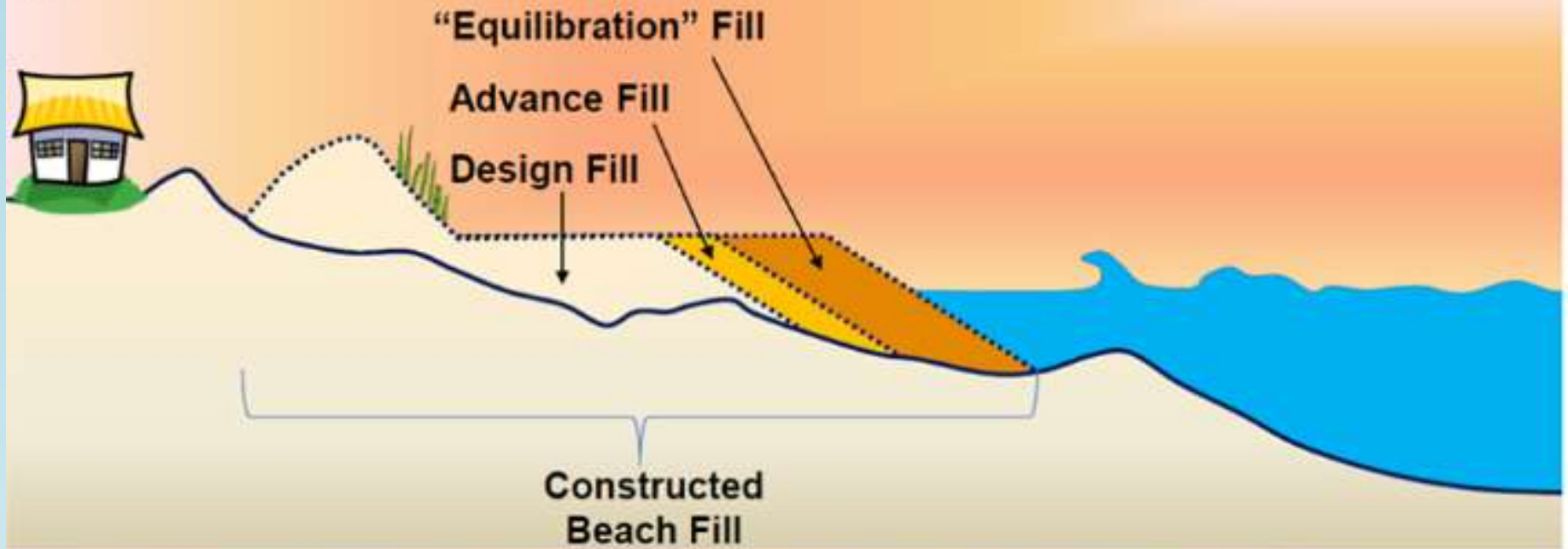
- Cubic yards (cy)
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cy = 1 ton of sand
- 1 dump truck = 9-10 cy
- Beach nourishment projects
  - Folly County Park: 400,000 cy
  - USACE Folly Beach: 1.8 M cy
- Nourishment Volume Density: 40-100 cy/ft



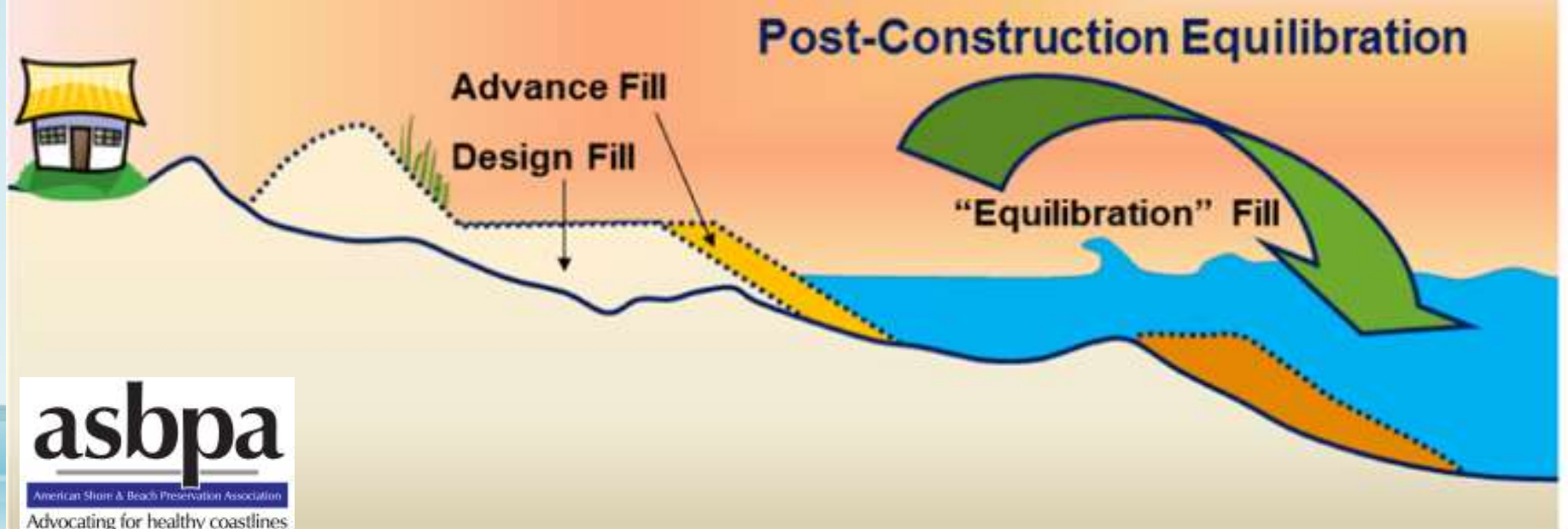
# Profile (Cross-section) Response

- Redistribution of sand across profile
  - Not a loss of sand from project area
- Wide constructed berm narrows as sand transported offshore to sandbar
- “Profile equilibration”
- Immediate
- Transition period: Engineered to Natural

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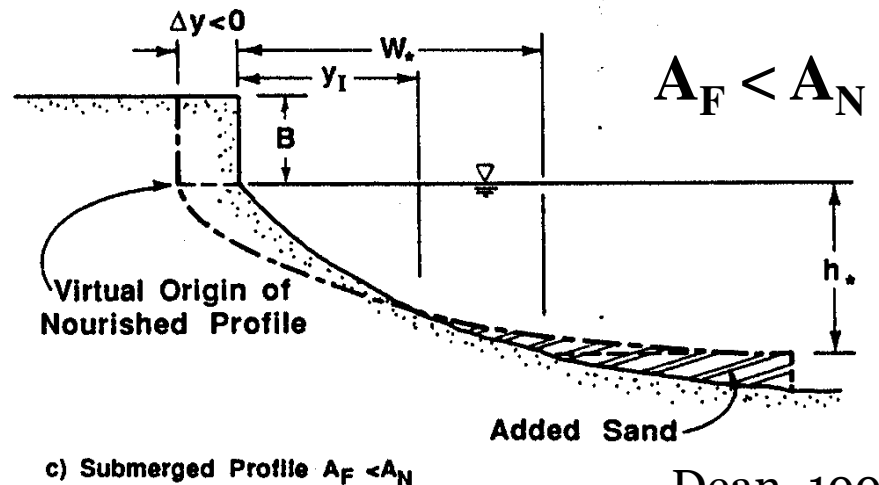
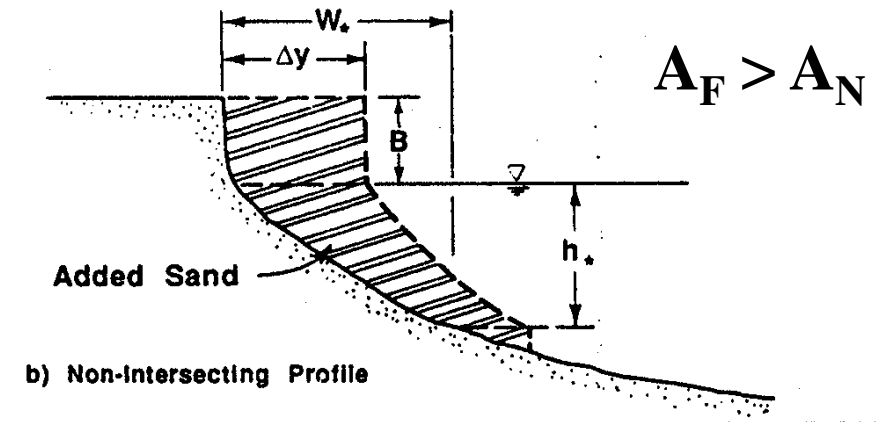
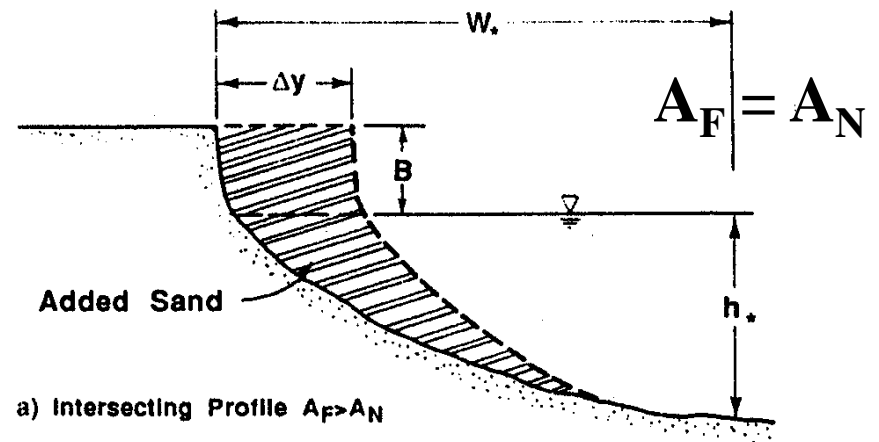
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# Grain size & Profile Equilibration

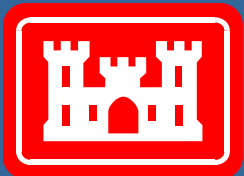
$$h = Ay^{2/3}$$

- Coarser sand tends to move onshore.
- Finer sand tends to move offshore.



# Grain size

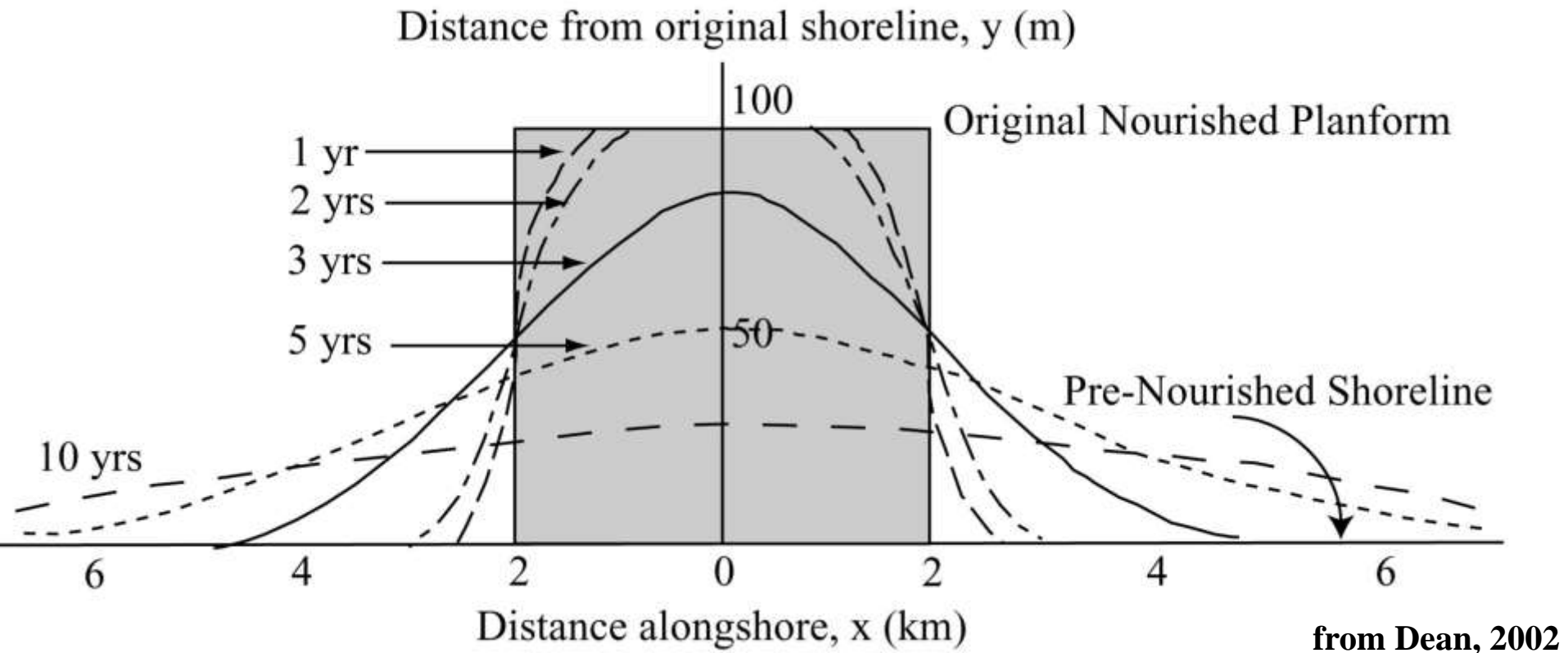
Location	Grain size (mm)
NATIVE	~0.2
Longboat Key	0.6
Venice	0.6
Upham Beach	0.5



# Planform Response

- Loss of sand from project area
- Adjacent beaches gain sand
- “Longshore spreading”
- Rate of spreading determines success of project
  - Nourishment interval
  - Feeder beach

# Planform Response



$$y(x, t) = \frac{Y}{2} \left\{ \operatorname{erf} \left[ \frac{l}{4\sqrt{Gt}} \left( \frac{2x}{l} + 1 \right) \right] - \operatorname{erf} \left[ \frac{l}{4\sqrt{Gt}} \left( \frac{2x}{l} - 1 \right) \right] \right\}$$

# Planform Response

- ...is proportional to the project length (l).
- ...and inversely proportional to wave height (H).

$$t_{50} = K' \frac{l^2}{H_b^{5/2}}$$

*If a nourishment project is performing poorly, what is an option to improve it?*

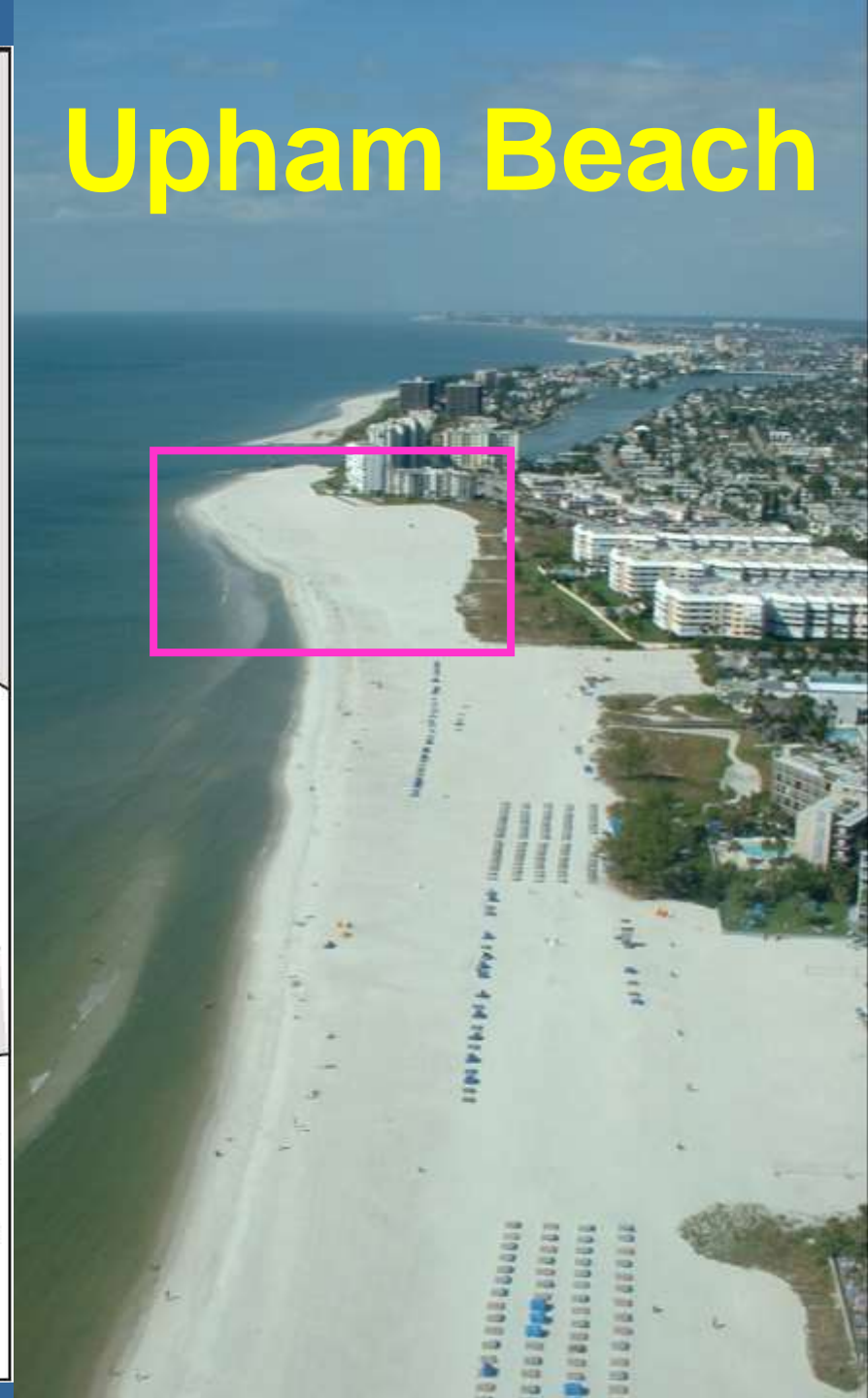
# Upham Beach Nourishment Projects: Feeder Beach

- 1975, 1980, 1986, 1991, **1996**, 2000, 2004, 2006, 2010, 2014, 2018.



