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Kill Devil Hills/Kitty Hawk/Duck
Beach Nourishment Project
Dare County, North Carolina
(REGULATORY)

- Proposed beach nourishment project.
- Increasing media, public and political Interest.



CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: NC-3

DATE: 5 February 2014

1. **PURPOSE:**

To provide information regarding the status of the Town of Kill Devil Hills, Town of Kitty Hawk, and the Town of Duck proposed beach nourishment projects located in Dare County, NC.

2. **BACKGROUND:**

a. The consulting engineering firm for the Town of Kill Devil Hills has contracted with the Town of Kitty Hawk and the Town of Duck to analyze the feasibility of combining their proposed beach nourishment projects into a single project, including all state and federal permit applications and required environmental documentation. The total project length would be approximately 9 miles long and involve approximately 4 million cubic yards of sand to be dredged from the Atlantic Ocean from an offshore borrow source. This project would include the remainder of the North Segment of the federally authorized Dare County Beach Project and would include some deviation from the onshore placement of material. Borrow sites Sub-Area 1 of S1, and N1, are of interest to the applicant, but there are also some borrow areas outside of the state's 3 Mile jurisdictional waters that are being investigated.

b. On June 19, 2013, an interagency scoping meeting was held to discuss the proposed project and to assist the applicants in determining the required types and level of review for the environmental documentation that will be required for this project. All state and federal stakeholders were present at this meeting, as well as officials from Dare County Government and the affected municipalities. Several representatives from Bureau of Ocean Energy Management participated via teleconference and discussions were held to work through lead federal agency coordination for the various scenarios that may be encountered with this project.

3. **CURRENT STATUS:**

The Corps has been actively involved with the applicants and have provided information on questions involving seasonal work schedules, dredge types and methodologies, and procurement of offshore borrow sites. The applicants are continuing to compile additional historical and biological data, as well as developing their plans to be able to submit an application that encompasses one project to serve all of Kill Devil Hills, Kitty Hawk, and Duck.