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# Before We Look Forward to the Coming Year A Message from the Incoming Chair

A look back at 2013 clearly illustrates how important FSBPA is to the beaches of Florida and all those who care about them. While it was a statistically quiet hurricane season, we were still busy dealing with the aftermath of 2012 including emergency repairs, disasters that "weren't", and stakeholders that were keenly aware that something needed to be done – and fast. The leadership and members of the Florida Legislature clearly understood that their "golden goose" had been wounded and there was a short window of opportunity to partner with the Army Corps of Engineers to make dramatic improvements at a considerable cost savings to the state. What was accomplished, and in some cases is under construction right now, is truly amazing (see your last Shoreline if you need a reminder). Lots of people had vital roles to play, but it would never have happened without the



**Steve Boutelle** 

education, outreach, and facilitation efforts of FSBPA including the involvement of you, our members, and specifically our wonderful staff. But we can't rest on our laurels. It is clear to many people that 2012-2013 exposed some serious flaws in the system that could jeopardize the ability to maintain our beaches and adequately respond to storm events over the long term. It will be critically important in the year ahead to work with the Legislature

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and the DEP to improve what has historically been a very good process, so that it is more closely linked to the current status of every beach and prioritizes actions based on a clear understanding of the risks, costs, and benefits to the state and local economies.

Although some of you may be tired of reviewing and commenting on draft rules given the recent efforts on 62B-49 and 62B-41 and 62B-36, another major FSBPA focus, it is my hope that you will have one more opportunity before too long. The Legislature directed DEP to come back to them with a report by January 1 evaluating how ranking criteria in statute and rule can be modified to accommodate storm

damages and other recent impacts; and how the department's processing procedures and timetables for local government funding requests can be more adaptable and responsive. This will likely be part of a dialogue with the Legislature that may result in direction to update the historical ranking criteria for beach project funding. This will not be easy, but it is critical to the long term sustainability and success of the program. You can be certain that FSBPA will be directly involved in any such effort. It will be equally important that you as individuals, collectively as local governments, and organizations also be informed and involved. It might be obvious to those of us working on beach

projects how important they are to tourism, storm protection, quality of life and the economic prosperity of coastal communities and the state. but unless we can communicate that message effectively and incorporate it into a process that is logically connected to those benefits and equitable for everyone, we are destined for problems. Management of the states critically eroded shorelines is too important to have winners and losers. By being engaged in the debate, FSBPA hopes to contribute to a dependable benefit for all worthy projects. I look forward to you joining us in that effort.

Steve Boutelle, FSBPA 2014 Chair, Operations Manager, Lee County



## THE ASSOCIATION'S OFFICERS

FSBPA's Officers for the coming year, as recommended by the Board of Directors and voted upon by the general membership are:

Steve Boutelle (Lee County): Chair

Richard Bouchard (St. Lucie County): Vice-Chair

Leanne Welch (Palm Beach County): Secretary/Treasurer

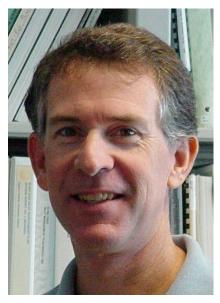
These officers and the past chair, **Charlie Hunsicker** (Manatee County), will serve as the **Executive Committee** for 2014.

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#### **MEET OUR CHAIR FOR 2014**

Steve Boutelle was elected Chair of the Association at the September 26th General Membership Meeting for Calendar Year 2014. Steve is in his first full term on the Board after filling an unexpired term for Jonathan Gorham and has been part of FSBPA's Executive Committee for the past two years.

Although he was born in Minnesota, Steve grew up along the Gulf beaches of Pinellas County until leaving to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. After receiving a Bachelors degree in Biology from UNC, he went on to get a Masters in Oceanography from Florida State University. Upon graduating, he went to work for Lee County as an environmental specialist. Steve has been with the County since 1989 and is now the Operations Manager in charge of the Marine Program within the Lee County Natural Resources Division. In addition to beach management, the Marine Program is involved in a variety of coastal issues including, manatee protection, artificial reef construction, boating safety, navigation improvements, and derelict vessel removal. His wife Mary and three kids share his love of the outdoors. In addition to fishing and boating he enjoys keeping up with his kids' activities and helping out with the high school youth group at his church.



