

An aerial photograph of a coastal town and barrier islands. The town is built on a narrow strip of land, with buildings and roads visible. The ocean is a deep blue, and the beach is a light tan color. The sky is a clear, pale blue.

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