# **South Jupiter Dune Restoration Project**

A Palm Beach County Shore Protection Project

#### **Project Location**

- Northern Palm Beach County (PBC), approximately 1.5 miles south of the Jupiter Inlet
- Project area is from the Xanadu community south to the Jupiter Reef Club.

#### The Challenge

 PBC's dunes are vulnerable to severe storm impacts, human activity, and invasive nonnative vegetation.

#### The Solution

- Restore damaged dune by adding sand and stabilize the dune by planting native vegetation.
- Create beach access with dune crossovers to minimize disturbance.

#### **Benefits**

- Restores beach habitat.
- Provides sea turtle nesting habitat.
- Healthy dunes naturally protect the shoreline from erosion.
- Native salt-tolerant dune vegetation traps wind blown sand, collects it around the plant, and builds up the dune and surrounding beach.

### How You Can Protect Dunes

- Use dune walkovers.
- Do not walk on dune vegetation or place towels or beach chairs in the dune.
- Remove invasive exotic dune plants.
- · Limit beach raking.

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#### **Before**



#### **After**



# **Project Overview**

- The South Jupiter Dune Restoration project area is a part of Segment 2 of the North County Comprehensive Shore Protection Project.
- The dune was previously restored in 2016.
- In 2017 Hurricane Irma caused significant erosion to the project area.
- \$255,471 in Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster assistance will be used to construct the project.
- Construction is scheduled to begin in mid February 2020.
- Construction should take approximately two weeks and will be completed no later than February 29, 2020.
- Work will occur during daylight hours only.

# **Project Plans**



## **Project Partners**

Palm Beach County, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Federal Emergency Management Agency



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