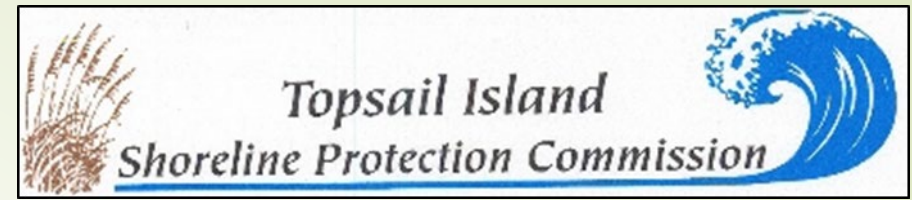


US Congressional Delegation Visit to Topsail Island August 27, 2020

Hosted By:
Topsail Island Shoreline Protection Commission



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Rep. Greg Murphy
3rd NC District



Rep. David Rouzer
7th NC District

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- Participants crossover to beach at start of tour in N. Topsail Beach.
- This area recently had dune restoration work completed with assistance from FEMA following Hurricanes Matthew and Florence.

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Tom Leonard, Alderman, N. Topsail Beach, explains that to his right is CBRS Map Unit 06 and to his left is the non-CBRA section of Town. There is no difference in development between the two sections of Town. However, lack of federal fund authorizations in CBRS units, limits FEMA response after storms and denies property owners access to Federal Flood Insurance.

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- Mike Benson, Alderman, N. Topsail Beach, talks about the progress to find an alternative to channel re-alignment to slow shoreline erosion in the New River Inlet. He described the Environmental Impact Study under consideration by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Topsail Island Tour: Surf City



- ▶ Teresa Batts, Councilwoman, Surf City, talks with Rep. Rouzer about the challenges of funding the non-federal partner share of the Federal Project that will restore the beach system in Surf City and protect structures and infrastructure from future storms.

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- Doug Medlin, Mayor, Surf City, discusses issues that his town faces with rapid growth, more demand for beach access and parking along with bringing the 50-yr Federal Beach Project to the 6 miles of Surf City beaches.

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- ▶ Steve Smith, Mayor, Topsail Beach, discusses the recently completed Storm Damage Reduction Project in his town and how funds were leveraged to accomplish this construction of this beach nourishment project.

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- ▶ Mike Rose, Town Manager, Topsail Beach, and Chris Gibson, TI Coastal, Inc. (both on lower level with backs to ocean) discuss the details and benefits of the recently completed Storm Damage Reduction Project in Topsail Beach,

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The Commission and Towns of Topsail Island thank our two Congressional Representatives for spending their time with us to tour the island and learn of our successes and challenges to come.



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- **Mission:** *To actively support and promote plans and programs to restore and maintain wide sandy beaches and storm protection dunes through beach nourishment for all of Topsail Island's oceanfront, and to support and promote development and execution of the NC Beach and Inlet Management Plan.*
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