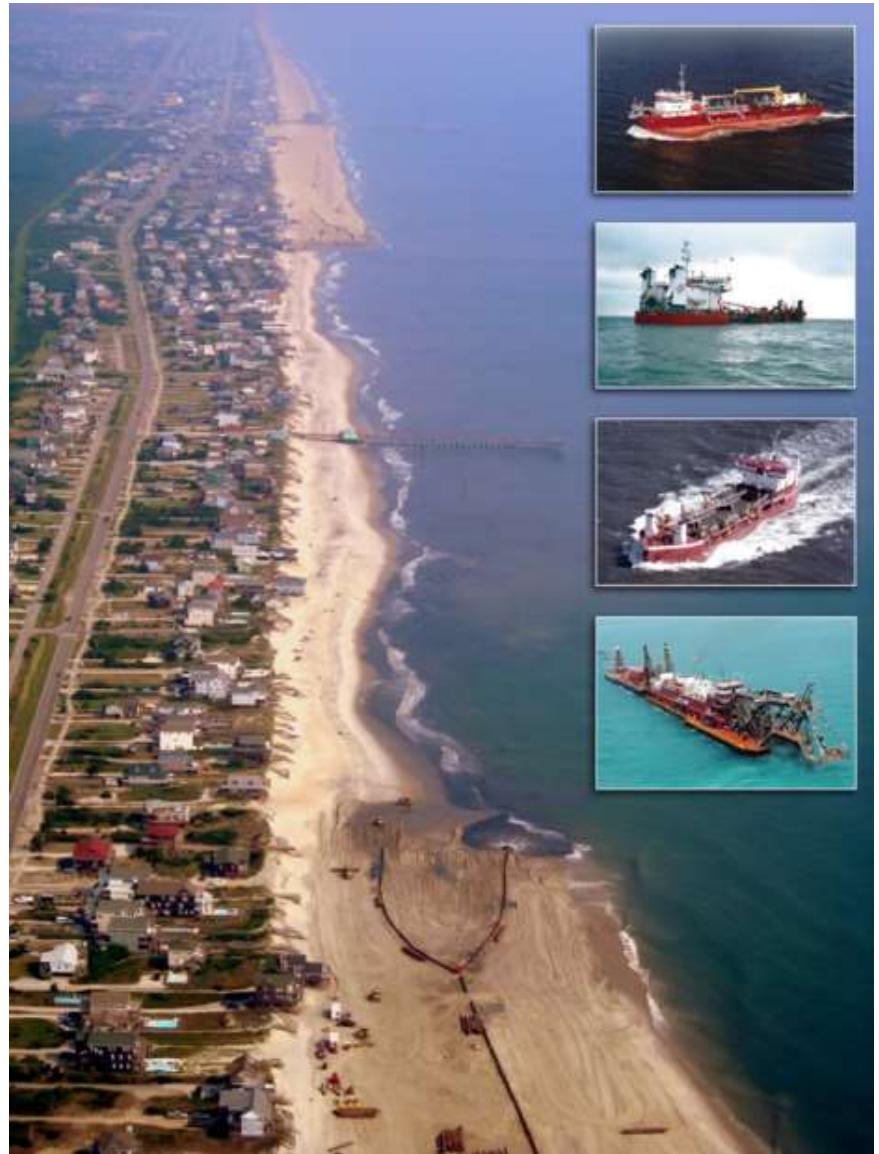
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# Upham Beach



# Nags Head, NC 2011

- 10 miles long
- 4.6 M cy sand
- 2016: 90% sand remained



# Hybrid Projects

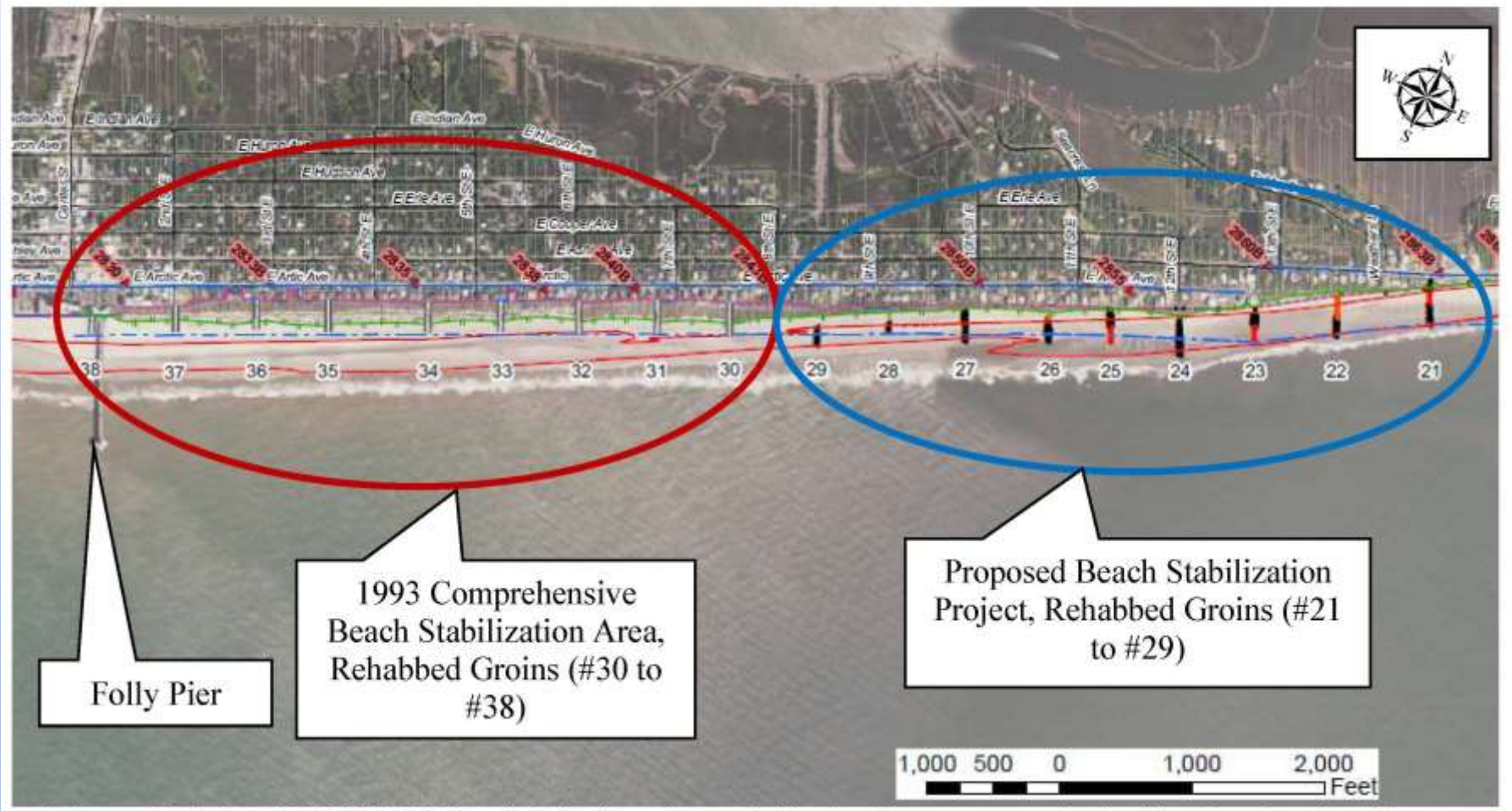
Folly Beach 2018 Beach and Dune Stabilization Project

# Hybrid Beach & Dune Stabilization Project

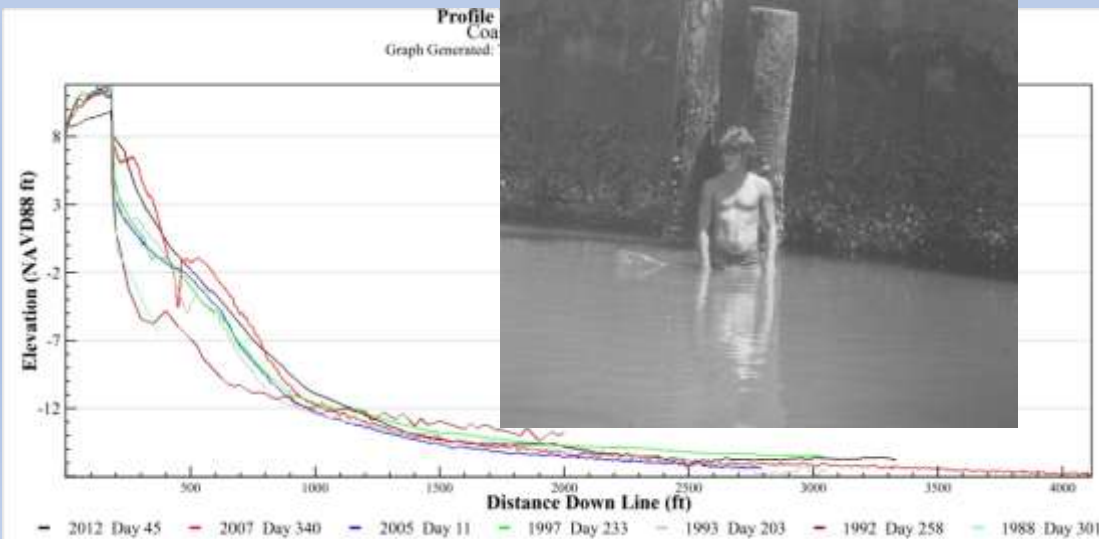
- Beach nourishment:
  - Sand from USACE dredging of Folly River
  - Dune Restoration: Planting native vegetation & installing sand fencing
  - Groin Rehabilitation: Nine (9) groins
- Project Area: 8<sup>th</sup> St. E. to 14<sup>th</sup> St. E.
  - 5,000 ft
- Intent: To benefit the public interest and improve the usefulness of the project by **retaining nourished sand** in the template longer than without the stabilization effort.

# Central Folly

# Project Area



# Central Folly Beach, SC Before and After 1993 USACE Project



# Central Folly Beach: Shoreline Change Analysis



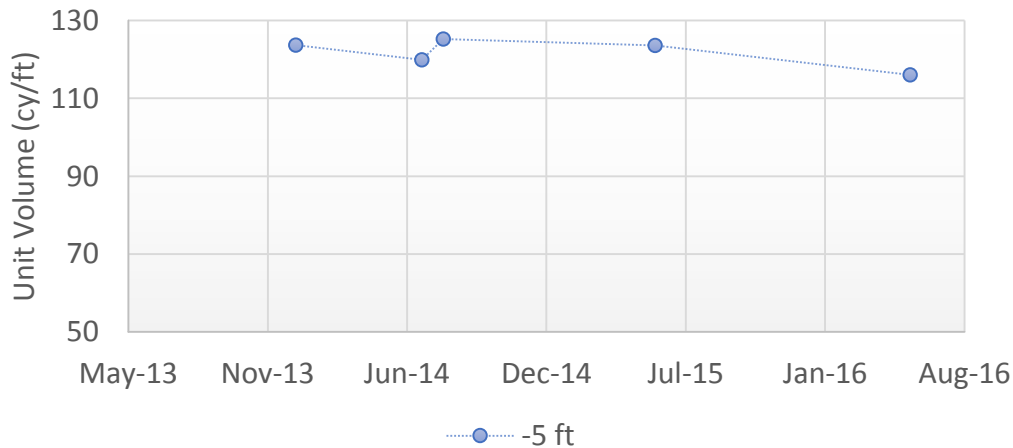
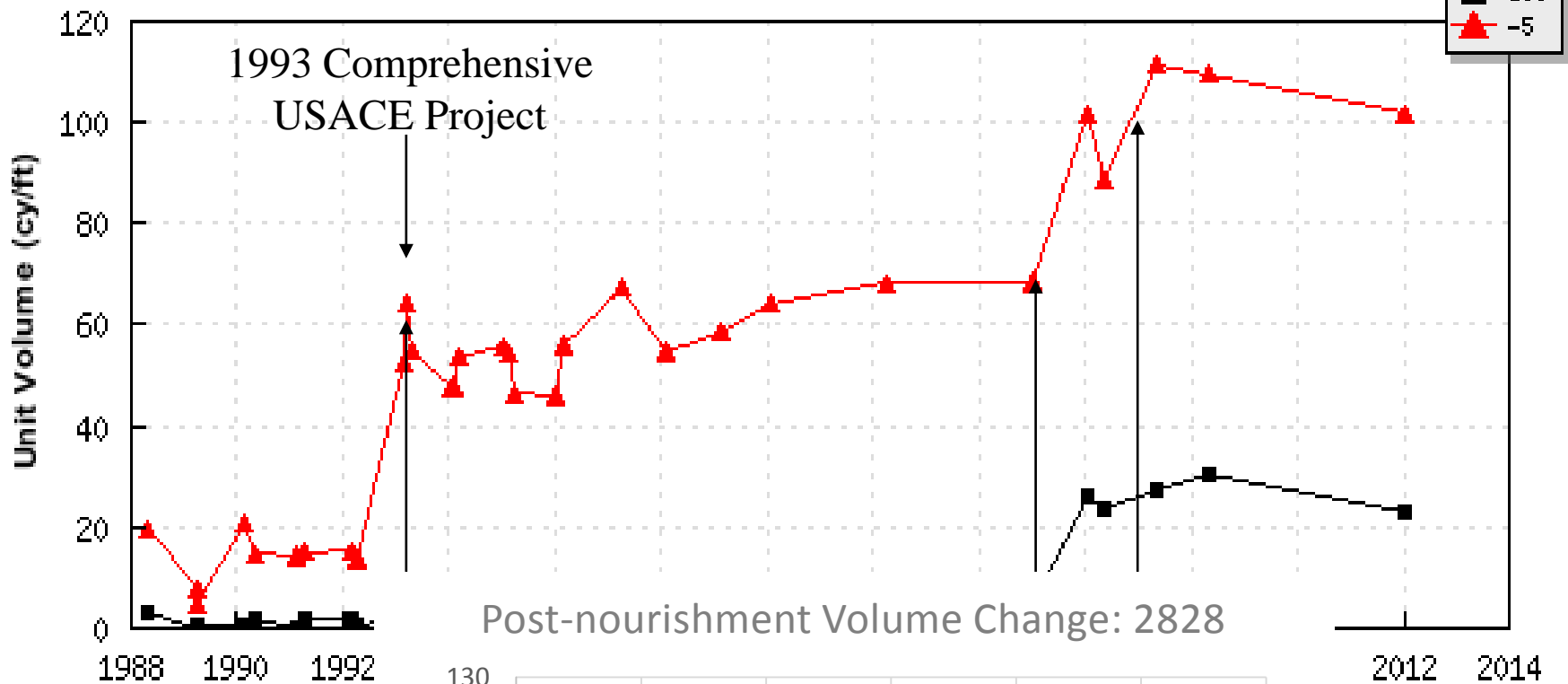
“The central portion of the island has become increasingly stable since a comprehensive beach stabilization effort, that included dune restoration and the rehabilitation of nine dilapidated groins, was initiated in conjunction with the 1993 Federal beach nourishment project.”

-2015 FB LCBMP

# Volume Change Plots for Benchmark 2828:

Coastal Carolina University

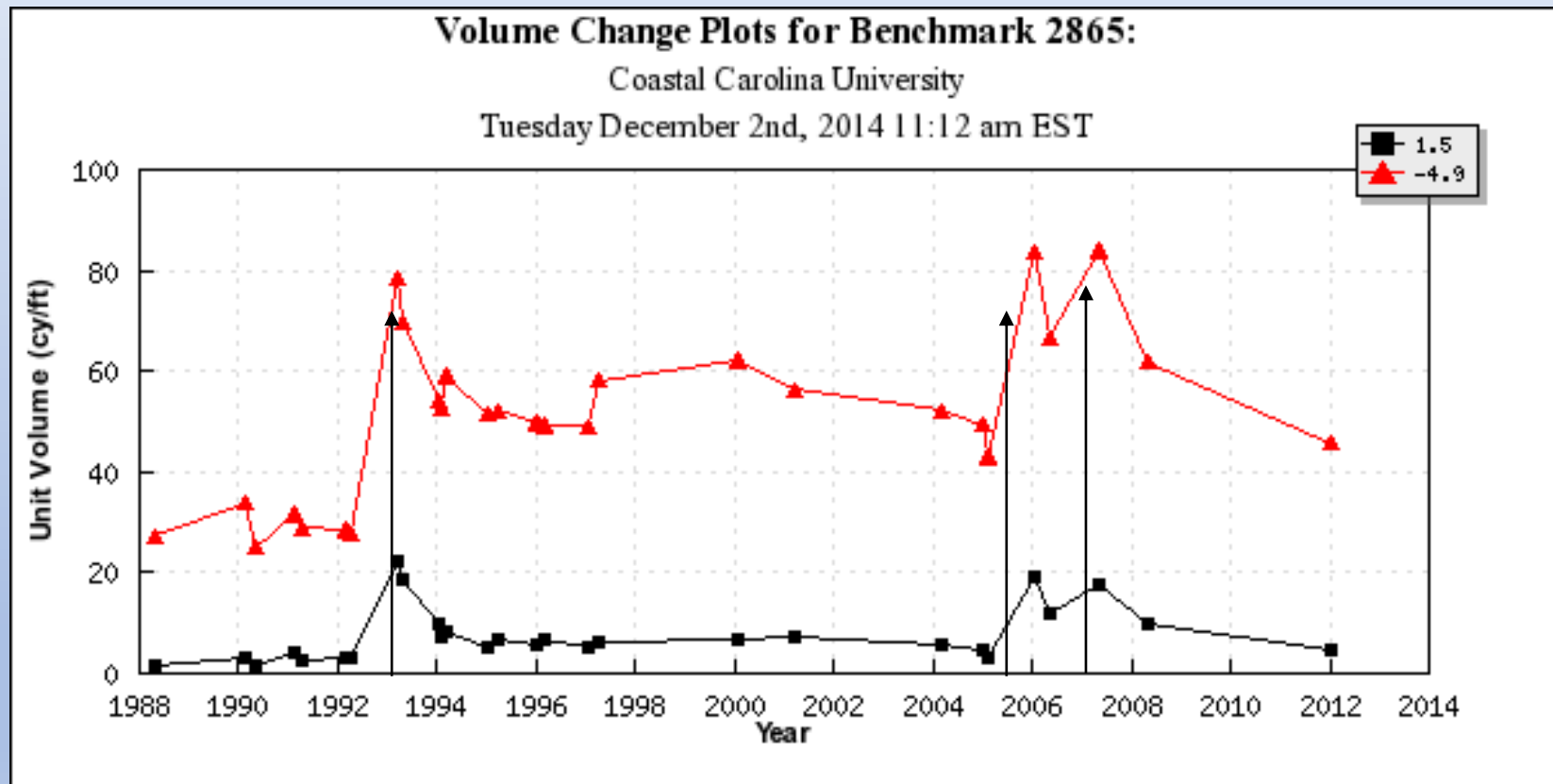
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# Project Area Folly Beach: Shoreline Change Analysis



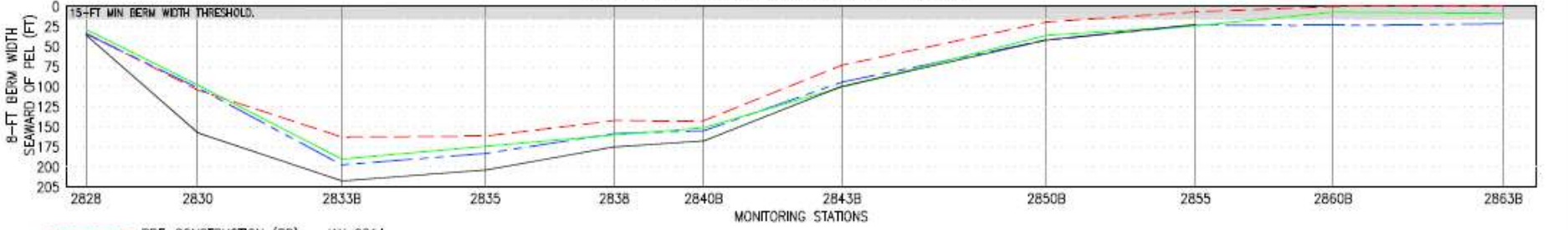
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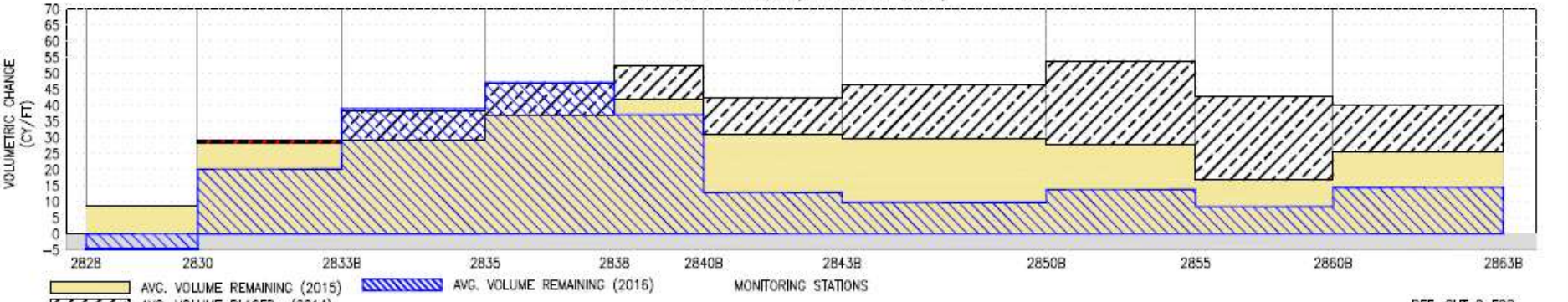
8-FT DESIGN BERM WIDTH SEAWARD OF PEL



- PRE-CONSTRUCTION (BD) - JAN 2014
- POST CONSTRUCTION MONITORING - AUG 2014
- 1-YR POST CONSTRUCTION MONITORING - JUNE 2015
- 2-YR POST CONSTRUCTION MONITORING - JUNE 2016

NOTE: RENOURISHMENT IS TO BE INITIATED WHEN THE 8-FT (NAVD88) DESIGN BERM IS LESS THAN 15-FT WIDE FOR 25% OF PROJECT AREA.

