Collaboration: Sea-level Marin Adaptation Response Team (C-SMART)





Community Development Agency 3501 Civic Center Drive, Rm. 308 San Rafael, CA 94903 415 4736269 T www.marinslr.org Workshop #4 – Adaptation Planning Stinson Beach November 14, 2015



NOTICE OF LAND USE REGULATIONS THAT COULD AFFECT YOUR PROPERTY

July 28, 2015

TO: Owners of Property within the Floodplain of Easkoot Creek, Stinson Beach

Our records indicate that you are the owner of a property in the floodplain of Easkoot Creek. I am writing to inform you of the applicability of an existing coastal development policy that could affect your ability to obtain permits for improvements to your property.





Workshop overview

- 10:00 Welcome and Update
- 10:15 Elevator Speeches
- 11:20 Community Strategy Option Overview
- 11:30 Open House with Passports
- 12:00 Refreshments + Continued Open House





C-SMART Collaborators

GRANTING AGENCIES



PARTNER AGENCIES



CALIFORNIA

COASTAL COMMISSION

TECHNICAL ADVISORS







Overall Process







Uncertainty in Estimates



COUNTY OF MARN



Uncertainty in Estimates







Community Workshops

KICKOFF & FALL 2014

• C-SMART Kick-off

• USGS presents sea level rise science and CoSMoS

• Fall 2014

- Exposure maps to 3 community workshops.
- Initial community conversations on flooding.
 - 1. What changes are you seeing in your community due to sea level rise or high tides?
 - 2. In what ways are you/your community vulnerable to sea level rise and storms?
 - **3**. What are some potential solutions?









GAME PIECES

Adaptation Planning

- Based on Vulnerability Assessment
- Adaptation Strategy Report
- Local Coastal Program Amendment





King Tides Nov 24, 25, 26 California.kingtides.net Nov. 24 - 9:30 AM





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Guiding Principles

- Available science
- Environment
- Economy
- Equity and Engagement







Elevator Speeches

- Vulnerability Assessment
- Emergency Preparedness
- Flood Proofing and Elevating
- Beach Nourishment and Hybrid Approaches
- Coastal Armoring
- Tide Gates, Horizontal Levees, Offshore Structures
- Natural Capital
- Managed Retreat
- Hazard Assessment Districts
- Sustainability Team





Vulnerability Assessment

- Executive Summary
- Introduction
- Methods
- Asset Profiles
 - Parcels & Buildings
 - Transportation
 - Utilities
 - Working Lands: Agriculture & Aquaculture
 - Natural Resources & Recreation
 - Emergency Services
 - Historic & Archeological Resources
- Coastal Zone Community Profiles

- Muir Beach
- Stinson Beach
- o Bolinas
- o Inverness
- Point Reyes Station
- East Shore
- o Dillon Beach
- Conclusion
- Append A: Workshop Summary
- Append B: Exposed Asset Tables
- Append C: Vulnerability Assessment Interview Tool
- Appendix D: ESA Memorandum on Marsh and Beach Shifts





Introduction

INTENT

- NOT a policy or regulatory document.
- Present available science to tell the story of a of the possible future with higher seas.
- Inform adaptation planning and policy.
- Enable residents, business, governments, and agencies to prepare for potential sea level rise, heightened storm conditions, and accelerated erosion.







Methods

C-SMART SCENARIOS







4,700 acres exposed at mean

higher high water

Mean higher high water: The average high tide, thus some sites could be dry during lower tides.







1,100 buildings

1,300 parcels | 22% of residential, 33% of commercial





\$300 million in assessed value, market value is higher
\$7 million in property tax
\$700,000 in Transient Occupancy Tax





20 miles of roads including Shoreline Hwy, Calle del Arroyo, Olema-Bolinas Rd., and Sir Francis Drake





Every exposed building would face waste and/or drinking water impacts







Beaches could flood and erode





Marshes could convert to mud flats, and may move upland





Key Findings

NEAR-TERM

Assets vulnerable at 10 in. of sea level rise + storms are:

- Muir Beach intertidal rocky habitat
- Stinson Beach
 - Underground on-site wastewater treatment systems
 - Water distribution pipes
 - Calles and Patios buildings and streets including fire station no. 2 and tsunami evacuation routes
- Shoreline Highway between Stinson Beach & Bolinas, @ Green Bridge, & @ Walker Creek
- Bolinas
 - Beaches & inter-tidal rocky habitat
 - Bluff side, beach front, and downtown buildings and streets







Key Findings

MEDIUM-TERM

Assets vulnerable at 20 in. of sea level rise + storm are:

- Muir Beach and Dillon Beach bluff top buildings
- East Shore and Inverness beaches, septic systems, and buildings on the shores of Tomales Bay.
- East Shore wells near Tomales Bay
- Point Ryes to Inverness water pipe beneath Shoreline Hwy. and Sir Francis Drake Blvd.
- Recreation facilities at Dillon Beach Resort and Lawson's Landing.
- Bridges on Middle Rd. and Valley Ford Lincoln School Rd.







