



Presque Isle Beach Nourishment

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AUTHORIZATION:

- This project is authorized under WRDA 1986
- The project was established to control erosion along the length of the peninsula and promote continued growth of Gull Point (the ecologically important distal end of the peninsula). It is funded through the Construction General (CG) program,

PROJECT SPONSOR:

- Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)

LOCATION: Erie, Pennsylvania



Aerial view of offshore breakwater project



View of beach requiring nourishment annually to offset erosion

Congressional Member Interest	Key Stakeholder Interest
Representative Mike Kelly R PA-16	PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)
Senator Robert Casey D PA	
Senator Pat Toomey R PA	

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND:

The authorized project at Presque Isle Peninsula consists of the construction of 55 offshore rubble mound breakwaters (completed), and 50 years of beach nourishment. Each year, under normal conditions, the peninsula needs approximately 38,000 cubic yards of additional sand to offset impacts of annual erosion. Since the construction of the breakwaters, the annual nourishment requirement decreased by 75 percent. The project is cost-shared 50-50 with a nonfederal sponsor.

This project is located within Presque Isle State Park which encompasses the peninsula. The park draws over 4 million visitors per year and is a critical asset to the State and region.

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BUDGET INFORMATION:

Authorized Total Project Cost	\$39,919,533.04
Non-Federal Sponsor Cost	13,971,836.56
Federal Cost	\$25,947,696.48
Federal Funding Received Prior to FY24 President Budget	\$39,919,533.04

CURRENT STATUS:

- Federal funding was provided for FY23 through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The non-federal cost-share funds have also been received.
- USACE is currently issuing a solicitation for a sand nourishment contract. This contract is scheduled to be awarded in March, and nourishment activities are scheduled to begin in June.

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