VOLUMETRIC CHANGE (PLACEMENT AREA)



- AVG. VOLUME REMAINING (2015)
- AVG. VOLUME REMAINING (2016)
- AVG. VOLUME PLACED (2014)

NOTE: VOLUMES DETERMINED BY COMPARING THE PRE-CONSTRUCTION (BD) SURVEY WITH THE RESPECTIVE YEAR'S MONITORING SURVEY.

REF. SHT 2 FOR ADDITIONAL NOTES.

# 2016 Monitoring Report



From this...



to this...



# 2018 Folly Groin Rehabilitation: Impermeable Low-Profile Groins

# Field Trip Preview

Folly Beach 2018 Groin Rehabilitation Project and  
Federal Hurricane Recovery Renourishment

# Land-based placement equipment

Submerged pipeline placement





Start Up

# Pumping Sand

- Slurry: Sand/water mixture requires a minimum velocity to avoid deposition
  - Increases with grain size
  - 20% sand



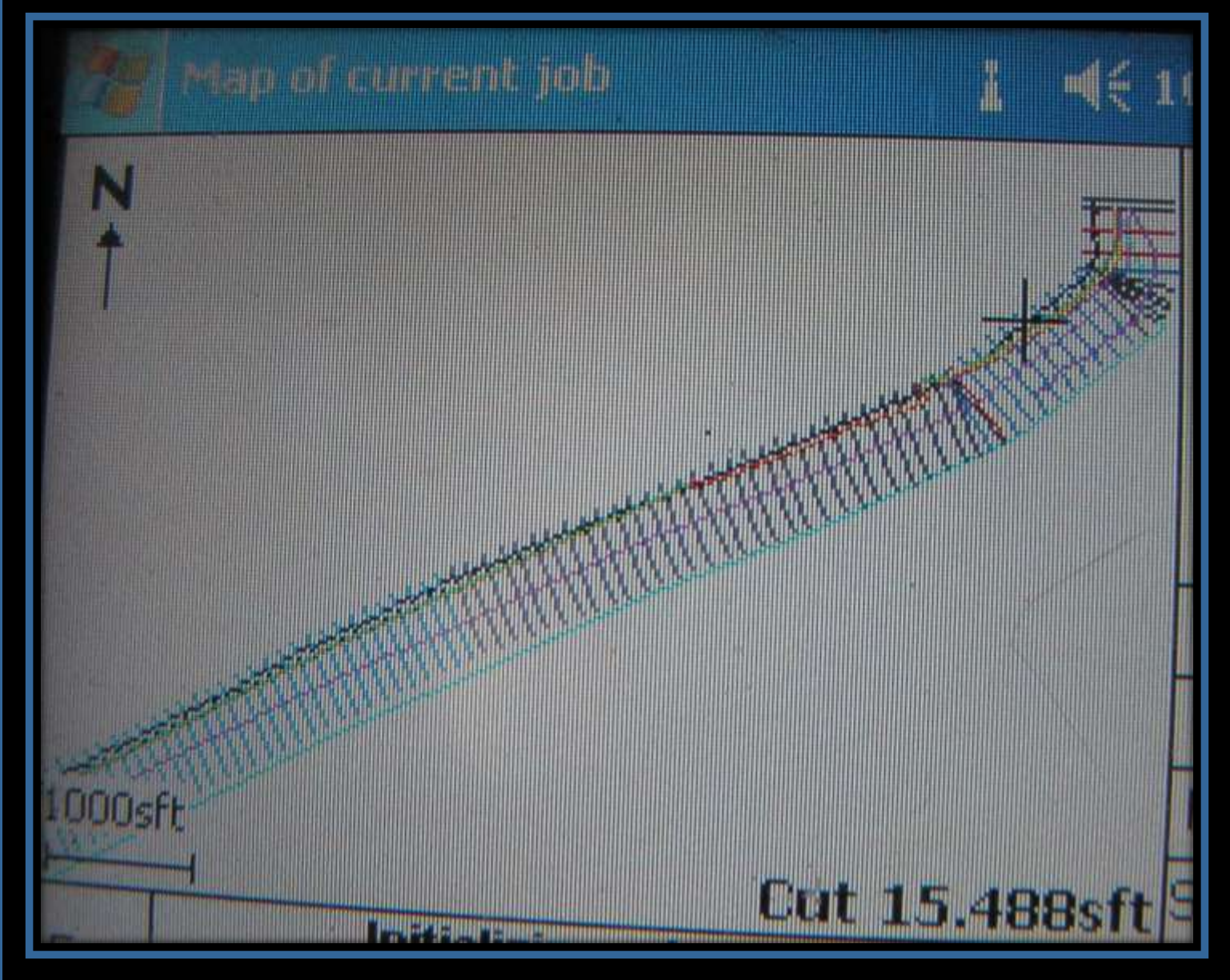


# Typical Beach Construction Area

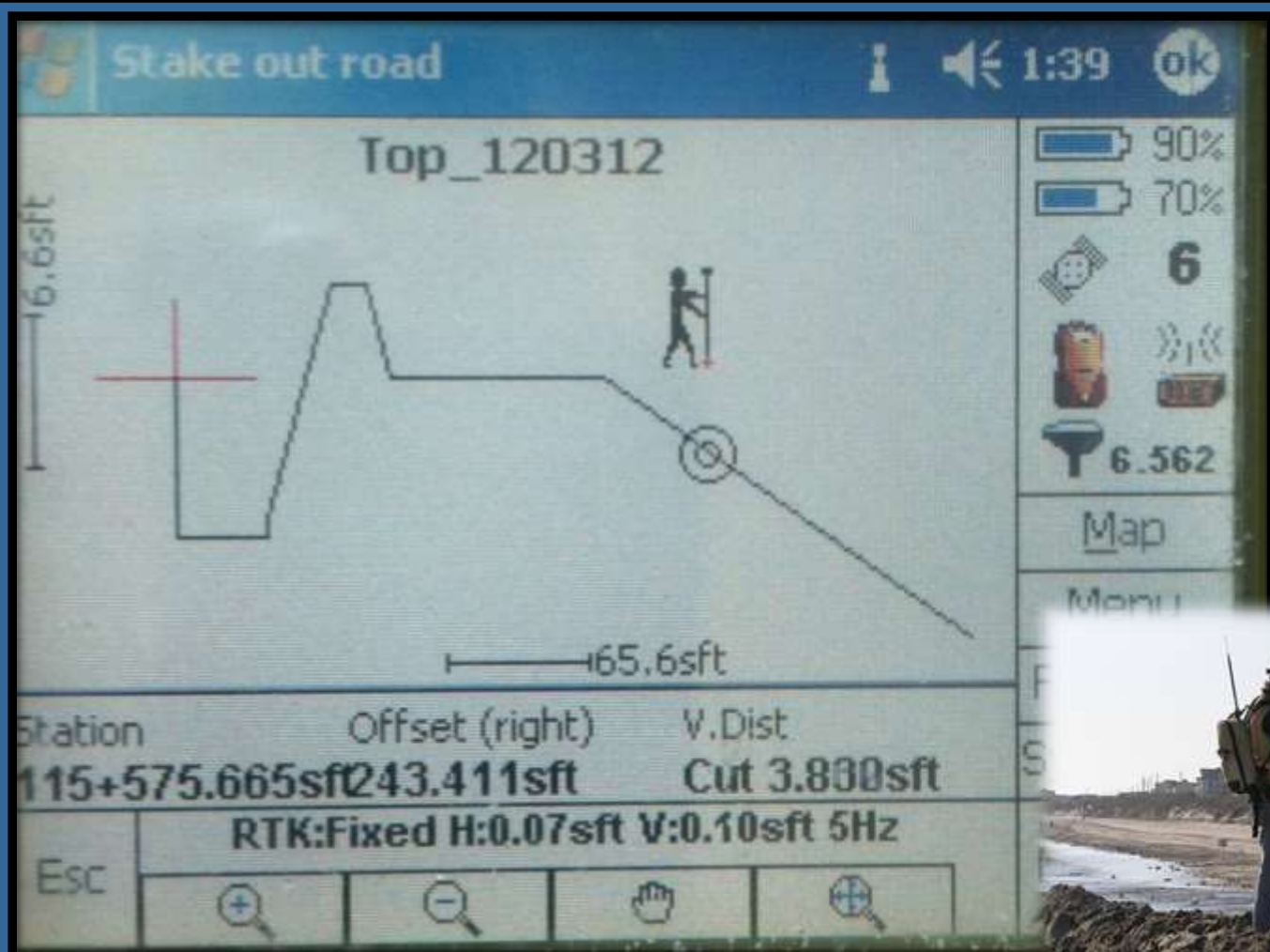




Multiple Valve Set-up



DXF Map View



Cross-Section View



1

Pier

9th St. E.

2

3

The Washout

Field Trip



# Beaches 101: A Training Course for Coastal Managers

Nicole Elko, Ph.D.

October 16, 2018

## Dunes, Retreat, Dredging & Funding

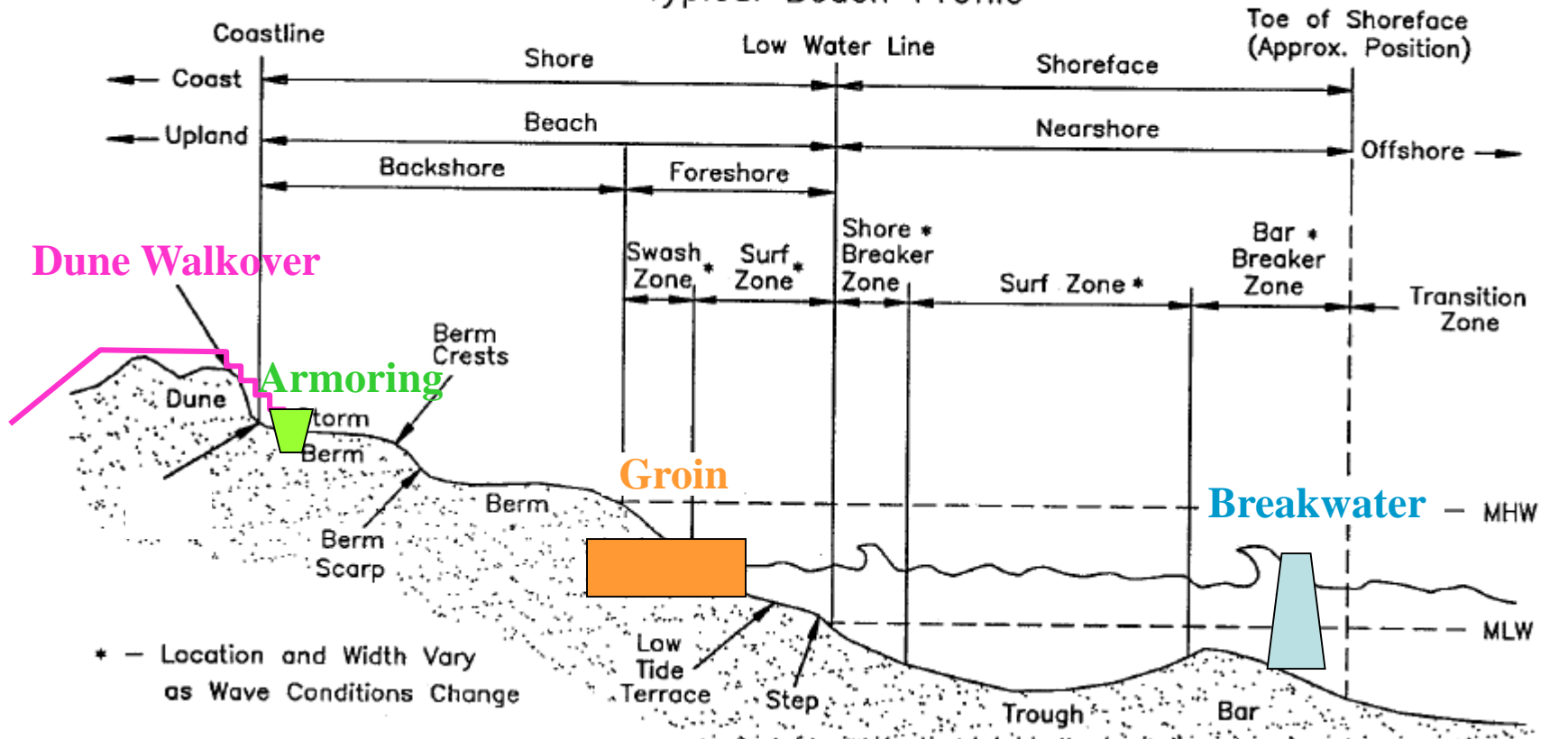


# Outline

- Erosion Management: Spectrum of Tools
  - Retreat  $\leftrightarrow$  Protect
  - Structures
    - Armoring
    - LST
  - Soft shore protection
    - Hybrid projects
    - Beach nourishment
    - Dunes
  - Managed Retreat

# Beach Profile Terminology

a. Typical Beach Profile



# Dunes: Benefits & Limitations

- Features of the wind
- Natural dunes migrate landward under erosional pressure
  - Engineered dunes typically cannot
- Stable only in areas that aren't regularly reworked by waves.
- Not necessarily vast reservoirs of sand
  - $Vol_{dune} < Vol_{berm}$
- NOT effective protection from long-term erosion



# N.J. sand dunes protected Shore towns from Hurricane Sandy's wrath

By Star-Ledger Staff

on November 08, 2012 at 7:05 AM, updated November 08, 2012 at 11:44 AM



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By Ryan Hutchins and  
Seth Augenstein/The  
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Hurricane Sandy did something unusual to Long Beach Island, a narrow 18-mile strip of land: The storm's raging winds and powerful surge of water carved two communities out of one.



Enlarge

Andrew Mills/The Star-Ledger

Workers have closed a breach in the barrier island at the base of the Mantoloking Bridge where Barnegat Bay met the Atlantic Ocean here after Hurricane Sandy pummeled the Jersey Shore last week. 11/5/12 (Andrew Mills/The Star-Ledger)

Aerial photos of the Jersey Shore as repairs begin after Sandy gallery (17 photos)



## Most Comments

539 N.J. Assembly gun control bill  
save lives: Editorial

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as sequestration deadline looms

257 N.J. Assembly passes package of gun  
bills despite Republicans' protest

*Wide beaches + High continuous  
dunes + Elevated structures =  
Storm damage reduction*

# Hurricane Florence: \$12.8B



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*Braxton Davis*

On Monday, Division of Coastal Management Director Braxton Davis told legislators that an inventory of the damage is underway. The key takeaway, he said, was natural infrastructure did very well in the storm.

“Beach nourishment projects that resulted in high dunes and wide beaches did what they were supposed to do. They buffered the storm,” he said. Living shorelines also worked well, he said. “We’re seeing that these structures, where they’ve been implemented, performed extremely well during the storm, were not damaged in any way and nearby you see bulkheads that have collapsed and you see scouring of property.”



Sandy, NJ:  
Dune erosion  
Infrastructure protection



# DUNE MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES

[http://asbpa.org/wpv2/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/dunes\\_84\\_1.pdf](http://asbpa.org/wpv2/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/dunes_84_1.pdf)

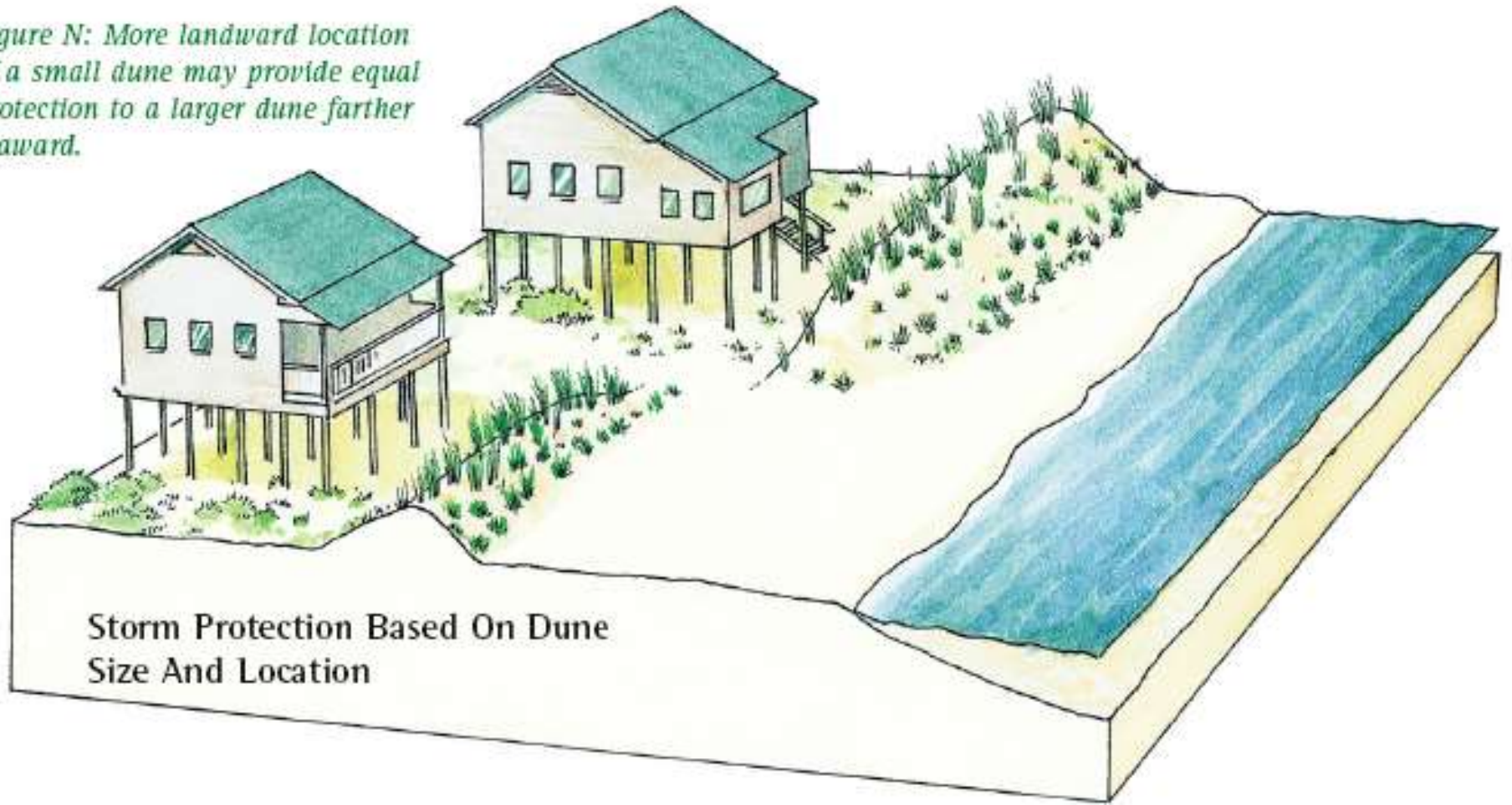


Limited research, design guidance

# Dune Vegetation/Fencing

- Shore-parallel
- Purpose: to trap wind-blown sand and promote dune growth.
  - Protect & retain sand
- Materials:
  - Seedlings of native vegetation
  - Sand Fencing
- Planted at landward limit of backbeach, landward of active beach.

