

Section 8103 of WRDA 2022 Shoreline and Riverine Protection and Restoration – Southport, NC

- Amended existing authority to include shoreline restoration and hurricane storm hazards reduction
- Identified the city of Southport, North Carolina as one of eleven priority projects
- Revised cost-sharing for the initial \$200,000 of study costs to 100% Federal

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Nationwide DATE: 10 MARCH 2023

- 1. <u>PURPOSE</u>: Section 8103 of Water Resources & Development Act (WRDA) of 2022 amended Section 212 (Flood Mitigation and Riverine Restoration) of WRDA 1999 to include shoreline restoration and hurricane storm hazards reduction. Under this authority the Secretary of the Army can carry out studies and projects that reduce flood and hurricane and storm damage hazards, including measures for erosion mitigation and bank stabilization; or conservation and restoration of the natural functions and values of rivers and shorelines.
- 2. **STUDY COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT:** The initial study costs of up to \$200,000 are a 100% Federal responsibility with the balance of study being cost-shared 50% federal, 50% non-federal.
- 3. <u>DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT:</u> The design and construction of a project carried out under this section shall be cost-shared in accordance with Section 103 of WRDA 1986. For projects benefiting economically disadvantaged communities in both rural and urban communities the non-Federal responsibility is reduced to 10 percent. A project would require specific authorization if the cost to design and construct a project exceeds \$15,000,000.
- 4. <u>PRIORITY PROJECTS</u>: Section 8103 of WRDA 2022 identified eleven locations to be prioritized by the Secretary which included the city of Southport, NC. To initiate consideration of a study under this authority a non-Federal sponsor would have to provide a letter of intent to cost share a study.

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