

October 21, 2025

Via Certified Mail and Email

Coastal Resources Division Coastal Protection Department Texas General Land Office 1700 N. Congress Avenue Austin, TX 78701-1495

Re: Declarations Regarding Hwy 332 Terminus and East Groin Construction

Dear Coastal Resources Division:

The undersigned governmental entities hereby provide this joint declaration for the purpose of confirming the respective positions of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Brazoria County, and the Village of Surfside Beach, with respect to the terminus of State Highway 332 ("Hwy 332") and the proposed construction of the east groin at the beach within the Village:

1. Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)

The Texas Department of Transportation confirms that it:

- Does **not own** the Hwy 332 terminus or any associated right-of-way beginning at the line of mean high or higher water ("MHHW"), as established under a coastal boundary survey, which marks the boundary where state-owned submerged land begins;
- Does not assert any claim of ownership, jurisdiction, or other servitude over Hwy 332
 as it terminates within the Village or over any associated right-of-way above the MHHW line;
 and
- Does **not object** to the construction of that portion of the east groin that will lie landward of the MHHW line.
- I, MARIA APONTE, Texas Department of Transportation Houston Engineering District Brazoria Area Office Engineer, hereby affirm that I have the authority to bind the Texas Department of Transportation to the above statements and confirmations and agree to the same. I further agree that this joint declaration will be countersigned by the Texas Department of Transportation, Brazoria County, and the Village of Surfside Beach, and that each copy of the countersigned letter will be treated as the original for all purposes.

MARIA APONTE	
DATED:	

2. Brazoria County

Brazoria County confirms that it:

- Is **not claiming ownership**, **jurisdiction**, **or right-of-way interest** in Hwy 332 as it terminates within the Village;
- Holds no rights in or over this road terminus or associated right-of-way above MHHW; and
- Does not object to the construction of that portion of the east groin that will lie landward of the MHHW line.

I, L.M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr., County Judge, of Brazoria County, Texas, hereby affrim that I have the authority to bind Brazoria County to the above statements and confirmations and agree to the same. I further agree that this joint declaration will be countersigned by the Texas Department of Transportation, Brazoria County, and the Village of Surfside Beach, and that each copy of the countersigned letter will be treated as the original for all purposes.

/ A, JR. UDGE DATED: <u>NOVEMBY 3, 2025</u>

Further, I, Many Shine, Representative of the Brazoria County District Attorney's Office, Brazoria County, Texas, hereby affirm that I have the authority to bind the Brazoria County District Attorney's Office to the above statements and confirmations and agree to the same. I further agree that this joint declaration will be countersigned by the Texas Department of Transportation, Brazoria County, and the Village of Surfside Beach, and that each copy of the countersigned letter will be treated as the original for all purposes.

DATED: November 3, 2025

3. Village of Surfside Beach

The Village of Surfside Beach confirms that it:

- Has historically managed and maintained the section of Hwy 332 as it terminates within the Village above the MHHW line;
- Therefore, the Village asserts ownership of this parcel above the MHHW line; and
- Grants permission for the construction of that portion of the east groin that will lie landward of the MHHW line.
- I, MAYOR ZACH PARSCH, Mayor of the Village of Surfside Beach, Brazoria County, Texas, hereby affirm that I have the authority to bind the Village of Surfside Beach to the above statements and confirmations and agree to the same. I further agree that this joint declaration will be countersigned by the Texas Department of Transportation, Brazoria County, and the Village of Surfside Beach, and that each copy of the countersigned letter will be treated as the original for all purposes.

MAYOR ZACH PARSCH

DATED: /0/21/25