



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

October 12, 2018

LTC Jason A. Toth
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
1776 Niagara Street
Buffalo, NY 14207

Dear LTC Toth:

On October 10, 2018, President Trump visited Erie to announce his administration's full support for federal funding for sand replenishment at Presque Isle State Park. I am grateful for the President's personal backing and I will continue to work with state and local officials to ensure that beach nourishment is once again fully achieved for Presque Isle. I am requesting that this remain a high priority project in the USACE fiscal year 2019 budget.

It is of the utmost importance that the USACE make the decision to ensure that Presque Isle State Park's beaches are replenished in time for the summer tourist season next year. To meet that deadline, it is essential that sand replenishment funds be included in next year's budget. The park is an important economic and natural resource for the entire region. An average of four million people visit Presque Isle's shoreline every year. It is absolutely critical for the park and for our region that the shoreline remains pristine and healthy.

Thank you for everything USACE does for the Erie community and for the entire Great Lakes region. Your continued commitment to mitigating the annual erosion at Presque Isle is greatly appreciated by the millions of Americans who enjoy it.

Sincerely,



Mike Kelly
Member of Congress