Steve Boutelle
Operations Manager
Lee County

#### THE ASSOCIATION'S INCOMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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James Houston
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Convention Bureau

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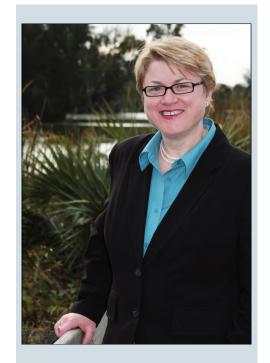
Laird Wreford, Sarasota County

### **NEW MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

FSBPA is pleased to welcome two new members to the Board of Directors for the coming calendar year. In both cases, it will be the first time for each to serve as a board member. Tamara Pigott, Executive Director, Lee County Convention and Visitors Bureau and Laird Wreford, Coastal Resources Manager for Sarasota County, Florida. Tamara and Laird will serve as governmental directors for the 2014-2016 term. Both were favorably considered at FSBPA's General Membership Meeting on September 26, 2013, in Delray Beach, Florida.

Let's introduce our distinguished new board members!

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**Tamara Pigott** 



**Laird Wreford** 

Tamara Pigott serves as executive director for the Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB). Named one of the "2010 News-Press Heroes," she is responsible for an annual budget of \$14 million. She oversees the promotion of The Beaches of Fort Myers and Sanibel as a travel destination to targeted domestic and international visitors, including vacationers, and business travelers. She is responsible for the strategic planning of the domestic and international sales and marketing efforts, overseeing the day-to-day operations of the VCB's local staff along with domestic and international consultants in key markets including Minneapolis, Washington, D.C., the United Kingdom, and Germany and Canada.

She reports to the Lee County Manager and the Tourist Development Council (TDC), working with the tourism industry and community agencies in the process.

Tamara and her family live in Fort Myers.

"From a tourism perspective, our beaches are our marketing assets. People come from all over the world to recreate on Florida's beaches, and we must be committed to their protection and preservation. I am honored to join the board that helps ensure that Florida never waivers in its commitment to our beaches."

Laird Wreford is the Coastal Resources Manager for Sarasota County, Florida. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from the University of Michigan, and an MBA degree from the University of South Florida. He is a long-time Sarasota County resident, most of which working for Sarasota County (32 years) in various environmental programs and positions. His current position is responsible for managing an array of coastal programs, including sea turtle protection, major beach and inlet projects, spoil island restoration, artificial reefs, navigation projects and development of a Post Disaster Redevelopment Plan for Sarasota County. Most recently, he was assigned a central role in preparing Sarasota County to manage the restoration funds that will be received as a result of the RESTORE Act, which directs how penalty funds from the BP oil spill will be distributed throughout the Gulf region. Laird has two grown children and a beautiful baby grandson who just turned 1 in October.

"FSBPA has provided a wonderful networking opportunity, to collaborate with and learn from my many peers throughout the State who are also engaged in beach and inlet management. The more we stay connected, the better chance we have of providing effective coastal management in each of our jurisdictions. I am greatly looking forward to working with this great team of people on the FSBPA Board, and contributing whatever value I can to this effort."

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# 2014 Tech Conference February 12-14 Hutchinson Island Marriott

We hope you can join us for the 27th annual National Conference on Beach Preservation Technology Conference this February in Stuart, Florida. Detailed information on the conference is available at www.fsbpa.com/tech-conference.html.

The conference brochures are being mailed later this week and the full conference program will be made available online shortly thereafter.



#### A sampling of presentations to look forward to:

- Several "home town" Martin County, FL beach projects, hardbottom, and inlet presentations sites you can visit as part of the field trip or on your own!
- Lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy and an update on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' response in Florida
- A discussion on the proposed terrestrial critical habitat designation for the loggerhead sea turtle by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Design challenges associated with beach nourishment projects, as well as the strategic use of structures associated with beach nourishment projects
- Shoreline change caused by sea level rise, beach nourishment, and other effects, as well as estimating beach volume change as a function of beach profile spacing

For information on conference registration and hotel reservations, please see details on the next page.

