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'A huge investment for our shoreline'



A South Jersey beach undergoes restoration work here as part of a 2015 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project. PHOTOS PROVIDED BY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Feds release Cape May County beach replenishment funds

Joseph P. Smith Cherry Hill Courier-Post | USA TODAY NETWORK - NEW JERSEY

A series of beach replenishment and protection projects in Cape May County will be funded with \$99 million from federal programs as of this week, according to U.S. Rep. Jeff Van Drew.

The Philadelphia District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is to supervise these projects, which are to take place in Ocean City, Strathmere (Upper Township), Sea Isle City, Avalon and Stone Harbor.

"I have been working closely with the Army Corps to make sure South Jersey is a priority," Van Drew said this week, "and today we are seeing that pay off in a massive way."

Van Drew, a South Jersey Republican, said the \$99 million is the biggest allocation for a New Jersey beach project in a year without hurricane damage.

"This is a huge investment for our shoreline, one of the largest we have ever seen, and it is going to make a real difference," Van Drew said. "Our beaches are so important to South Jersey, and this level of investment means stronger protection, more stability, and peace of mind for our shore communities."

The 2026 fiscal year work plan for the

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An aerial photo of Avalon beach where replenishment and protection work will take place using federal aid in 2026.

Man takes plea deal of 13 years for shooting

Joseph P. Smith

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An argument that turned into a "close range" shooting outside an Atlantic City bar is sending West Deptford resident Rockwell W. Pohlig to state prison for what could be more than a decade.

Pohlig accepted a plea agreement that recommends Atlantic County Superior Court Judge Donna M. Taylor sentence him to 13 years. The prison term would come with a condition that he must serve at least 85% of that time to become eligible for parole consideration.

The plea agreement also covers one drug offense

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Store associates from ShopRite stores in New Jersey and other Mid-Atlantic states were honored with their pictures on special edition Cheerios boxes after helping stores raise money for hunger causes in an annual contest. PROVIDED BY SHOPRITE

S. Jersey ShopRite workers featured on Cheerios boxes

Celeste E. Whittaker

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Three South Jersey ShopRite stores raised more than \$52,000 to fight hunger, and local associates from the stores were selected to represent their stores by having their pictures on special edition Cheerios boxes.

ShopRite of Chews Landing, ShopRite of Medford and ShopRite of Marmora were among top fundraisers in the annual ShopRite Partners in Caring Cheerios Contest.

The ShopRite of Chews Landing is located at 1200 Chews Landing Road in Laurel Springs, while the

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