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PUBLIC NOTICE February 15, 2018 Cottage 57, LLC Modification of a Beach Crossover; Construction of a Wooden Deck; and Landscaping 115 East Nineteenth Street, Sea Island, Glynn County, Georgia

This serves as notification from the Shore Protection Committee and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources of a request from Cottage 57, LLC for a Shore Protection Act (SPA) permit under Official Code of Georgia (O.C.G.A.) 12-5-230 *et. seq.* for the modification of a beach crossover; construction of a wooden deck; and landscaping within the State's SPA Jurisdiction, at 115 East Nineteenth Street, Sea Island, Glynn County, Georgia.

The applicant's property is approximately 44,431.2 sq.ft. (1.02 acres) of which 5,975.52 sq.ft. (0.14 acres) is located within the state's SPA jurisdiction. Seaward of the lot, on property owned by SIA PROPCO II, LLC (SIA), is an existing rock revetment. The property area within jurisdiction consists of lawn, landscaping, and a wooden beach crossover that was recently was destroyed by Hurricane Irma.

The applicant proposes to modify the pre-storm footprint of the wooden beach crossover; construct a wooden deck, and landscape all within the SPA jurisdictional area.

The proposed modification to the wooden beach crossover includes straightening the portion of the stairs over the rocks and widening them to a width of 6ft. The modified crossover will be located over an existing rock revetment.

A 10ft. x 18ft. wooden deck with stairs (approximately 240 sq.ft.) is proposed landward of the revetment within the existing lawn, and will be attached to the modified beach crossover. A 9 sq.ft. portion of a brick paver walkway is proposed

to connect the wooden deck to the residence located landward of the SPA jurisdiction line. The existing St. Augustine lawn would be reduced in size by increasing the amount of native landscaping to 2,131.37 sq.ft. and would be replaced with 3,252.53 sq.ft. of Seashore Paspalum lawn.

As proposed, the total jurisdictional impacts of the proposed hardscape would be approximately 249 sq.ft. (4%). Approximately, 5,726.52 sq.ft. (96%) of the State's jurisdictional area will be retained or improved to a more natural vegetated and topographic state.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to demonstrate that the project is not contrary to the public interest and that no feasible alternative sites exist. In passing upon the application for permit, the permit issuing authority shall consider the public interest which for purposes of this part shall be deemed to be the following considerations: (1) Whether or not unreasonably harmful, increased alteration of the dynamic dune field or submerged lands, or function of the sand-sharing system will be created; (2) Whether or not the granting of a permit and the completion of the applicant's proposal will unreasonably interfere with the conservation of marine life, wildlife, or other resources; and (3) Whether or not the granting of a permit and the completion of the applicant's proposal will unreasonably interfere with reasonable access by and recreational use and enjoyment of public properties impacted by the project.

A detailed public notice with drawings has been distributed and is available by visiting the Department of Natural Resources website: <u>CoastalGaDNR.org</u> under "Marsh & Shore Permits".

Please provide this office with substantive, site-specific comments as to why the proposed work should or should not proceed. Comments and questions concerning this proposed project should be submitted in writing and be submitted by the close of business on March 16, 2018 to Jordan Dodson, Department of Natural Resources, One Conservation Way, Georgia 31520.

