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Mayor Ron Watts
Town of Sunset Beach
700 Sunset Beach Boulevard North
Sunset Beach, North Carolina 28468

Dear Mayor Watts,

I am pleased to announce that \$2,779,327 in financial assistance for the "2016 Sunset Beach Canal & Channel Dredging Project" has been tentatively approved by the State of North Carolina. The award is pending the successful execution of a grant contract between the State and your town.

I congratulate you and the Sunset Beach Town Council on the sponsorship of this project. These funds are being provided to financially assist the Town with both the engineering, design, permitting of the project and the performance of maintenance dredging along approximately 3.5 miles of canals and channels within the town's jurisdiction. As envisioned, this dredging project should significantly improve navigability in the various waterways. You and the Town Council are to be commended for this effort to keep the channels safe and navigable.

The Division of Water Resources of the Department of Environmental Quality will be contacting your Town Administrator concerning the grant contract and the administrative requirements for the use of state funds for this project.

Sincerely,

S. Jay Zimmerman, P.G.
Director, N.C. Division of Water Resources

cc: Ms. Susan Parker, Town of Sunset Beach
Mr. Robert Neal, Moffatt & Nichol