

**Public Invited to Attend Scoping Meeting on the
Southern Palm Beach Island Comprehensive Shoreline Stabilization Project
Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will hold one public meeting to receive comments on the scope of the Southern Palm Beach Island Comprehensive Shoreline Stabilization Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Notice of Intent for this EIS is available at the following web address:

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-07-03/pdf/2013-16027.pdf>

The EIS will evaluate the potential impacts of sand placement on an area of beach and dune along the Atlantic shoreline in Palm Beach County, Florida. The Town of Palm Beach (Town) and Palm Beach County (County) have proposed to construct a project including beach nourishment and dune restoration between R-128+955 and R-138+551 with sand placement and the construction of seven (7) low profile, shore-perpendicular groins (groin field). All sand is proposed to be sourced from an upland sand mine. The Town of Palm Beach—South Reach 8 Project—does not include structures and extends from FDEP monument R-128+955 to R-134+135. The Town proposes to place approximately 74,300 cubic yards of beach quality sand in this area. Palm Beach County—Central Palm Beach County Comprehensive Erosion Control Project—includes construction of a groin field as well as sand placement between approximately R- 135+195 and R-137. The groins would be located landward of the nearshore and offshore hardbottom. Approximately 75,000 cubic yards of beach quality sand is proposed to be placed between R-134+135 and R-135+551 to elevate the existing berm.

The public is invited to participate in an open exchange of information and submission of comments on the scope of the EIS, the alternatives to be considered and the environmental and socioeconomic issues to be addressed. **The scoping comment period ends September 3, 2013.**

The meeting will be held August 12, 2013, 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm at:

**Town of Palm Beach Council Chambers, 2nd floor
Town Hall, 360 South County Road
Palm Beach, Florida**

Meeting Schedule

5:30 pm	Registration, sign up to present oral comments, opportunity to review exhibits/information.
6:00 pm	Meeting begins with a presentation of information on the EIS
6:30 pm	Public is invited to ask questions on the EIS process
7:00 pm	Public may provide oral comments on scope of the EIS
8:00 pm	Meeting ends

Written comments may also be submitted to:

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