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## **US Army Corps Of Engineers Awards Folly River Maintenance Dredging**

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CHARLESTON, S.C.--- The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District, awarded a \$508,080 maintenance-dredging contract to Cottrell Contracting Corporation, Inc., of Chesapeake, Va., to address shoaling in the Folly River on April 14.

Using a pipeline dredge, Cottrell will remove approximately 124,000 cubic-yards of material from the Folly River to bring the river to a nine-foot depth. The dredged material will be pumped through a pipeline to Folly Beach and designated sites at Bird Key Island.

“This project will not only provide an open channel for local shippers and boaters, but also is an excellent example of beneficial use of dredged materials,” said Elmer Schwingen, Charleston District’s deputy district engineer for project management. “This venture represents a partnership between the Corps of Engineers, the Department of Natural Resources, and Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission.”

Work on the project is expected to begin in May, and Corps officials anticipate that it will take approximately two to three weeks to complete construction.