LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

Study area encompasses the California coastline, including the nearshore ocean environment and the coastal watersheds. Purpose of the study is to develop a comprehensive plan for management, restoration, protection and preservation of the sediment resources along the California coast. Ultimately, the project will provide analyses that will enable federal, state and local entities to assess and prioritize regionally based projects for potential investment of program funds. Study will evaluate alternatives for reducing damages from coastal storms; increasing the natural sediment supply to the coast through dam removal and other means; restoring aquatic ecosystems; and identifying potential sources of sediment, such as material dredged from ports and harbors. Some of these alternatives may lie outside the Federal interest. Project will provide Federal and non-Federal entities with an adaptive, programmatic road map to plan and program potential future coastal resources projects. Project will allow these entities to develop water resources projects within a system-oriented context, where data can be easily shared and technical expertise and tools can be efficiently directed to solve coastal resources problems on a regional basis.

AUTHORIZATION: Section 227 WRDA 1996, House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure Resolution 2672, May 22, 2002

ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2017: Carryover funds were used to continue the Master Plan and provide Regional Sediment Management Plans and supporting data.

FY18 PLANNED ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Scheduled carryover funds will be used to complete the Master Plan scheduled for April 2017.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: None

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Congresspersons Carbajal (CA-24), Brownley (CA-26), Lieu (CA-33), Lowenthal (CA-47), Rohrabacher (CA-48), Issa (CA-49), Vargas (CA-51), Peters (CA-52)