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**Re: Letter of Permission (LOP) for Maintenance of the Existing Southern Groin, Atlantic Ocean, Sea Island, Glynn County, Georgia.**

Dear Mr. Bucey:

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your request dated November 20, 2018 for maintenance of the existing southern groin in Shore Protection Act jurisdiction located along Sea Island. Maintenance is required due to damage sustained from Hurricane Matthew, Hurricane Irma, and other recent storm events. This project will begin no sooner than 15 days from the date of this letter and must be completed no later than February 28, 2018.

The existing southern groin was authorized and modified via Shore Protection Committee Permits #149, #184, #238, and #239. The proposed work will be conducted to restore the serviceable structure to authorized dimensions and to maintain the permitted function and use. The maintenance activities include the placement of 1.0 to 3.2 ton armor stone over existing rip rap and exposed Campbell blocks. All work will be conducted within the authorized footprint. Access to the project area will occur through the existing DNR approved vehicular access route. The work will be conducted on the south side of the existing groin from the beach at low tide and from the existing beach access route on the north side of the groin.

The Department authorizes the maintenance on the existing southern groin as depicted in the attached description and drawings, provided all Best Management Practices (BMPs) should be used. **No unauthorized equipment, materials, or debris may be placed, disposed of, or stored in jurisdictional areas.** Any incidental damage to dune vegetation will require restoration to be coordinated through this office. This LOP is valid for the above referenced project. Any change in the use, location, dimensions, or configuration of the approved project, without prior notification and approval from this office could result in revocation of this permission and in the required removal of the related structures.

This LOP does not relieve you from obtaining any other required federal, state, or local permits. If you have any further questions or concerns in regards to this or any other projects, please feel free to contact Josh Noble at (912) 264-7218.

Sincerely,

Karl Burgess  
Assistant Director

Enclosures: Description and Drawing  
File: LOP20180182

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**Date:** November 20, 2018 at 4:43:03 PM EST

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**Cc:** Bill McHugh <[BillMcHugh@seaisland.com](mailto:BillMcHugh@seaisland.com)>

**Subject:** Sea Island Groin Repair

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Sarah and Karl:

Sea Island Acquisition, LLC will be commencing maintenance on the existing south groin to repair damage sustained from Hurricane Matthew, Hurricane Irma, and other unnamed but common storms and their accompanying rough seas. The work will be conducted to restore the structure to its authorized dimensions in compliance with Shore Protection Act Permits 149, 184, 238, and 239; and Department of the Army Permit 074 OYN 007315, including its subsequent modifications. Attached is a copy of the authorized drawing pursuant to DOA Permit 074 OYN 007315, depicting the authorized elevation of the groin. Also attached is an exhibit prepared by Thomas & Hutton titled *South Terminal Groin Repair*, dated 9/18/18, depicting the proposed maintenance activities.

As stated in DOA Permit 074 OYN 007315 at General Condition 2:

*2. You must maintain the activity authorized by this permit in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. You are not relieved of this requirement if you abandon the permitted activity, although you may make a good faith transfer to a third party in compliance with General Condition 4 below. Should you wish to cease to maintain the authorized activity or should you desire to abandon it without a good faith transfer, you must obtain a modification of this permit from this office, which may require restoration of the area.*

As stated in the Shore Protection Act, O.C.G.A. 12-5-237(a):

*No person shall construct or erect any structure or construct, erect, conduct, or engage in any shoreline engineering activity or engage in any land alteration which alters the natural topography or vegetation of any area with the jurisdiction of this part, except in accordance with the terms and conditions of a permit therefore issued in accordance with this part. A permit may authorize the construction or maintenance of the project proposed in an application. After construction of a project pursuant to a permit, the project may be maintained without an additional permit so long as it does not further alter the natural topography or vegetation of the site or increase the size or scope of the project, and remains in a serviceable condition.*

The groin is currently serviceable and requires the proposed routine maintenance to maintain its permitted use and function, and to comply with the above permit requirements. Although the existing structure is generally sound and has performed exceptionally well considering that it was installed over 26 years ago, rough seas due to storms and normal settling of the unconsolidated beach substrate mandates that the proposed activity be conducted periodically. The proposed maintenance includes the placement of 1.0 to 3.2 ton armor stone over existing rip-rap and exposed Campbell blocks to return the structure to its previously authorized width and elevations. All work will be conducted within authorized dimensions, and any temporary construction impacts will be returned to their pre-construction condition. Access to the project area will occur through the existing DNR approved beach access

