ESTERO RIVER SEDIMENTATION ANALYSIS PROJECT UPDATE

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ESTERO RIVER SEDIMENTATION ANALYSIS

Project Purpose

- > Determine extent of sedimentation.
- Evaluate recommendations to enhance/protect the river.
- Recommendations could include selective sediment removal to balance sediment transport, improve water flow, and maintain navigation.



Village of STERC

ESTERO RIVER SEDIMENTATION ANALYSIS

Phase 1: Data Collection

- Reconnaissance Level Surveys
- Sedimentation Analysis

Phase 2: Preliminary Design

- Detailed Level Surveys
- Preliminary Design of Dredge Cut
- Permit Applications & Processing

Phase 3: Final Design and Construction Management

Current Stage

- Preparations of Plans and Specifications
- Bid Solicitation
- Commencement of Construction









- Channel obstructions to navigation from Stations 0+00 to 34+00 (Sandy Lane Bridge to Sunny Grove docks) are downed tree limbs and low hanging branches.
- Lee County is partnering with SFWMD to remove debris in the reach from Sunny Grove to US 41 Bridge in 2021.











- Sediment Mounding above 0.00' NAVD 88 adjacent to Mariners Cove seawall from Stations 67+00 – 69+00 (200 feet)
- Mound is comprised of poorly graded fine brown sand.







- Sediment mounding around end of seawall located at Station 62+00.
- Mound is comprised of poorly graded fine brown sand.













- This reach of the river currently is currently navigable under normal tidal conditions, however there are areas where sediment is built up on the banks the river.
- > It is recommended to include this area in the permitted template.

- The reach from Stations 90+00 to 118+00 (Holiday Drive Canal to eastern limits of Estero River Heights) has point sources of sedimentation.
- Pelican Sound sediment mound is comprised of poorly graded fine light brownish gray sand.











Pelican Sound Storm Water Runoff Management Area

Corkscrew-Rd-

Google Earth

Biles

Entered at









- 90% of proposed dredge volume is within Estero Bay Aquatic Preserve.
- Conducted environmental resource survey.
 - Total area of sparse oyster clumps was 2.1 acres.
 - Approximately 1 acre of oysters are above -4.0' NAVD 88.
 - Sizes of clumps varied, largest is 10" diameter.
 - Clumps spaced roughly 3' apart on center.
 - Approximately 50-80% of oysters were live in each clump.
 - No other resources impacted.



MITIGATION FOR SIMILAR PROJECTS









SIMILAR PROJECT BUDGETS

- Spring Creek Dredging Project (2018-19)
- > 4,100 cubic yards, Total Project Cost \$640,300
- \$156.17 per cubic yard all in
- NE Hurricane Bay Dredging Project (2020)
- 6,100 cubic yards, Total Project Cost \$429,472
- > \$70.41 per cubic yard all in





PRELIMINARY OPINION OF PROBABLE COST

DREDGING							
Dredge Depth	Total Dredge Volume	Cost Per Cubic Yard	Total Cost	Total Cost with 10% Contingency			
-4.0 ft NAVD 88	11,800 yd ³	\$105.00	\$1,239,000	\$1,362,900			
-4.5 ft NAVD 88	21,200 yd ³	\$105.00	\$2,226,000	\$2,448,600			

MITIGATION							
Dredge Depth	Impact Area	Cost Per Square Foot	Total Cost	Total Cost with 10% Contingency			
-4.0 ft NAVD 88	41,628 ft ²	\$7.00	\$291,400	\$320,540			
-4.5 ft NAVD 88	67,132 ft²	\$7.00	\$470,000	\$517,000			

TOTAL COST ESTIMATE								
Dredge Depth	Dredging Cost with 10% Contingency	Mitigation Cost with 10% Contingency	Total Cost					
-4.0 ft NAVD 88	\$1,362,900	\$320,540	\$1,683,440					
-4.5 ft NAVD 88	\$2,448,600	\$517,000	\$2,965,600					

STEPS GOING FORWARD

- > Village/stakeholders to review and approve proposed plan. (Day 0-30)
- Submit permit applications: (Day 30-60)
 - United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
 - > Florida and Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP).
 - > Schedule site visits and meetings with agencies and stakeholders as needed.
- Permit Processing (Day 60-425+)
- > Prepare contract documents for contractor solicitation. (90 Days from Permit Issuance)
- Construction (100 Days, based on a production rate of 120 cubic yards per day)