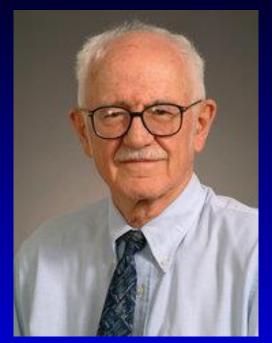
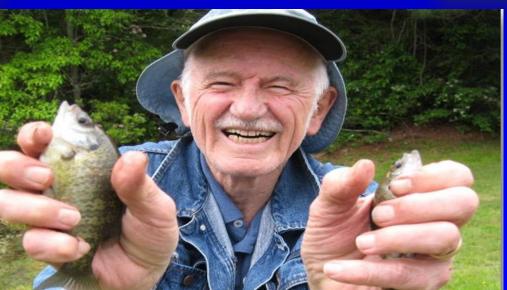
# The Legacy of Dr. Robert G. "Bob" Dean













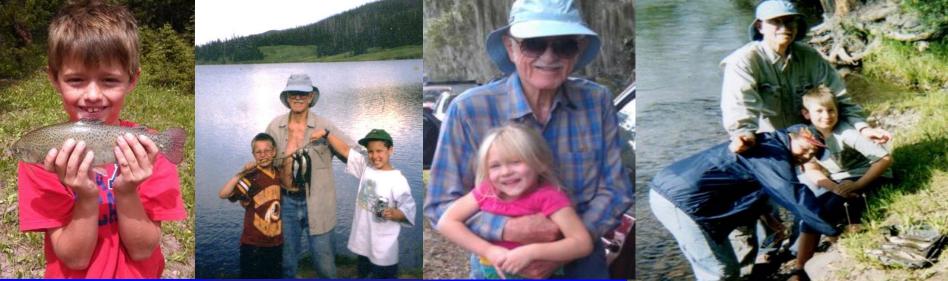
# Wife - Phyllis

Wedding Sept 12, 1954 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sept 12, 2014

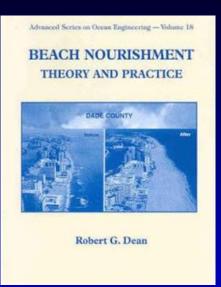


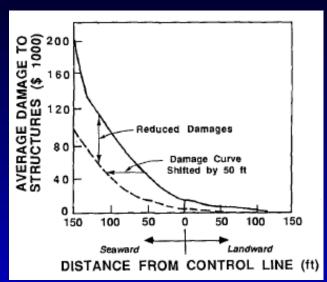
# **Family**





# The Legacy of Bob Dean







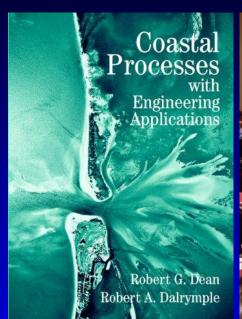
Contributions to Coastal Engineering, Profession, State, and FSBPA





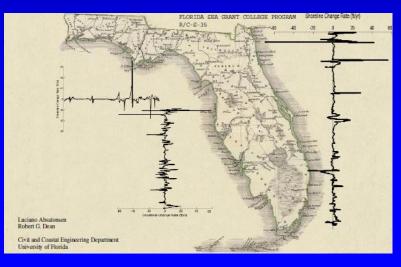
**Students - His Living Legacy** 

# **Contributions to Coastal Engineering**

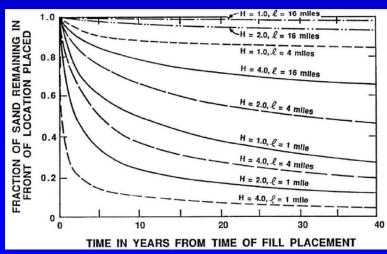








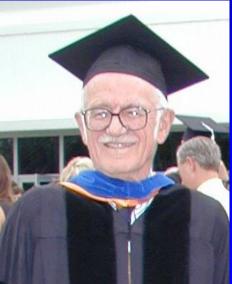




# 56-Year Career (42 years in Florida)

- 1959 1960 Assistant Professor, MIT
- 1960 1965 Senior Researcher, Chevron Corp
- 1965 1966 Associate Professor, U of Washington
- 1966 1975 Chair, Coastal and Oceanographic Engineering Department, University of Florida (UFL)
- 1975 1982 Professor, University of Delaware
- 1985 1987 Director, Beaches and Shores, FDNR
- 1987 2015 Professor, UFL