*Figure N: More landward location of a small dune may provide equal protection to a larger dune farther seaward.*



## Where to install fencing/vegetation?

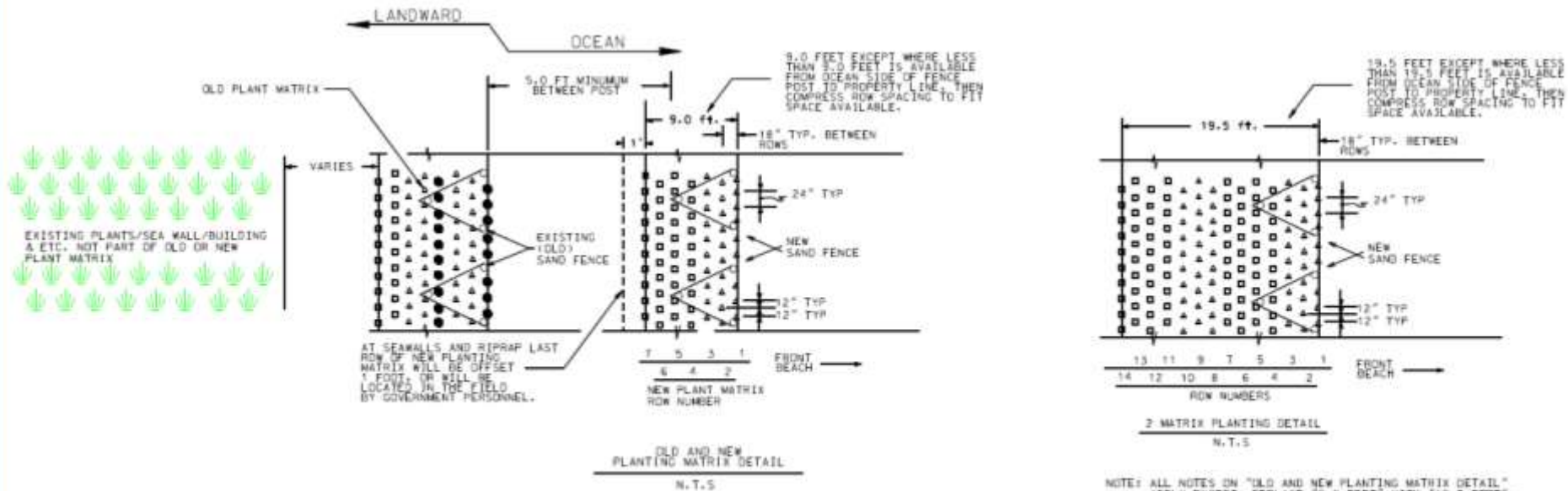
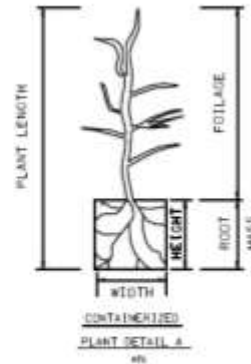
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# USACE Fence/Vegetation Spec

PLANT REQUIREMENT SCHEDULE

Ledger	Botanical Name	Common Name	Accession Number	Required Planting Dates	Planting Specifications	Fertilization
□	<i>unifloro paniculata</i>	Sea Oats	N/A	1 MARCH THRU 7 APRIL 2019	Plants shall be containerized nursery seedlings. Each plug shall have a minimum of 2 individual seedlings per container. Plants shall have a root mass of no less than 1.75" wide x 1.75" wide and 4" deep or 50 cell flat size with foliage not less than 14" long. Plant 8" deep. See Containerized Plant Detail A. See Dune Matrix Planting Detail for spacing.	FERTILIZER: 18-6-12 GRANULAR FERTILIZER SHALL BE USED WITH THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:  1ST APPLICATION - MIX 1 LEVEL TEASPOON OF FERTILIZER WITH BACKFILL THAT IS TO BE USED WITH EACH PLANTING.  2ND APPLICATION - FERTILIZER SHALL BE BROADCAST AT A RATE OF 300 POUNDS PER ACRE THE FOLLOWING YEAR BUT NOT BEFORE 1 MARCH, AND NOT LATER THAN 30 APRIL.
▲	<i>Panicum olerum 'norppa'</i>	Bitter Panicum	Norppa (PI) 4219571	1 MARCH THRU 7 APRIL 2019	Plants shall be containerized nursery cuttings. Individual plants shall have a root mass of no less than 1.25" wide x 1.25" wide and 2" deep 98 cell flat with foliage not less than 10" long. Plant 5"-7" deep. See Containerized Plant Detail A. See Dune Matrix Planting Detail for spacing.	
●	<i>Amorpha breviflora</i> Bogue	American Beachgrass Bogue			This plant is existing from last planting in certain areas of the beach. See Note 7.	



NOTE: ALL NOTES ON "OLD AND NEW PLANTING MATRIX DETAIL" APPLY EXCEPT, REPLACE "9.0 FEET" WITH "19.5 FEET".



S.C. Native Dune Vegetation  
Sea oats  
Bitter panicgrass

# Balancing storm protection with recreation



# Post-storm debris removal



# To restore dunes?



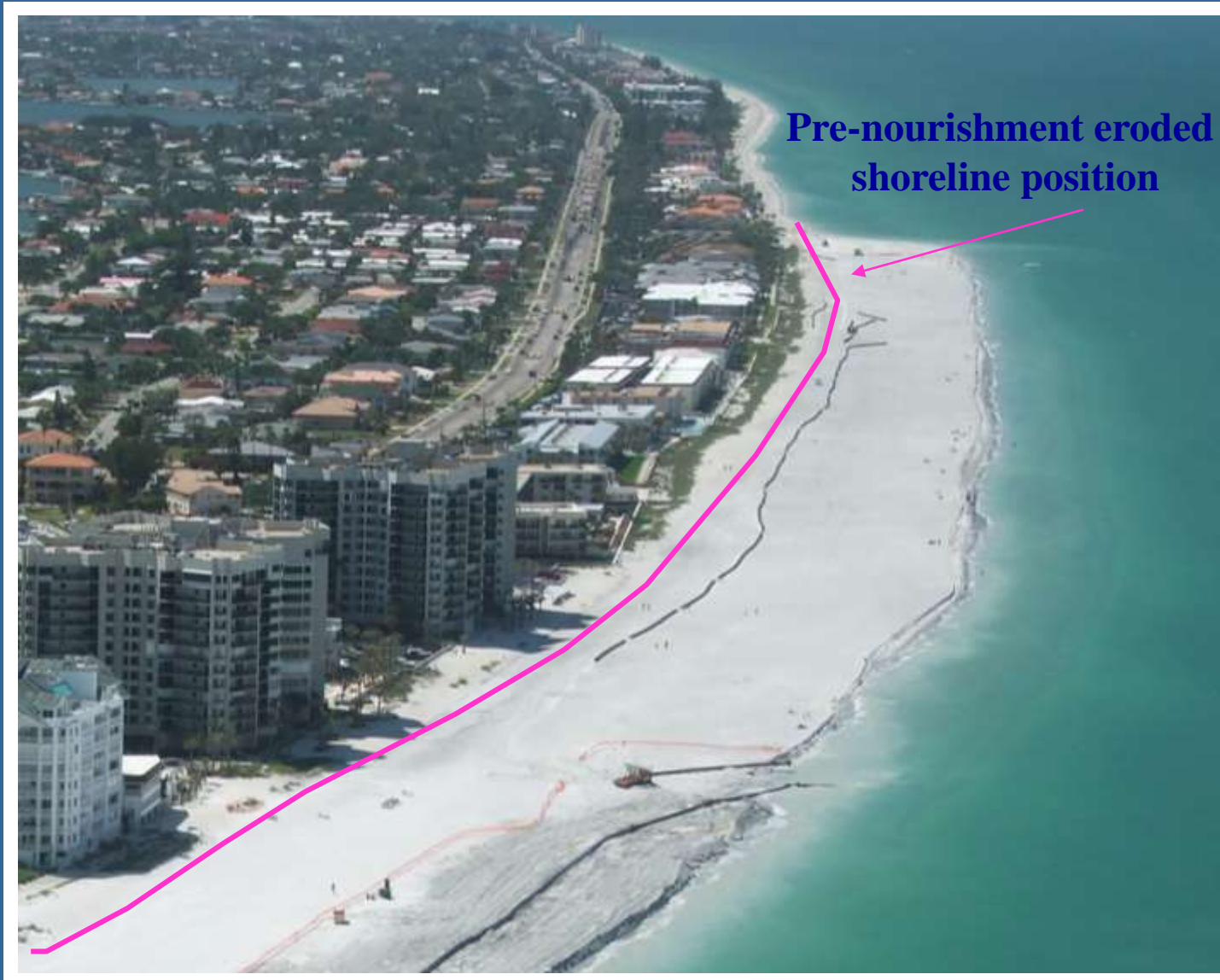
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# Dune enhancement



**Improperly placed vegetation**

# Dune Planning



# Dune Walkovers

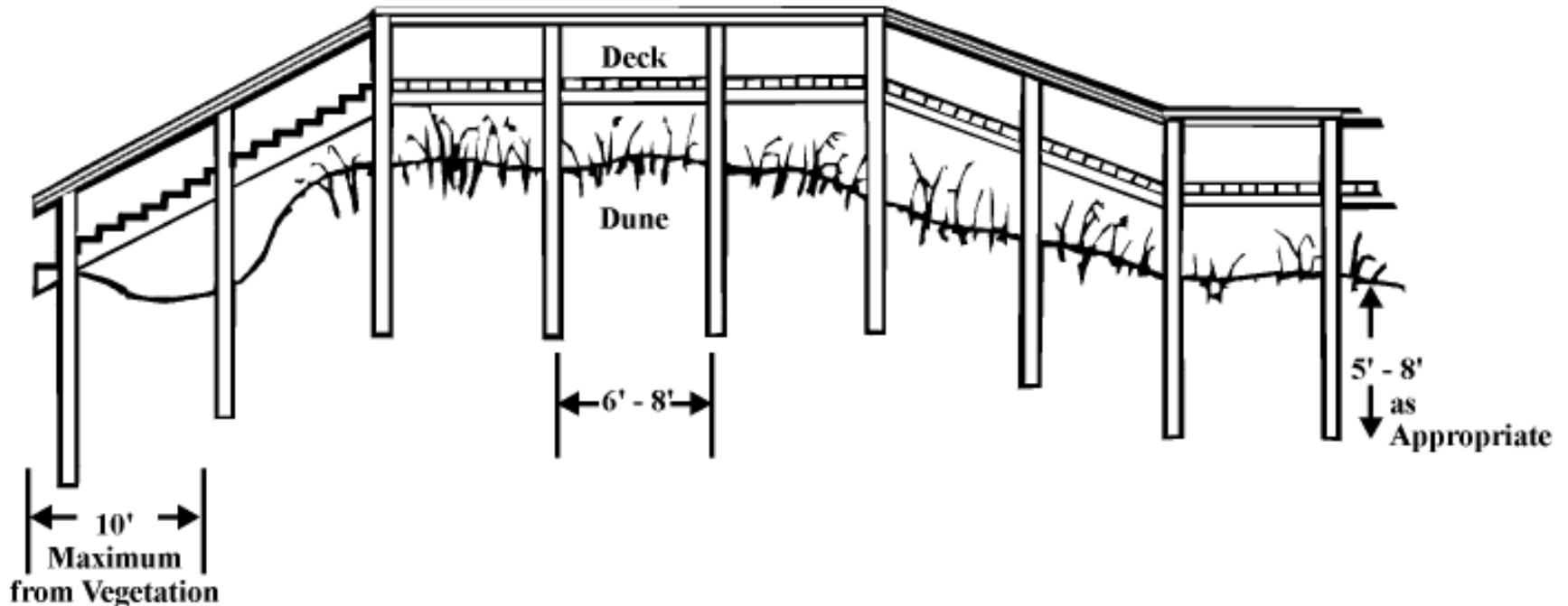
- Shore-perpendicular
- Purpose: to provide beach access to pedestrians (vehicles) with minimal impact to dune.
- Built as wooden boardwalks or as sand paths from upland to backbeach.
- Challenge: Balance pedestrian traffic and sediment supply.

# Balancing storm protection and access



# Appropriate Dune Walkover

If pedestrian traffic > sediment supply



# Geotubes



# FEMA: Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program

- Elevated 1,985 Private Homes
- Federal Share: \$232.5M

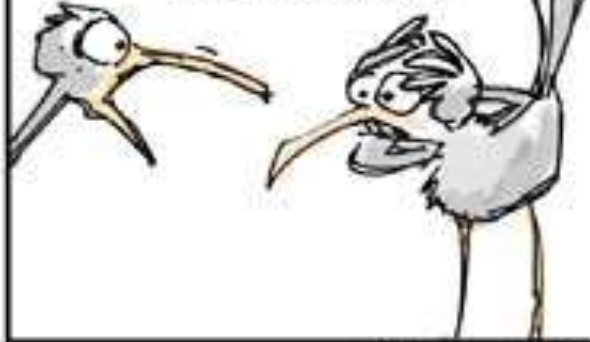


Should we rethink beach replenishment?

Is it time to consider coastal buffers, marsh areas, relocating infrastructure and even that dreaded concept...



"MANAGED RETREAT?"



Right now it appears the only plan...



# Managed Retreat |

# Tools for Managed Retreat

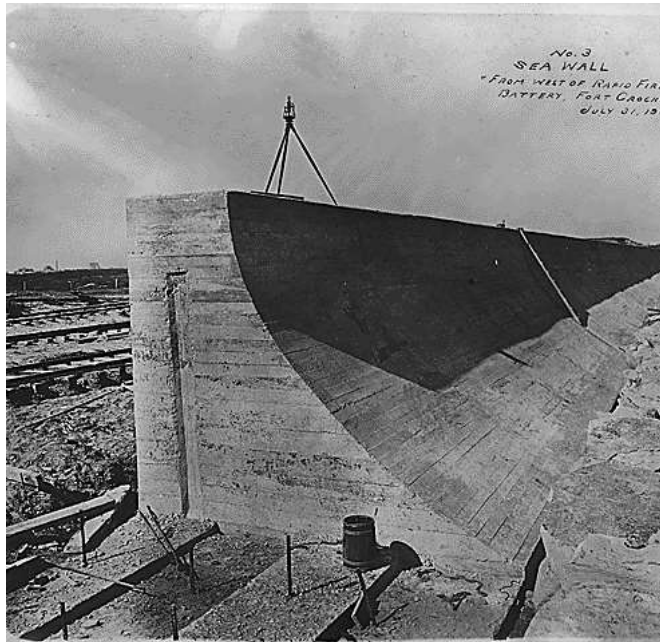
- Coastal management planning
- Setback lines
- Prevent private coastal armoring
- Rebuilding Restrictions
  - SC Beachfront Management Act
- Acquisitions: Easements/Buyout programs
  - Property information disclosure to potential buyers

## MANAGED COASTAL RETREAT

A LEGAL HANDBOOK ON SHIFTING DEVELOPMENT  
AWAY FROM VULNERABLE AREAS

BY ANNE SIDERS





# Galveston, TX seawall

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# Erosion Management: Managed Retreat



## WHAT'S THE PLAN?

During Phase I, about half of the existing damaged parking lot will be removed and the materials recycled. The stretch of beach along this area will be widened by 60-feet and a new cul-de-sac on Shoreline Drive will be constructed 1,000-ft. east of the current turnaround. The multi-use bike path will be relocated inland along the beachfront adjacent to the new parking area that will be constructed just north of the existing lot.

## Project Benefits:

- Beach restoration that protects our coastline from erosion
- Provides more beachfront area for recreational opportunities
- New multi-use bike path with lighting
- New storm water filtration system including a grass bioswale to treat runoff and prevent pollutants from reaching the Ventura River Estuary and ocean

Additional improvements will be made in future phases when funds are identified.

# Summary

## • Erosion Management: Spectrum of Tools

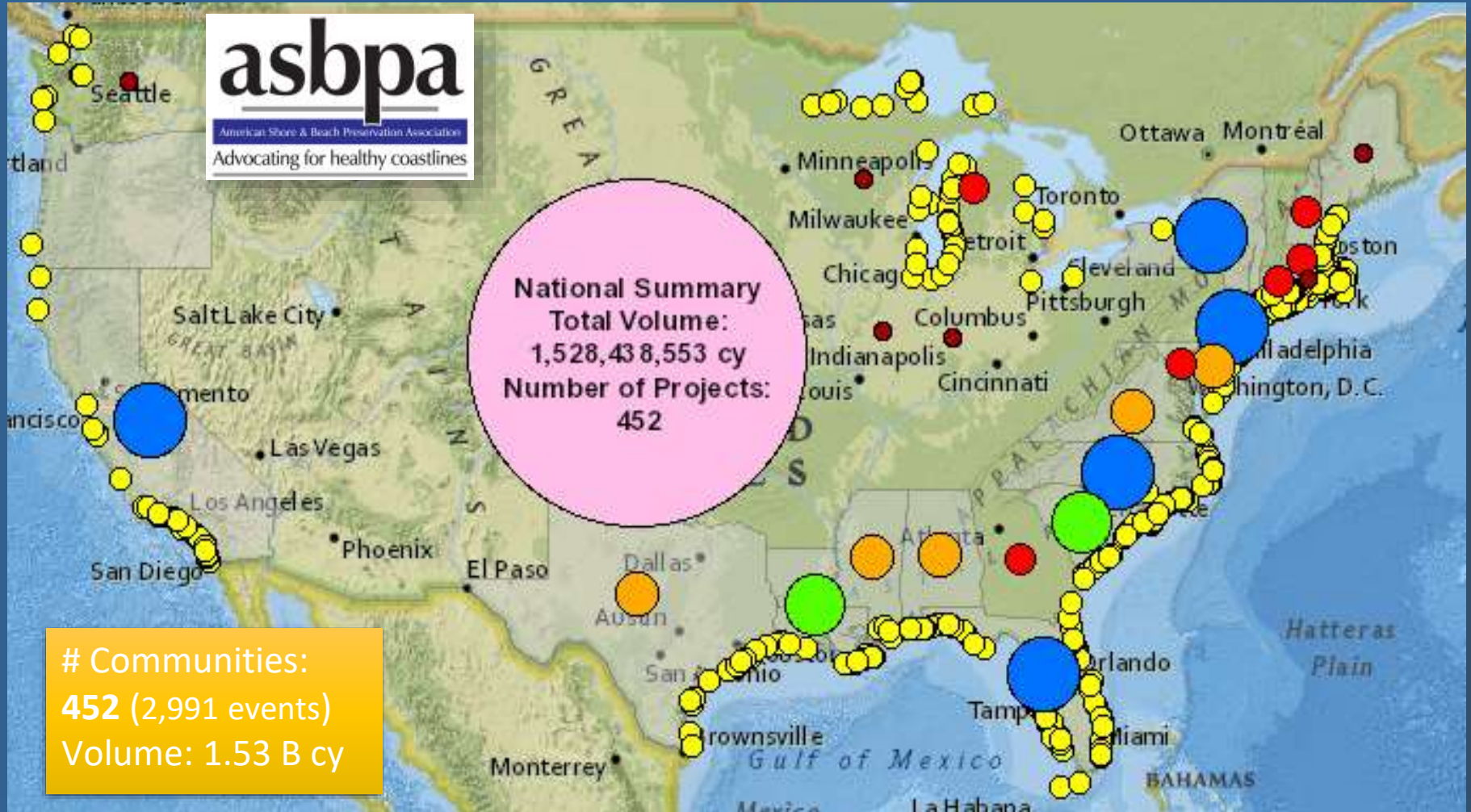


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# National Beach Preservation Statistics since 1920's

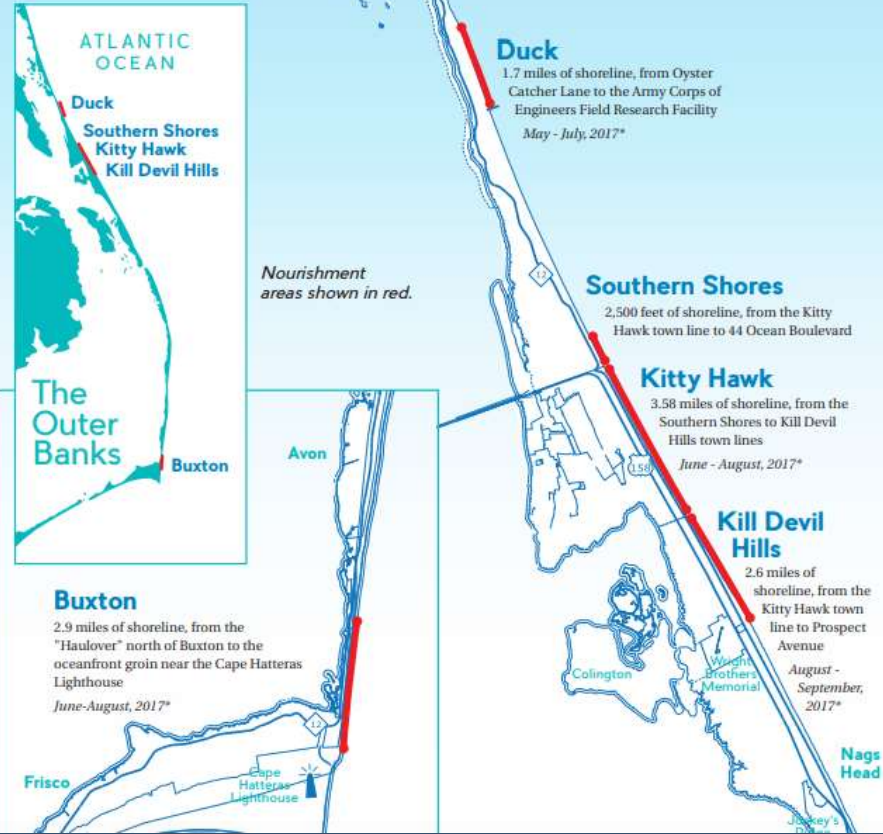


For updates and additional information, visit [MoreBeachtoLove.com](http://MoreBeachtoLove.com)

