



TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY

The Town of Longboat Key

Navigation Maintenance Program

"Waterways Protection Program"



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Protecting our waterways is vitally important for our quality of life.



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Aligning with Vision & Mission

“Where the natural assets of a barrier island combine with cultural and recreational amenities...”

“To vigorously maintain and preserve Longboat Key’s status as a premier residential and visitor destination...”



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- Our property values and quality of life revolve around clean, navigable water.
- Waterways are a shared amenity that support each of us.





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Historical Overview



- This issue was first studied in 1996
- Over 30 reviews and public hearings
- Delays have led to reduced navigability and now threaten our quality of life



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Why now?



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A once-in-a-generation opportunity



The Plan

1. A responsible, phased waterway navigation maintenance program
2. Restoring/maintaining safe, navigable canals
3. Improving/maintaining stormwater systems
4. Mimics 80/20 beach renourishment funding structure
5. Reducing long-term costs



Benefits

1. Restores/maintains access for recreational boaters
2. Improves/maintains stormwater flow
3. Reinforced appeal for real estate and tourism
4. Potential reuse of qualified dredged material to support the force main project or other future projects
5. Environmental enhancements (bio-load reduction)
6. Potential for future FEMA reimbursement.



How Do We Pay For It?

- Fair, simple, and transparent funding model similar to beach renourishment
- 80% of cost paid by direct access canal-front property owners
- 20% of cost covered by non-direct access property owners
- Estimated costs: \$9 million one-time for **initial canal restoration**
- \$1 million/year for programmatic maintenance

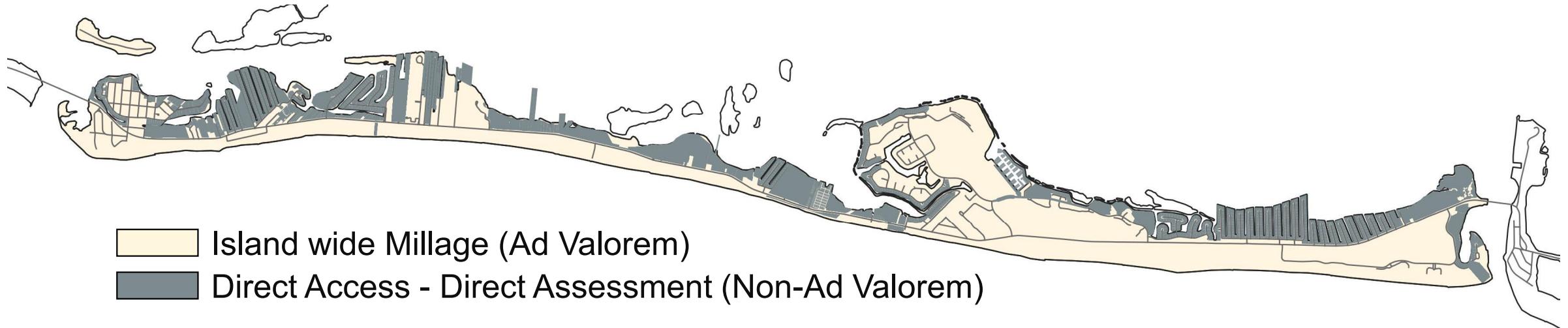


Methodology

Millage plus Direct Assessment

- 30% Ad Valorem Millage for all properties
- 70% Non-Ad Valorem direct assessment for direct waterway access properties
- Result – 20% from non-direct access properties and 80% from direct waterway access properties

	Direct Access	Non-Direct
Ad Valorem	10%	20%
Non-Ad Valorem	70%	N/A
Total	80%	20%





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Why It Works

1. Fair, familiar, consistent with past practice
2. Saves money long-term by avoiding emergency action
3. Enhances overall community value and island resiliency
4. Maintenance minimizes long-term construction impact and neighborhood disruptions





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Questions or comments?

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