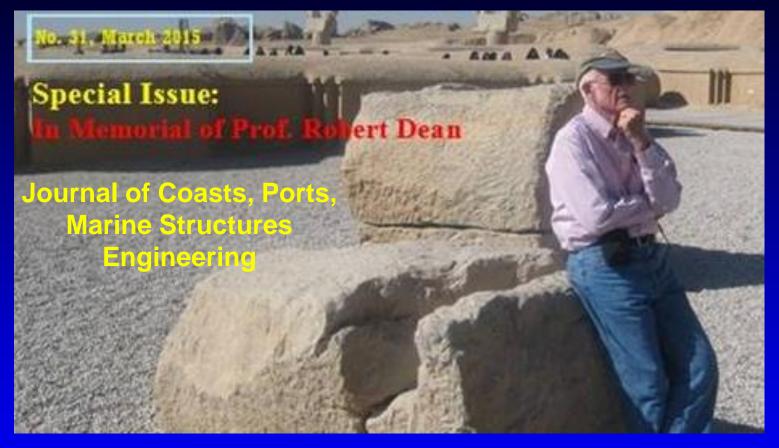




#### **Tributes**

- "The techniques he advanced are routine today almost everywhere on developed coastlines; without them, many beach towns would be without beaches"
  - New York Times
- "His research, writing, and teaching made him the most influential US coastal engineer."
  - Boston Globe
- "Robert G. Dean's research, writing and teaching made him the most influential coastal engineer in the United States."
  - Chicago Sun Times
- "He was world renowned in coastal engineering."
  - American Society of Civil Engineers
- "Professor Robert G. Dean, known to most of us as a world leader of coastal engineering, ..."
  - Professor, Bijan Mohammadi, Iran

#### **Iran Tribute**



عمر حرفه ای ایشان در دانشگاه های فلوریدا، ام آی تی، واشنگتن و دلویر

صرف انجام تحقیقات مختلف در زمینه های رسوبگذاری و فرسایش سواحل، مناطق جزر و مدی، امواج و نیروهای آن و تغییر تراز سطح آب شد.

پروفسور دین سالیان متمادی سمت ریاست برگزاری همایش بین المللی مهندسی سواحل ICCEبه عنوان مهمترین رویداد بین المللی در این حوزه را بر عهده داشت و بسیاری از متخصین و محققین از کتب ارزنده ایشان همچون مکانیک امواج، فرآیندهای ساحلی از دیدگاه مهندسی و تئوری و عملیات تغذیه سواحل کسب علم نموده اند.

## **World-Wide Influence**













































### **Professional Service**

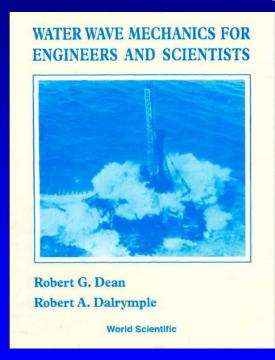
- Chair Emeritus, FSBPA
- Director, ASBPA
- Chair, Coastal Engineering Research Council, American Society of Civil Engineers
- Chair, Florida Coastal Engineering Technical Advisory Committee
- Member for 18 years on the Coastal Engineering Research Board of the Corps of Engineers

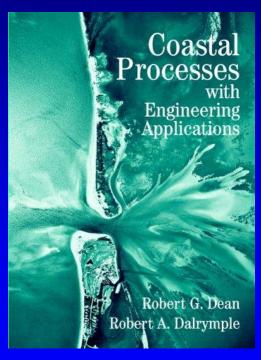


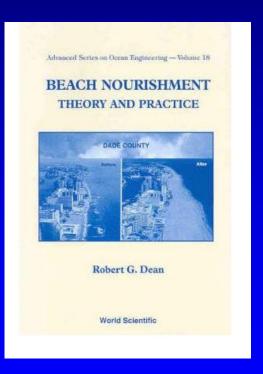


# **Publications and Consulting**

- Publications
  - Over 300, including over 80 journal papers
  - 80 students as co-authors on 180 publications
  - 3 textbooks for a generation of students