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## 2014 Tech Conference | February 12-14 | Hutchinson Island Marriott

Don't forget the early deadline for Conference Registration is only available through **January 13, 2014**. There are **3 ways to register**:

1. ONLINE: www.fsbpa.com/tech-conference/registration.html

**2. MAIL:** Printed form and payment to:

**FSBPA** 

PO Box 13146

Tallahassee, FL 32317-3146

3. FAX or EMAIL: Form and credit card information to (850) 201-6782 or

Email: mail@fsbpa.com

Print the conference registration form, click here



If you would rather register by fax, email, or mail, click on the link above to open the registration form in a pdf file format. Type your information directly into this pdf file and print. Then simply mail, email, or fax your form to the address or number listed above.

**Hotel reservations** should be made directly with the conference hotel, the **Hutchinson Island Marriott, Stuart, Florida**.

# Click here to make your reservation online. Or call 800-775-5936

Standard rooms, single or double are \$129 plus tax with complimentary self-parking and complimentary internet access for hotel guests only.



To ensure room availability reservations should be made by January 13, 2014.



Finally, should you have any interest in conference sponsorships, exhibits, advertisements, or questions regarding conference or hotel registration, please contact us at (850) 906-9227 or <a href="mail@fspba.com">mail@fspba.com</a>.

We hope you will join us February 12-14 at "America's largest annual conference on beach preservation technology."



# A Reminder: General Membership Dues for 2014

If you have not renewed your General Membership for 2014, please do so without delay. If you have misplaced your invoice or are considering a new membership, you can find the fee schedule and membership form online at www.fsbpa.com/membership.html.

Nothing is more important to FSBPA that prides itself in being the "voice on behalf of Florida's beaches" than growing our local government base, representation of the tourism industry, the diversity of professional services members, and the number of individual members. It's that simple. Please help us spread the word.

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## **Captiva and Northern Sanibel Islands Beach Nourishment Project Update**

by Kathleen Rooker, Administrator, CEPD

The Captiva and Sanibel Islands beach nourishment project is located on the west coast of Florida in Lee County. The project area is between Florida DEP reference monuments R-84 and R-109 (Captiva Island) and R-110 to R-116 (Northern Sanibel Island). The project consists of beach fill placement of approximately 800,000 cubic yards of beach fill along 6 miles of shoreline and rehabilitation of existing dunes and vegetation. Coastal Planning and Engineering is providing all engineering services for the Project Sponsor, the Captiva Erosion Prevention District (CEPD).

The Project commenced on Oct. 7, 2013 following the hatching of the last turtle nest, and is expected to be completed by December 24<sup>th</sup> following delays due to the failure of the booster pump. The Project is being constructed by Great Lakes Dredge and Dock using two hopper dredges, the Padre Island and the Dodge Island. The borrow area for the Project is located approximately 8 miles offshore in the Gulf of Mexico. This sand source is outstanding in its compatibility quality with the existing sand along the shoreline. The submerged pipeline length from the booster pump to the discharge area is two miles. The District requested and was granted a permit modification to extend the area of the pipeline corridors to enable contractors to have more flexibility.

In June 2012, Tropical Storm Debby impacted Captiva and Sanibel Islands. A one mile stretch of road directly along the shoreline was in danger of being undermined from the force of the waves. The road is the only evacuation and emergency responder route on and off the island. The Captiva Erosion Prevention District, Captiva Fire District, Lee County Sheriff's Department and Lee



County Department of Transportation worked late into the night during the storm in an attempt to stabilize the road. The urgency of a beach restoration project before the next hurricane season was clear.

