# City Council Update 2025 Clam Bayou Dune Recovery Project

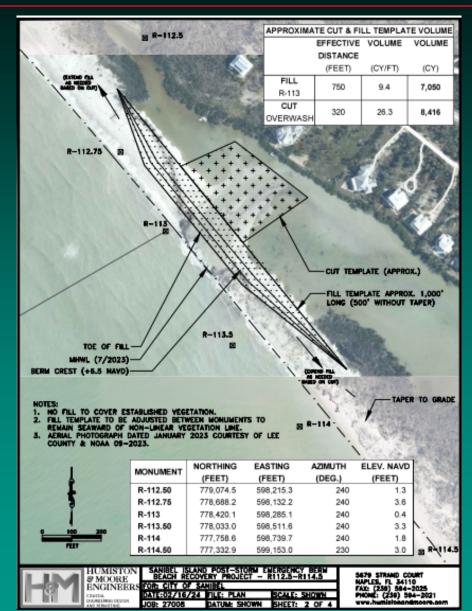


City Council—May 6, 2025



Holly Milbrandt City of Sanibel Natural Resources Director Brett Moore
Humiston & Moore Engineers
Project Engineer





- Planned to recover ~8,400 cubic yards of overwashed sand from Clam Bayou to restore the beach dune
- Required State & Federal Permits
  - FDEP Emergency Order Authorization
  - USACE Emergency Permit: NOT ISSUED



Without a USACE permit, the Scope of Work was reduced to recover only the sand above mean high water







- Phase I: April 22-April 26, 2024
- Recovered ~4,116 cubic yards
- Cost: \$54,000 construction & monitoring (100% FDEP Funded)
- Contractor: Earth Tech Enterprises, Fort Myers

#### **Summer 2024**

Constructed berm is flattened and breached by surges from TS Debby, Hurricane Helene & Hurricane Milton. Sand and tidal waters push into Clam Bayou.







# Clam Bayou

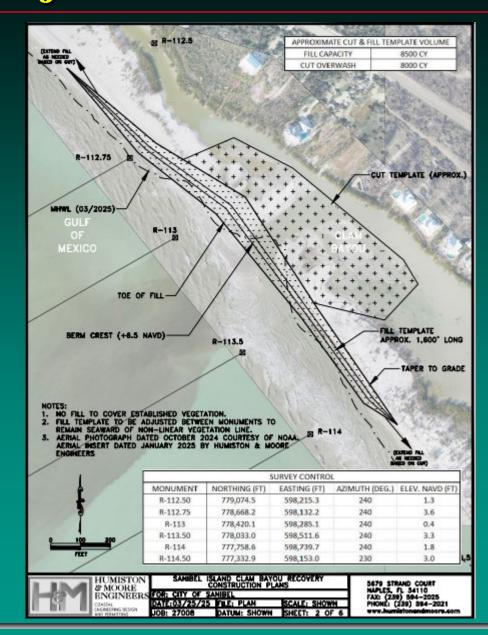
- Significant shoreline changes continue during winter 2025
- Breach closes in March 2025, Gulf waters still overtop the beach at high tide







- 2025 TDC-funded Annual Beach Erosion Survey conducted in Feb/Mar 2025
- Survey data used to prepare updated construction plans
  - Recovered sand quantity approximately 8,500 cubic yards
- USACE issues Emergency Permit (Hurricanes Helene & Milton) on 3/7/2025; State authorization under FDEP EFO
- City Council approves construction proposal from Earth Tech on April 1, 2025



- Construction: April 7-April 16, 2025
- Recovered ~7,775 cubic yards
- Cost: ~\$79,200 construction & monitoring (100% FDEP Funded)
- Contractor: Earth Tech Enterprises, Fort Myers









## Help Wanted!

On Saturday May 17, the City is partnering with SCCF Coastal Watch and MANG to plant 1500 mangroves to help solidify the shoreline!



Bowman's Beach Park, Bowman's Beach
 Parking, 1700 Bowmans Beach Rd, Sanibel, FL
 33957, USA

Clam Bayou Mangrove Planting

Visit <a href="https://dash.pointapp.org/events/337142">https://dash.pointapp.org/events/337142</a> to register.

## **Project Team**

- ✓ Humiston & Moore Engineers Naples, FL
- ✓ Earth Tech Enterprises
  Fort Myers, FL
- ✓ Oceanside Solutions Satellite Beach, FL
- ✓ SCCF-Shorebird & Sea Turtle Monitoring; Coastal Watch Mangrove Planting
- ✓ City of Sanibel
- ✓ Sanibel Captiva Beach Resorts— Equipment Staging/Contractor parking