Key Findings

LONG-TERM

Assets vulnerable at 40 in. & 80 in. of sea level rise +100-year storm are:

Bolinas

- o The only access road Olema-Bolinas Road
- Further into downtown, including the historic district.
- o BPUD sewage lift station.
- Shoreline Hwy.in Pt. Reyes Station and East Shore, and Sir Francis Drake Blvd. in Inverness.







Emergency Preparedness

URSULA HANKS, MARIN COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES





EL NINO 2015/2016







The Last "Monster El Nino" 1997/1998

- Strongest El Nino event
- Unusual extremes
- 2nd warmest and 7th wettest winter
- 170% Statewide precipitation

El Nino 1997 - 1998

- El Nino conditions since June '97
- Unusually warm ocean temperatures
- Sea Surface Temperatures (SST) throughout the equatorial eastcentral Pacific increased

Observed Sea Surface Temperature Anomaly (^OC)



El Nino 1997 - 1998

January '98

 Persistent storms/record breaking precipitation/strong winds

 Flooding throughout our region and Monterey Bay Area










El Nino 1997 - 1998

- Spring never arrived
- Rains through May

This was a winter to remember and a spring to forget





June 2018

Spring flowers In West Marin

Skiing in the Sierras





California

- 17 storm related deaths for the winter
- 35 counties declared federal disaster areas
- Agricultural disruptions
- Over \$550 million in damages for the State



El Nino Advisory

• El Nino conditions are present *



- Positive equatorial sea surface temperatures (SST) anomalies continue across most of the Pacific Ocean
- There is an approximately 95% chance that El Nino will continue winter 2015-16 gradually weakening through spring 2016*

* Note: These statements are updated once a month





How recent increases in ocean temperatures compare to strongest El Niño on record





El Nino

Warming water is drawing semitropical fish to California's coastlines



January - March



El Nino Storms 2015 – 2016 ?



Ferocious storm causing floods and landslides/Inverness 1982



Full Coverage of Catastrophe...Inside

a Flood Photos ... Pages 6.7.

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Inverness Ravaged by Pacific Storm

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- El Nino Patterns
 Changing conditions in the ocean
- Storm Season Preparation and Response
- Community Awareness and Preparedness

DROUGHT Will El Nino make a difference?

• Seasonal Climate Forecast

Accuracy

• Global warming influence

The Perfect Storm





- Lessons learned
- Flood forecasting
- Joint Information System
- EOC Improvements
- Agency Partnerships
- Communications
 Capabilities



Flood Proofing and Elevating Structures

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Pros: Effective for storm flooding

Cons: Costs, not effective for permanent tidal flooding





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Coastal Construction Overview



Building Standards, Design, and Construction Do Make a Difference



Coastal Flood Hazard Zone





Design Flood Elevation





Minimum Elevation of Lowest Floor





A Zone Permissible Foundation Types





V Zone Permissible Foundation Types





Erosion and Scour







Foundations





Shallow Foundation Failures





Shallow Foundation Failures





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Pile Embedment Insufficient







Pile Failure






Erosion/Scour







Flood-borne Debris





Design Conditions Exceeded





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Storm Surge/Wave Damage

Out of 100 +/- homes in the area, we counted 2 homes that survived









Hurricane Ike



To Obtain FEMA Publications...

Call the FEMA warehouse (1-800-480-2520) Request publication by number:

FEMA P-55

Coastal Construction Manual

FEMA P-499

Home Builder's Guide to Coastal Construction

(or order via FEMA's Website



Questions?