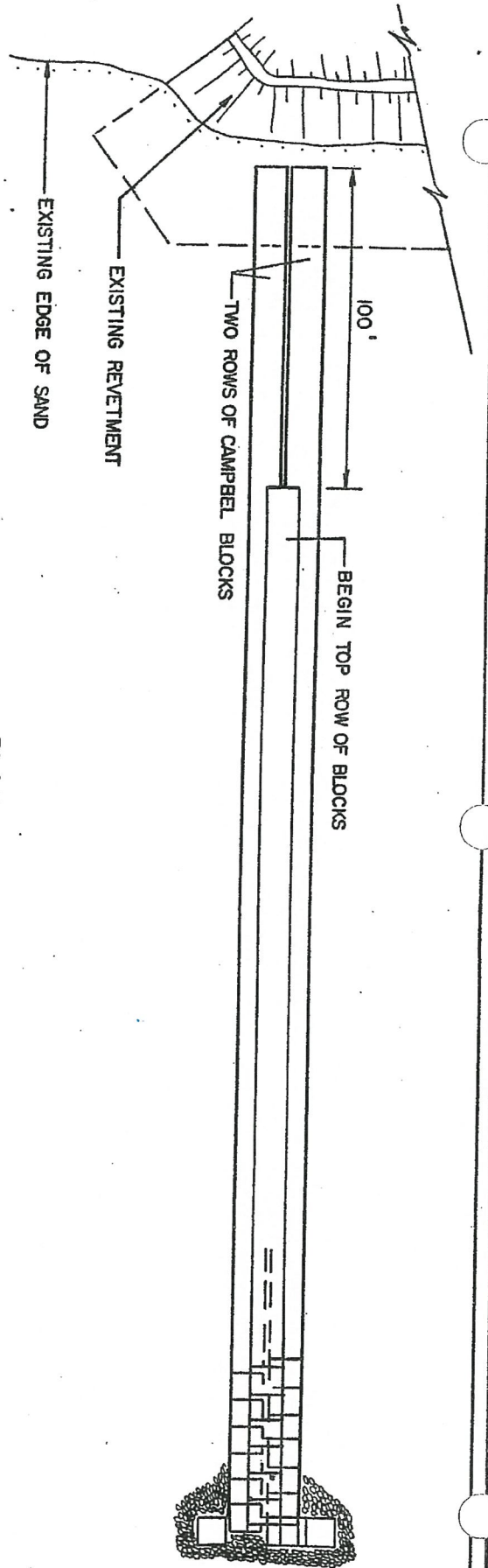
location, and work will be conducted on south side of groin from exposed beach at low tide, and from existing beach access road on the north side of the groin.

Due to the upcoming winter season and the increased frequency of winter storms, and to avoid construction during sea turtle nesting season, the work is proposed to commence immediately and be completed within 60 days.

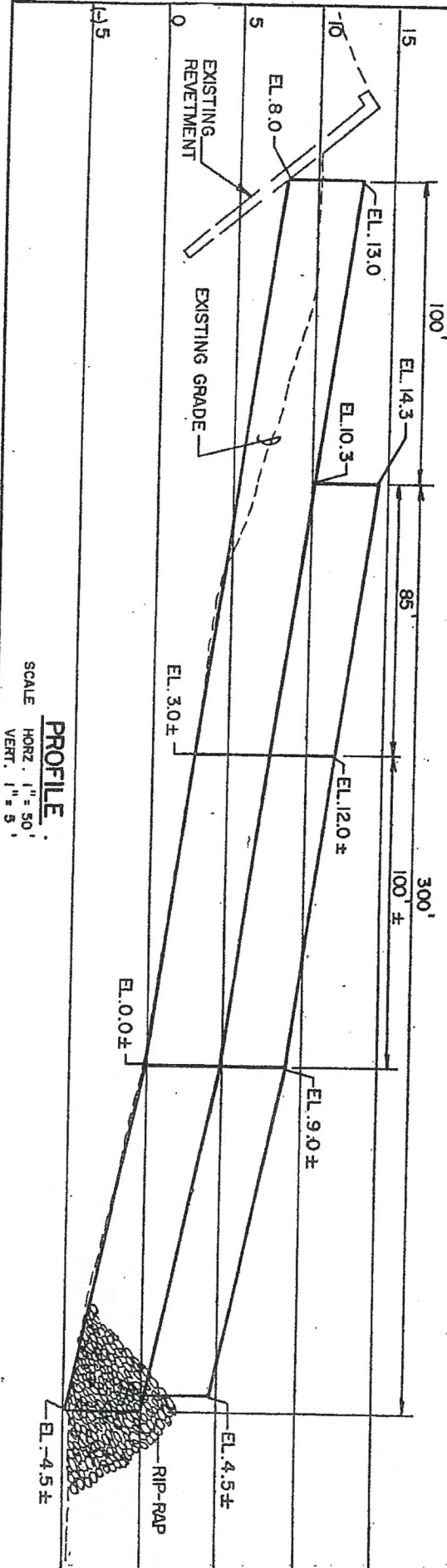
If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,  
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**PLAN**  
SCALE 1" = 50'



**SOUTH GROIN**

DATE: SEPT. 22, 1989

SHEET 8 OF 9

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SOURCE: THOMAS & HUTTON ENGINEERING CO.

DATUM: M.L.W.

PROPOSED ACTIVITY:  
SEA ISLAND BEACH NOURISHMENT

COUNTY:  
GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA.

APPLICANT:  
SEA ISLAND CO. P.O. BOX 357  
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