A favorable Project Implementation
Report for Federal rehabilitation
assistance (FCCE funds) and
construction general funding for the
restoration project from the impact of
Tropical Storm Debby was approved in
Washington for the federally-authorized
project. A full assessment and
recalculation of the cost sharing
percentage was completed by the Corps
with little change. The Corps solicited
bids for the Project. Unfortunately, the
Project Agreement with the Army Corps
of Engineers was withdrawn by the
Corps.

The perilous state of Captiva's only evacuation route left little time to complain and no options such as forgoing or delaying the project. The District was very concerned about the lack of available dredges, higher prices and

scheduling competition with Super Storm Sandy projects. With or without Federal assistance, the Project had to move forward quickly. Within two weeks of receiving the disastrous news from the Corps, and with the monumental effort of our consulting engineers at Coastal Planning and Engineering, Steve Keehn, P.E. and Nicole Sharpe, P.E., the CEPD advertised the project for bid and awarded the contract to Great Lakes shortly thereafter. The District's Comprehensive and Emergency Response Plan is designed to ensure the District is well prepared to respond to coastal emergencies.

Project funding is being provided by the State of Florida, Department of Environmental Protection, the Lee County Board of County Commissioners, and Captiva Island property owners. Prior to the Project, Captiva voters overwhelmingly approved a referendum to borrow funds for the beach nourishment Project.



#### FEDERAL PROJECT STATUS UPDATES – November 2013

#### **FEASIBILITY STUDIES:**

- Flagler County The draft report has been completed and has been reviewed at the SAD and HQ Levels. The report is being revised based on HQ review comments prior to holding the Alternative Formulation Briefing (AFB). The AFB is the next major milestone, which includes a briefing of the tentatively selected plan (TSP) to our HQ and request for approval to release the draft report for public review.
- St. Lucie County St. Lucie County continues to move ahead with planning for an initial nourishment project in the southern part of the County. The Federal feasibility study is on hold until further Federal funding is made available.



- Brevard County Mid-Reach General Reevaluation Report (GRR) The final agency and public review of the GRR has been completed. The Director's Report has been submitted to the Assistant Secretary of the Army where it is currently awaiting final approval.
- Jupiter/Carlin Shore Protection Project Palm Beach County has submitted a draft Section 934 report and NEPA document for the Jupiter/Carlin Segment to extend Federal participation for the next renourishment and out to 50 years of Federal participation. Federal participation has expired under the existing cost sharing agreement and congressional funds were not appropriated for this project segment. Corps' involvement continues to be to support the sponsor in their preparation of the Section 934 report.

Ocean Ridge Shore Protection Project (Section 206 of WRDA 1992): The Ocean Ridge Segment 408 package was approved by the Jacksonville District Colonel, with the intent to allow the Sponsor (Palm Beach County) to make small adjustments to the existing Federal project (T-head groins) for improved sediment transport. Palm Beach County also has a limited reevaluation report underway to support the next renourishment of the project.

- The **Draft Ft. Pierce Shore Protection Project GRR** seeks an additional 50 years of Federal participation in the project. Alternative analysis is ongoing by the sponsor and consultants. Once complete, findings will be incorporated into a draft GRR, currently expected in February 2014, which will undergo review by Jacksonville District.
- Broward County Shore Protection Project Segment II Limited Reevaluation Report (LRR) and NEPA document The draft LRR/EA was transmitted to SAD on 10 Oct 13. The public review period for the NEPA document will follow SAD approval.
- The **Dade County**, **Section 227 Project** at 63rd Street in Miami. A design and build contract is being evaluated in cooperation with the Department of Environmental Resources Management (DERM) and Reef Innovation, Inc. The project is designed, plans and specs completed, and the FDEP permit was issued. Issues involving



authorizing language are being reviewed. Contract actions have been put on hold until the authorization issues are resolved.

