DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
MOBILE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P.O. BOX 2288
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November 4, 1998

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Plan Development and Floodplain
Management Section
Planning and Environmental Division

Honorable Jeff Collier
Mayor of Town of Dauphin Island
1011 Bienville Boulevard
Dauphin Island, Alabama 36528

Dear Mayor Collier:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated October 28, 1998, requesting assistance with erosion and flooding problems on the west end of Dauphin Island. A copy of your letter is enclosed for your ready reference.

As you are aware, we have recently initiated a study for beach erosion control under authority of Section 103 of the River and Harbor Act of 1962, as amended, to address the beach erosion problems on the east end of Dauphin Island. One of the first tasks that we plan to accomplish in this study is to define the real estate problems and needs. Because the real estate issues would be the same for the east and west ends of Dauphin Island, once these issues are resolved we will request funds from our South Atlantic Division office in Atlanta, Georgia, to initiate the study on the west end of the island.

We look forward to working with you and others in developing solutions to the water resources problems that you are experiencing. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Johnny L. Grandison, Project Manager, at (334) 694-3804 or e-mail at johnny.l.grandison@sam.usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

Donald M. Conlon
Acting Chief, Planning and
Environmental Division

Enclosure

ENCLOSURE

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FACT SHEET
CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL

STUDY NAME AND STATE: East Dauphin Island Shoreline, AL

CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTION SOURCE: CR 27

DESCRIPTION OF ADDED WORK: Initiate a small beach restoration project on the east end of Dauphin Island.

AUTHORIZATION: Section 103 of the River and Harbor Act of 1962

DECISION DOCUMENT: N/A

RELATIONSHIP TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH POLICY: The Administration supports this project.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Callahan AL-01

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA (000):	Continuing Authorities Feas
Estimated Federal Cost:	$100
Estimated Non-Federal Cost:	$ 0
Cash	(-)
Other	(-)
Total Estimated Cost [1]	$100
Allocation Through FY 98	$ 10
Budget Request for FY 99	$ 90
Conference Amount for FY 99	[2]
Proposed Allocation for FY 99	$ 0
Budget Request for FY 00	$ 0
Balance to Complete after FY 00	$ 0

RECOMMENDED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR ADDED WORK [3]: **Complete small beach restoration project on the east end of Dauphin Island utilizing alternative sand recapture technologies. Conferees encourage the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to work with non-Federal interests to begin near-shore disposal of appropriate dredge material on the east end of Dauphin Island, Alabama**

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[1] The feasibility study is currently being scoped and is being held at funding limits requested by the non-Federal sponsor.

[2] To be funded within available program funds.

[3] This Section 103 feasibility study was initiated in response to similar language in the Fiscal Year 1988 – Water and Energy Appropriations Bill – 105.190.

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October 28, 1998

District Engineer
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers
Mobile District
Attention:CESAM-PD-FP
Post Office Box 2288
Mobile, AL 36628-0001

Dear Sir:

The Dauphin Island shoreline has recently experienced erosion and flooding on its West end. This has impacted public utilities, the primary highway, and residential structures. Your assistance with this problem would be appreciated.

If there are any questions or if more information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Jeff Collier
Mayor

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14 July 1998

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Planning and Environmental Division
Plan Formulation Branch

Honorable Sonny Callahan
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-0101

Dear Mr. Callahan:

Reference is made to a request by Mr. Mike Sharp of your staff for draft legislative language for a demonstration shoreline erosion control program for Dauphin Island, Alabama, that would allow the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, among other things, to conduct a demonstration shoreline erosion control program for Dauphin Island, Alabama. A draft of the requested language is enclosed for your use.

This draft legislation is provided as a drafting service and should not be construed as a Department of the Army or Administration position on this proposal. Under Departmental procedures, the official positions on the merits of this resolution will be developed by the Secretary of the Army in response to a request from the Chairman of the Committee having the resolution under consideration, and then only after coordination with the Office of Management and Budget and other agencies.

If I may be of further assistance, please feel free to call me at (334) 690-2511 or e.mail at david.norwood.col@sam02.usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

J. David Norwood
Colonel, Corps of Engineers
District Engineer

Enclosure

DRAFTING SERVICE —

SUBJECT: ***Dauphin Island, Alabama***
DATE: **July 9, 1998**

BILL LANGUAGE

GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

Using $ 500,000 of the funds appropriated herein, the Secretary of the Army is directed to initiate the National Shoreline Erosion Control Development and Demonstration Program, authorized by Section 5 of An Act authorizing Federal participation in the cost of protecting the shores of publicly owned property", approved August 13, 1946, (33 U.S.C.426e et seq.), as amended by Section 227 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996. Further in accordance with section 5(b)(3)(C) of the act as amended, the Secretary is also directed to designate Dauphin Island, Alabama, as the site on the shoreline of the Gulf of Mexico for carrying out the demonstration program.

