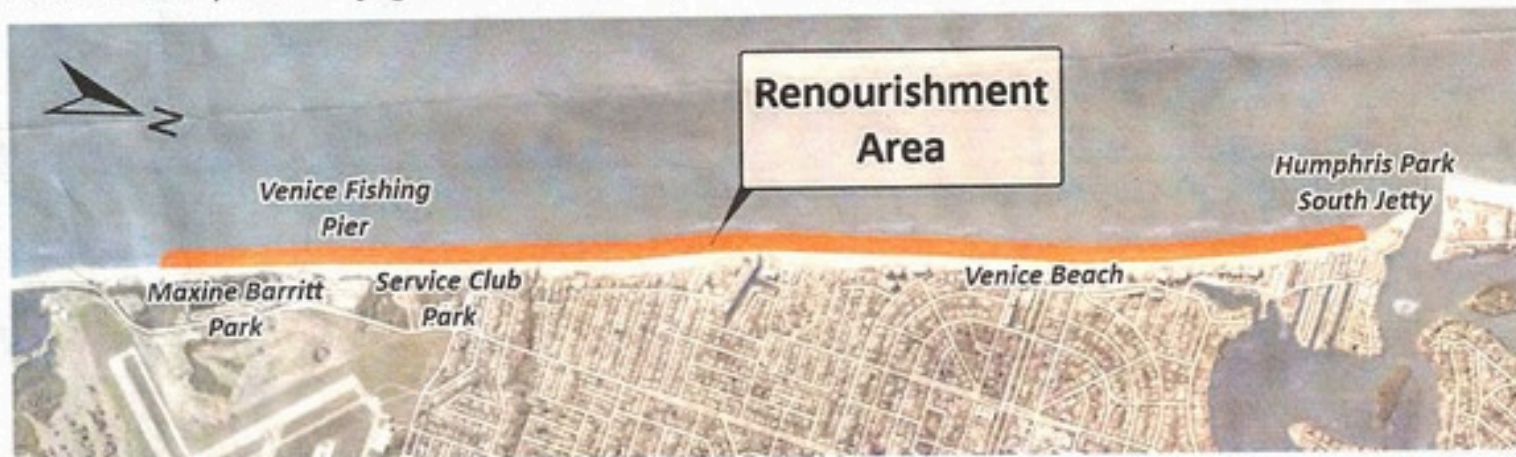




Beach Renourishment

2026 Venice Shore Protection Project

Our Gulf beaches are some of our most valued natural assets. To help protect and preserve them, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will soon begin the 2026 Venice Shore Protection Project. The project will renourish approximately 3.2 miles of critically eroded shoreline. The project area extends from south of Venice Inlet to south of the Venice Fishing Pier. Extensive environmental monitoring, including the relocation of marine turtle nests by Mote Marine Laboratory, is included in the project. The project replaces sand lost since the previous nourishment project in 2015 due to background erosion and storm impacts. The project will restore beach width, preserving sandy areas for critical habitat and public enjoyment as well as protecting upland property and infrastructure.



Project Details:

Managing Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

Contractor: Weeks Marine, Inc.

Construction Contract Cost: \$27,495,000
(100% Federally funded)

Construction Start: May 2026

Construction Completion: September 2026

Follow the progress of the project with updates, photos, FAQs and more at www.bit.ly/4eAmDYT or scan the QR code.



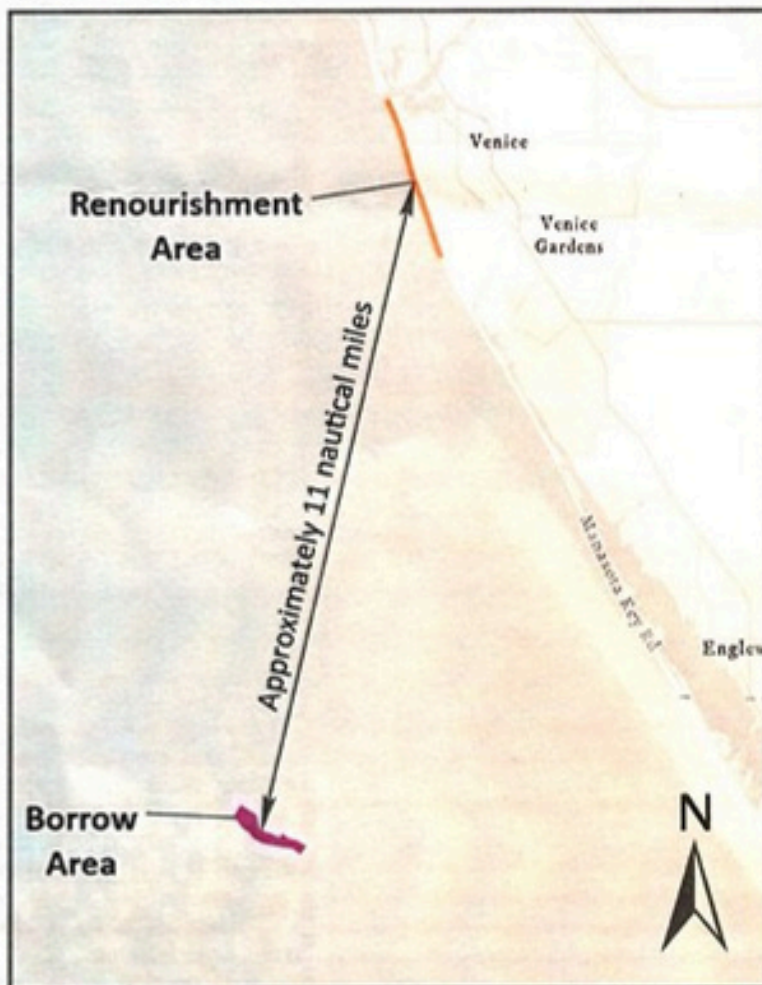
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Beach-compatible sand for the project will be dredged from an offshore borrow area located approximately 11 nautical miles southwest of the center of the project site (off the coast of Englewood). Five existing stormwater outfalls will be extended. Venice locals may begin to see specialized heavy equipment mobilizing by late May 2026. While it is preferable to perform beach renourishment projects outside of sea turtle nesting season, federal funding constraints have forced the USACE to construct the project at this time. During construction, it is anticipated that the contractor will be temporarily closing down an active construction zone in successive 1,000-ft. to 1,500-ft. sections of beach for five to seven days at a time as the new sand is placed. Beaches outside the active construction zone will remain open to the public. Where pipeline is present along the beach, the contractor will construct sand ramps over the pipe at public beach accesses and at intervals of 300-ft. to allow beachgoers to reach the Gulf. A portion of the parking lot and beach access paths north and south of the Venice Pier will be closed for equipment staging and access throughout construction.



2015 Project-Before



2015 Project-After

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