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# 2017 Beach Nourishment Projects



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Improvements  
**today**  
 for a better beach  
**tomorrow.**



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**Legend:**

**National Nourishment Volume (cy)**

**Nourishment Volume By State (cy)**

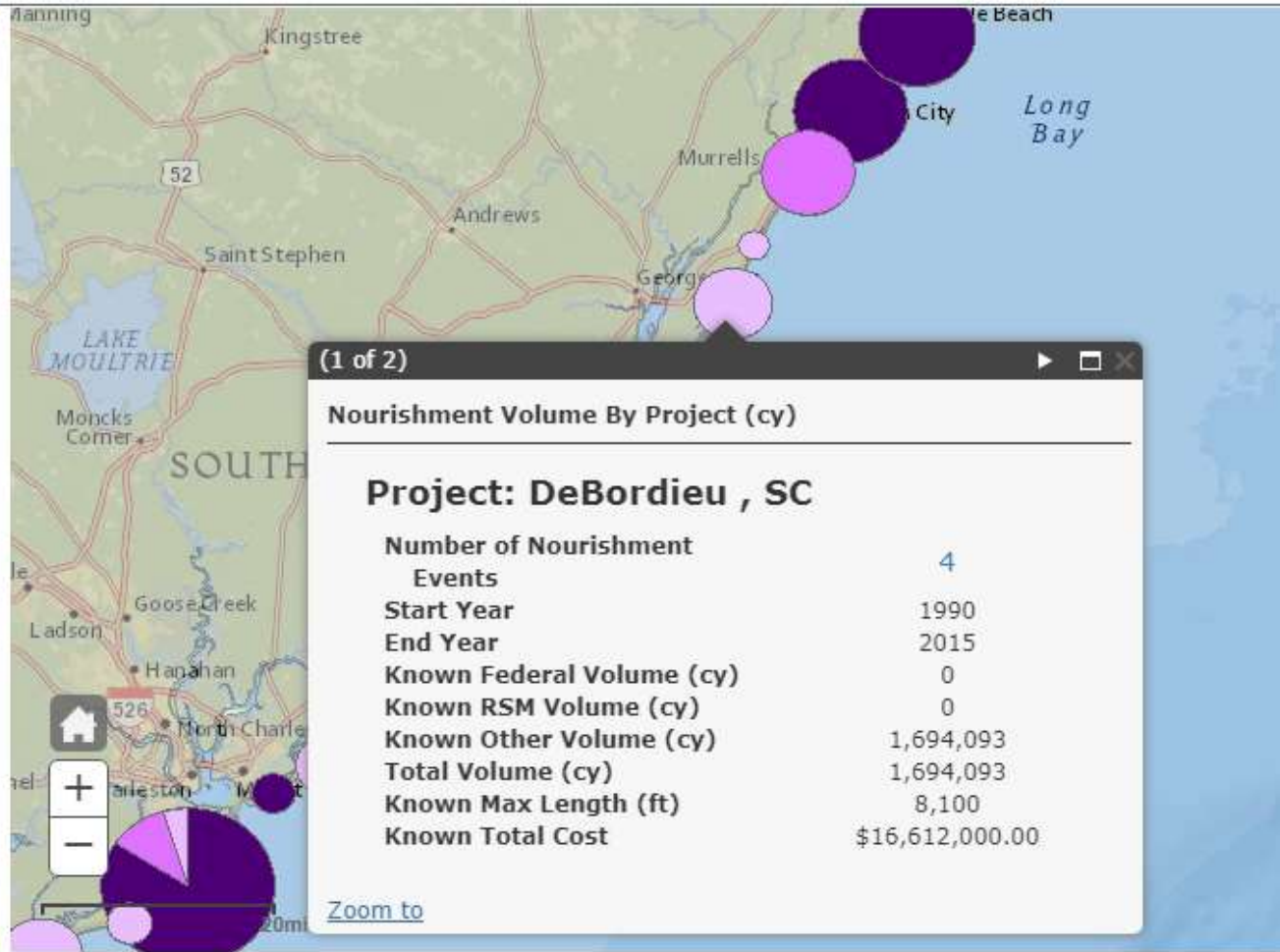
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- 50,000,000 to <100,000,000
- 100,000,000 to <700,000,000
- Nourishment Project Locations

**Nourishment Volume By Project (cy)**

Known Total Volume (cy)

- Known Federal Volume (cy)
- Known RSM Volume (cy)
- Known Other Volume (cy)

Turn On/Off Map Layers



- Nationwide
- AK
- AL
- CA
- CT
- DE
- FL
- GA
- HI
- IL
- IN
- LA
- MA
- ME
- MD
- MI
- MS
- NC
- NH
- NJ
- NY
- OH

Project Name	Number of Nourishment Events	Start Year	End Year	Total Volume (cy)	Known Max
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# Outline: Beach Nourishment

- Planform & Profile response
- Design considerations
- Case studies: FL, Folly
- ....
- Borrow area considerations
  - Location & Sediment characteristics
  - Environmental Protections
- Dredging: Sand placement methods
- Costs
- Monitoring

# Borrow Area Considerations

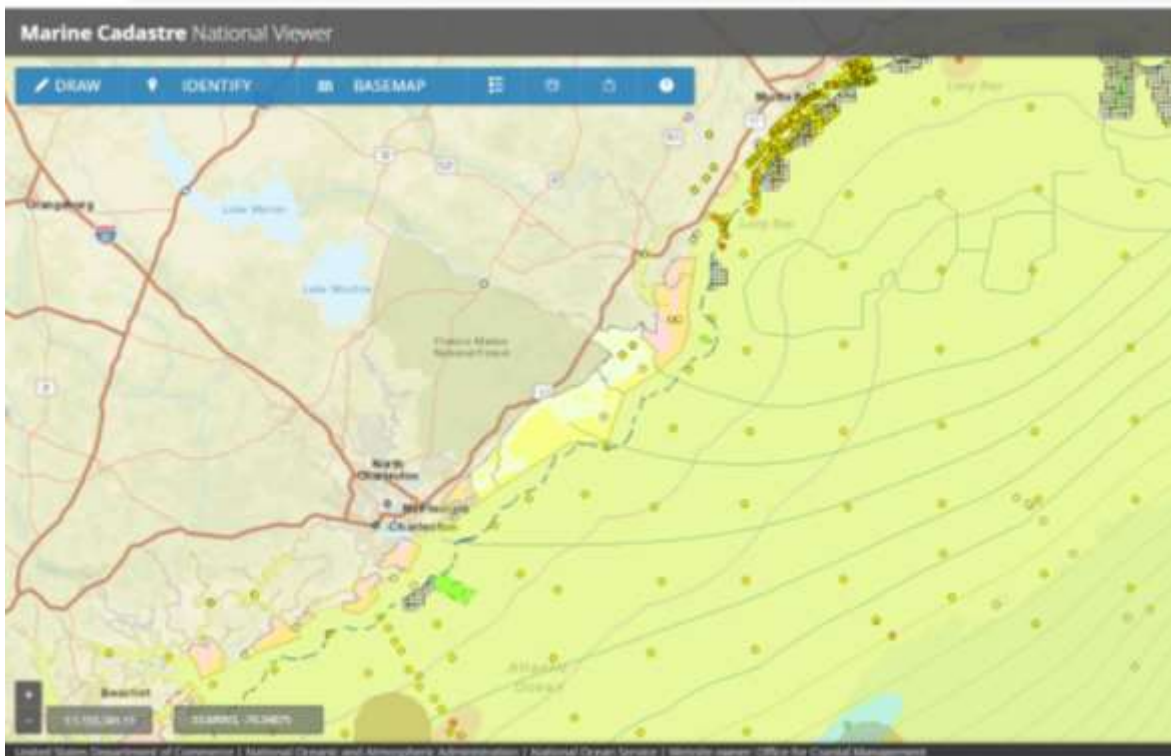
## SAND SOURCE

- Location: upland, inlet shoals, or offshore
- Distance from beach to borrow area
- Planform extent of borrow area
- Depth of water
- Thickness of sand deposit
- Sediment grain size, composition, color
- Undesirable: rocks, silt/mud, historic resources, hardbottom, turtles.

# Borrow Area Locations



- Nearshore (inlets, channel shoals, navigation channels)
- Offshore (offshore “pits”, ebb deltas)

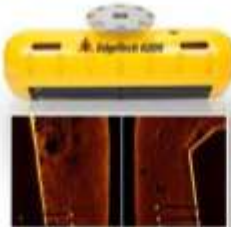
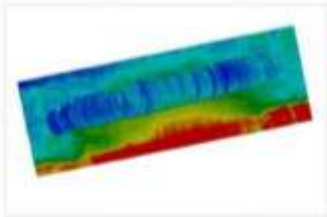

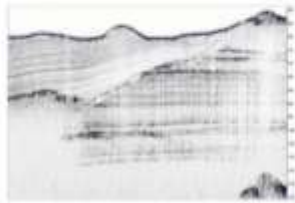

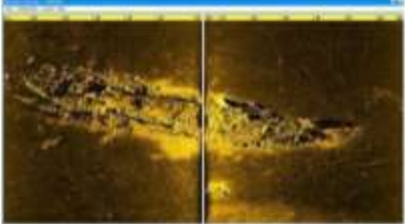

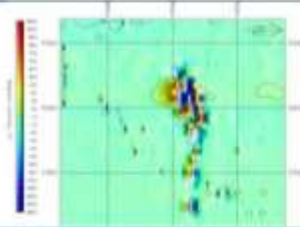




- Historical data collection
- Preliminary analysis
- Reconnaissance surveys
- Detailed field investigation & analysis
  - Bathymetric survey
  - Side scan sonar survey (reefs/hardbottom)
  - Seismic survey
  - Cultural resource survey
  - Vibracores
- Final borrow area plan

# Sand Search Procedure

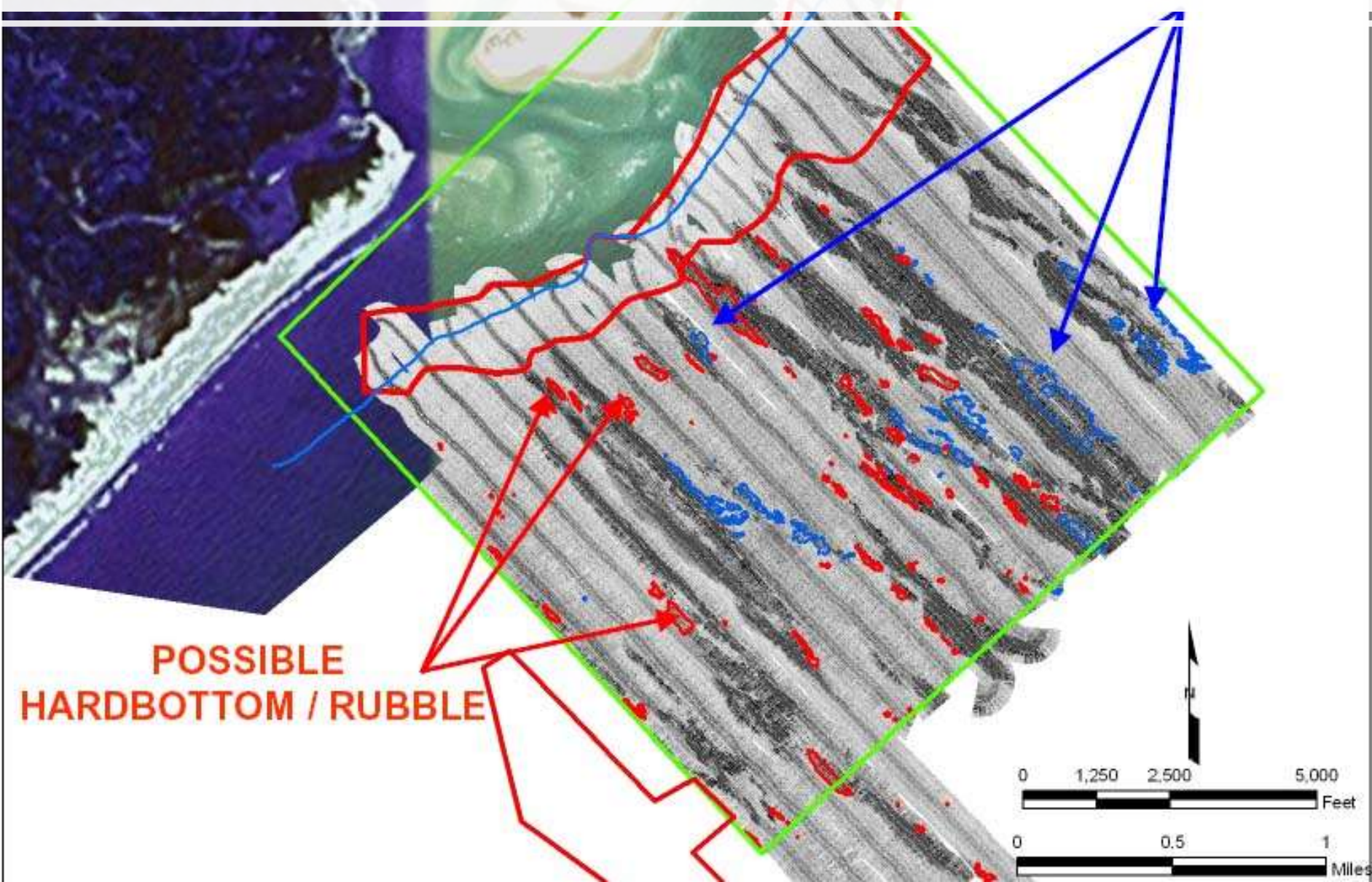
# BOEM Atlantic Sand Assessment Project

- 2015-17
- \$6.2M
- Mass to FL
- 3-8 nmi

Type of Technology	Output	How it Works
 <p>Combined Swath Bathymetry Side-Scan Sonar EdgeTech 6205</p>		<p>Sends out an acoustic pulse and captures a return signal to measure the depths of oceans, seas or other large bodies of water. The data is used to compile a topographic map and image of the seafloor, archaeological resources and benthic habitat potential.</p>
 <p>Sub-bottom Profiler EdgeTech 3200</p>		<p>Towed just above seafloor, emits a chirping sound, and the return signal is collected as reflected and refracted sound through different layers of sediment. Operates between 500 Hz – 24 kHz. Pulse lasts &lt;1 ms (millisecond, or a thousandth of a second).</p>
 <p>Side Scan Sonar Multi-Purpose Survey System EdgeTech 4200</p>		<p>Data from acoustic backscatter creates a 2-dimensional image of the seafloor, archaeological resources, benthic habitat potential, and relic landscapes. Operates on a surface tow &gt; 180– 900 kHz. Frequency above hearing range of cetaceans, manatees, seals, sea turtles, and most fish. Pulse lasts &lt;0.5 ms.</p>
 <p>Magnetometer Geometrics G-882</p>		<p>Measures the magnetic field to detect archaeological resources and potential hazards, including Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC), also known as unexploded ordnance (UXO). Map indicates UXO off Hawaii. Images courtesy of Geometrics.</p>
 <p>Alpine Vibracore</p>		<p>Penetrates a maximum of 20 feet into the sediment to verify geophysical data, determine sediment attributes and beach compatibility, and delineate sand resource areas. On right, BOEM Vibracore samples for the Lamont-Doherty Core Repository. BOEM photo.</p>

# Side Scan Sonar Survey

PROBABLE  
HARDBOTTOM



# Seismic Survey & Vibracores

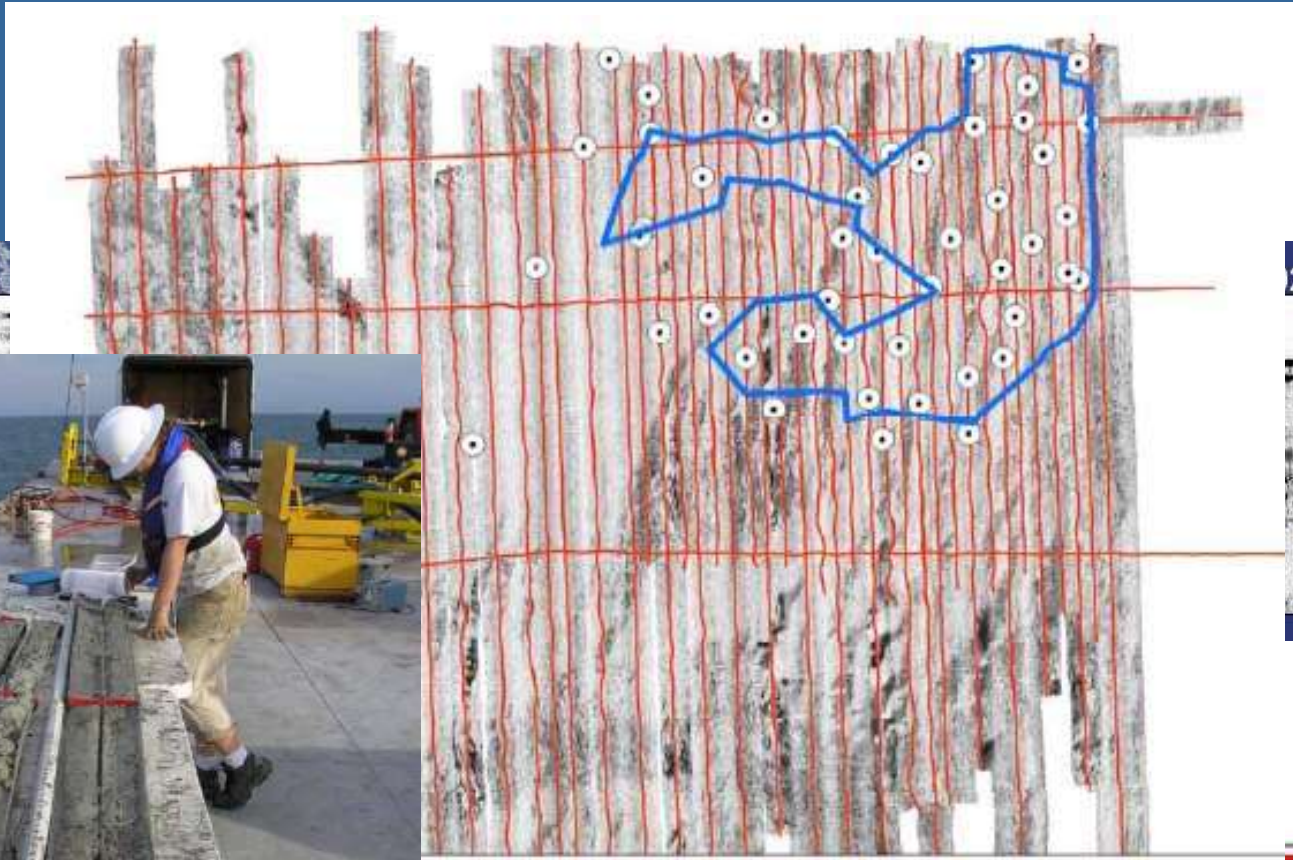
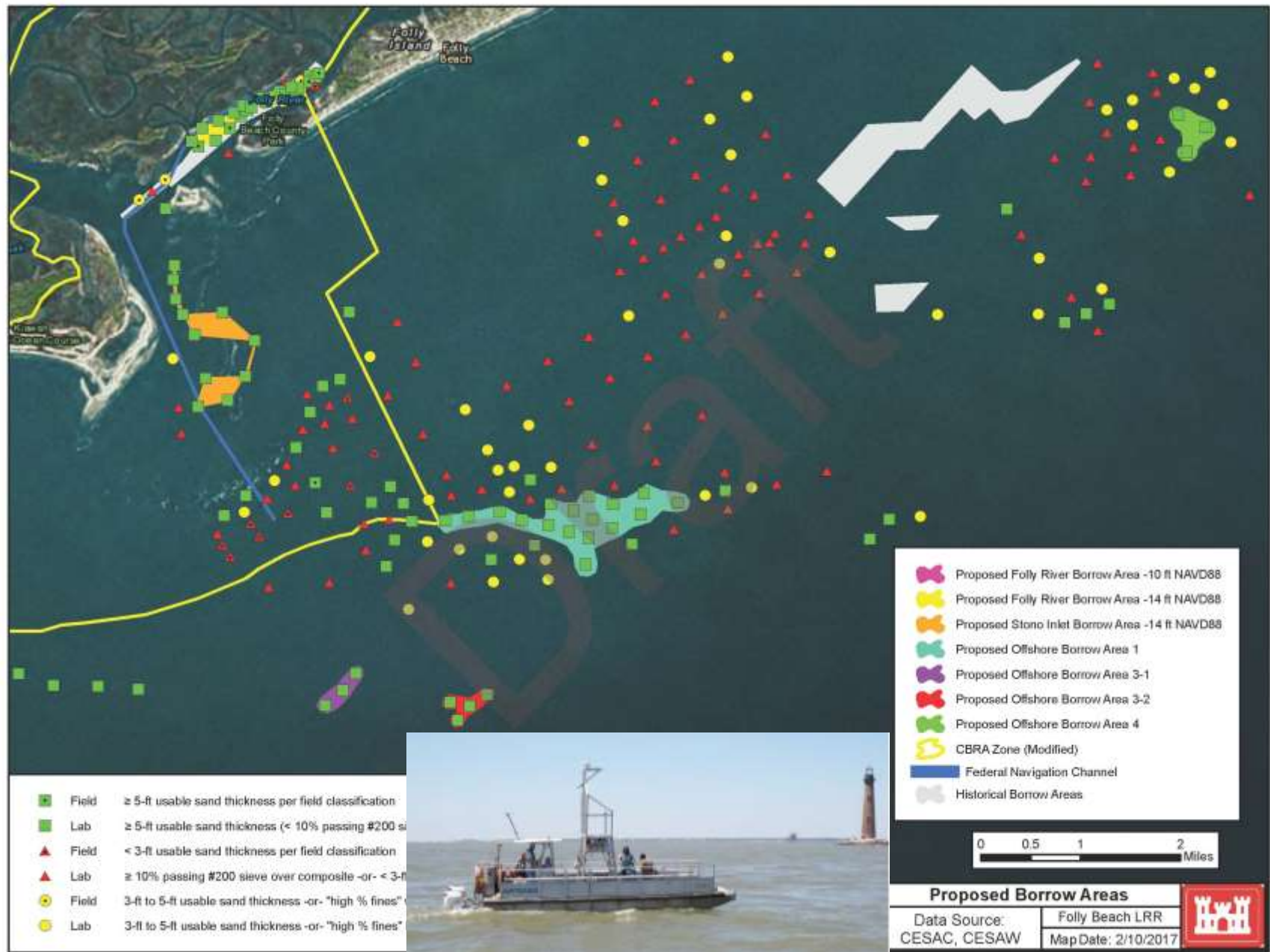





