

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Segment II Beach Rehabilitation Project (Flood Control Coastal Emergency Project, Hurricane Irma):

#### *Project information*

1. Has a contractor been selected for this project?

No, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has not yet awarded this contract. It is estimated that a contractor will be selected in January 2021.

2. How many days of the week will construction take place, and during what hours of the day?

It is up to the contractor to determine the work schedule, but work will likely take place from sunrise-sunset. The County will provide this information as soon as it is received (anticipated to be received in January/ February 2021).

3. Where on the beach will construction begin (start north and work south or vice versa)?

The County will not know where the contractor will start the project until the contract is awarded. Previous projects have started in the north and worked south; if that is the case for this project, some areas to the south may not receive sand until 2022. The County will provide this information as soon as it is received (anticipated to be received in January/ February 2021).

4. Will the entire beach be closed, or will it be closed in segments?

The beach will be closed in segments as the project progresses.

5. How far south will the sand be placed?

Sand will be placed as far south as monument R-72, which is Terramar St. in Fort Lauderdale.

6. What would prevent the contractor from starting construction earlier than November 2021? Does the County or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have any influence on the start date?

This will be a business decision on behalf of the contractor. Depending on the contractor's available equipment and other projects in their schedule, they may want to mobilize quickly and place as much sand as possible on the beach in early 2021. However, it may be more cost effective for the contractor to complete all or the majority of the project in one mobilization starting in Fall 2021.

7. What kind of oversight will be implemented to ensure that the project is completed in a timely manner?

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be overseeing this contract to ensure that it is completed in the time allowed. The County will also have staff and consultant representation during construction of the project to ensure that the project is constructed in the most time effective manner possible.

8. Why is this project scheduled during “season” (winter months) when the beaches are busiest?

Construction cannot occur during peak sea turtle nesting season (May-October). Therefore, the only opportunity to conduct the work is November to April. This seasonal restriction is the primary driver of when work can occur. The County understands that this timing is inconvenient for tourist season, but the County’s beaches need to be maintained so that tourists will visit. The project is necessary for the health and sustainability of Broward County, and the County is committed to see the project complete with as little disruption as possible.

#### *Access points*

9. What are the proposed staging areas and access points for this project?

The municipalities have provided the following potential access points:  
Pompano: NE 16<sup>th</sup> St., NE 10<sup>th</sup> St., NE 5<sup>th</sup> St., SE 4<sup>th</sup> St., SE 8<sup>th</sup> St., SE 12<sup>th</sup> St.  
Lauderdale-by-the-Sea: Washington Ave. (Laura Ward Park), Palm Ave.  
Fort Lauderdale: NE 30<sup>th</sup> St., NE 27<sup>th</sup> St. (Loggerhead Park), NE 25<sup>th</sup> St., NE 18<sup>th</sup> St., Sunrise Blvd.

More information about which accesses will ultimately be used, and when, will be provided at an upcoming public meeting (anticipated in February 2021).

10. Will Vista Park be used as an access point? If so, will the park still be open during construction?

No, Vista Park is not a proposed access point for this project. The project will not require closure of the park.

11. I have concerns about some of the proposed access points that are located in my neighborhood. What will the County do about my concerns?

The County will compile all concerns regarding access points, traffic patterns, other construction projects in the area, etc. This information will be provided to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the contractor for implementation into their traffic plan. If you have specific concerns that were not addressed during the public webinar on Oct 30, 2020, please email [resilience@broward.org](mailto:resilience@broward.org).

### *Alternatives to beach nourishment*

12. Has the County considered installing anti-erosion structures similar to those installed on Singer Island in Palm Beach County instead of adding more sand to the beach?

The County has considered other recommendations in its Beach Management Plan, which is continually updated to examine erosion across the County and the Structure Feasibility Study. Structures require maintenance in the form of sand placement to be effective. Renourishing the beach with sand is often a “softer” or “gentler” solution in hot spot areas of erosion instead of erosion control structures, which are not appropriate on every beach.

13. What is the County doing to protect natural resources during this project?

The County’s main priority is to protect its valuable natural resources. The amount of sand that is placed on the beach as part of renourishment projects is intended to avoid impacts to offshore reef resources. If there are unavoidable impacts to resources, mitigation is pursued to offset and such impacts.

### *Other*

14. When is the next public meeting about this project?

The County anticipates another public webinar to be held in February after the Army Corps awards the contract. Information about the next public webinar will be posted on the County’s [beach nourishment website](#) and on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) social media pages.

15. Who should I contact if I have additional questions about this project?

You can email staff directly at [resilience@broward.org](mailto:resilience@broward.org) or call the Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division directly at 954-519-1270.

16. How can I get regular updates once the project begins?

Regular updates will be posted on the County’s [beach nourishment website](#) will also be shared on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) social media pages.