South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
Division of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management

General Coastal Zone Consistency Certification
Emergency Maintenance and Repair
of Existing Structures and Facility Components

Permittee: General Public – State of South Carolina
Permit Number: GCZC-2014-001
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Expiration Date: October 21, 2019

Authorized Activities: The emergency maintenance and repair of existing structures and facility components that requires minimal activity to bring the structure or component back to a normal or regular state of operability consistent with the original intent of the structure. The repair may be deemed an emergency by a state official.

Location: The eight Coastal Zone counties of South Carolina - Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Georgetown, Horry, and Jasper.

The intent of this General Coastal Zone Consistency Certification (GCZC) is to provide a means by which certain activities that may deemed by a state official as an emergency and determined to have minimal impact and consistent with the S. C. Coastal Zone Management Program (SCCZMP) may be authorized with minimal delay. This GCZC serves as the final staff coastal zone consistency decision associated with the following activities covered under applicable state permits unless DHEC staff determines that an individual certification will be required, or unless otherwise specified. This GCZC is issued under the provisions of Act 123 of the 1977 South Carolina General Assembly and the 1979 SCCZMP of the Department of Health and Environmental Control Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management.

Please carefully read the project description and all conditions which appear on this certification as they affect the activities allowed.
Conditions for Emergency Maintenance and Repair of Existing Structures and Facility Components

1. DHEC OCRM must be notified of invocation of this GCZC in writing prior to project initiation. This documentation should include a description and depiction of the structure pre and post emergency that identifies the project location and required work.

2. This GCZC authorizes work within the original footprint of the subject structure or facility component to address the intent of the structure as it existed at the time of the required repair. Projects deemed to be beyond the scope of this intent will be not be eligible for the GCZC and will require an “individual certification” subject to submittal requirements and public notice timeframes.

3. This GCZC does not preclude the applicant from obtaining necessary federal, state, or local approvals for the emergency maintenance and repair work prior to work beginning.

4. This GCZC is conditioned upon the use of properly functioning Best Management Practices during construction activities and final stabilization of each site once emergency repair and maintenance activities are complete.

5. The Agency’s regulatory programs in issuing permits (or emergency authorizations), as necessary, will ensure applicable regulations and/or standards are met and adhered to as required by law. However, the following conditions are specific to coastal resources and also must be adhered to:

   a. Emergency repair and maintenance work to structures currently located in any areas identified as “Areas of Special Resource Significance” as detailed in Chapter III, Section XII of the SCCZMP, as refined, is authorized by this GCZC provided the work is not contrary to the policies specific to each resource. Areas of Special Resource Significance include (1) Barrier Islands, (2) Dune Areas (outside of the critical area), (3) Navigation Channels, (4) Public Open Spaces and (5) Wetlands.

   b. Emergency repair and maintenance work to structures currently located within areas identified as GAPCs as detailed in Chapter IV of the SCCZMP is authorized by this GCZC provided the work is not contrary to the Goals and Objectives (Chapter IV-3) for GAPC’s. GAPCS are: Areas of Unique Natural Resource Value (1) Heritage Trust Sites (2) State Wildlife Preserves (3) State Parks (4) Scenic Rivers (5) Marine and Estuarine Sanctuaries (6) Shellfish Areas (7) Groundwater Resources (8) and Threatened and Endangered Species; Activities or Facilities Dependent on Coastal Location (1) State Ports (2) Navigation Channels (3) and Mining Operations; Areas of Special Historic, Archaeological or Cultural Significance (1) special historic (2) archaeological, or (3) culturally significant sites. CZC Staff will determine affects to GAPC’s at the time of submittal.

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c. Sediment, erosion and water quality controls required by the current NPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Large and Small Construction Activities and the S.C. Stormwater Management and Sediment Reduction Regulations (26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 72-300, as amended, are satisfied by the project design and are correctly installed and maintained. Additional water quality measures specific to the eight coastal counties, as established in Chapter III, Section XIII, A, E, and D of the SCCZMP, as refined, being satisfied by the project design are applicable. Storage for these activities must be appropriate for the specific site.

APPLICANT'S UTILIZING THIS GCZC HEREBY AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE GCZC AND TO PERFORM THE WORK IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS. ANY DEVIATION FROM THESE CONDITIONS, TERMS, PLANS, AND SPECIFICATIONS SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION, SUSPENSION OR MODIFICATION OF THIS GCZC AND THE INITIATION OF SUCH LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AS THE DHEC MAY CONSIDER APPROPRIATE.

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Date

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