



US Army Corps
of Engineers
Wilmington District

Dare County Beaches, NC
(Bodie Island)
(Coastal Storm Damage Reduction)

- **Sponsor: Dare County, NC**
- **Authorized in WRDA 2000, Sec. 101 (b) (24)**
- **Congressional add for a new construction start in FY 2004**
- **ASA (CW) endorsed feasibility report to Congress - 24 Jan 2006**
- **Funds last allocated to the project in FY 2012**



CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: NC 3

DATE: 6 March 2014

1. **AUTHORIZATION:** Water Resources Development Act of 2000, Sec. 101 (b) (24).
2. **LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:** The project is located on the northern coast of North Carolina about 40 miles south of the North Carolina-Virginia state line. The authorized plan of improvement consists of a 25-foot-wide dune at elevation 13 feet national geodetic vertical datum (NGVD) and a 50 foot wide berm to be constructed at elevation 7 feet NGVD along two separate stretches of shoreline starting at Kitty Hawk and ending at Nags Head. Total length of the project is approximately 14.1 miles.
3. **COST ESTIMATE:**

\$	1,085,000,000 (Federal)
	102,000,000 (Initial Construction – 65%)
	983,000,000 (Future Nourishment – 50%)
\$	1,033,678,000 (Non-Federal Cash Contribution)
	50,678,000 (Initial Construction – 35%)
	983,000,000 (Future Nourishment – 50%)
	<u>4,322,000 (Non-Federal Lands and Damages)</u>
	\$ 2,123,000,000 Total
4. **FEDERAL FUNDING ALLOCATION THRU FY 2013:** \$4,830,971, including \$970,000 in preconstruction engineering and design funding.
5. **FY 2014 FUNDING ALLOCATION:** \$0. No activities planned.

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6. **FY 2015 BUDGET AMOUNT:** \$0. No activities are currently planned.
7. **KEY DATES:** Preconstruction, engineering and design, previously scheduled for August 2003, would be completed upon execution of a project partnership agreement (PPA), which is currently on hold until the Corps and the sponsor can establish a path forward on this project.
8. **OTHER INFORMATION:** The design cost sharing agreement was executed in July 2001. Plans and specifications for the first construction contract, which includes portions of the communities of Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, and Nags Head have been completed. Previously appropriated funds have been used to continue the required physical and biological monitoring, per the environmental impact statement, and to initiate a limited reevaluation report (LRR) to update the project economics. Continuation of the LRR has been suspended since FY 2009 due to funding shortfalls. However, the project sponsor, Dare County, fully supports this project and has mechanisms in place to ensure non-Federal funds will be available as required.

A favorable Chief's Report was signed in December 2000. This report contained provisions for further coordination with resource agencies and interested parties during the preconstruction, engineering and design phase. In addition to these meetings, a supplemental policy compliance assessment and sensitivity analysis for storm damages was completed and submitted in December 2004 to further respond to the Chief's Report requirements stated in the WRDA 2000 authorization. In November 2005, the ASA (CW) endorsed the feasibility report decision document to OMB. On 6 January 2006, OMB endorsed the decision document for submittal to Congress. The record of decision was signed on 19 January 2006.

Also, draft language proposed in the House of Representatives version of a Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) in 2013 proposes a different process for deauthorization of water resources projects authorized before WRDA 2007 (Section 301). This language appears to support deauthorization of projects if construction has not been initiated before the enactment of the new WRDA. The authorization of the Dare County Beaches project could be impacted if this language is enacted into law since physical construction has not yet been initiated. To date, no final conference committee action has been taken to resolve differences between the House and the Senate versions of this bill.