



2023 CSO Spring Member Meeting

Sediment Placement Regulations of U.S. Coastal States and Territories: Towards Regional Sediment Management Implementation

Project Partners

Coastal States Organization
American Shore & Beach Preservation Association
USACE Institute for Water Resources

Objectives

- Highlight coastal program successes in managing sediment resources.
 - Elevate effective regional sediment management policies in the national spotlight.
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Focus

- Identify barriers to achieving beneficial use policy goals and strategies that have worked.
 - Support interagency coordination.
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Approach

- Staff-led desktop research characterizing sediment placement regulations (sediment standards, required permits, responsible agencies) and beneficial use policies in each coastal state/territory (35 jurisdiction profiles).
- Interviews with coastal programs to understand policy approaches and identify case studies.
- Interim white paper sharing initial research findings for feedback.
- Regional workshops to share lessons learned and cultivate practitioner input.
- Final report to provide recommendations to USACE to improve regional sediment management implementation, as well as best practices for states/territories looking to expand beneficial use.

Project Status

ASBPA and CSO have published a [final report](#) capping off a 1.5-year partnership effort with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to research the policy and regulatory approaches of the nation's coastal states and territories toward incentivizing the beneficial reuse of dredged materials.

The final report includes national and regional policy summaries, barriers and best practices, state and federal recommendations, 35 state and territory regulatory profiles, and 14 case studies.

Report rollout began on March 1, 2023.

This project, funded by USACE Institute for Water Resources, aims to focus on the perceived challenge of conflicting state and federal policies and regulations around how dredged sediment can be used beneficially.

Member Participation Opportunities

Thank you to all members and partners who provided feedback on drafts of the final report

We will hold a member discussion on CSO's USACE Federal Standard policy priorities and strategy at the Legal Council Meeting on Wednesday, Mar. 22.

Staff will continue to disseminate report findings through webinars and meetings – more information will be shared through work groups and the member newsletter.

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