Figure 6.



# How deep to dig?

## Dredging limit?

1. PROJECT Folly Beach Limited Reevaluation Report		9. COORDINATE SYSTEM State Plane - SC NAD83		HORIZONTAL NAD83		VERTICAL NAVD 88		
2. HOLE NUMBER <b>STO-15-V-09</b>		LOCATION COORDINATES N 274723.3 E 2314937.99		10. SIZE AND TYPE OF BIT 3 Vibracore				
3. DRILLING AGENCY ATHENA TECHNOLOGIES, INC		12. TOTAL SAMPLES		DISTURBED 0		UNDISTURBED 0		
4. NAME OF DRILLER P. McClellan		13. TOTAL NUMBER CORE BOXES		14. ELEVATION GROUND WATER See Remarks				
5. DIRECTION OF BORING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VERTICAL <input type="checkbox"/> INCLINED		DEG FROM VERTICAL ---		BEARING		15. DATE BORING STARTED 8/21/15 COMPLETED 8/21/15		
6. THICKNESS OF OVERBURDEN		16. ELEVATION TOP OF BORING -19.8' NAVD 88		17. TOTAL CORE RECOVERY FOR BORING N/A				
7. DEPTH DRILLED INTO ROCK		18. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF INSPECTOR Wicker		8. BOTTOM ELEVATION OF BORING -42.8' NAVD 88				
ELEV (feet) a	SCALE (feet) b	LEGEND c	FIELD CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIALS (Description) d	[H.P.]/% CORE REC e	BOX OR SAMPLE # f	REMARKS (Drilling time, water loss, depth of weathering, etc., if significant) g	Blogs/ 0.5 ft	N-Value
	18.0		0.0' TO -19.78' WATER  OCEAN BOTTOM @ -19.78' NAVD 88			NOTE 1: Top of hole is defined as sediment surface and adjustment is made for the water depths and tide using a Champion TKO GNSS system receiving RTK corrections from the SC RTN VRS System.		
-19.8	20.0		SP, POORLY GRADED SAND, (10gy 4/1), dark greenish gray, fine grained, saturated, trace clay in 2-4" layers.		1	Lab = (SP-SM)		
	22.0							
	24.0							
	26.0							
	27.3		CH, FAT CLAY, (10y 5/1), greenish gray, soft, little interbedded sand lenses.					
	28.0							

## Relocation of Capt Sams Inlet (SC)

- Moved inlet ~1 mile updrift ('83 & '96)
- Added ~2 million CY
- <\$500,000 each event



*Sep 1983*



*May 1984*



*Feb 1986*



*Mar 1996*



*Jan 1987*

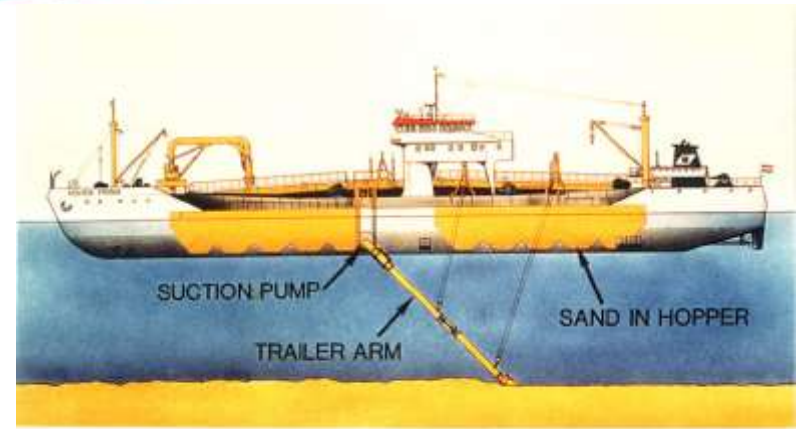
# NEPA Process

- Environmental Assessment (EA)
- Consultations
  - USFWS
  - NOAA NMFS

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## Dredging at the Borrow Site



- **Entrainment** of larval, juvenile, and adult organisms into the dredge (especially hopper dredges);
- Physical damage to **habitat** within dredge cut footprint, from anchors and cables as dredge and work boats move about, immediate slumping or slumping that soon occurs;
- **Burial** of habitat (includes smothering) by sediments away from slumping areas; and
- Abrasion to organisms and clogging of gills from elevated levels of total suspended solids (TSS) (including turbidity)



## Filling at the Nourishment Site

- Desiccation of organisms left on beach at discharge point (especially hydraulic dredges)
- Machinery crushing organisms discharged onto beach (especially hydraulic dredges and bulldozers)
- Physical damage to **habitat** from fill
- Physical damage to habitat from fill equilibrating over short-term
- Burial of habitat (including smothering) by sediments away from equilibration area
- Abrasion to organisms and clogging of gills from elevated levels of TSS (including turbidity)



## Folly Beach Re-Nourishment April- October 2005 2,000,000 cy<sup>3</sup> over 8 kms beach

- Sediment from a nearshore (5.3 km offshore) subtidal borrow area;
- SCDNR conducted monitoring for one year: sediment characteristics and densities of burrowing macro-invertebrates, ghost crab (*Ocypode quadrata*) & ghost shrimp (*Callichirus major*) (Berquist et al., 2008)

### Findings

- Sediments within the borrow area became increasingly fine (more silt/clay, larger sand phi size, less calcium carbonate) following dredging and showed little evidence of recovery one year after completion of dredging.



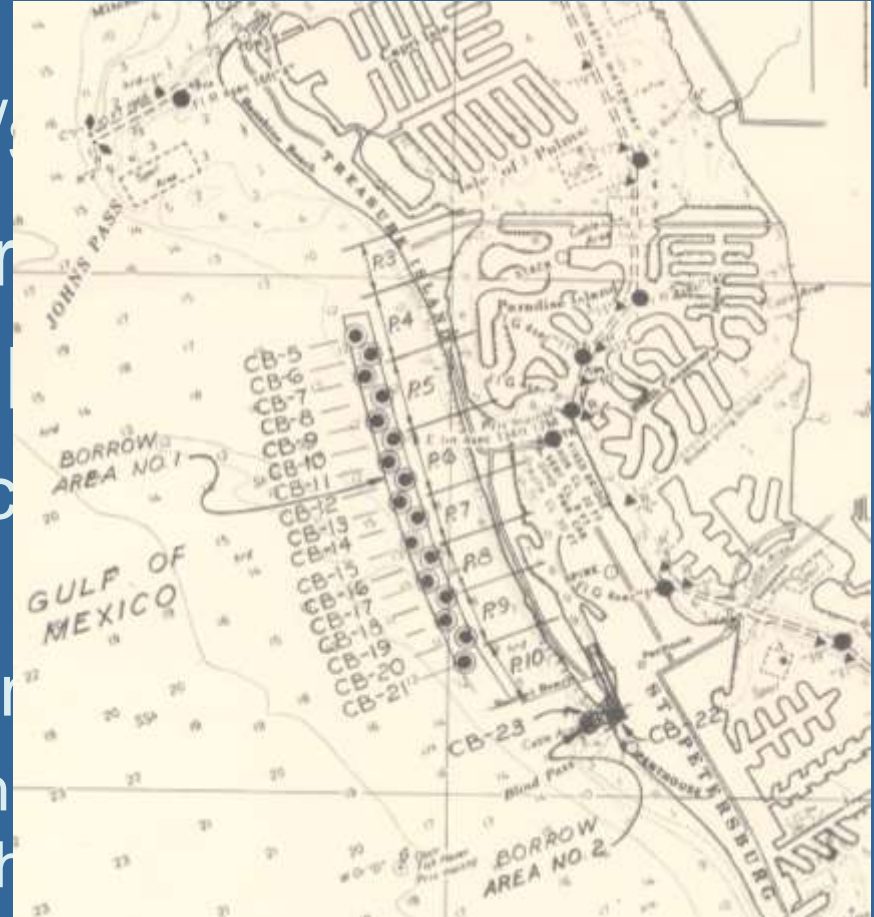
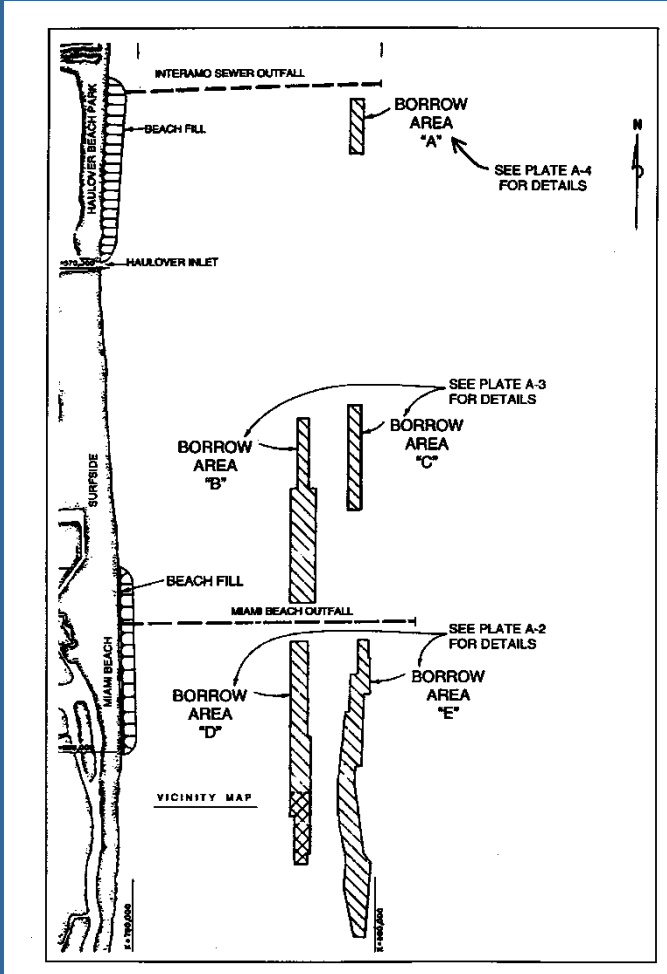
## Folly Beach Re-Nourishment April and October 2005

- The biological community at borrow site significantly changed following dredging and continued to diverge from the reference area over the next year, likely in response to changing sediment characteristics.

Issues: The refilling of the borrow area with fine (muddy) material is probably due to dredging to 3 meters below grade and the proximity of the borrow area to Charleston Harbor, a source of terrigenous sediments.

Recommendations: Borrow areas in South Carolina be dredged to less than 3 meters below grade and located at the southern ends of barrier islands where beach-compatible sands tend to accumulate.

# Borrow Areas: Recovery

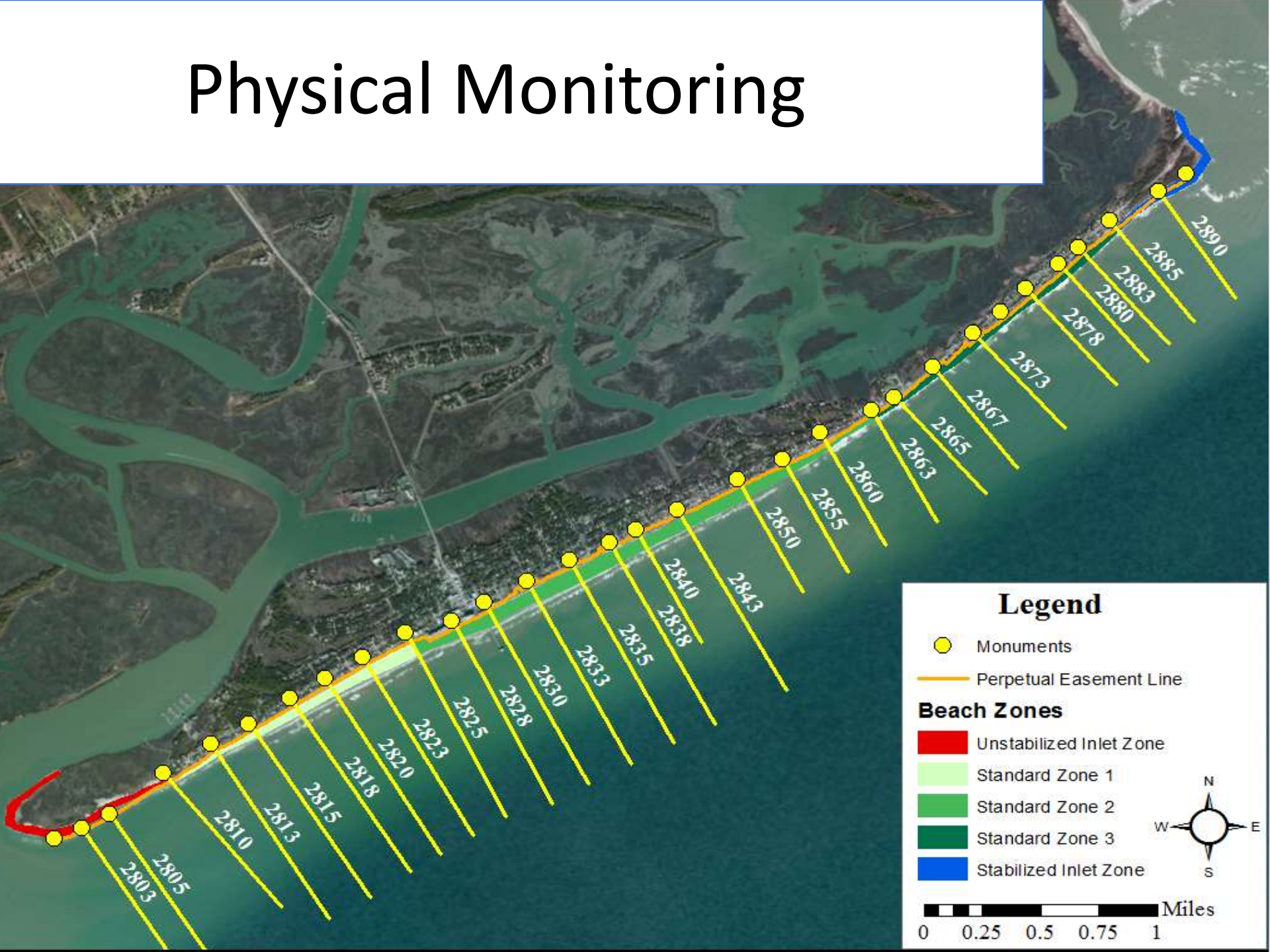





# Commonly Required Monitoring

- Sediment sampling
- Daily sea turtle/shorebird nesting
  - Nighttime lighting requirements
- Turbidity samples
- Manatee protection at dredge
- Sea turtle trawling (hopper)
- Dredge location control
- Beach performance monitoring (physical)
- Turtles
  - Nesting success
  - Lighting surveys
- Compaction testing

