



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION and GROWTH MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT **Natural Resources Planning & Management Division** Mailing Address: 115 South Andrews Avenue, Room #329H, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301 954-519-1270 • FAX 954-519-1496

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Dear Interested Party:

Re: Broward County Segment II Shore Protection/Beach Nourishment Project Environmental Assessment Scoping Meeting

Broward County and the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers are proposing a shore protection (beach nourishment) project within Segment II of Broward County. The project is located along two stretches of shoreline within Segment II, which lies between Hillsboro Inlet and Port Everglades Inlet. The northern project area extends from R-36 (SE 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Pompano Beach) to R-43 (Ocean Colony Condo, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea) and the southern project area extends from R-51 (just south of Commercial Pier, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea) to R-72 (Terramar Street, Ft. Lauderdale) for a total of approximately 5 miles.

A scoping meeting to present and discuss the production of an Environmental Assessment (EA) document pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the proposed project will be held on May 2, 2012, starting at 6:00 PM, at the Ft. Lauderdale Beach Community Center, 3351 NE 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale. The scoping meeting is being held to present project alternatives and potential project impacts to environmental resources, and to gather comments, concerns and information from individuals and organizations that hold a vested interest in the project.

The alternatives being considered include: 1) no action; 2) beach renourishment with upland sand source truck haul project; 3) beach nourishment with offshore borrow area dredge and fill project; 4) beach nourishment with non-domestic sand source; and 5) beach nourishment, unspecified sand source, with shore-stabilizing structures. Issues that are anticipated include concern for nearshore and offshore hardbottom communities, water quality, threatened and endangered species, and cultural, commercial, and recreational resources.

We welcome your questions, comments, concerns and suggestions.

Written comments should be sent within 30 days of the scoping meeting to the letterhead address, attention Mr. Eric Myers.

Sincerely,

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Eric Myers, ' Natural Resources Administrator

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