Delaware Bay Coastline, DE & NJ, Oakwood Beach, NJ

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS: Rep. LoBiondo (NJ-2) **APPROPRIATION / PHASE:** Construction, General

BUSINESS PROGRAM: Flood and Coastal Storm Damage Reduction

AUTHORITY: The Oakwood Beach, NJ project was authorized for construction by Title I, Section

101 (b) (5) of WRDA 1999.

LOCATION: The project area is located at Oakwood Beach, Elsinboro Township, Salem County, New Jersey in upper Delaware Bay. The project area consists of approximately 2 miles along the Delaware Bay Coastline at Oakwood Beach.

DESCRIPTION: The plan for flood and coastal storm damage reduction at Oakwood Beach is a 50-foot wide berm at an elevation of +6.0 feet NAVD over a project length of 9,500 lineal feet. The plan includes suitable advance beachfill and periodic nourishment every eight years to ensure the integrity of the design. The source of sand for the initial construction and periodic nourishment is the Delaware River main channel.

STATUS: FY 01 funds of \$222,000 were used to complete PED. FY12 funds were reprogrammed into the project to conduct project development team meetings and sponsor coordination. The steps toward initial construction are dependent on the establishment of an adequate funding stream.

Between October 27 & 30, 2012, Hurricane Sandy caused damage to the Delaware coast from Lewes Beach to Fenwick Island and up the Delaware Bay. The current initial construction costs need to be reviewed based on the storm.

This project was determined to be eligible for P.L. 113-2 2013 Disaster Relief Appropriations Act (Hurricane Sandy) funds as an Authorized but Unconstructed project. \$350,000 has been received to begin the process towards initiation and completion of initial construction. These funds are being used to complete the necessary steps towards initial construction. These steps include completion the Limited Reevaluation Report; develop, approve and execute the Project Partnership Agreement; acquire the necessary real estate; complete plans and specifications; and advertise and award the construction contract.

TIMELINE	Start	Complete	Comments		
Initial Construction	TBD	TBD			

TOTAL ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS				RE	RECENT FEDERAL ALLOCATIONS		
Phase	Fed (\$000)	Non- Fed (\$000)	Total (\$000)	Fiscal Year	Allocation (\$000)	Comments	
Initial	3,248	1,749	4,997	FY 10	0		
Construction							
				FY 11	0		
				FY 12	35		
				FY 13	350	Sandy CG funds	
				FY 14	TBD	Not in President's Budget	

SPONSOR: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

ISSUES/COMMENTS: This project was included among those on the 2011 Project De-authorization List that was submitted to Congress by the Army. Public Law 99-662, 1001(b) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended, requires that the Army submit to Congress an annual list of projects, or separable elements of projects, which have been authorized but for which no funds have been obligated for planning, design or construction during the preceding 5 full fiscal years. The law provides that each such project or separable element will be de-authorized on the last date of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the list is submitted, unless funds are obligated for planning, design or construction prior to that date. In February 2012 funds were reprogrammed into the project to conduct project development team meetings and sponsor coordination. Since funds were obligated this project was not de-authorized.

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