# Physical Monitoring



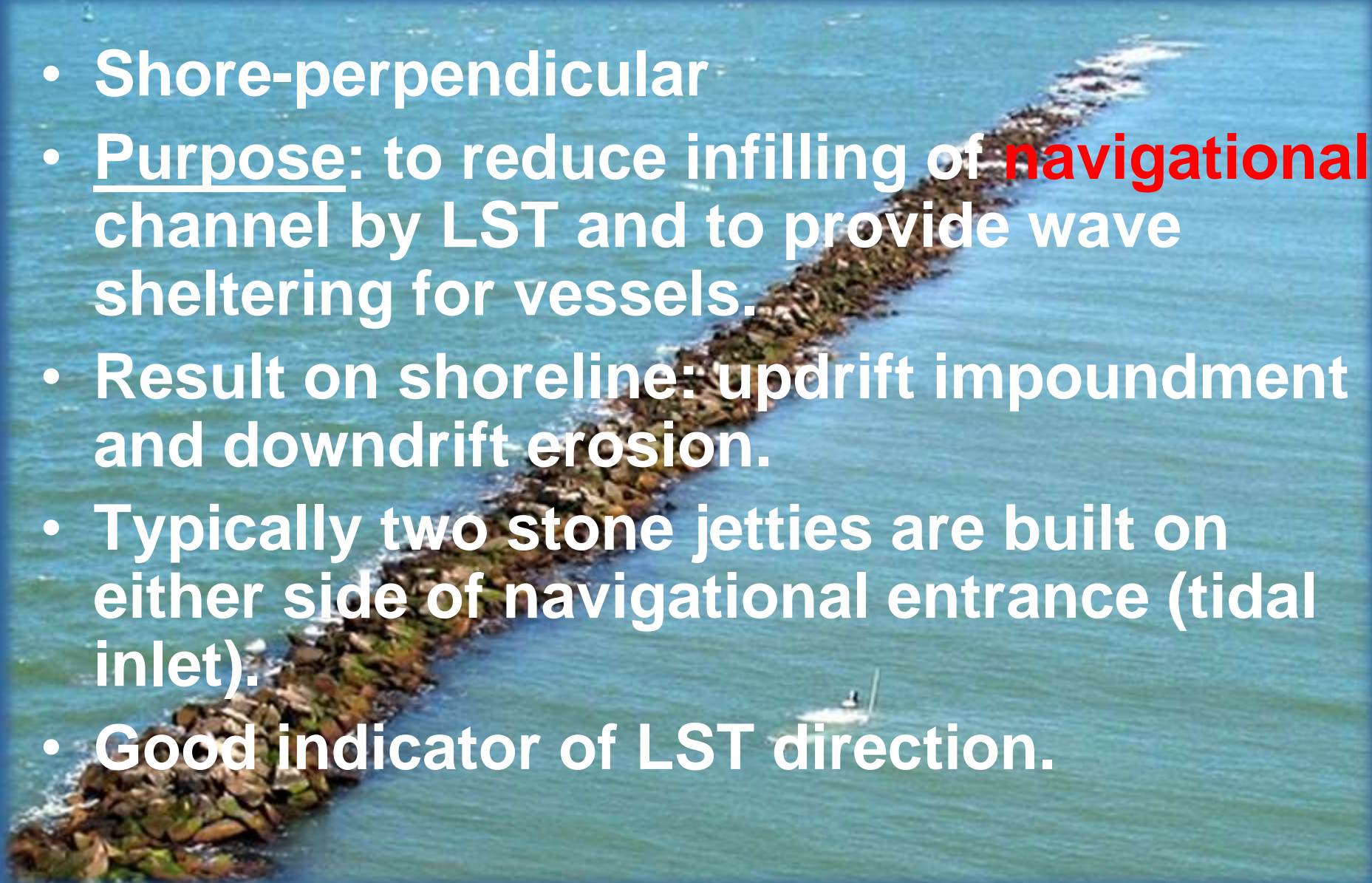


# Navigation Control Structures: Jetties

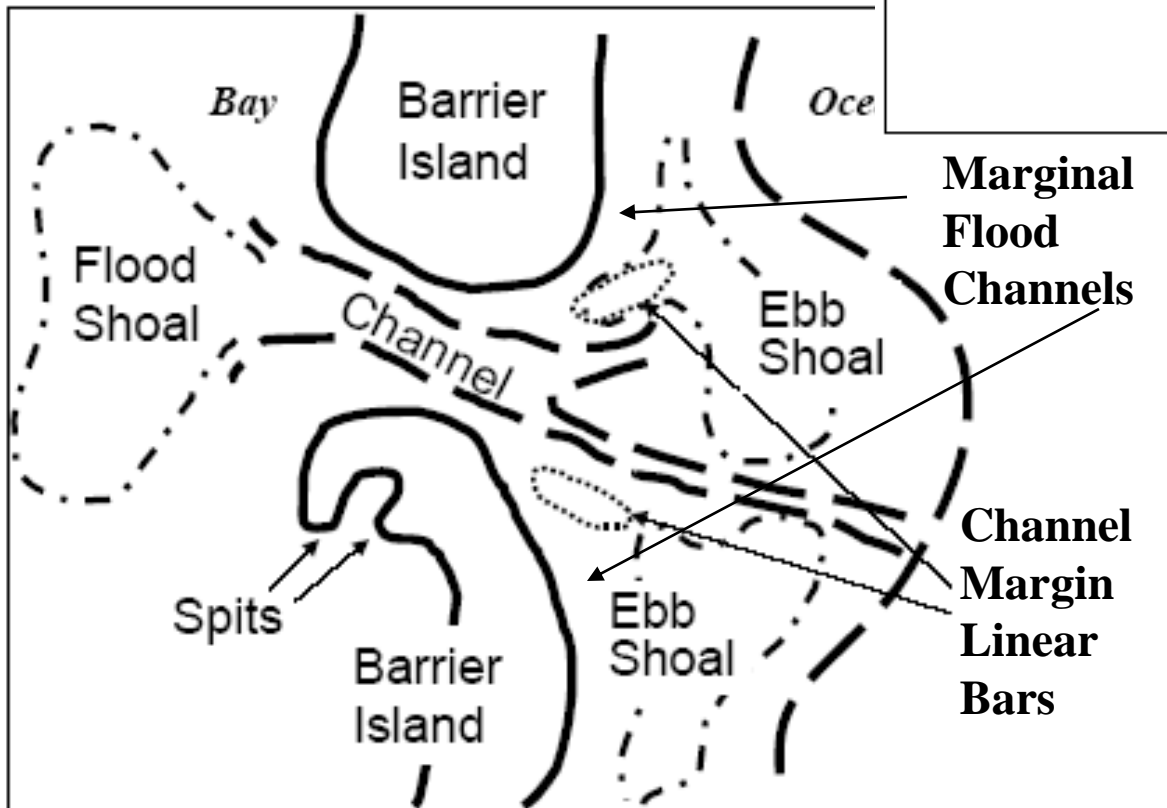
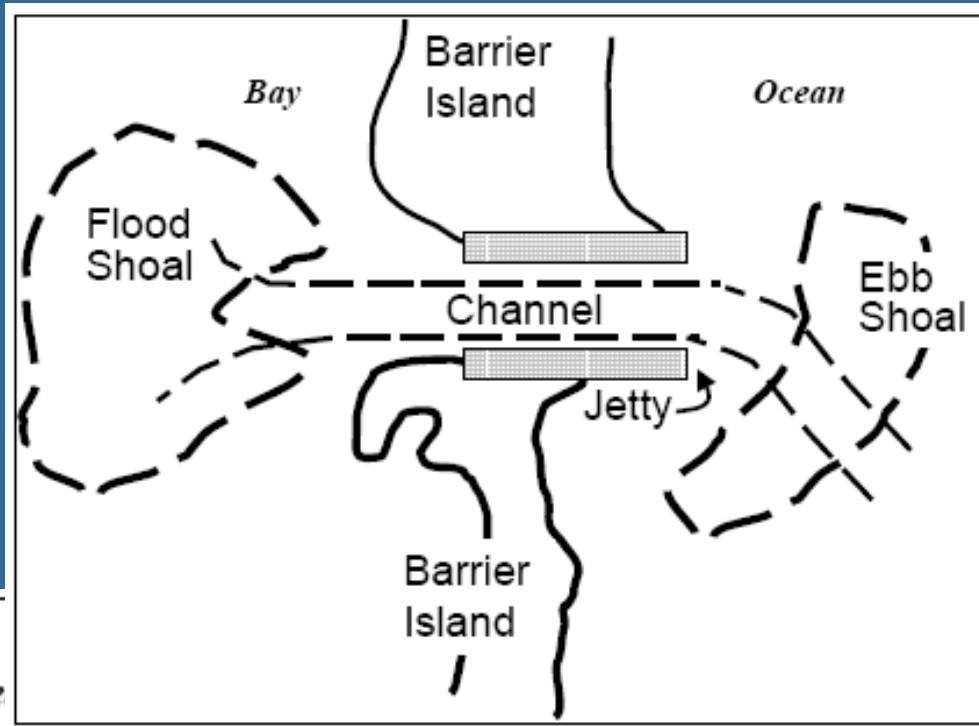
- **Jetties**
  - Port Canaveral
  - Ocean City Inlet, MD
- **Coastal Engineering Design**
- **Sand Bypassing Plants**

# Jetties

- Shore-perpendicular
- Purpose: to reduce infilling of **navigational** channel by LST and to provide wave sheltering for vessels.
- Result on shoreline: updrift impoundment and downdrift erosion.
- Typically two stone jetties are built on either side of navigational entrance (tidal inlet).
- Good indicator of LST direction.



# Tidal Inlet Terminology



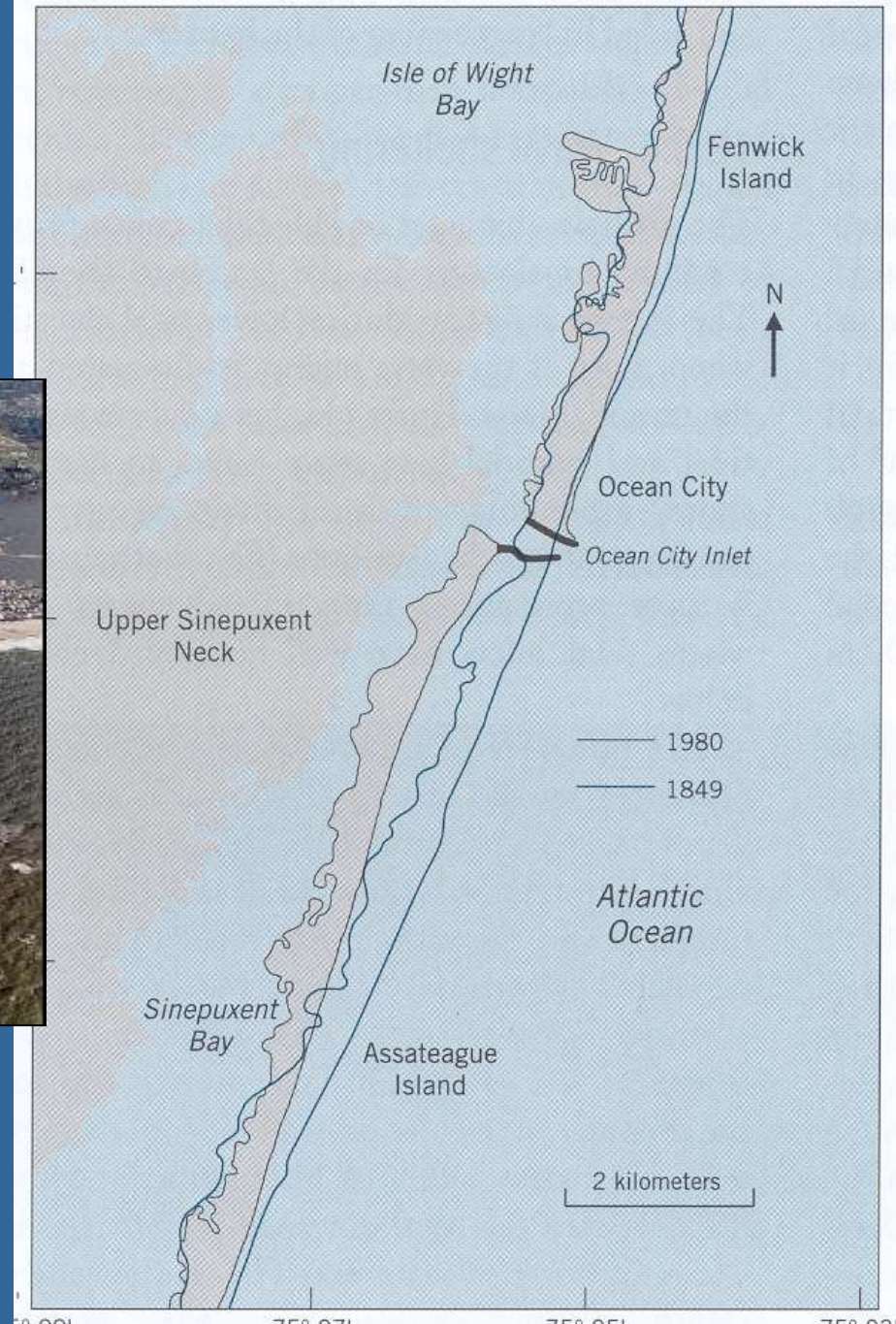
# Example

# Jetties



# Ocean City Inlet

Assateague Island, VA/MD





# Design of Barbers Point Harbor, Oahu, Hawaii

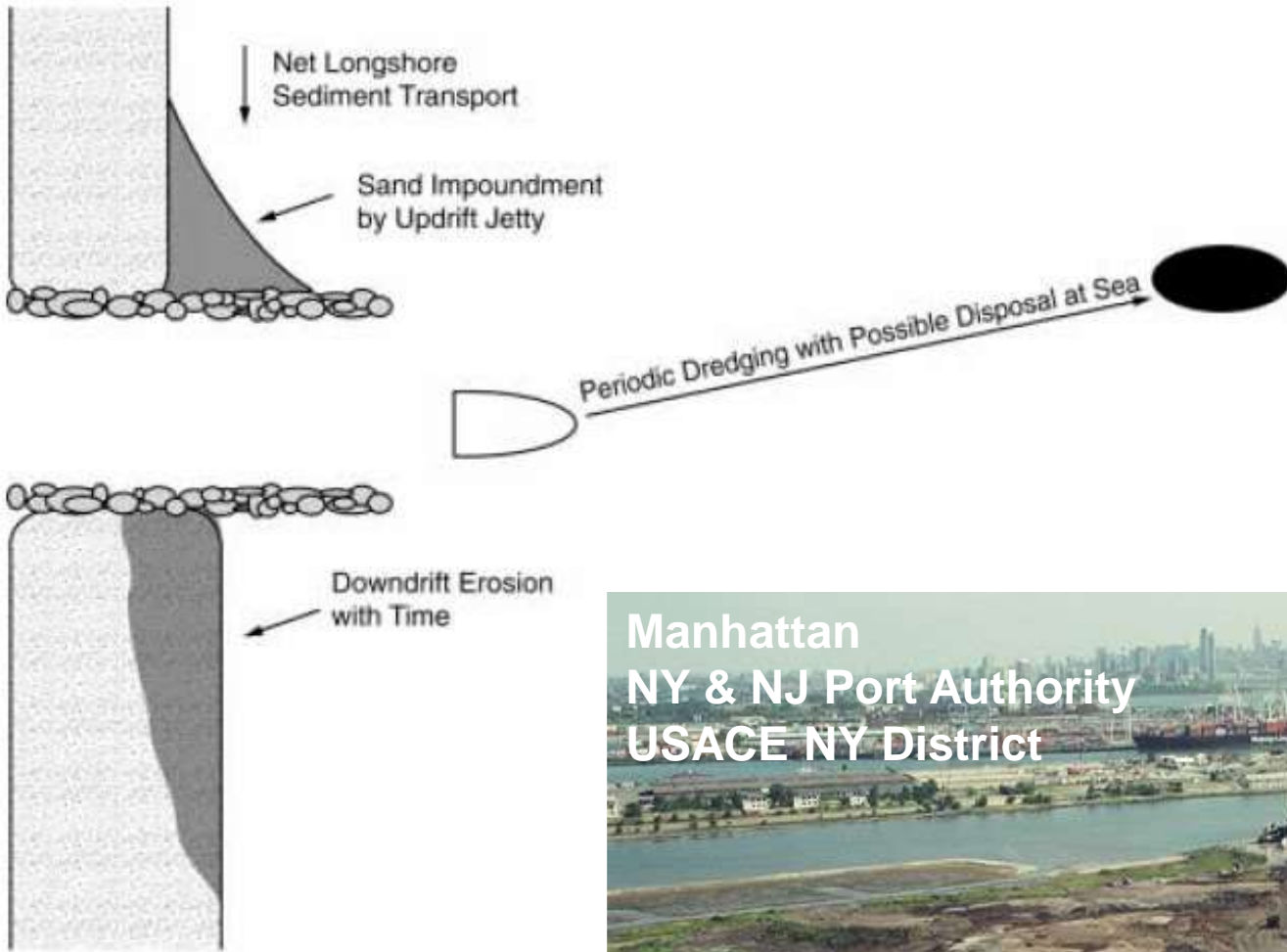
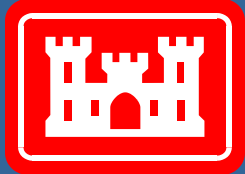
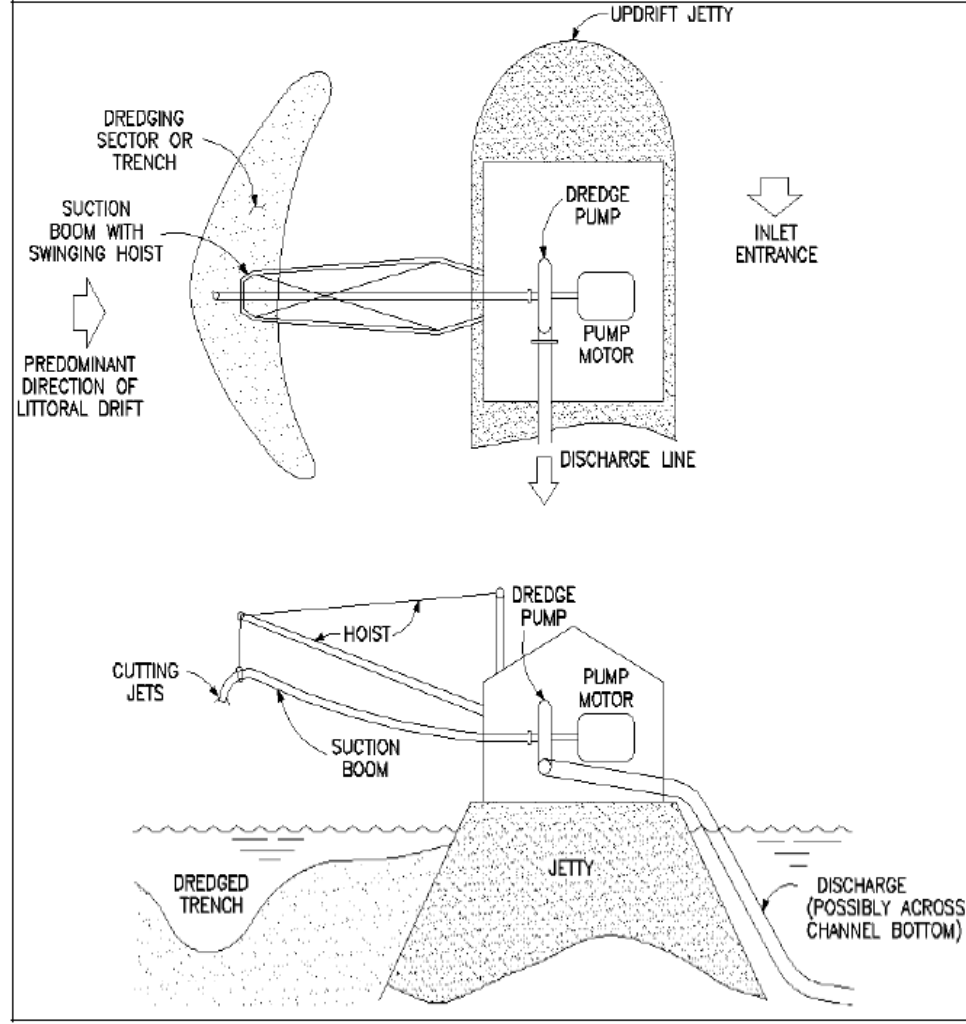


Figure 1.5 Effect of navigational entrance



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**DISPOSAL AREA**



# South Lake Worth Inlet, FL

# Indian River Inlet, DE - Sand Bypassing Components

Discharge Pipeline Crosses Bridge

Pump House

North Beach Discharge

Mobile

Crane and Eductor



“Most successful sand bypass system”

# Sand Placement Methods

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**Pumping  
sand  
through  
pipeline**

Hydraulic: Cutterhead dredge

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Hopper dredge

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Mechanical: Bucket dredge with scows (and hydraulic unloader )

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**Dry  
placement  
of sand**

Dump trucks

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**Land-  
based  
equipment:  
Distribute**

Bulldozers

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# Cutterhead Dredge (Hydraulic)



Submerged  
pipeline to  
beach

Floating  
pipeline

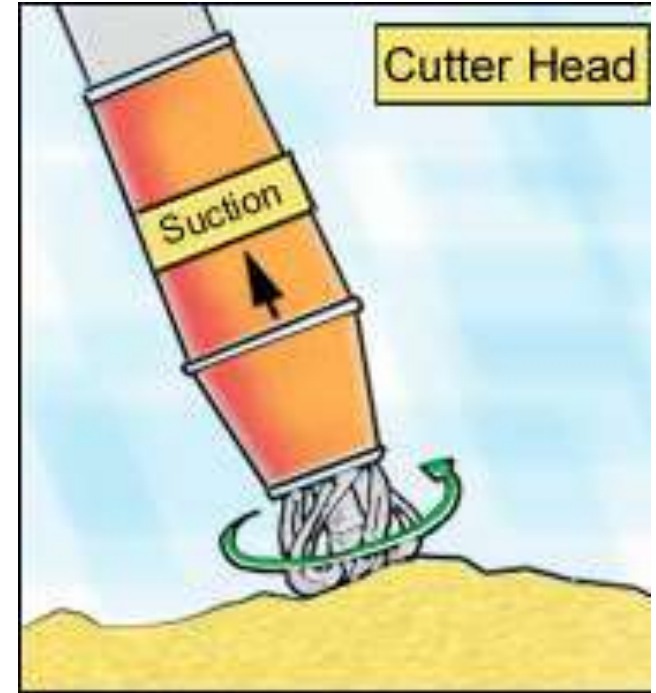
spuds

Ladder with  
cutterhead

24" (25,000cy/day)



Sand Key - DACW17-97-C-0050  
Barred Cutterhead



# Cutterhead suction arm

# Cutterhead Dredge

- Practical when borrow area is close to beach.
- Can operate in shallow water (7')
- Spudded: swings through borrow area.
- Sand is constantly in motion
- Cuts/sucks sand from bottom
- Pumps to beach through submerged pipeline.



