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**Cayman Islands
Legislative Assembly**

Parliamentary Question

October, 2015

Date for Answer _____
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Mr. Ezzard Miller, MLA
Name _____
(Member of the Legislative Assembly)

North Side
Constituency _____

Honourable G Wayne Panton, JP, MLA
To Ask _____
(Elected Member)

Financial Services, Commerce and Environment

(Responsible for)

Questions

(Questions being answered are to be typewritten and submitted to the Clerk)

Can the Honourable Minister give an update on the plans to address the sand offshore at Sand Point?

Chief Officer/ FSC&E
Head of Department

Mr. Ezzard Miller, MLA
Signed: _____
(M.L.A.)

Please assist by supplying information for answer to above.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Admissible

Date: OCT 06 2015



**ANSWER TO A PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION
FROM NORTH SIDE MLA, D. EZZARD MILLER
TO MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, HON. WAYNE PANTON**

Friday, 15 October 2015 | Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly

QUESTION:

Can the Hon. Minister give an update on the plans to address the sand offshore at Sand Point?

ANSWER:

Madam Speaker the answer -

The Department of Environment ("DoE") cannot provide a definitive answer on this but DoE and I have visited the site to assess the situation and concluded that, taking everything into account, it made more sense to try to work with Lands and Survey to prevent the registration of the newly surveyed Mean High Water Mark given the temporary nature of the accretion and the fact that the "supply" of sand could be attributed to Hurricane Ivan.

The DoE is aware that Lands and Survey Department are attempting to acquire advice from a professional coastal engineer in the event that they are challenged on the decision to not register the survey and have to take this matter through the Courts. More detailed information will need to be sought via the Ministry of Planning, Lands, Agriculture, Housing and Infrastructure.

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Aerial imagery showing movement of sand spit



2004



2006



2008



2013

Aerial images showing effect of movement on sand spit on coastal boundary of a parcel just north of the subject parcels.



2008 aerial imagery showing example of registered boundary when sand spit was present in front of property



2013 aerial image showing estimated area loss (0.26 acres) due to movement of sand spit