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Planning for Sea Level Rise in the Matanzas Basin

















National Estuarine Research Reserves







A Network of Public Lands

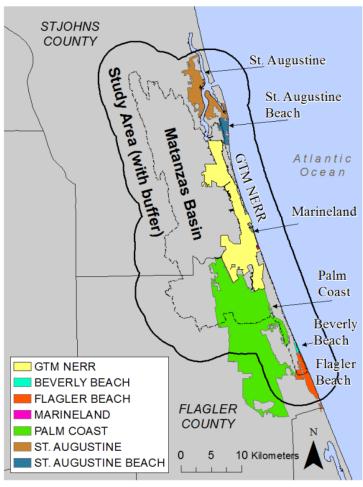


Two Components: Approximately 73,000 Acres

The GTM NERR is comprised of a network of public lands managed by:

- GTM NERR
- Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Flagler County
- St. Johns River
 Water
 Management
 District
- Florida State Parks
- Florida Forest Service
- National Park Service













Planning for Sea Level Rise

Goal: Initiate planning

Project Management



Fundamental Research Questions

Transferable Planning Process

Matanzas Basin Pilot Study **NERRS Conditions** and **Needs**

NERRS Steering
Committee

Technical Analyses

Conduct
background info,
vulnerability
assessments, and
conservation
design

EVALUATION

Planning Process
Optimization and
Transferability

Project Transfer to NERRS

Collaboration

- Steering Committee
- Visualization
- Communication Tools
- Public Workshops
- Media

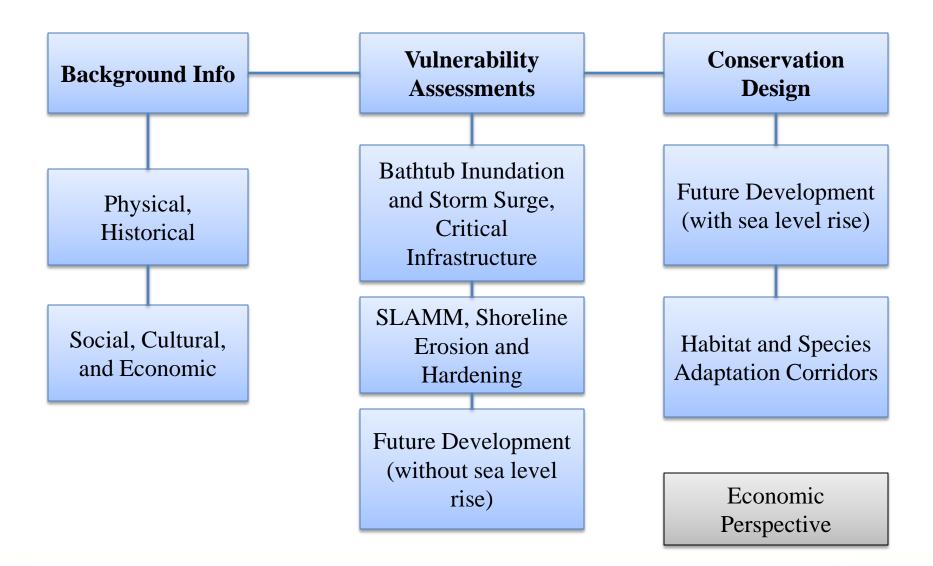
Future Planning and Policymaking

Conduct conflict and readiness assessments, strategies toolbox, plan to plan



Technical Analyses







Stakeholders



Barrier Island Property Owners

Anastasia Island to Flagler Beach

St. Augustine Residents

Palm Coast Residents

Natural Resources and Ecotourism Basin-wide Agriculture Silviculture Eco Tour **Operators** Landscapers **Public Lands**

Upland Developers & Business Basin-wide Realtors Developers **Business** Other **Economic** Interest?

Planners and Leaders (Local Govt) Basin-wide St. Johns County City of St. Augustine City of St. Augustine Beach Butler Beach Marineland City of Palm Coast Beverly Beach Flagler Beach Flagler County



