Regional Sediment Budget and Shoreline Restoration Alternatives

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Presentation Overview

- Regional Sediment Management
- Indiana Shoreline
- Constraints and Opportunities
- Management Objectives
- Technical Analysis
- Long-Term Planning Alternatives

Regional Sediment Management

- Planning concept and action plans
- Effective management stakeholder participation, natural sediment movement



Indiana Shoreline





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Lake Michigan

Indiana Shoreline





Constraints and Opportunities

- Natural Bluff / Beach Cycle
- Shoreline Development Impacts
- Man-Made Structures and Harbors
- Significant Volumes of Sediment Available



Management Objectives

- Reduce Shoreline Erosion
- Restoration Focus on Beach Nourishment
- Regional Approach, Not Local
- Long-Term Plan Formulation



Shoreline Erosion







Data

- Survey Data
- Offshore Profiles
- Soils
- Dredging and Nourishment



Technical Analysis Shoreline Evolution



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Technical Analysis

Shoreline Evolution



Technical Analysis Water Level and Surge Analysis Wave Climate





Return Period (years)	Lake Level (ft LWD)	Lake Level (IGLD 85)	USACE 1988 (ft IGLD 85)	USACE 1993 (ft IGLD 85)
2	4.0	581.5	-	-
5	5.1	582.6	-	-
10	5.7	583.2	582.5	582.9
25	6.4	583.9	-	-
50	6.8	584.3	583.6	583.4
100	7.2	584.7	584.0	584.3
200	7.5	585.0	-	-
500	7.9	585.4	584.9	-



Technical Analysis Regional Sediment Transport



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Distance from Michigan City Harbor (km, positive to the north)

Technical Analysis

Sediment Budget



Long-Term Planning Alternatives



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Summary, Conclusions, Recommendations

- 20 Year Planning Timeframe
- Cost Advantages Comparing with Current Practices
- Working Towards a Sustainable Shoreline
- Natural Look
- Habitat Restoration Opportunities