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To: Mayor Gary Pell *Gary R. Pell*

CC: Carolyn Boltin-Kelly, Deputy Director, OCRM  
Dan Burger, Coastal Services Division Director  
File

From: William G. Salters, *WGS*  
Coastal Planner, Coastal Services Division

Date: November 8, 2013

RE: Town of Briarcliffe Acres - Determination of Need to Develop Local  
Comprehensive Beach Management Plan (LCBMP)

This memorandum outlines the coordination that occurred between DHEC Ocean and Coastal Resource Management and the town of Briarcliffe Acres regarding the development and implementation of a Local Comprehensive Beach Management Plan (LCBMP). As of the date indicated above, Briarcliffe Acres has elected to not pursue the development of a LCBMP and recognizes DHEC's authority to implement the policies of the State Beach Management Plan within the jurisdictional boundaries of Briarcliffe Acres.

On June 13, 2013, DHEC mailed a certified letter to Gary Pell, Mayor, to offer Briarcliffe Acres DHEC's assistance to develop a Local Beachfront Management Plan, as required by S.C. Code of Laws §48-39-350. Receipt of delivery was confirmed on June 18, 2013.

On November 5, 2013 a follow-up email requesting Briarcliffe Acres intent to develop a LCBMP was sent to Mayor Gary Pell. On November 7, 2013 DHEC received an email from Mayor Gary Pell stating the Town of Briarcliffe Acres has elected to not pursue the development of a LCBMP. The Town of Briarcliffe Acres understands that in the absence of a LCBMP, the policies of the State Beachfront Management Plan will apply. Additionally, the Town of Briarcliffe Acres is not eligible for state funding for renourishment in areas that default to the State Beachfront Management Plan. However, the Town of Briarcliffe Acres reserves the right to develop a LCBMP in the future and DHEC assistance will be provided as requested.

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# Re: Briarcliffe Acres-Local Comprehensive Beach Management Plan

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Thu 11/7/2013 5:09 PM

Briarcliffe Acres

To: Salters, William <salterwg@dhec.sc.gov>;

We do not wish to pursue development of a LCBMP at this time. We are a very small town and our one issue is redirecting the swash which changes directions every 10 years or so. Thus far we have been able to handle this within our budget. Our dunes and beach are better than ever, and may be the best in the state.

Thank you.

Gary Pell

**From:** Salters, William

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 05, 2013 10:02 AM

**To:** garypell@sc.rr.com

**Subject:** Briarcliffe Acres-Local Comprehensive Beach Management Plan

Mayor Pell,

On June 13, 2013, a certified letter (attached) was sent to your attention to offer Briarcliffe Acres DHEC's assistance to develop a Local Beachfront Management Plan (LCBMP), as required by S.C. Code of Laws §48-39-350. Receipt of delivery was confirmed on June 18, 2013. To date, our office has not received a response from the Town.

As detailed in the letter, a key facet of our state's Coastal Zone Management Program is the development and implementation of Local Comprehensive Beach Management Plans. LCBMPs provide municipalities with the opportunity to document and plan for local needs, challenges and opportunities associated with the protection and preservation of the beach and sand dune system. These plans also facilitate coordination among local, state and federal resource management agencies and identify applicable policies, regulations and procedures related to effective beachfront management. Additionally, a state-approved LCBMP qualifies a municipality to apply for state beach renourishment funding.

Please contact me to discuss if the Town would like to pursue the development of a LCBMP.

Regards,

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**William G. Salters**

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