

protecting
Our **Natural Environment**

Hilton Head Island is home to over 37,000 permanent residents who live and do business here. It's also home to endangered sea turtles and a myriad of magnificent birds and other wildlife and marine life. Hilton Head Island is a relaxing vacation destination for over 2 million annual visitors.

Like most beaches, Hilton Head Island constantly faces the inevitable forces of erosion. The hilly sand dunes studded with sea oats provide limited natural protection. Unlike most beach communities, the Town of Hilton Head Island has taken a proactive approach to manage beach erosion by independently funding an ongoing beach management program which includes periodic renourishment to maintain a healthy beach system.



In order to preserve our beautiful Island and to continue to provide our visitors with a unique wide stretch of sandy shoreline, a Beach Renourishment project will take place in our off-season of 2011-12. The project is sponsored and funded by the Town of Hilton Head Island and S.C. Department of Health & Environmental Control; the project engineer is Olsen Associates, Inc., of Jacksonville, FL; and the project contractor is Great Lakes Dredge and Dock Company, LLC, of Oak Brook, IL.

For more information about the 2011-12 Town of Hilton Head Island beach renourishment project, please visit www.hiltonheadislandsc.gov

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Sea turtle hatchling courtesy of Coastal Discover Museum

**The beach renourishment project starts
November 2011 and concludes by early Spring 2012.**

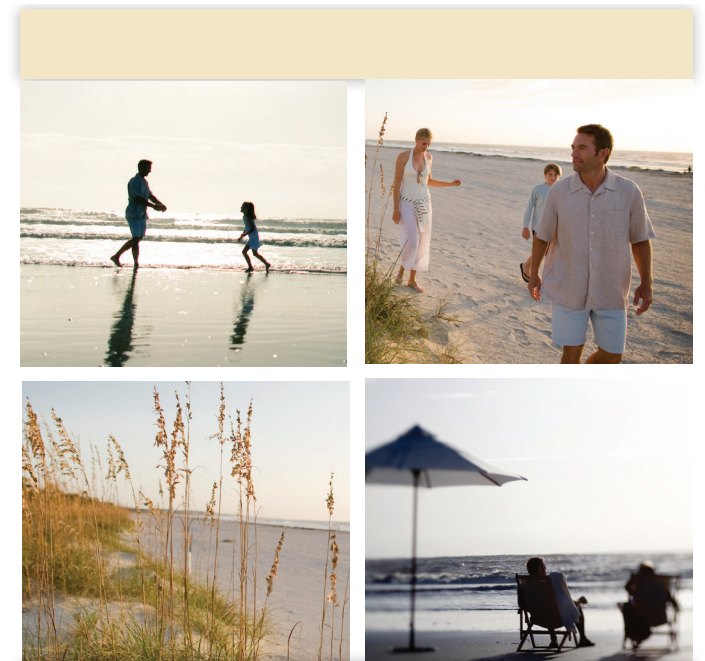


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