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**St. Johns County to Temporarily Close 2700 S. Ponte Vedra Blvd. Public Beach Parking Lot for Next Phase of FEMA Dune Enhancement Project**

**ST. JOHNS COUNTY, Florida, October 18, 2023** – On Thursday, Oct. 26, St. Johns County will temporarily close the 2700 S. Ponte Vedra Blvd. Public Beach Parking Lot for public safety as crews begin work on the next phase of the FEMA Dune Enhancement Project. The 2700 S. Ponte Vedra Blvd. Public Beach Parking Lot closure is anticipated to last about three weeks, weather permitting.

For this phase of the FEMA Dune Enhancement Project, St. Johns County selected construction company Phillips & Jordan, Inc. as the lowest, most responsive, and most responsible bidder at a not-to-exceed bid price of \$7,435,168.81 with an additional \$800,000 for project delivery cost. St. Johns County will receive a FEMA grant reimbursement of \$6,176,376.61 and a State of Florida Department of Emergency Management grant reimbursement of \$2,058,792.20 after all project phases are complete.

For updates on the FEMA Dune Enhancement Project, visit [sjcfl.us/CoastalProjects](https://sjcfl.us/CoastalProjects) or contact the Coastal Management team at 904-209-0260 or [coastalprojects@sjcfl.us](mailto:coastalprojects@sjcfl.us). The public can also follow St. Johns County Beach Services on Facebook or X (@SJCBeaches) or download the free Reach the Beach mobile app at [m.appbuild.io/stjohnsc6](https://m.appbuild.io/stjohnsc6).

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Photo: Aerial map of 2700 S. Ponte Vedra Blvd. Public Beach Parking Lot next to Exxon gas station that will be temporarily closed beginning Thursday, Oct. 26, for about three weeks, weather permitting, for the next phase of the FEMA Dune Enhancement Project.