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EMERGENCY BERM PROJECT AT SOUTH BEACH DELAYED UNTIL JUNE 5TH

(May 26, 2023) Following Hurricane Ian, the County approved an emergency berm project to restore the beaches and protect residents and buildings from storm surge. Collier County contractors will begin the emergency beach berm project in the City of Marco Island on June 5th at 7:00am. The original start date was May 30th but the project has been delayed one week. Approximately 37,000 tons of sand will be added to the beach from Cape Marco located at 930 Cape Marco Drive, north to Eagles Nest located at 410 South Collier Blvd. The project is expected to last two weeks.

There will be 20-30 dump trucks lining South Collier Blvd. each morning of the project between 6:00am – 8:00am. Trucks will be entering South Beach through Cape Marco throughout the day reducing traffic along South Collier Blvd. to one lane. Marco Island Police Department and the contractor's flagmen will help direct traffic and ensure pedestrians can cross the street safely. The County's parking lot at Swallow Ave. and the pedestrian beach boardwalk will not be impacted. Please drive, walk, and bicycle with caution and be aware of heavy truck traffic in the area.

The County will have sea turtle monitors on the beach each morning providing a report to the contractors. The monitoring team will rope off any sea turtle nests and report those locations to the contractors who will avoid working in those areas.

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