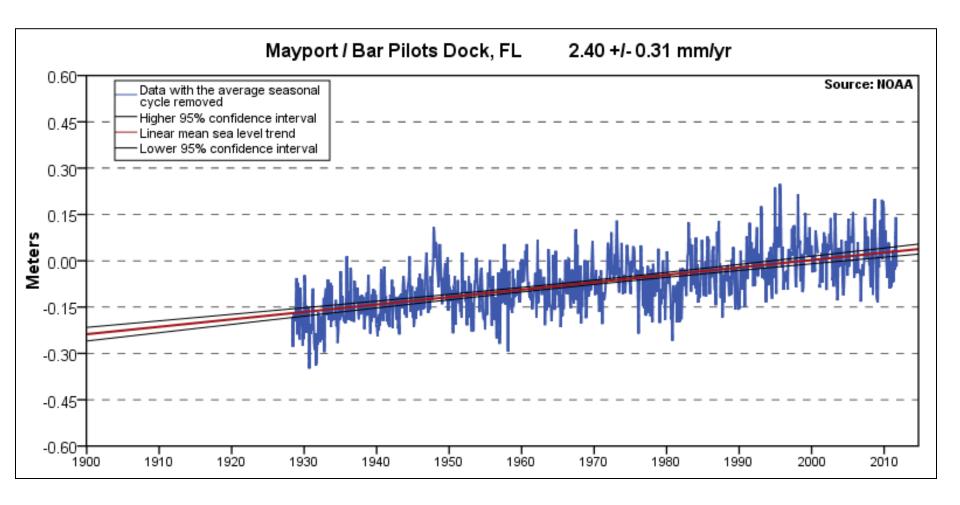






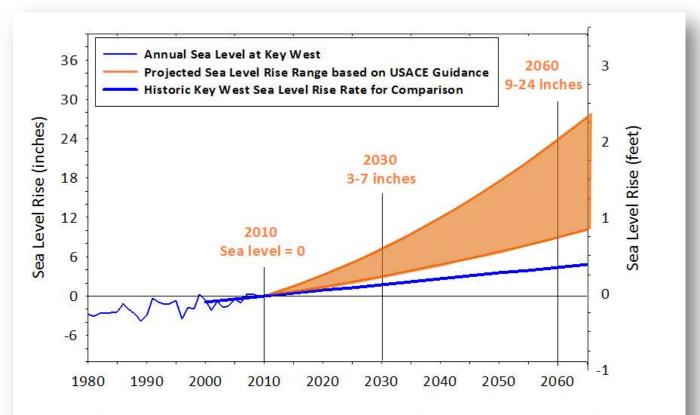
Rise over past 100 years has been linear...











Unified Southeast Florida Sea Level Rise Projection for Regional Planning Purposes. This projection uses historic tidal information from Key West and was calculated by Kristopher Esterson from the United States Army Corps of Engineers using USACE Guidance (USACE 2009) intermediate and high curves to represent the lower and upper bound for projected sea level rise in Southeast Florida. Sea level measured in Key West over the past several decades is shown. The rate of sea level rise from Key West over the period of 1913 to 1999 is extrapolated to show how the historic rate compares to projected rates.



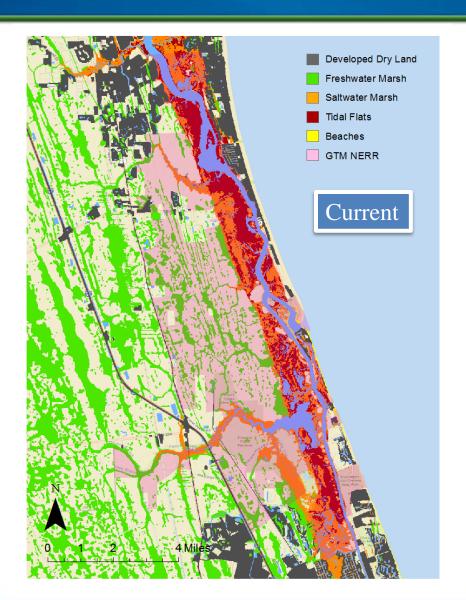
A synthesis of current literature agrees that global mean sea level will rise at least .2 meters (8 in) and no more than 2 meters (6.6 ft) by 2100

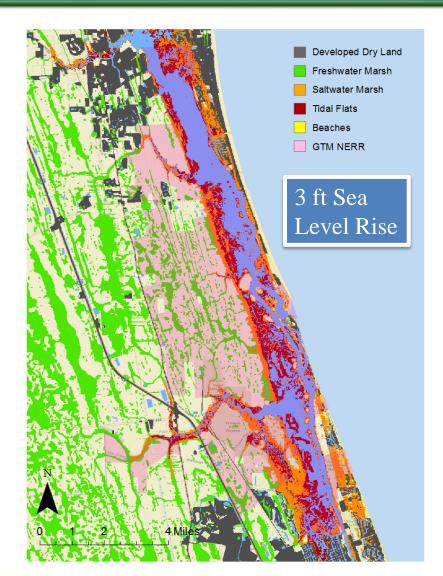














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