

Beach Briefs - September 7, 2010

We Can't Lose the Beach

Part 1

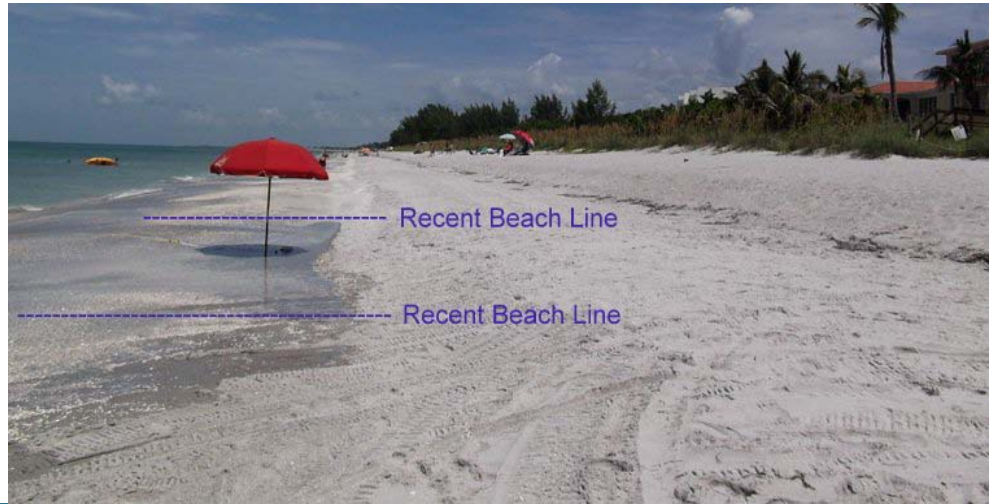
CEPD's mission is to preserve beach and shoreline, but **YOU** play a role in keeping Captiva's beach as one of the top 10 beaches in Florida (www.lovetoknow.com). With another nourishment project in the offing, a referendum to approve this project is on the November 2 ballot (see "Important Dates" below). The next few issues of *Beach Briefs* will be devoted to keeping you informed about issues relating to the referendum and what you can do so that we don't lose the beach.

Beach erosion occurs over time. However, storms may accelerate it. The before and after pictures below illustrate the damage that even a relatively minor storm can cause.

The beach in front of the Hagerup Parking Lot on Captiva after nourishment in 2006.



The same beach after a storm in mid-August 2010.



What You Need to Know and Do

Like any other major infrastructure, restored beaches must be maintained to stay healthy. Captiva's beach was last renourished in 2005-2006, and after three and a half years, the project has had an average shoreline retreat of 7.9 feet per year. This erosion requires a nourishment plan to restore and maintain Captiva's shoreline in 2013-2014.



The CEPD is authorized on behalf of Captiva to obtain funding to meet the costs of beach nourishment projects provided that such funding is first approved by the voters of the District in a referendum. The CEPD Commissioners passed a resolution to move forward with the current project calling for the referendum question to be placed on the November 2, 2010 ballot. This *Beach Briefs* provides important information on voting and voting deadlines.

Who Can Vote?

By law, only Captivans registered to vote on Captiva can vote in the referendum.

How to Register to Vote

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION BELOW. PLEASE PRINT USING A BLACK BALLPOINT PEN.

1) Black boxes must be completed on the application below for registration to be valid. 2) Return this completed application to the office of your supervisor of elections. 3) If you are a first-time voter in this state applying by mail to register to vote and you have not been issued a FL DL#, FL ID#, or SSN, include a copy of your ID with the application (see Special Identification Requirements for additional information required). 4) Mail with first-class stamp.

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FLORIDA VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION

OFFICIAL USE ONLY:
DO NOT SIGN HERE

1	Check boxes that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> New Registration <input type="checkbox"/> Address Change <input type="checkbox"/> Party Change <input type="checkbox"/> Name Change <input type="checkbox"/> Card Replacement <input type="checkbox"/> Signature Update			
2	Are you a citizen of the United States of America? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> (If NO, you cannot register to vote)			
3	<input type="checkbox"/> I affirm I am not a convicted felon, or if I am, my rights relating to voting have been restored.			
4	<input type="checkbox"/> I affirm I have not been adjudicated mentally incapacitated with respect to voting or, if I have, my right to vote has been restored.			
IF YOU ANSWERED NO TO QUESTION 2, OR IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO AFFIRM THE STATEMENTS IN BOXES 3 AND 4, YOU ARE INELIGIBLE TO REGISTER TO VOTE. DO NOT COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION.				
5	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) / /			
6	If you have a current and valid FL DL# or FL ID card#, you must provide the number in this box. If you do not have either, provide the last 4 digits of your SSN. If you have not been issued a FL DL#, FL ID card#, or SSN, write "NONE":			
7	Last Name		First Name	
8	Address Where You Live (Legal Residence) (Apt./Condo/Box)		City	
9	Mailing Address (If Different from Above)		City	
10	Address Last Registered to Vote		City	
11	Former Name (if Making Name Change)			Day Phone Number (optional)
12	Party Affiliation (Check only one) <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Party <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Party <input type="checkbox"/> minor party (print registered party name) <input type="checkbox"/> NONE			
13	Race/Ethnicity (Check only one) <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Black, not Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> White, not Hispanic			