- The **Dade County Limited Reevaluation Report (LRR) and Environmental Assessment (EA)** will evaluate the use of a new sand source for the Dade County Beach Erosion Control and Hurricane Protection Project. The LRR/EA is in its initial stages and coordination with the FDEP and other counties is ongoing to locate an offshore borrow source outside of Miami-Dade County. Upland borrow sites and other alternative sources will also be evaluated in the document.
- Sarasota County, Venice A Limited Reevaluation Report (LRR) and Environmental Assessment (EA) are underway to evaluate economic and environmental changes to the approved Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction Project due to the use of a new offshore borrow area. The draft report completed agency technical review and has just been updated for costs and benefits. The next step is submittal to SAD for review and release of the EA for public review.



#### REGIONAL SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT (RSM):

- The Nassau and Duval Counties RSM effort will continue into FY14. This effort has received 100% Federal funding from the Corps' national RSM program. A focus of the FY14 effort will be the feasibility of bypassing sand around the St. Johns River entrance to the Duval County Shore Protection Project. Other tasks included in the effort include RSM strategies for Nassau and Duval Counties with a focus on Federal beach nourishment and deep draft navigation projects.
- Jacksonville District's "Ship to Shore": Fate of Fines in the Dredging and Placement Process proposal also received Federal funding from the Corps' national RSM and Dredging Operations and Environmental Research (DOER) programs. This effort will gather data from upcoming navigation O&M and beach nourishment FCCE dredging

and beach placement events in order to quantify the loss of fine sand as material is dredged and transported from dredge sites to placement areas.

#### **ENGINEERING AND DESIGN:**

• Sarasota County, Lido Key – Vibracore drilling in Big Sarasota Pass has been completed for potential borrow material for the beach construction. A Design Agreement was executed with the sponsor for cost-sharing of the project. The City of Sarasota is also starting the FDEP permit application process, with a pre-application meeting scheduled for early August.

#### **CONSTRUCTION:**

• Brevard County, North and South Reach – Emergency rehabilitation under the Flood Control and Coastal Emergency (FCCE) program has been approved for both reaches, plus supplemental funding for the North Reach for full construction. The North Reach volume is estimated at 1,019,000 cubic yards and the South Reach volume at



586,000 cubic yards. The pre-construction meeting was held on 11 Oct 13, and the NTP was issued. Contractor has started moving pipeline to project area, anticipates placement commencing 25 Nov 13 and completing by April 2014.

- St Lucie County, Ft Pierce Emergency rehabilitation funding was received to add to the already scheduled costshared renourishment contract. The contract was awarded in April 2013 and construction was completed in Ft Pierce in May 2013.
- Palm Beach County, Jupiter/Carlin, Delray Beach, Ocean Ridge, and North Boca Raton –The Jupiter/Carlin project contract was awarded to Cashman and pre-construction meeting was held on 12 Nov 13. Approximately 87K cy of FCCE material will be placed between R-15 to R-19. Contractor intends to begin work in December 2013, completion date for the contract is 31 Jan 14. Delray Beach, Ocean Ridge, and North Boca Raton projects were awarded in one contract to Marinex Dredging Co. A pre-construction meeting was held on 08 Nov 13. The contractor's tentative order of work is Ocean Ridge first (550K cy), Delray Beach second (425K cy), and North Boca last (615K cy). Completion date for contract is 30 Apr 1. No activities can occur during turtle nesting season between 01 May 13 to 21 Dec 13.
- Broward County, Segment II Emergency rehabilitation under the Flood Control and Coastal Emergency (FCCE) program has begun. The contractor has commenced physical construction of beach fill and anticipates completing work in January 2014. An upland sand source and truck haul operation is being used for the fill of approximately 150,000 cubic yards of material. This work will restore to pre-storm conditions but does not include the cost-shared volume to bring the project to the full construction template.
- Dade County, Contract G NTP has been issued and Mobilization is scheduled to begin in November.
- Lee County, Gasparilla NTP was issued 18 October 2013, Great Lakes Dock and Dredge has fully mobilized, and dredging began 8 November 2013. 20 calendar days of dredging is expected.
- Manatee County Project was awarded to Great Lakes in conjunction with the Lee Co Gasparilla Project. NTP was issued 18 Oct 13. Contractor plans to begin work on Anna Maria Island mid-late December. Approximately 1.1M cubic yards will be placed on 4.6 miles of beach.
- Pinellas County, Long Key & Treasure Island Emergency rehabilitation FCCE funds and cost-shared funds were provided to restore the project to the full construction template. The construction contract was awarded 12 September 2013, to Weeks Marine. Work is expected to begin in January 2014, with completion currently slated for July 2014.
- **O&M Dredging FY13** Several Operations and Maintenance (O&M) projects for Federal navigation channels will include disposal on the beach or nearshore. Palm Beach Harbor/ Lake Worth Inlet and Port Everglades have already been completed. The projects scheduled for the remainder of FY13 include: Intracoastal Waterway in the vicinity of Bakers Haulover and Jupiter Inlets, Ft. Pierce Inlet, St. Lucie Inlet, St. Augustine Inlet, and Kings Bay.



