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**Lee Commissioners approve agreements for nearly \$4.4 million in Beach and Shoreline projects**

Fort Myers, FL, Oct. 17, 2023 – The Lee Board of County Commissioners voted Tuesday to authorize interlocal agreements to fund 11 Lee County Beach and Shoreline projects using nearly \$4.4 million in Tourist Development Tax revenue.

The interlocal agreements are between Lee County and the Barrier Island Parks Society, Captiva Erosion Prevention District, City of Cape Coral, City of Sanibel, Town of Fort Myers Beach, and the “Ding” Darling Wildlife Society.

Commissioners approved the funding with the adoption of the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget and the agreements authorize the work and reimbursement of expenses.

The projects primarily allow for maintenance of beach park facilities including public accesses, boardwalks, restrooms and equipment.

Beach and Shoreline project funding accounts for 26.4% of the proceeds from the Tourist Development Tax assessed on short-term lodging such as hotels, resorts and vacation rentals.

The agreements are part of more than \$11.1 million in projects using Tourist Development Taxes, including a \$4 million allocation to the Beach Renourishment Trust Fund for scheduled projects.

For more information on the Beach and Shoreline program, visit [www.leevcb.com/funding-programs/beach-and-shoreline](http://www.leevcb.com/funding-programs/beach-and-shoreline).

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