Consultant to over 100 companies and government agencies

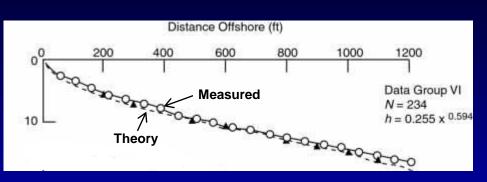
#### **Awards**

- Jim Purpura Award, FSBPA, 1979
- National Academy of Engineering, 1980
- International Coastal Engineer Award, ASCE, 1983
- Moffatt-Nichol Coastal Engineering Award, ASCE,1987
- Special Gold Medal Award FSBPA, 1987
- ASCE Award, Significant Contributions in Coastal Engineering, 1990
- Bill Carlton Award, FSBPA, 1996
- Morrough P. O'Brien Award, ASBPA, 2001
- Lifetime Achievement Award, FSBPA, 2003
- Golden Anniversary Scientific & Tech Award, FSBPA, 2007
- Outstanding Civilian Service Medal for forensic studies of Hurricane Katrina, 2008

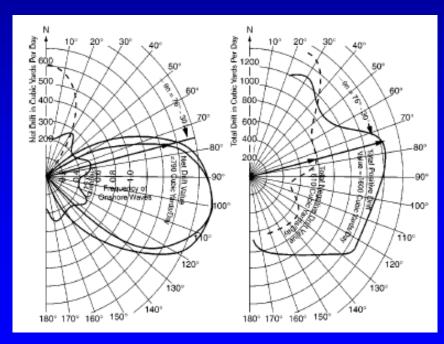




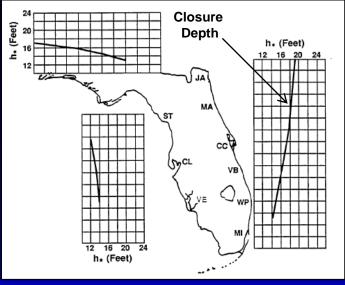
# Some Concepts He Popularized



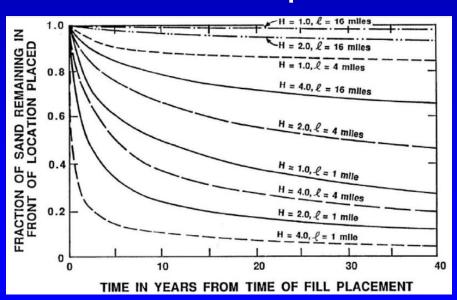
#### **Equilibrium Profiles**



**Littoral Drift Roses** 



#### **Closure Depth**



**Beach Nourishment Design** 

# Ability to Cast Complex Phenomena into Understandable Terms

#### **Complex Equations**

$$\frac{V_1}{BW_*} = \frac{\Delta y}{W_*} + \frac{3}{5} \frac{h_*}{B} \left(\frac{\Delta y}{W_*}\right)^{8/2} \frac{1}{\left[1 - \left(\frac{A_R}{A_F}\right)^{3/2}\right]^{2/8}}$$
 (2.3)

in which B is the berm height,  $W_*$  is a reference offshore distance associated with the breaking depth,  $h_*$ , on the original (unnourished) profile, i.e.

$$W_* = \left(\frac{h_*}{A_N}\right)^{3/2}$$
(2.4)

and the breaking depth,  $h_*$  and breaking wave height,  $H_b$  are related by

$$h_{\star} = H_b/\kappa$$

For non-intersecting profiles, Figures 2.3b and 2.5b,c and d, the corresponding volume  $\Psi_2$  in non-dimensional form is

$$\frac{V_2}{W_*B} = \left(\frac{\Delta y}{W_*}\right) + \frac{3}{5} \left(\frac{h_*}{B}\right) \left\{ \left[\frac{\Delta y}{W_*} + \left(\frac{A_N}{A_F}\right)^{3/2}\right]^{5/3} - \left(\frac{A_N}{A_F}\right)^{3/2} \right\}$$
(2.5)

