

ratio for the whole project would be 3.5 to 1 (5.9 to 1 for the city of Cape Canaveral and 2.5 to 1 for Indialantic and Melbourne Beach). The Bureau of the Budget has recently cleared this project and I strongly urge the committee to approve this much needed project.

BREVARD COUNTY, FLA.

Mr. BLATNIK. Colonel Seidel, please proceed.

Colonel SEIDEL. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, this report concerns improvement of Florida's Brevard County beaches, south of Cape Kennedy, in the interest of beach erosion control. It is in response to resolutions by the Senate and House Public Works Committees.

There are no existing erosion control projects in the area. Local interests desire improvements to prevent beach erosion damages. The Chief of Engineers in his proposed report recommends placement of beach fill along 2.8 miles of the city of Canaveral coast and along 2 miles of Indialantic and Melbourne Beach. Total estimated cost of the project is \$1,363,000 of which \$680,000 would be Federal. The benefit-cost ratios are 5.9 for the city of Cape Canaveral Beach, 2.5 for Indialantic and Melbourne Beach, and 3.5 for the entire project.

Local interests are willing to provide all necessary items of local co-operation. The State and Federal agencies favor the project. The Bureau of the Budget has no objection to submission of the report to the Congress. This concludes my statement, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. BLATNIK. Again, it is a 50-50 bearing even split, is it not, Colonel?

Colonel SEIDEL. Yes, sir.

Mr. BLATNIK. The benefits-cost ratio is very favorable, 3.5 average.

We do have favorable reports from the department and the State and we have just received notice that the Bureau of the Budget report has also come in. It is favorable.

If there are no further questions, we will proceed.

Colonel SEIDEL. That completes my portion of the presentation.

General NOBLE. Col. Ferd Anderson will testify on some additional projects.

Mr. BLATNIK. Col. Ferd E. Anderson, Jr., you are the assistant director of civil works with the central division, is that not correct?

**STATEMENT OF COL. FERD E. ANDERSON, JR., ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
OF CIVIL WORKS FOR CENTRAL DIVISIONS—Resumed**

Colonel ANDERSON. That is correct.

Mr. BLATNIK. We will proceed with Cattaraugus Creek Harbor, N.Y.

CATTARAUGUS CREEK HARBOR, N.Y.

Colonel ANDERSON. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, this report concerns improvement of Cattaraugus Creek, a tributary of Lake Erie located about 24 miles southwesterly of Buffalo, N.Y., for navigation and flood control. It is in response to a resolution by the Senate Public Works Committee and to items in the River and Harbor Acts of 1945 and 1946.