

Beach Restoration Plan Summer of 2011

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Late last week it came to our attention that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be engaging in beach restoration in Fenwick Island early this summer. Beach restoration is periodically necessary to restore and maintain the size and breadth of our beach resulting from storm erosion. We thought it was important to make sure everyone is aware of the project.

It is our understanding that the Fenwick Island portion of the project was originally scheduled to be performed over the winter months and was to be completed by early May. Due to a scheduling issue that developed between the Corps and the company that performs this work, the dates were changed.

The beach restoration is now slated to begin on June 1st with completion around July 4th. It is hard to imagine a more inconvenient time for this work to be done but the Corps must work within the scheduling availability of the company it hired for the job. Some “rolling beach closures” will occur as the work progresses; this means the beach will be closed on certain streets while the sand is spread. When that section is completed, they will move on to the next section.

We have not been provided with the scheduled dates, times and locations of the restoration project so please try to refrain from calling our office for this information. This letter contains all of the information we have learned thus far. However, it is our understanding from a postcard sent by the Town to ocean front owners that, in the future, more information may be found on the Town’s web site (www.fenwickisland.delaware.gov).

We are thankful that our beach continues to benefit from beach restoration efforts. We are all looking forward to a wonderful summer in Fenwick Island and, as an added bonus, it appears we will be able to do so with a wider beach.

Kind Regards,

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