It can be shown that the critical value  $(\Delta y/W_*)_e$  for intersection/non-intersection of profiles is given by

$$\left(\frac{\Delta y}{W_{*}}\right) = 1 - \left(\frac{A_{N}}{A_{E}}\right)^{3/2}$$
(2.6)

with intersection occurring if  $\Delta y/W_*$  is less than the critical value

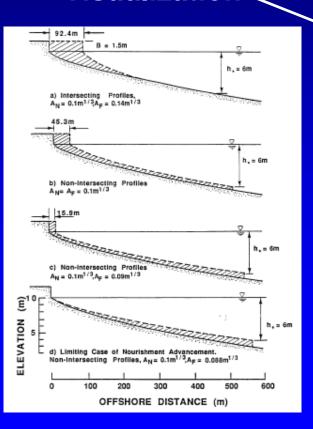
The critical yolume associated with intersecting/non- intersecting profiles is

$$\left(\frac{V}{BW_{\star}}\right)_{c1} = \left(1 + \frac{3}{5}\frac{h_{\star}}{B}\right)\left[1 - \left(\frac{A_N}{A_F}\right)^{3/2}\right]$$
(2.7)

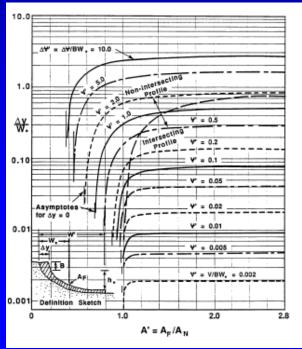
and applies only for  $(A_F/A_N) > 1$ . Also of interest, the critical volume of sand that will just yield a finite shoreline displacement for non-intersecting profiles  $(A_F/A_N < 1)$ , is

$$\left(\frac{V}{BW_s}\right)_{rs} = \frac{3}{5}\frac{k_s}{B}\left(\frac{A_N}{A_T}\right)^{3/2}\left\{\frac{A_N}{A_T} - 1\right\}$$
 (2.8)

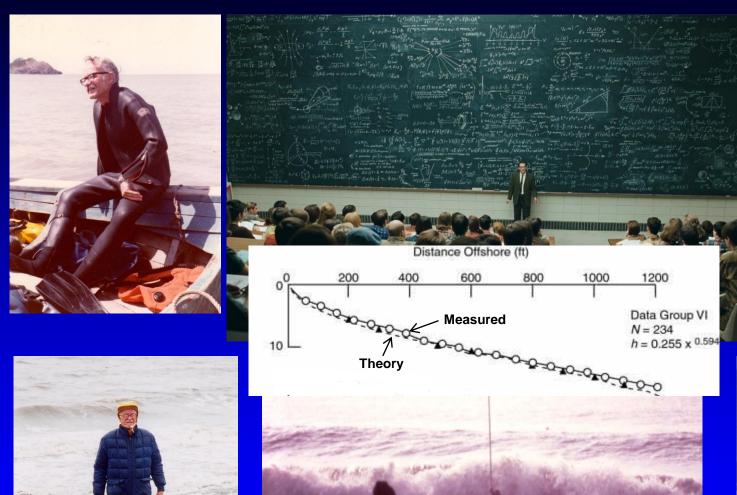
#### **Visualization**



#### **Design Curves**



# **Field Measurements**





## **Non-Linear Waves**

- PhD dissertation at MIT on non-linear waves
- Major professor, Fritz Ursell, a British mathematician famous for the Ursell number in non-linear wave theory





- "Bob Dean was also assigned by Ippen (Department head) to help Fritz buy a car and to teach him how to drive"
  - Royal Society Proceedings, Life of Fritz Ursell
- "A very harrowing experience" Bob Dean

## **Non-Linear Waves**

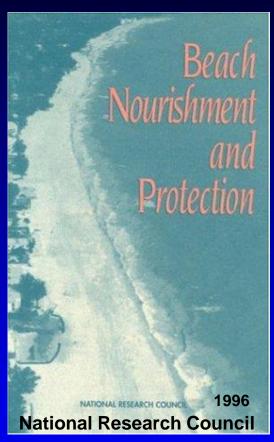
 5 years at Chevron Research. Offshore oil platforms failing when hurricane wave heights below design levels





- Developed stream function wave theory a breakthrough still used 50 years later for offshore platform design
- Published over 70 papers on waves and their engineering applications

## **Beach Nourishment**



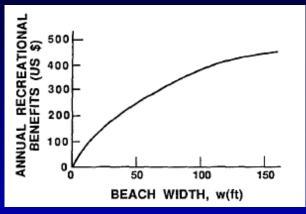
"Is It Worth It to Rebuild a Beach?"

"Now an expert panel convened by the National Research Council has settled the matter. In a long-awaited report, the panel said recently that artificial beach-building offered worthwhile protection to coastal towns and could be a boon to tourism, positions that advocates of beach nourishment have long advanced."

