

Packery Channel Repairs

TIRZ Meeting

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Post Harvey Damage Aerial Photo



Aerial Photo in January of 2020



Timeline For Assistance Efforts

- August 2017 to January of 2020 – Continuous work with FEMA and TDEM to assess damage, receive approval to rebuild to a more effective design
- January 2020 – in the FEMA final review it was determined that the Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) had authority to repair the project under PL 84-99 – The Flood Control and Coastal Emergency Act
- USACE told the City that although they had technical authority to make the repairs they viewed Packery Channel inactive in their system
- February – June 2020 The City sought legislative language to clarify eligibility for Packery Channel Repairs through USACE

Timeline for Assistance Efforts

- February 2020 – Present – City Staff has continued to pursue partial funding from FEMA to repair the sidewalks cables and bollard that fall beyond the scope of the USACE project
- June 2020 – City seeks funding from Texas Council on Environmental Quality for Packery Repairs from RESTORE Act Funding
- June 2020 USACE Headquarters informs City Congressional Delegation that Packery Channel is eligible for funding and the Galveston office will handle the request for Assistance
- June 2020 – Present City Staff has worked with USACE staff to answer questions and work through their process

Current status

- March 2021 – The City is about 4 steps away from FEMA final review for the supplement project
 - Rough Estimates at this time FEMA will fund approximately \$4.3 Million for the repairs to the Sidewalks, Cables and Bollards with a Cost Share to the City of approximately \$480,000
- March 2021 – The USACE response to our request for Assistance is going through clearance and we expect to receive a letter from them in approximately 2 weeks