

## Coast Guard Station History

### Articles from The Brunswick News

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Subline/ Article Text</b>
9/12/1935	<b>No Information Received About Island Station</b>	Brunswick is beginning to wonder if the federal government plans to carry out an act passed by congress and approved by the president providing for the establishment of a coast guard life saving station on St. Simons Island, which is to cost \$115,000.
9/20/1935	<b>Seeks Information About Local Station</b>	<b>Congressman wires Washington urging that work on island be started</b> Congressman Braswell Deen, who spent today in the city, expressed surprise when informed that no steps whatever had been taken looking to the erection of a coast guard life saving station on St. Simons Island, provided for in a bill passed at the last session of congress and approved by the president. ....
9/21/1935	<b>Claim Site Delays Coast Guard Station</b>	<b>Officials give this for reason for not beginning work on island</b> Coast guard officials at Washington today wired Congressman Braswell Deen that work had not started on the St. Simons coast guard life saving station because of a matter of a site has not been adjusted, and announced further that as soon as the site matter is settled plans will be completed and bits will be advertised for. ....
10/3/1935	<b>Coast Guard Station Soon to be Started</b>	<b>Coast Guard Engineer arrives here today to arrange plans</b> Capt. M. P. Hite, associate civil engineer, coast guard, with headquarters in Elizabeth City, N. C., arrived in Brunswick this afternoon to make preliminary arrangements for beginning work on the coast guard life saving station authorized for St. Simons Island. Mr. Hite has been on a trip to Florida and arrived here this afternoon via bus. ....
10/10/1935	<b>Island Station Site is Inspected</b>	Capt. M. T. Hite, associate civil engineer, coast guard, who came to Brunswick Monday to inspect the site of the proposed life saving station on St. Simons, left last night for Elizabeth City, N. C. , his headquarters, where he will at once prepare a report and submit it to coast guard officials. Capt. Hite while here made a full inspection of the proposed and other sites on St. Simons. He was accompanied on his visits by R. C. Job, secretary of the Brunswick Board of Trade. ....

10/25/1935 **Sites Decided On for Island Station**

**Secretary Job returns from Washington and reports work to start soon** ..... The site on East Beach, a little more than an acre, fronts on the beach and was given to Glynn County by Mrs. E. C. Bruce, of East Beach, for park purposes. When the Coast Guard service became interested in the site she waived the stipulation concerning the tract for park purposes and granted the county the right to donate it for the location of the station. The site of the boat house was donated by the Sea Island Company. ....

11/1/1935 **Island Station Deed is Secured**

Deeds to one piece of property on St. Simons Island for the new \$115,000 coast guard life saving station was today in the hands of the Brunswick Board of Trade and the deed to the other will be ready in a few days, it was announced. As was announced last week, it was decided at a meeting in Washington that two sites for the station are necessary, one for the itself and the other for the boat houses. Both sites had been previously secured, and the coast guard announced that as soon as the deeds were signed and delivered work would be stated. The station is to be located on a site between St. Simons and East Beach, previously given to the county for park purposes, while the boat house will be located on Frederica river, a short distance from the Sea Island Yacht Club. It is expected bids for the work will be called for within the next two weeks.

11/15/1935 **Planning for Work on Island Station**

**Deed for two sites are now in hands of Coast Guard officials**  
Deeds to both sites on St. Simons Island for the coast guard life saving station have been forwarded to Washington, thus completing another detail required before the work on the station can be started. The deeds were secured through the cooperation and liberality of the county, the Sea Island Company, Mrs. E. C. Bruce and J. Hunter Hopkins. Two sites were required, one for the life saving station itself and the other for the boat house. It developed that more land than was originally contemplated was required for the station, which is to be located on a site between St. Simons and East Beach. Through the cooperation of those mentioned above the required additional land was secured, and it is understood the coast guard plans to beautify the park around the station. The buildings, it is stated, will be erected in the center of the site, and around it the grounds will be improved. ....

- 12/3/1935 **Coast Guard Station Work Starts Monday** *Assistant Engineer here and says grading of site begins next week* Grading of the site for the new \$115,000 coast guard life saving station on St. Simons Island will begin next Monday morning, it was announced today by J. E. Carson, assistant engineer of the coast guard service, with headquarters in Elizabeth City, N. C., who is in the city in the interest of the project. ....
- 1/24/1936 **Slow Progress Made on Island Station** *Many here seem to think work is purposely being held up*
- 4/1/1937 **Island Station in Commission Today** *Regular Patrol Started this morning with full force being on duty* The St. Simons Coast Guard Life Station, under construction for the past several months and completed some time ago, was placed in commission today, and it is now a full-fledged station, it was announced, prepared to perform all of the service required of it. The island station is the only one of the kind along the Georgia coast. ....