## Brunswick Harbor Modification Project Jekyll Island Fishing Pier Beach Placement Glynn County, Georgia Final Supplemental Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

Appendix K

Jekyll Island Authority Monitoring and Adaptive Management Plan

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS SAVANNAH DISTRICT 100 WEST OGLETHORPE AVENUE SAVANNAH, GEORGIA 31401 March 2024



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Kimberly Garvey, Chief, Planning Branch Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District 100 W. Oglethorpe Avenue Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Ms. Garvey,

Jekyll Island Authority (JIA) is pleased to be partnering with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Savannah District on the Jekyll Island Fishing Pier shoreline nourishment site. This is a historically erosional area and we are appreciative of the coordination regarding implementation of this effort.

We understand that as part of this coordination, resource agencies have indicated the need for post-construction monitoring and adaptive management. JIA is able to commit to the following monitoring and adaptive management activities.

We understand that the Corps will provide quarterly bathymetry surveys and collect GIS imagery of the site during year one post-construction. We are also committing to accomplishing (1) real-time kinematic (RTK) surveys to evaluate elevation changes and (2) the collection of drone orthoimagery, as allowed under approvals through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to monitor sediment movement and tidal creek flows. We also understand that adaptive management may be required based on the conditions of the two adjacent tidal creeks within the saltmarsh during or after placement of the dredged material. We commit to providing labor and handheld equipment as safety and logistical capabilities allow to remove sediment in the event that tidal creek flows are negatively impacted by the migration of dredged sediment beyond the ability for natural tidal and precipitation forces to reopen the creeks. Communication of the monitoring and adaptive management was conveyed verbally and agreed upon with the natural resource agencies on November 8, 2023.

Thank you and looking forward to continued collaboration with the Corps for the shoreline nourishment effort.

Yank Moore, Director of Conservation, Jekyll Island Authority