## **Beach Nourishment**









### **Coastal Processes Overview**



- Net movement of sand on our beaches is from North to South
- Lake Worth Inlet interrupts the natural flow of sand to the beaches to the south
- The program is based on maximizing sand bypassing around the inlet and nourishment to offset ongoing and historic losses
- Two major nourishment projects: Mid-Town and Phipps Park

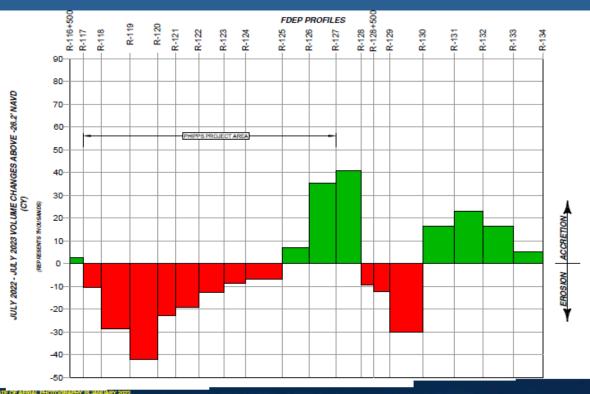
## Beach Management Agreement (BMA)



- Agreement with State regulatory agencies to provide expedited approvals for selected projects
- BMA covers coastal shoreline from Lake Worth Inlet to South Lake Worth Inlet (approx. 15 miles)
- BMA includes requirements for physical monitoring of projects and coastal system conditions
- The area is sub-divided into 10 Reaches (areas)
- Activity and annual monitoring is limited to the northern 8 Reaches (Approximately 12.2 miles)

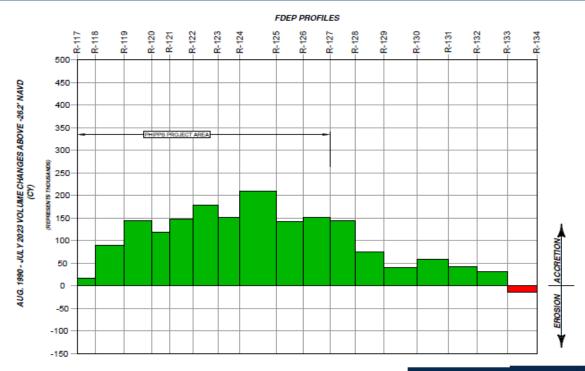
## Reaches 7 & 8 (One Year)





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# Current Program Status (Relative to 1990 Conditions)



- Net Volume Gain: 5.15 Million cubic yards
- Net Shoreline Advance: +38.3 feet
- Sand is not evenly distributed throughout the Town
- Beach nourishment provides an infusion of sand in locations where permits allow
- Areas with nearshore hardbottom are harder to address
- Program is working

# Phipps Ocean Park (Reach 7 and 8 Renourishment)





# Potential Access Through Lake Worth Beach





## **Tidal Gauges**





### Town of Palm Beach Water Level Monitoring

- Woods Hole Group installed two stations on the Lake Worth side of Palm Beach on December 12, 2023.
- The purpose is to provide site-specific measurements of water level where previously no data were available.
- The measurements:
  - Record actual water levels corresponding to events of interest (e.g., King Tides, sunny flooding, storms with surge in the Lake, etc.).
  - Start to build a long-term record of water level to assist with future planning and engineering in the changing climate.
  - Can be used to distinguish the influence of storms and other climate events on water levels beyond normal tides.
  - Do not forecast water levels into the future.
- Data are publicly available.





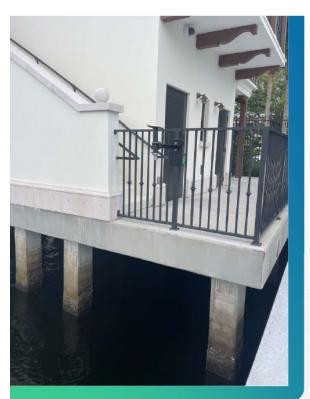


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· Water Level Sensor installed on the dock railing



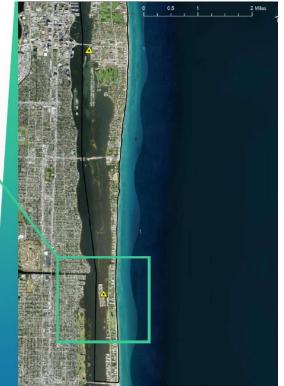




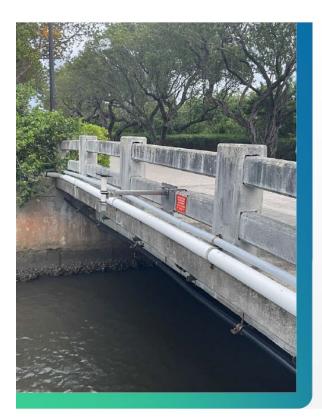


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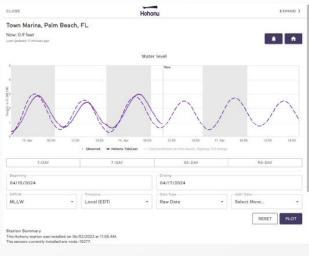


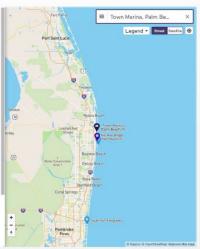






#### Hohonu Real-Time Data Portal





- Free access to real-time water levels relative to station-specific MLLW datum.
- Includes a 4-day tidal prediction, specific to each station.
- Includes tide data and prediction at nearest NOAA Station at Lake Worth Pier.
- Can set up text alerts for high water levels.
- Can use API for integration to Town website.





### Hohonu Mobile (iOS) App TideCast







- Free TideCast iOS app available in Apple App Store.
- Includes live tide data, tidal predictions, and weather at each station.
- Also includes nearest NOAA stations.