# Hopper Dredge

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# Hopper Dredge Suction Arms



# Hopper Dredge full of sand

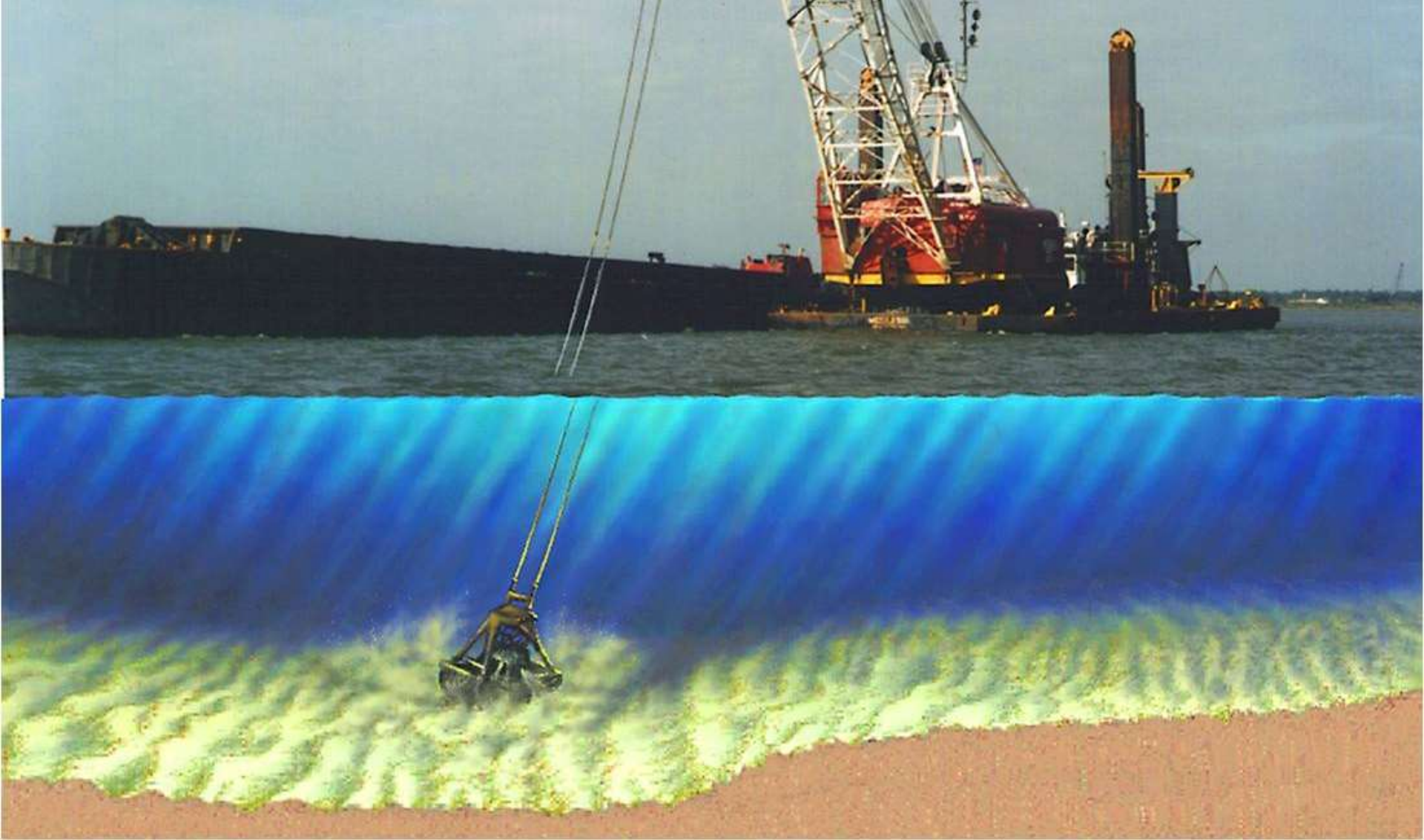
Capacity = ~6,500 cy



**Hopper Dredge  
“pumping out”**

# Hopper Dredge

- **Practical when borrow area is far away from beach.**
- **Can only operate in deep water (25' draft).**
- **Makes straight cuts through borrow area.**
- **Sucks sand from bottom through drag arms.**
- **Sand is held in hopper while in transit.**
- **Dredge hooks up to submerged pipeline and pumps sand to beach.**



**Bucket (Mechanical) Dredge**



# Bucket dredge w/ scows (Mechanical)

Capacity = ~4,000 cy

# Unloader “pumping out” a scow

(Hydraulic)



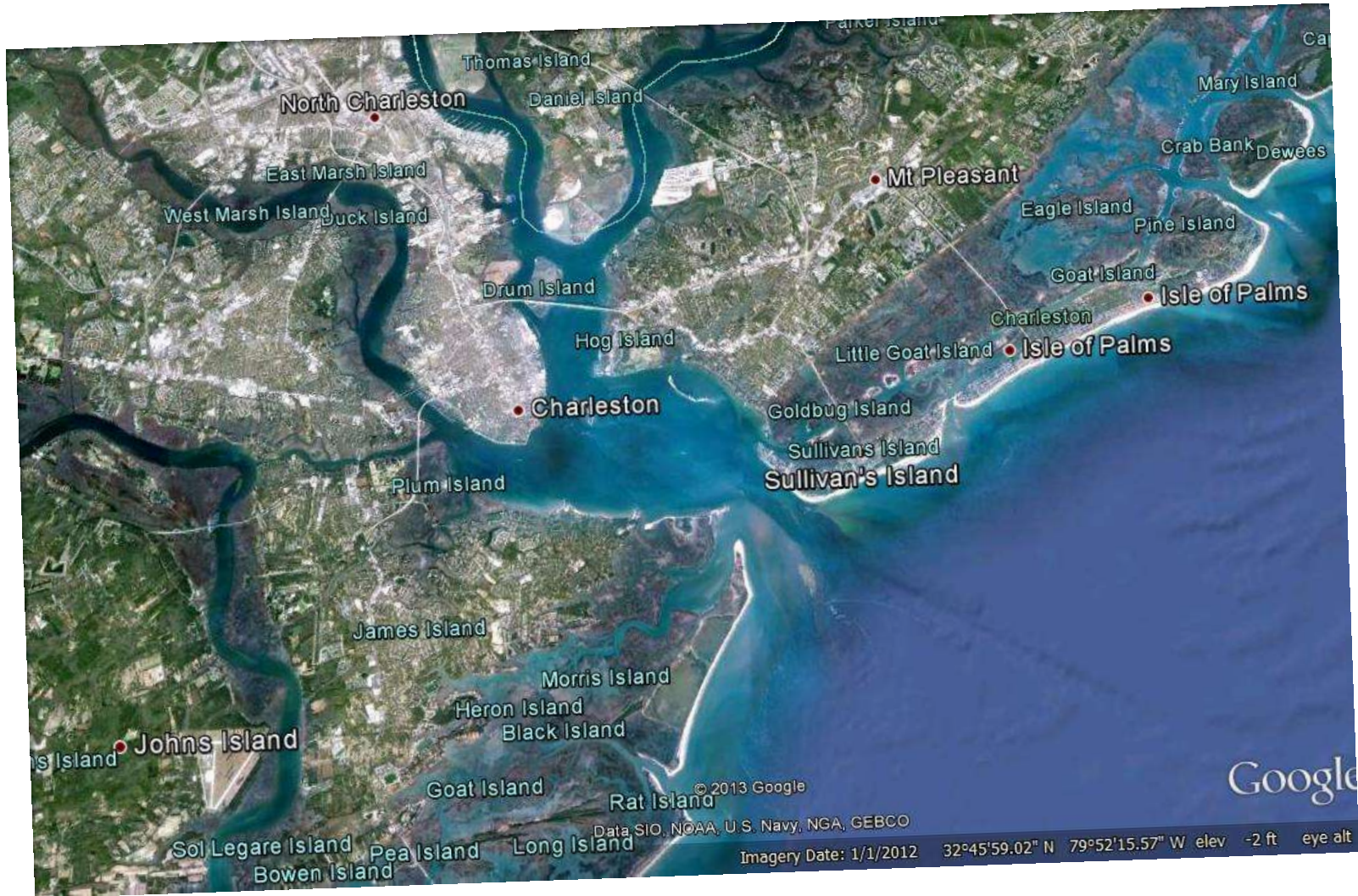
# Unloader "pumping out" a scow



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# Bucket Dredge with scows and unloader

- **Practical when**
  - Borrow area is far away or very deep
  - Offshore is shallow.
- **Spudded: swings through borrow area.**
- **Scoops sand from bottom with bucket and puts sand into scows (sand barges).**
- **Tug boats push scows to unloader.**
- **Stationary unloader pumps sand out of scows and through submerged pipeline.**



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Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO

Imagery Date: 1/1/2012 32°45'59.02" N 79°52'15.57" W elev -2 ft eye alt

# Submerged Pipeline to the Beach



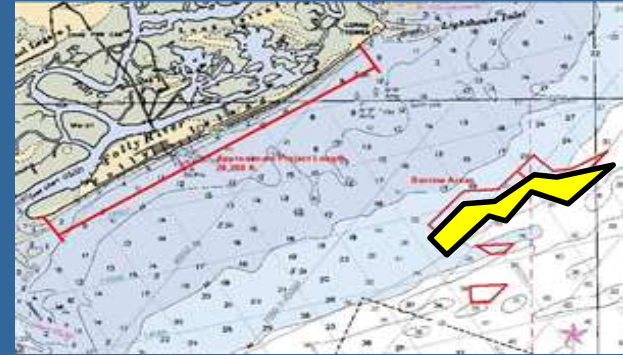
**Hydraulic &  
Hopper dredges**

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# Dredging Costs Factors

- # Plant (Fuel & Payroll)
- Borrow area proximity to beach area
- Protection from offshore waves
- Accessibility of equipment
- Sediment quality
- Multiple benefits

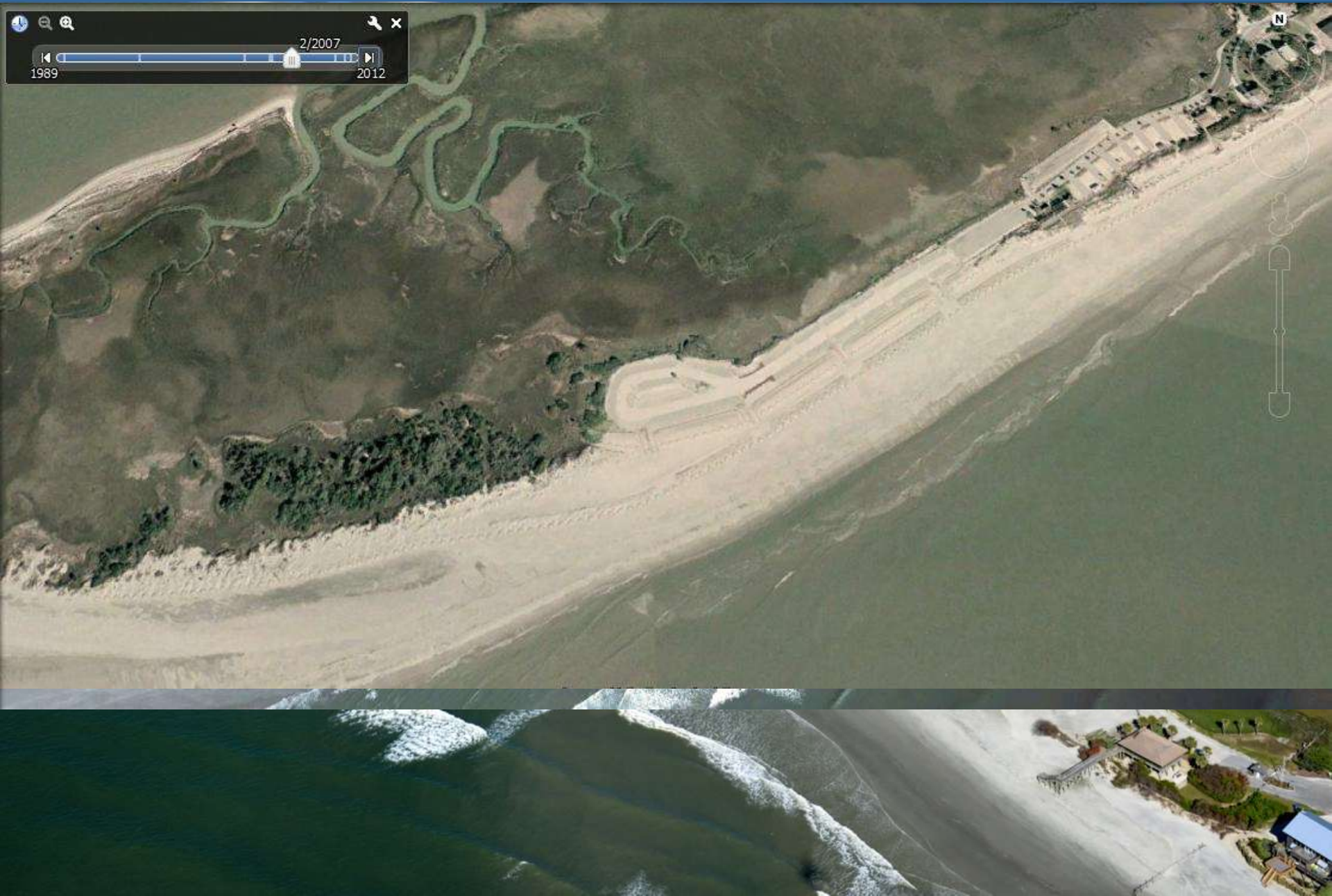


	2018 Federal Renourishment	2014 Federal Renourishment
<b>Borrow area location</b>	Folly River	Offshore
<b>Pumping Distance</b>	34,000 ft	37,000 ft
<b>Volume</b>	1.3M cy	1.4M cy
<b>Length of project</b>	5 mi	5.3 mi
<b>Total Cost</b>	\$17M	\$30.9M
<b>Mobilization</b>	\$3M	\$ 7.8M
<b>Cubic yard cost</b>	\$8-9.25/cy	\$14.90/cy

# US Fish & Wildlife Service Coastal Barrier Resource Act (CBRA)



# Erosion Management: Hybrid Project







**Folly Beach County Park, SC**


# DUNE MANAGEMENT PLAN: OVERVIEW



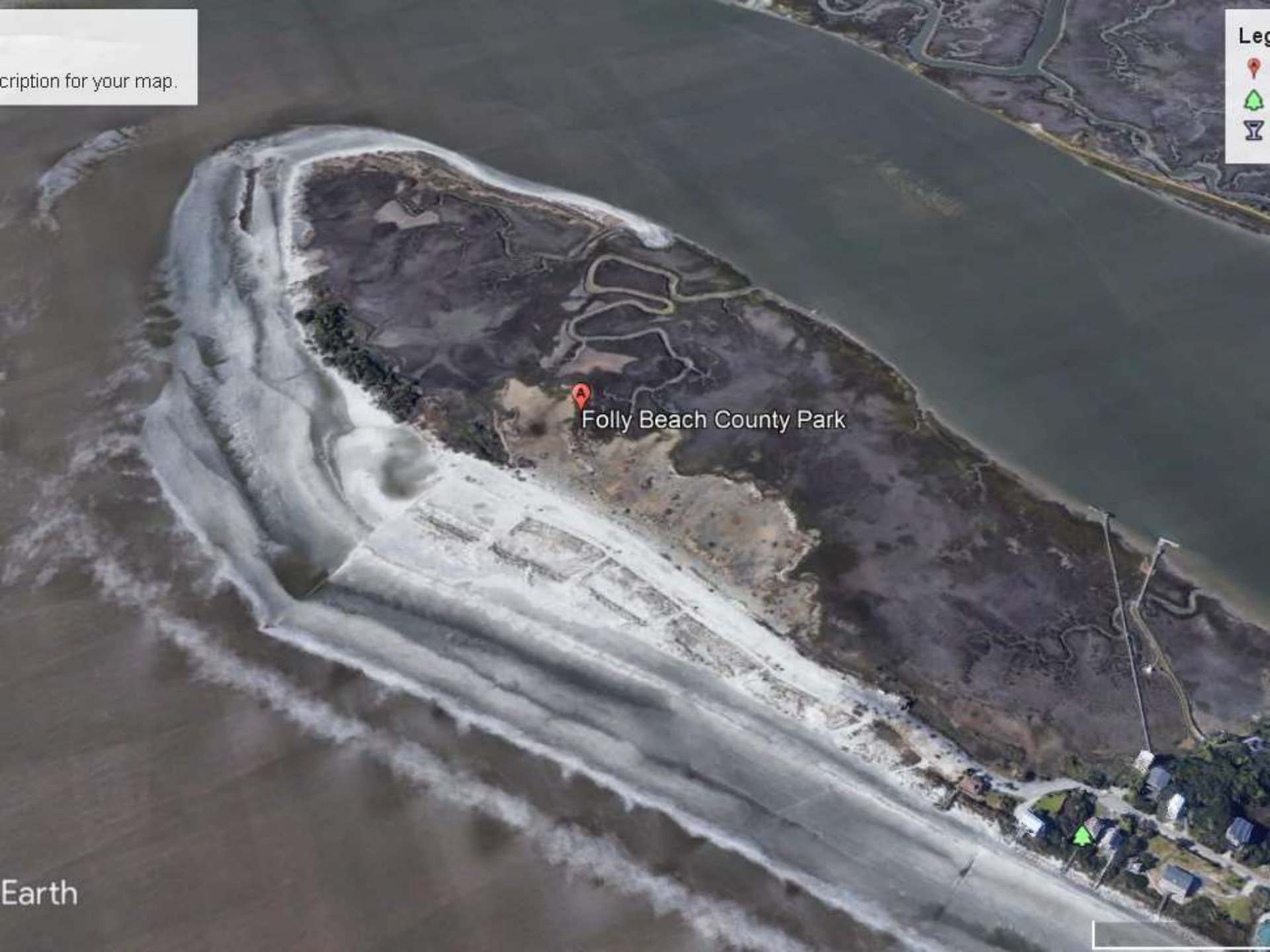
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 Folly Beach County Park

Earth



# Field Trip

### Legend

-  Folly Beach
-  Sunset Ca
-  The Fish a



- 1. Folly Beach County Park
- 2. Sunset Cay Marina, 66 9th St W

# Sediment Compaction

- Cone penetrometer
- USFWS 500 psi
- Threshold study conducted in FL
  - Quartz/Shell
- SC sediment
  - Quartz
  - Grain size, porosity



**Beaches 101 Training Course Evaluation Form**

**Participant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Section	Evaluation	Comments
Course Content		
Coastal processes	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor	
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| Instruction Quality | | | Classroom instruction |  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor | | |  
 Hands-on fieldwork |  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor | |

| Practical Application | | | Practical knowledge relevant to real-world coastal challenges |   
 Yes  Somewhat  No | | | Confidence in assessing, maintaining, and enhancing beach  
 environments |  Very confident  Confident  Somewhat confident  Not confident | |

| Overall Experience | | | Most valuable aspect of the course | | | Suggestions for  
 improvement | | | Would you recommend this course to others? |  Yes  No | |

| Additional Feedback | | |