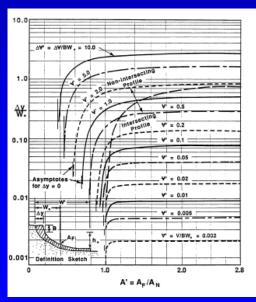
- New York Times, 1996
- "Prof. Robert Dean praised it; Prof. Orrin Pilkey said it was 'terrible.' They debated the report at a conference sponsored by the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association."
  - New York Times, 1996

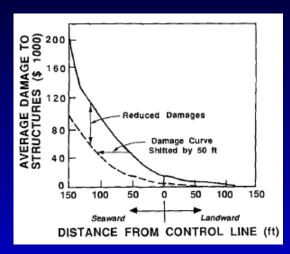
#### **Beach Nourishment**

Published over 50 papers on beach nourishment

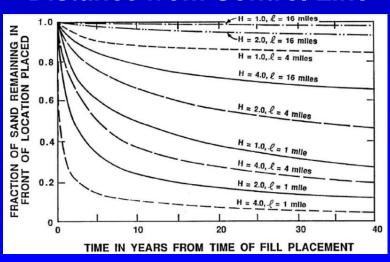


# Recreational Benefits Versus Beach Width





# **Damage Reduction Versus Distance from Control Line**



**Fill Longevity Versus Length** 

**Fill Versus Native Sand Size** 

#### **Inlets**

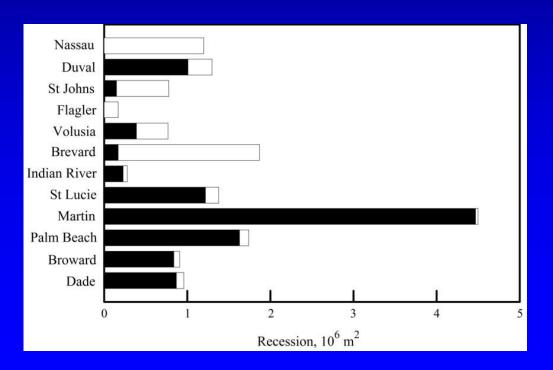
- Over 20 papers on inlets including the seminal reports:
  - "Florida's East Coast Inlets, Shoreline Effects and Recommended Action" (Dean and O'Brien, 1987)
  - "Florida's West Coast Inlets, Shoreline Effects and Recommended Action" (Dean and O'Brien, 1987)
- "Inlets cause 80 85% of the erosion on the east coast of Florida."
  - **Bob Dean**, 1987





#### **Inlets**

- "Erosional Impacts of Modified Inlets, Beach Enroachment, and Beach Nourishment on the East Coast of Florida" (Journal of Coastal Research, accepted, July 2015)
- Modified inlets have caused 70% of the erosion and 75% -85% if counties without modified inlets causing downdrift erosion are excluded.



Black is erosion caused by modified inlets

White is erosion caused by other phenomena

## **Coastal Structures**

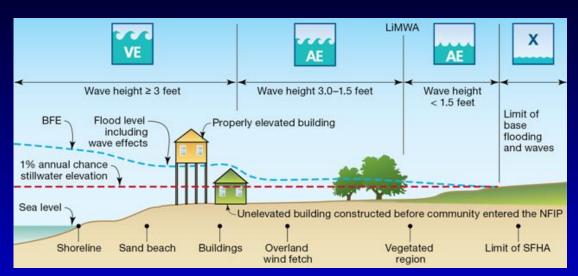
- Interaction of Navigation Structures with Adjacent Shorelines
- Criteria for Evaluating Coastal Flood-Protection Structures
- Performance of Erosion Control Structures
- Coastal Structures and Their Interaction with the Shoreline
- Terminal Structures
- Evaluation Prefabricated Erosion Prevention (PEP) Reef





#### **Coastal Hazard Delineation**

Insurance
Administration Criteria
for Coastal Flood
Protection Structures

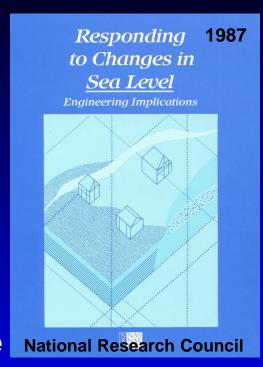


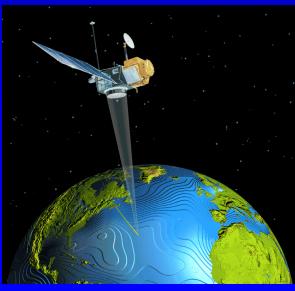


- **Developed Methodologies** to Delineate
- Coastal Hazard Zones
- Construction Setback Lines
- Hazards from Sea Level Rise

