Charleston District

FY24 AIWW Beneficial Use Sediment Re-handling at Breach Inlet

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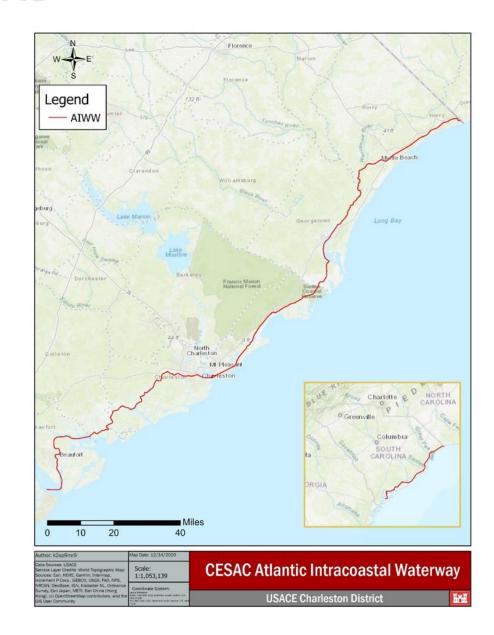
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PROJECT BACKGROUND

- The Atlantic Intercoastal Waterway (AIWW)
 is a Federal project, constructed and
 maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of
 Engineers (Authorized in 1937)
- ~235 miles total length in S.C. (212 is maintained by Charleston District)
- 12' Depth and 90' Wide along its length.
- Periodic maintenance dredging is conducted where shoals exists to maintain navigation at those dimensions (subject to appropriations)
- Breach Inlet Shoal (in AIWW not inlet) is regularly dredged.





PROJECT BACKGROUND

- Breach Inlet Shoal periodically dredged, with material traditionally placed in upland placement areas adjacent to AIWW.
- Sites are then dewatered. When full, dikes are raised using the dredged material to create capacity for future dredging needs.
- The Federal standard for dredging has been to dispose of dredged material at lowest acceptable cost.
- We are now allowed to consider life cycle costs and environmental benefits in the calculation.
- This expands opportunities for beneficial use of dredged material (in this case SAND!)





PROPOSED BENEFICIAL USE PROJECT

US Army Corps OVERVIEW of Engineers

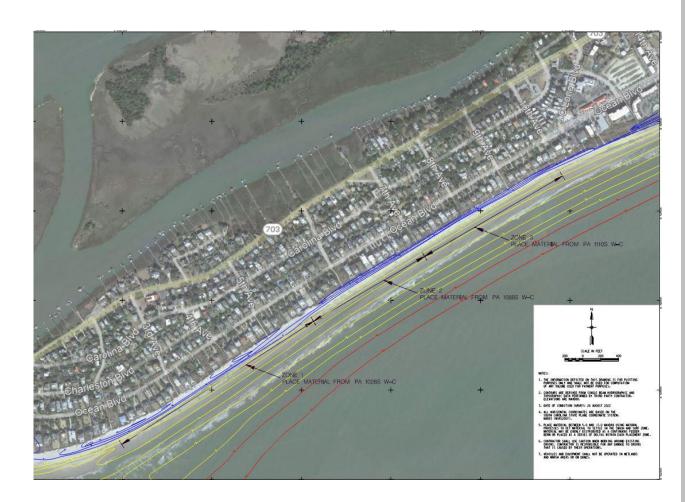
- Primary purpose of the project is to regain capacity in several upland dredge placement areas along the AIWW by removing in-situ sand.
- Material will be beneficially used by placing the sand on nearby beaches at Sullivan's Island and IOP.
- Estimated 500,000+ CY of sand placed on IOP. (Below High Tide)



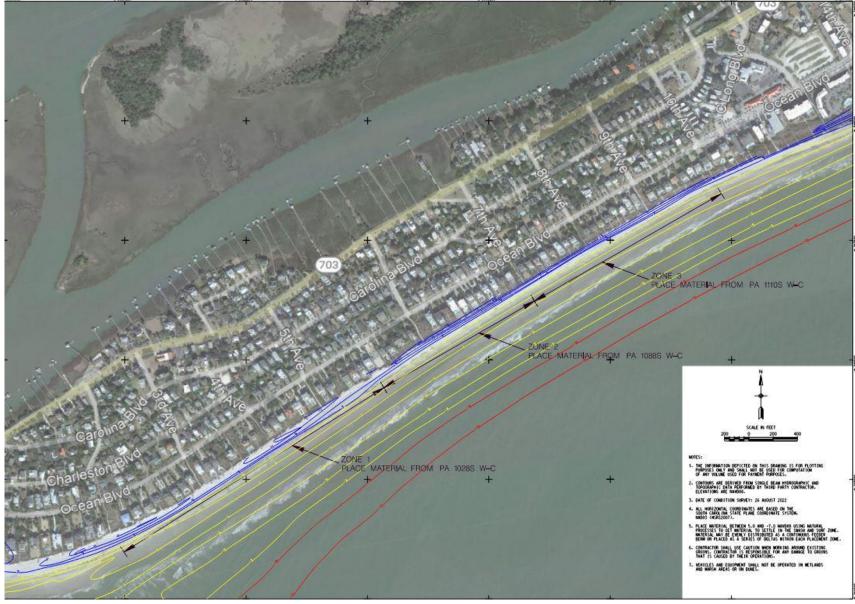


US Army Corps WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- Three placement zones, 2nd to 10th Ave.
- All sand placement will be below high tide in the Surf/Swash Zone.
- Limited heavy equipment and lighting on the beach, managing pipeline, limited grading, etc.
- 24/7 Operations
- ~ 4-month operation at IOP
- Construction period between ~ MAR 2024 AUG 2024



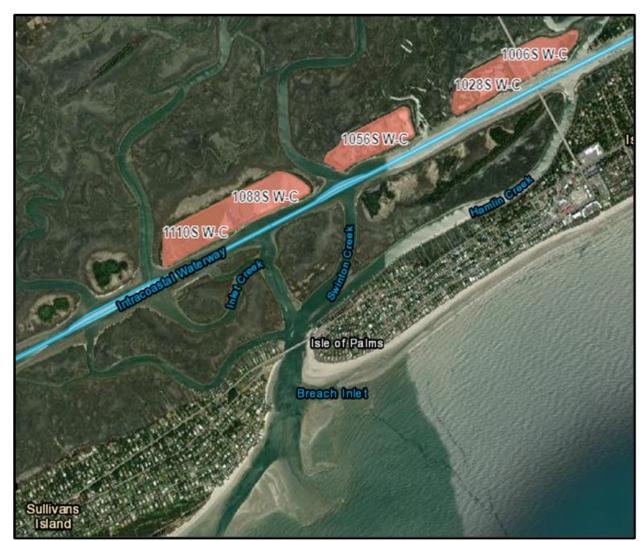






- Award Contract: FEB 23*
- Construction ~ MAR 24 AUG 24*
- Construction period include 1-2 months at Sullivans Island

*dependent receiving awardable bid





- USACE Future Beneficial Use Opportunities
- Project is not a full-scale beach re-nourishment.
- Surf Zone Placement
- Separate & Distinct project.