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San Clemente Shoreline Sand Replenishment Project to Restart in Spring

March 20, 2024... San Clemente, California.... The City of San Clemente's 50-year beach sand replenishment project, developed in partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and California State Parks, moved one step closer to restarting this spring.

The sand replenishment project started on December 21, 2023 and was paused on January 9, 2024 due to sediment quality issues. At its March 19, 2024 meeting, the City Council unanimously approved a modification to the project to support the use of an alternate "borrow site" (source of sand). With this modification, the USACE will direct the contractor to return to San Clemente in mid to late April to complete the beach sand project following completion of beach sand projects in Solana Beach & Encinitas in San Diego County.

Protection of the sandy, walkable public beach is a top City priority and is essential to maintaining the high quality of life in San Clemente. The beach is an important asset and amenity which supports long-term community character and vitality for residents and visitors. The federal beach sand project serves as the foundation of the City's efforts to implement a comprehensive, city-wide, beach sand replenishment and retention program to address coastal erosion and ensure long term coastal resiliency in San Clemente.

The City of San Clemente greatly appreciates the continued support and cooperation of the community. More information on the Project is available at www.san-clemente.org/beachsand.

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