

U.S. Coast Guard Upgrades Base Charleston to Support Major Cutters



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WASHINGTON – The Coast Guard’s Facilities Design and Construction Center completed a contract modification with The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company Aug. 25 to remove up to 100 submerged concrete piles under the old Pier November at Base Charleston in North Charleston, South Carolina.

The modification, with a potential value of approximately \$14.8 million, includes work that is necessary to complete construction of new, modernized piers to provide support and logistics for up to five major cutters homeported at the base. This contract action was supported by funding in the recently enacted One Big Beautiful Bill Act that included nearly \$5 billion to address the Coast Guard’s most pressing shore infrastructure needs. Construction is expected to be substantially completed in 2026.

“Thanks to the leadership and support of the President, the Secretary of Homeland Security and Congress, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act provides more than \$24 billion to invest in the Coast Guard fleet and our inventory of shore facilities and infrastructure,” said Rear Adm. Chad L. Jacoby, deputy commandant for systems. “We are moving out to make the most of this historic investment, beginning with this contract modification to address previously unidentified obstacles and keep construction of Pier November at Base Charleston on schedule. The CG-SHORE and contracting teams took prompt action to get this effort underway quickly and ensure the project is completed on time with minimal impact to

operations. They are setting a strong example for future efforts that will be supported with reconciliation funding.”