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July 27, 2023

Colonel Benjamin A. Bennett, Commander US Army Corps of Engineers, Wilmington District 69 Darlington Avenue Wilmington, NC 28403

Subject: Town of Surf City Coastal Storm Risk Management Project

Dear Colonel Bennett:

This letter serves as acknowledgment of the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) intent to construct the Surf City portion of the previously authorized Surf City and North Topsail Beach Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM) project for the Town of Surf City and its impact on the Town of North Topsail Beach. The Town of North Topsail Beach has elected not to participate as a cost sharing sponsor of this project and has previously sent the Corps written notice of that election. Based on the discussions with the District and the Town of Surf City, North Topsail Beach understands that the project transition between the two towns will extend approximately 1,000 ft into the southern town limit of North Topsail Beach and include a tapered placement of sand into this transition area. This is being done to provide maximum CSRM protection for the Town of Surf City. The Town of North Topsail Beach understands that the Town of Surf City will commit to securing necessary easements as well as providing all necessary local funding to uphold commitments regarding the project, including that portion of the project that extends into North Topsail Beach. The Town of North Topsail Beach agrees to cooperate fully with the Town of Surf City in this matter and will help to communicate with its residents at the appropriate time regarding this portion of the project.

The Town looks forward to our continued partnership with the Wilmington District.

Sincerely,

Alice Derian, ICMA-CM

Town Manager