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#### JOINT COASTAL PERMITS



#### **Storm Recovery Projects**

*Martin County Beach Nourishment-Hutchinson Island* - the project is complete.

**St. Lucie County-Ft. Pierce Beach Nourishment** - the nourishment project is complete. The County and Corps have applied for a modification to the permit to allow for placement of maintenance dredged material from the inlet on the beach. The modification was issued September 9, 2013. The project is planned for May, 2013.

**Lee County-Captiva -** A Notice To Proceed was issued August 26, 2013 to Captiva Erosion Control District, and dredging began in early October, 2013.

**Lee County-Gasparilla** - Lee County requested a modification to the restoration permit to allow for the nourishment, which was issued June 19, 2013. A letter confirming that the statutory permit extension is applicable was sent August 16, 2013. Dredging commenced in early November.

**Manatee County-Anna Maria Island** – an Intent to Issue and draft permit where sent to the Corps on August 8, 2013. The permit was issued August 28, 2013. Construction will follow completion of the Gasparilla project.

**Broward County-Segment II** – the truck haul began on November 4, 2013, and will be completed by the end of March.

**Brevard County Shore Protection Project-North and South Reaches** - both reaches have existing permits, and the Department has confirmed a statutory time extension for the North Reach. Dredging is planned to commence in late November, 2013.

*Pinellas County Shore Protection Project-Treasure Island-Long Key* - the Corps has a permit covering both segments valid until May 17, 2014. The Department modified the permit on August 16, 2013 to add several additional areas on Long Key. Construction is planned for May of 2014.

**Palm Beach County-Jupiter Carlin Segment** - the Department issued an intent and a draft permit on August 16, 2013. The permit was issued September 10, 2013. Construction is planned for February, 2013.

**Palm Beach County-Delray Beach -** a modification to the City's existing permit to add four monuments was issued on August 22, 2013. Construction is planned for February, 2013.

**Palm Beach County-North Boca Raton** – an intent and draft permit were issued August 22, 1013. The Permit was issued September 24, 2013. Construction is planned for March, 2013.

**Palm Beach County-Ocean Ridge** – a permit was issued June 24, 2013. Construction is planned for December, 2013.

**Martin County-St.** Lucie Inlet – the Corps will use the existing county permit to place about 400,000 cyd of sand on the beach. Construction began on November 17, 2013.

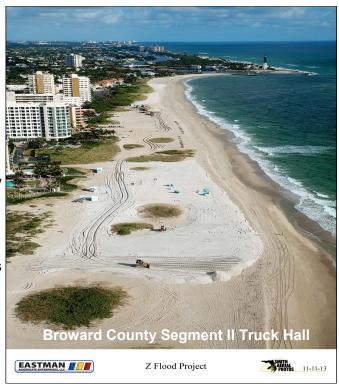
**Volusia County-Ponce de Leon Inlet** – the Corps has an existing permit to place material in the near shore south of the inlet. Construction commenced on September 26, 2013.

**St. Johns County-St. Augustine Inlet** – a modification to allow for an additional placement area in Anastasia State Park was issued July 1, 2013. Construction was completed in November, 2013.