1. If you are not currently registered to vote on Captiva, fill out a Florida Voter Registration Application. Go to: <http://election.dos.state.fl.us/pdf/webappform.pdf> to retrieve the application. It will include instructions on how to fill out the form and where to mail it. You can also get an application at the Captiva Library.
2. Print the application and write your information in with a black ballpoint pen.
3. Verify that all of the information is complete and sign your application.
4. Place the application in an envelope with a first class stamp and mail to:
 - Lee County Supervisor of Elections
 - P. O. Box 2545
 - Ft. Myers, FL 33902
5. You may also mail or hand deliver the application to any Supervisor of Elections' office in the state, a driver's license office, a voter registration agency, an armed forces recruitment office, or the Division of Elections.
6. If your application is complete and you qualify as a voter, the Supervisor of Elections will mail you a voter information card as official notification that you are registered to vote. Make sure all of the information on your card is correct.
7. If you do not receive your card within 8 weeks, or if you have any questions, call the Lee Country Supervisor of Elections at (239) 533-8683.

The last day to register for the November 2 General Election is October 4, 2010.

Voting by Mail (Absentee Ballot)

How to Request a Ballot by Mail

You can request a Ballot by Mail (absentee ballot) by calling (239) 533-6919 or downloading the form (click on: <http://mycepd.com/images/BallotbyMail.pdf>) completing it, and either faxing it back to the telephone number on the form or mailing it to the address indicated on the form. The last day to request a Ballot by Mail by telephone is Tuesday, October 26.

Any registered voter in Lee County may request a Ballot by Mail. Requests for these ballots may be submitted for single, multiple, or all elections within a calendar year. Only the voter, a designated member of his/her immediate family, or legal guardian can request a ballot for the voter.



Returning a Ballot by Mail

Completed Ballots by Mail cannot be accepted at polling places. If you have received a Ballot by Mail and then choose to vote in person at an early voting site or on Election Day, you must surrender the ballot you received in the mail.

Completed ballots must be returned in person or by mail no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day to:

Supervisor of Elections Fort Myers Main Office
2480 Thompson St - 3rd Floor
Fort Myers, FL

Early Voting

Early voting is available for any qualified voter who appears at a designated early voting site between October 18 and October 30, 2010. The voter must present both picture and signature identification.

Locations of Early Voting Offices



*Lee County
Supervisor of Elections*



Fort Myers Main Office 2480 Thompson St - 3rd Floor Fort Myers, FL 239-LEE-VOTE	Cape Coral Branch Office 1031 S E 9th Pl. #3 Cape Coral, FL 239-533-7031	Bonita Springs Branch Office Coconut Commerce Center 24951 Old U S 41 Rd. Bonita Springs, FL 239-949-1581	Election Center Branch Office 13180 S Cleveland Avenue Fort Myers, FL 239-533-6918
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Important Dates

Last Day to Register to Vote	10/2			
Town Hall Meeting	10/19	1:00 p.m.	'Tween Waters Inn	Wakefield Room
Regular Board Meeting and Apportionment Hearing	10/20	12:00 p.m.	South Seas Resort	Auger Room
Last Day to Request a Ballot by Mail	10/27			
Referendum Vote	11/2	All day	Captiva Community Ctr.	
Regular Board Meeting	11/19	12:00 p.m.	'Tween Waters Inn	Wakefield Room

Commissioners

Chair:	Michael Mullins	Secretary	Henry A. Kaiser
Vice Chair:	Doris Holzheimer	Treasurer	Dave Jensen
	Rene Miville		

Senior Administrative Consultant

Kathy Rooker

The Captiva Erosion Prevention District is comprised of 5 elected, unpaid Commissioners dedicated to preserving and maintaining Captiva's beaches and shorelines. For more information on CEPD, visit

[our website](#) at mycepd.com or join our email list at: mycepd@gmail.com

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