LINE ITEM IN HOUSE REPORT
GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

Budget Estimate	House Allowance
National Shoreline Erosion Control Development and Demonstration Program	
$0	$500,000

REPORT LANGUAGE

Includes $500,000 for the Secretary to initiate the National Shoreline Erosion Control Development and Demonstration Program authorized by Section 227 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996.

The draft legislation is provided as a drafting service at your request and should not be construed as an Army or Administration position on this proposal. Under departmental procedures, the official position on the merits of this legislation will be developed by the Secretary of the Army in response to a request from the Chairman of the Committee having the legislation under consideration, and then only after coordination with the Office of Management and Budget and other agencies.

The conference agreement includes a total of $38,500,000 for the Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River, West Virginia, Virginia and Kentucky, project. These funds are to be distributed as follows: $10,000,000 for the Harlan/Clover Fork, Kentucky, element; $1,000,000 for the Cumberland City/Harlan County, Kentucky, element; $1,500,000 for the Williamsburg, Kentucky, element; $5,000,000 for the Middlesboro, Kentucky, element; $4,150,000 for the Pike County, Kentucky, element; $3,850,000 for the Martin County, Kentucky, element; $730,000 for the Town of Martin, Kentucky, element; $920,000 for the Grundy, Virginia, element; $300,000 for the Hatfield Bottom, West Virginia, element; $3,400,000 for the Lower Mingo County (Kermit), West Virginia, element; $4,500,000 for the McDowell County, West Virginia, element; $1,475,000 for the Upper Mingo County, West Virginia, element; and $1,675,000 for the Wayne County, West Virginia, element.

The conference agreement includes $60,000,000 for the Columbia River Fish Mitigation, Washington, Oregon, and Idaho, project instead of $7,758,000 as proposed by the House and $95,000,000 as proposed by the Senate. Funds are provided for phase I only of the John Day Reservoir drawdown study as outlined in the scoping document and report of the Corps of Engineers dated February 22, 1998. Funds are also provided to continue the lower Snake River feasibility study and to continue ongoing construction activity.

The conference agreement includes $11,200,000 for the Section 206 program. Using those funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to proceed with the projects described in the House and Senate reports.

The conference agreement includes $2,000,000 for the Section 103 program. Using those funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to proceed with the project described in the House report.

The conferees recognize the serious erosion problems being experienced on the east end of Dauphin Island, Alabama. To counter this threat to property and habitat, the conferees urge the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, acting in coordination with non-Federal interests, to initiate a small beach restoration project on the east end of Dauphin Island, Alabama, utilizing alternative sand recapture technologies. Additionally, the conferees encourage the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to work with non-Federal interests to begin near-shore disposal of appropriate dredge material on the east end of Dauphin Island, Alabama.

The conference agreement includes $300,000 for the Section 208 program. Using those funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to proceed with the projects described in the House report.

The conference agreement includes $7,000,000 for the Section 14 program. Using those funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to proceed with the projects described in the House and Senate reports.

The conference agreement includes $34,800,000 for the Section 205 program. Using those funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to proceed with the projects described in the House and Senate reports. Of the amount provided for the Section 205 program, $100,000 is for the Port Indian, West Norriton Township, Pennsylvania, project; $100,000 is for studies of flooding problems along

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April 6, 1998

District Engineer
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Mobile District
Attention:CESAM-PD
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Dear Sir:

The Dauphin Island shoreline has been significantly impacted by hurricanes and winter storms during the previous nine months. On July 19, 1997, Hurricane Danny entered Mobile Bay and stalled. This "small" storm produced wind gusts of up to 101 mph recorded at the Dauphin Island Sea Lab. An enormous pocket of rain formed on the western side of the storm and remained stationary for 7 to 9 hours resulting in about 40 inches of rain in the area. This storm had a tremendous detrimental effect on the Dauphin Island shoreline. The damage to the entire area resulted in both Mobile and Baldwin Counties receiving a Presidential Disaster Declaration. The Dauphin Island shoreline has also been subjected to strong winter storms and winter cyclones produced by El Nino events this winter. On February 15, 1998, a winter cyclone produced sustained gale force winds (52 knots) and waves greater than 16 feet resulting in severe beach erosion. The combined effects of Hurricane Danny and the above average winter storm conditions have impacted the shoreline to such an extent that recovery without human assistance is questionable.

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In view of the above, I request that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, undertake an investigation of this situation under authority of Section 103 of the River and Harbor Act of 1962, as amended. The Town of Dauphin Island is willing to serve as the study sponsor.

I understand that the study would be Federally financed and 100% Federally funded to the limit of $100,000. I request that the study cost be kept at or below this amount and that a "no action" alternative be included in the study results and evaluated. We are aware that both the Corps and our responsibilities will be delineated in a Project Cooperation Agreement. If there are any questions or if more information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Jeff Collier
Mayor