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PUBLIC NOTICE

Scheduling of Public Hearing for Proposed Revisions to the Beachfront Baseline and 40-Year Setback Line Morris Island, Botany Bay Island, Pockoy Island, Edingsville Beach, and Edisto Beach

The DHEC Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management is mandated by the Beachfront Management Act to review the position of the beachfront baseline and 40-year setback line, the state's beachfront jurisdictional lines, every 8 to 10 years. DHEC-OCRM has reviewed the position of the baseline and 40-year setback line for Morris Island, Botany Bay Island, Pockoy, Island, and Edingsville Beach in Charleston County, and for Edisto Beach in Colleton County, and has proposed revisions to the positions of these lines. Maps showing the location of the current lines, where applicable, and the proposed new lines are now available for public review and comment at DHEC-OCRM's offices in Charleston, Myrtle Beach, and Beaufort. Maps showing the proposed new lines are also available as PDF files that can be downloaded from DHEC-OCRM's website at:

<http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/ocrm/permit/beachfront.htm>

A public hearing on these proposed line revisions will be held at 6 PM on Thursday, May 21, 2009, in the third floor conference room at DHEC-OCRM's office in Charleston. The public review and comment period will be held open for an additional two weeks after the public hearing, until June 5, 2009. On June 6, 2009, the revised baseline and setback line for these five areas will become final and will officially replace the previous lines unless substantiating evidence has been submitted during the public comment period that suggests the revised lines for a specific island or beach may be in error, in which case final adoption of the revised lines for that area will be postponed while the substantiating evidence is reviewed.

DHEC-OCRM's offices are located in Myrtle Beach at 927 Shine Ave., in Beaufort at 104 Parker Drive, and in Charleston at 1362 McMillan Ave., Suite 400. All interested persons are encouraged to view the revised baseline and setback line positions and provide written comments to Bill Eiser, project manager, at the DHEC-OCRM office at 1362 McMillan Ave., Suite 400, Charleston, SC, 29405. All comments must be received by DHEC-OCRM by June 5, 2009.

For further information please contact DHEC-OCRM project manager Bill Eiser at 843-953-0237.

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