

Estero Island Beach Restoration Project

We apologize for the inconvenience as we try to restore the beach.

Please be aware of construction activity on the beach expected through October. The work is part of a Lee County sponsored project to restore 1.2 miles of shoreline from Bowditch Point Regional Park to the Crescent Beach Family Park located just south of Times Square. Approximately 420,000 cubic yards will be hydraulically dredged from the Gulf to add approximately 236 feet of beach along the project area. (This is enough sand to cover a football field 25 stories high.)



Heavy equipment or Bulldozers will be placing sand as it flows from the pipeline on a 24-hr a day basis.

A submerged pipeline carries the sand from the dredge to the shore. The pipeline is marked with red buoys and is dangerous to play around. It is a plastic based pipe but has metal anchor weights to help keep it submerged.

A rock jetty is also being constructed on the north end of Fort Myers Beach. The jetty will be made of limestone rock and vinyl sheetpile. The outer layer of rock is comprised of individual pieces ranging in weight from 0.75 tons to 2.5 tons (1,500 lbs to 5,000 lbs). The jetty will help keep sand from eroding into the Matanzas Pass navigation channel and reduce the need for dredging the channel.



The approximate construction cost is near \$4.2 million with contributions from the State of Florida, Town of Ft. Myers Beach, West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND), and Lee County.

For more information please visit www.lee-county.com and follow the Estero Island link.

Please help us avoid injuries and stay clear of the work area.