

# **Project Fact Sheet**

Edisto Beach, SC Colleton County, SC P2#: 113475

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01)

**Appropriation:** Construction

Construction **Business Line:** Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM)

**AUTHORITY** 

Phase:

Section 1401, Water Resource Development Act of 2016 (P.L. 114-322)

## **LOCATION**

Edisto Beach is a barrier island approximately 20 miles southwest of Charleston, South Carolina.

### **DESCRIPTION**

Erosion from coastal storms of all types, but especially named tropical storms and hurricanes, is eroding the land around homes, businesses, and infrastructure, many of which are perilously close to structural failure. State Highway 174 is the only evacuation route island and is routinely subject to over wash and flooding. If not corrected, erosion will continue to threaten other infrastructure such as water and electrical systems. A Chief's Report was signed on 5 September 2014 and includes construction of new dune and berm features and lengthens existing groins along 4.1 miles of beach. The plan provides for coastal storm damage reduction of buildings and other infrastructure; protects the only evacuation route; protects sea turtle and shorebird habitat; preserves existing recreational opportunities; and has the full support of the local sponsor and stakeholder agencies.

#### **STATUS**

As of March 2025 - The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (BBA18) funded initial construction of the federal project. In May 2022, a Validation Report was signed, reaffirming the federal interest in the project. A project revision reduces the project length to 3.3 miles by removing two inlet reaches while still delivering storm protection and damage reduction. The sponsor secured their cost share and signed the Project Partnership Agreement in February 2023. The sponsor received in kind credit for their 2017 lengthening of groins consistent with the federal project. The team is reviewing the 95% design, while the sponsor is working to acquire necessary real estate. Pending successful real estate acquisition, construction is targeted to begin winter 2025.

#### **SPONSOR**

Town of Edisto Beach

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