Resiliency Port of San Diego

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Jurisdiction

5 member cities

22 public parks

2 cargo terminals

2 cruise ship terminals

34 miles of waterfront

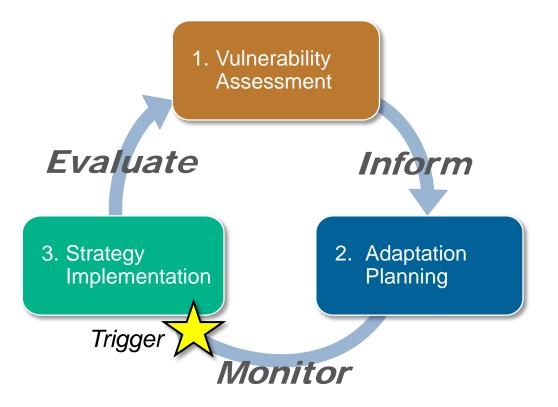
2,403 acres of land

3,535 acres of water





Seal Level Rise Planning Process



Plan and prepare for

potential coastal flooding

and inundation related to

sea level rise.



Sea Level Rise Ad-Hoc Committee

Members

- Department of Navy
- Center for Sustainable Energy
- BAE Systems
- Port Tenants Association
- San Diego State University
- University of California, San Diego
- Shelter Island Marina
- US Fish and Wildlife
- Environmental Health Coalition
- Southwest Wetlands Interpretative Association

Advisors

Scripps Institution of Oceanography Dr. Julie Kalansky

United States Geological Survey Dr. Juliette Finzi-Hart

ICF International Dr. Robert Kay

Nexus Planning & Research Dennis Larson



Sea Level Rise Ad-Hoc Committee

2017	 Background on sea level rise science Review recommended sea level rise projections Review recommended coastal model Identify assets to be analyzed 	

2018

- Review vulnerability assessment hazard maps
- Review adaptive management approach
- Review adaptation planning process including adaptation scenario decision criteria
- Review recommended monitoring performance metrics



Memorandum of Agreement Coordinate on Sea Level Rise Planning







Port & Navy Partnerships

The Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan sets forth a coordinated plan for natural resource management in San Diego Bay. San Diego Bay Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan









Planning Initiatives



- Port is evaluating impacts of sea level rise pursuant to Assembly Bill 691.
- Planning for nature-based solutions to protect coastal resources.
- DOD has conducted over 700 assessments of flooding at coastal installations worldwide.
- Navy has forged partnerships with state and local governments to advance sea level rise planning.



Memorandum of Agreement

First MOA between Navy and Port on the West Coast. Appoints qualified staff to:

- Coordinate sea level rise planning initiatives
- Share sea level rise policies, assessments, and guidance
- Re-evaluate science every five years
- Identify complimentary adaptation strategies
- Implement pilot projects as feasible



Restoration & Enhancement Projects South San Diego Bay





Restoration & Enhancement Projects for resiliency South San Diego Bay

- Restoration & Enhancement 280 acres
- Pond 20
- Living Shoreline





Restoration & Enhancement 280 acres





Chula Vista Wildlife Reserve



Fish & Wildlife Refuge

Pond 11

all is

Pond 10

Pond 10A



Restoration & Enhancement Projects for resiliency South San Diego Bay

Grant Funding provided by:

- US Environmental Protection Agency
- Port Environmental Fund
- California Coastal Conservancy
- US Fish & Wildlife Service
- NOAA stimulus funds





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Volunteer Assistance provided by

- SD Audubon Society
- SD Oceans Foundation
- Ocean Discovery Institute
- Coronado Rotary Club









"Living shorelines utilize natural habitat elements to protect shorelines from erosion while providing critical habitat for fish, wetlands and aquatic plants, as well as wildlife"

Partners include:

- Port of San Diego
- California Coastal Conservancy

 US Fish & Wildlife Service Coastal Program
 Technical Advisory Committee

Native Oyster Reefs



- Climate change and sea level rise pose a threat to both developed coastal lands and remaining undeveloped coastal habitats
- Prevent large scale engineered armoring of shorelines
- Increase ecological value



E Street Marsh Chula Vista



Native Oyster Reefs

- Native oyster recruitment
- Unarmored shoreline
- Adjacent to marshland
- Moderate to high wave energy environment
- 2,300 linear feet of shoreline





Native Oyster Reefs

Resiliency for storm surge Erosion protection for shoreline Water Quality filtering by oysters

Status 90% Design Need construction funding - \$750,000





Mitigation Bank at Pond 20





Mitigation Banking

- 95 acres
- Former salt evaporation pond
- Coordinating mitigation bank with adjacent FWS restoration
- Create tidal wetlands





Mitigation Banking

- Public comments on Prospectus
 - August 2018
- EIR Notice of Preparation
 - in the Fall 2018
- Construction
 - Fall 2020





Questions / Discussion

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