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## Repairing a fragile island area

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One of the narrowest spots on the island is where the seawall ends at Dellanera Park. The park board is working on some short-term and long-term solutions for shoring up this area and keeping it intact during periods of high tides and coastal flooding.

According to the University of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology, this narrow area of the island erodes at a rate of five to 10 feet every year. Until a long-term solution is reached, and because the area is such an important evacuation route for west end residents, the park board plans to continue periodic beach replenishment along this part of the coast. Early next year, the park board and the Texas General Land Office will embark on a \$600,000 replenishment project that will place sand along 2,300 feet of the sand dune line west of the seawall.

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