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PRESS RELEASE

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Pinellas County Contractor Begins Beach Dune Restoration Project

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The City of Indian Rocks Beach is assisting Pinellas County on an Emergency Beach Dune Restoration Project along two zones in Indian Rocks Beach. The two zones are 19th Avenue to 28th Avenue and Whitehurst Avenue to Central Avenue. Access to the beach for construction activities will be the 1st Avenue Beach Access and the 19th Avenue Beach Access in Indian Rocks Beach.

When the project begins the areas under construction will be closed to the public. Once the project begins the public can expect hundreds of trucks per day to deliver sand from a state-approved mine. Extensive traffic delays along Gulf Boulevard can be expected. The project is expected to take approximately sixty (60) days.

After the dunes are built, vegetation will be planted on top which will include sea oats and other native plants. Once the dunes are created and planted the City and Pinellas County ask for the public's help in protecting this major multi-million-dollar dune restoration by **STAYING OFF** the newly created dunes.

Only property owners who have signed a temporary Pinellas County easement will receive sand.

The schedule is available online at <https://pinellas.gov/projects/emergency-beach-erosion-control-project/>. As changes occur the schedule will be updated.

Additional updates will be provided as the project proceeds.

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