#### **Sea Level Rise**

- Chaired, National Research Council committee that published a sea level rise report in 1987 - 3 years before the 1<sup>st</sup> report of the IPCC
- 28 years later the Corps uses the report for its sea level rise scenarios
- 2011 paper on sea-level acceleration is the most downloaded paper ever of the Journal of Coastal Research – as many as the next 4 papers combined
- 2013 journal paper verified satellite altimeter recordings of sea level rise versus 456 tide gauges





#### **Sea Level Rise**

 Bob was not involved in the 2010 North Carolina Sea-Level Rise Assessment Report that was parodied on national TV

"We were the laughing stock of the nation"

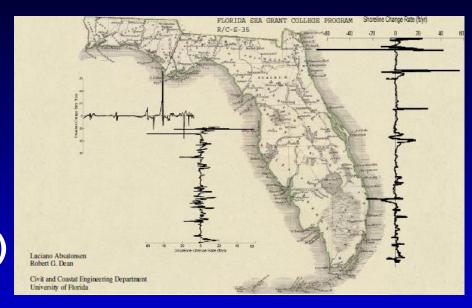
- NC Coastal Commissioner
- Was an "interactive" reviewer for the 2015 update
- "The report is accepted because Dr Dean's credibility impacted the Science panel."
  - the Science panel."
     Frank Gorman, Chair, NC Coastal Commission

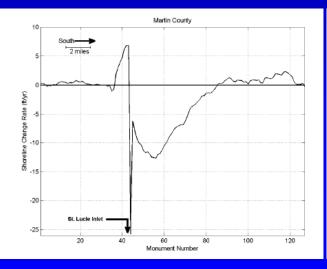
**North Carolina** 

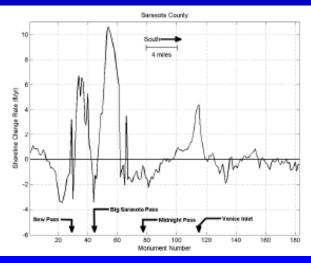
- "NC sea-level forecast is a cause for relief this time"
  - The North Carolina News and Observer newspaper

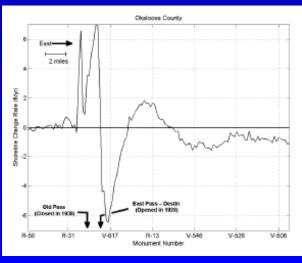
# **Shoreline Change**

- Several shoreline change studies for coasts from New York to Louisiana
- Atlas of Florida shoreline change since the 1800s (Absalonsen and Dean, 2010)









Martin, 1883 - 2008

Sarasota, 1883 - 2008

Okaloosa, 1871 - 2008

# **Shoreline Response to Sea Level Rise**

United the Bruun Rule and Dean Equilibrium to determine shoreline response to sea level rise (to be published, *Coastal Engineering*, 2016)

$$\frac{dy_{T}}{dt} = \frac{1}{(h_{*} + B)} \left\{ -\frac{dS}{dt} \left[ W_{*} + \Delta W_{L} \right] + F + G_{\pm} - \frac{dQ}{dx} - \right\}$$

$$\frac{(h_{*} + B)}{L} \frac{dV_{1}}{dt} + \frac{(h_{*} + B)}{L} \frac{dV_{2}}{dt} - \left\{ -\frac{dS}{dx} - \frac{dQ}{dx} - \frac{dQ}{dx}$$

**Equation uniting Bruun Rule and Dean Equilibrium** 

 Method predicts beach nourishment requirements to maintain stable shorelines with rising sea level

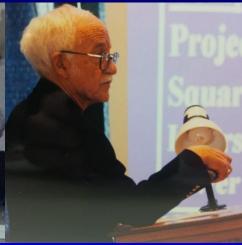


"His research, writing and teaching made him the most influential coastal engineer in the United States."

- Chicago Sun Times













# Professor Robert G. "Bob" Dean

Husband, Father, Scholar,

Mentor, Friend, Genius





