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Corps of Engineers stresses safety as repair work begins on Seawall

GALVESTON, Texas -- The Galveston District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, began work this week at multiple sites along the Galveston Seawall in order to repair damage caused by Hurricane Ike.

“Safety is a top priority as we work with our city and county partners in order to complete repairs to the Seawall,” said Colonel David C. Weston, Galveston District commander. “While we apologize for any inconvenience the repairs may cause, our goal is to have the major portions completed in time for the 2009 Hurricane Season.”

The public is encouraged to pay close attention to any signage along the seawall in order to minimize safety risks along the project site. Repair work is being completed during weekdays, halting on Saturdays, in order to accommodate tourists visiting Galveston Island.

“This emergency repair work is part of our ongoing efforts to protect the Texas coastal areas,” said Weston.

Scheduled work includes damaged pavement on the West End Ramp; rehabilitation of rubble groins located at 10th, 29th, 37th, and 61st streets; repairs to the access ramps, sub grade/sidewalk damage, and cracks along the Seawall.

Monitors and field supervisors have undergone environmental training in order to recognize piping plovers and sea turtle tracks along the project area.

The project is 100 percent federally funded under Public Law 84-99, Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies, to repair damage from the 2008 Hurricane Season.

