

**TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-R04**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LOWCOUNTRY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' EFFORTS TO
INCLUDE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SC-174 CAUSEWAY IN REGIONAL LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION
PLANS AND TO ADVANCE SCDOT'S EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT CAUSEWAY RESILIENCY
IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the SC-174 Causeway is the sole roadway connecting the Town of Edisto Beach to the mainland and is critical for daily access, emergency response, and hurricane evacuation; and

WHEREAS, the Town recognizes increasing vulnerability of the causeway to flooding from king tides, storm surge, and projected sea level rise; and

WHEREAS, the January 12, 2026 "SC-174 Causeway Vulnerability Evaluation" prepared for the South Carolina Department of Transportation identified improvements to enhance long-term resiliency of the causeway, including raising the roadway to approximately +9.2 feet NAVD88 at an estimated planning-level cost of \$1,845,999; and

WHEREAS, the Lowcountry Council of Governments plays an important role in regional transportation planning and in advancing projects within long-range transportation plans and coordination with SCDOT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Edisto Beach, South Carolina:

Section 1. The Town of Edisto Beach supports the Lowcountry Council of Governments' efforts to include improvements to the SC-174 Causeway within its regional long-range transportation planning efforts.

Section 2. The Town further supports LCOG's efforts to work with the South Carolina Department of Transportation to advance planning, funding, and implementation of resiliency improvements to the SC-174 Causeway.

Section 3. The Town expresses support for the raised causeway scenario identified in the vulnerability evaluation that raises the roadway to approximately +9.2 feet NAVD88 to improve reliability during tidal flooding and storm events.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 9th day of April 2026, by the Town Council of the Town of Edisto Beach, South Carolina.

W. Crawford Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:

Donna Rizer, Municipal Clerk