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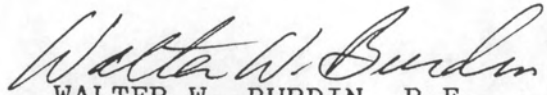
FOR Les Currie, DX

SUBJECT: Dauphin Island Erosion Problem - Action Item, 28-30
January 1992 Congressional Visits

1. I have a neighbor, Mr. Henderson Young, who is a member of the Dauphin Island Park and Beach Board (DIPPB). I called him, since he was easier to reach than Mike Henderson at the DIPPB office.
2. He told me that their erosion problems have continued and appear to have worsened. The beach at the fort is gone and they are seriously considering closing the road behind the beach. They had some dirt dumped in the eroding areas a few months ago but it has all disappeared.
3. The sand placed in the park area by the oil exploration company last year has almost all eroded away. The water around the park pier is deepening. This has reached the point where they are worrying about the possible collapse of the pier. Sand Island has shifted even closer to Dauphin Island and is beginning to appear that it will join DI soon.
4. He was apparently not aware of all of the information we have furnished Mike Henderson, so I offered to give it to him. On 11 February 1992, I stopped by his house and left with his wife a copy of the letter we wrote Senator Heflin in December 1991, a copy of a discussion on possible study authorities I had prepared some time ago, and copies of the Continuing Authority and Federal Project brochures.
5. I have explained to him that we have exhausted all of the quick-fix options available to us. Their biggest problem is that the DIPBB cannot sponsor a project and they have not been able to persuade any qualified political entity to come to their aid.

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6. During my contacts with Mr. Young, I was not aware that, at Major Heuer's request, we are in the process of initiating Section 14 investigations for the two problem areas discussed above. Fund allocation paperwork was received on 12 February 1992. I have so informed Mr. Young.



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