**Palm Beach County-Jupiter Inlet** – a modification to the Florida Inland Navigation District permit was issued July 26, 2013 to allow the Corps to place material from the inlet on the Jupiter Carlin Beach project. Construction is expected to commence in January, 2014.

**Miami-Dade County-Bakers Haulover Inlet** – a modification was issued to the permit on June 27, 2013 to expedite the placement of about 50,000 cyds on the beach at Bal Harbor. Construction commenced on November 19, 2013.

**Sarasota County-City of Venice** - the Corps and the City jointly applied for a permit on May 8, 2013. A request for additional information was sent June 7, 2013.



Brevard County-Mid-Reach and Southern Beaches - dune construction only.

*Indian River Sector III and Sebastian State Park* – a permit modification request was submitted October 24, 2013 to repair storm damage.

**South St. Lucie Dune Restoration** - completion of the dune feature is authorized under the beach restoration permit.

Martin County-Town of Jupiter Island - permit is valid until February 8, 2017.

Martin County-Bathtub Beach - a minor modification for nourishment will be needed.

Palm Beach County-Singer Island – the permit for dune construction is valid until October 28, 2015.

Palm Beach County-Coral Cove - dune construction only.

**Broward County- Deerfield Beach -** the dune in Deerfield Beach was constructed as part of the Hillsboro-Deerfield project. The Town of Hillsboro Beach holds a permit valid until December 15, 2015. Deerfield Beach could also apply for a separate permit.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES**

<u>Beach Management Agreement Update</u>
 The Palm Beach Island Beach Management Agreement was signed by representatives of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission and the Department on September 26, 2013 in Delray Beach.



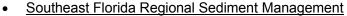
#### • Beach Management Funding Assistance Program

The Department received 47 requests for funding for beach projects, and 12 requests for funding inlet activities. Draft Project Assessments have been completed and are available at http://www.dep.state.fl.us/beaches/programs/becp/fund-req.htm. Comments are due by December 5, 2013.

#### Rulemaking

A workshop on amendments to Rule 62B-41, Rules and Procedures for Application for Coastal Construction Permits, was held on September 20, 2013. Comments are being reviewed.

A second workshop on Rule 62B-49, Joint Coastal Permits and Concurrent Processing of Proprietary Authorization was held on October 4, 2013. A revised draft is being reviewed by management. A Notice of Rulemaking is anticipated in December.



The Department participated with the Corps and the five southeastern counties on a discussion of the approach for locating sand for the Miami-Dade Shore Protection Project. Some borrow areas have been eliminated from consideration based on sand quality and because other local sponsors have invested significant resources in developing them for their projects. Monthly calls have been established with the Corps, BOEM, the Department and the five counties.

The Florida Geological Survey has prepared and submitted a grant request to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management to conduct additional geotechnical work offshore of St. Lucie and Martin counties

#### Collier County Beach Nourishment

The Department issued Collier County an administrative modification to add Pelican Bay to the project. The issuance of this modification opened the Chapter 120 rights for the Pelican Bay portion, allowing it to be petitioned by a homeowner, Bob Krasowski. Mr. Krasowski's concern was construction within the sea turtle nesting season. The County and Mr. Krasowski agreed that the County would conduct all beach nourishment activities to November 1, 2013 through April 30, 2014.

#### Longboat Key North End Stabilization Structures

Commissioner Joseph McClash has requested an administrative hearing on the Department's June 28, 2013 Intent to Issue for the proposed structures at the north end of Longboat Key. A hearing is anticipated in January, 2014.







# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

## **FSBPA** Conferences

February 12-14, 2014
2014 National Conference on Beach
Preservation Technology
Hutchinson Island Marriott, Stuart, Florida

September 24-26, 2014
2014 FSBPA Annual Conference
Hyatt Regency Coconut Point, Bonita
Springs, FL

## **OTHER DATES OF INTEREST**

February 25-27, 2014

**ASBPA's Coastal Summit** 

ASAE Conference Center, Washington, DC

March 4 - May 2, 2014 2014 Legislative Session

October 14-17, 2014

**ASBPA National Coastal Conference** 

Virginia Beach, VA

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