

Draft Letter to Condos

Town of Highland Beach

Natural Resources Preservation Advisory Board

Dear Condominium Manager,

Over the past few years, the Natural Resources Preservation Advisory Board has worked closely with oceanfront properties across Highland Beach on successful dune restoration and management. Many condominiums and homeowners have already replaced invasive vegetation with native sea oats, building deep-root systems that trap sand, reinforce dunes, and protect coastal property values.

We would welcome the opportunity to speak with you or present briefly at your next board meeting to share how straightforward and cost-effective restoration can be.

Key benefits of a native dune system:

- **Lower maintenance costs:** Eliminates continuous, costly trimming of sea grapes and overgrown non-native species.
- **Stronger storm defense:** Deep-rooted sea oats naturally build sand elevation and protect structural integrity.
- **Minimal ongoing upkeep:** Requires only occasional removal of weeds and non-native growth.

If your management or board is interested in learning more, please reach out directly:

- **Contact:** Barbara Nestle, Chairperson
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Thank you for your commitment to preserving our dunes—the vital natural barrier and key asset of our three-miles of paradise coastal community.

Warm regards,

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