Viewshed Analysis

MARIN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY





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Dunes and Hybrid Adaptation Strategies

Bob Battalio, PE Environmental Science Associates (ESA) Stinson Beach Community Center Marin County November 14 2015

Speaker: Bob Battalio Chief Engineer, Vice President, ESA

Chief Engineer, Vice President, ESA Professional Civil Engineer (CA,WA,LA,OR) Coastal Processes training from UC Berkeley, 1985 Chief Engineer, Vice President @ ESA, San Francisco Engineering Criteria Review Board, BCDC

Practices Coastal Zone Engineering and Management

Vice President, California Shore and Beach Preservation Association (Non profit)

Surfer

Photographs copyright Colin Brown

WAVES ARE GOOD !

Bob Battalio @ Mavericks, January 19, 2005. Copyright ©, Colin Brown 2005

Pacifica State Beach

Managed retreat and dune restoration (grading and planting) and sand placement

State funding

Constructed 2005

Coastal design ESA (PWA)

Pacifica State Beach, April 15, 2005 Post Construction of Managed Retreat Project

Photograph, courtesy of City of Pacifica



Pacifica State Beach Restoration

Surfers' Point, Ventura, CA

Managed retreat and dune restoration (grading and planting) and sand and cobble placement

State funding

Constructed 2010-12

Coastal design ESA (PWA)

West End of Surfer's Point



Applied Geomorphology – Reference Site



Reference site provides vision of coastal restoration

- •Cobbler berm
- •Sand cover
- •Vegetated dune
- •Active profile resilient to high waves and water levels
- •Re-nourish to maintain

Surfers Point Shore Realignment and Restoration



Photo: L. White

Wind-induced sand transport ! – Vegetated Dunes Needed !





January 2013





Post Phase 1 but Pre-Dunes



Photos courtesy of: Rasmussen Construction, Ventura County Fairgrounds, City of Ventura

Ocean Beach, San Francisco, CA

Shore built seaward over 200 feet with linear sand dune and then armoring, then more sand and some retreat and then lots of problems and now more sand and retreat

City, State and Federal funding

Constructed 1890s to present, ongoing

Future adaptation plan coastal analysis – ESA (PWA)



Seal Rock House and Dunes circa. 1865 (Source, Olmstead & Olmstead, Bancroft Library



The wider the Great Highway, the more it crumbled, ca. 1907. Plenty of space for buggies and automobiles but not much beach is left. (Bancroft) The Pile Driver at Work on the first Esplanade, May 5, 1916. (Bureau of Engineers) The Cement Bleachers ' are in Place in Esplanade, Section A. (Calif. Historical Society)

Source Photo: Olmsted and Olmsted, 1979



Aerial View of Ocean Beach, June, 1915. These two views were made before the Esplanade development to the north had started. By 1915 there was a new Great Highway atop the dune to the west of the Great Highway at the turn of the century. Much of the Sunset District (around Pacheco) was still to be reclaimed into home sites. (Bureau of Engineers)



Dune (and all other) construction too far seaward has short life on eroding shore, especially in future with sea level rise

Figure 9: South Ocean Beach: Top: Post construction in 1990s. Bottom: eroded in early 2000s. The wood posts (top photo) were removed by erosion, and were replaced in the parking remaining parking lot (bottom photo). Photographs, Bob Battalio.

Source Photo: Battalio

Beach grading is still done but has negative effects to ecology, and often is counter productive in terms of developing an unstable geometry

Source Photo

- 1. Sand Placement 2 episodes
- Fall, 1999 15,000 tons

Concernant.

- Second Placement in 2001 (?)
- 2. Bypass Roadway in Median



Figure 19 Photographs of Sand Placement in 1999-2000 at Reaches 1 and 2, between the South Parking Lot and the SWOO (© Bob Battalio)



Figure 20

Photos of sand embankment and wind-blown sand transport on April 30, 2013, after the 2012 sand backpass project (© Bob Battalio)

Beach Nourishment using pumped sand slurry proposed



Corps of Engineers maintenance dredging of Bar Channel produces about 200,000 to 500,000 cubic yards every 1 - 2 years, varies and declining

Plan to place about 300,000 cubic yards of sand on beach by 2017

Need about 1 – 2 Million cubic yards to rebuild dunes and beach to 1990's dimensions, recurring every 1 to 3 decades Probably need another 10 Million +/- cubic yards to mitigate sea level rise through 2100

Crissy Field SF



Conceptual Adaptation Solution Space with Hybrid Strategies



Hybrid Approaches



Ocean Beach Master Plan Vision and Low-Profile Protection of the LMT In-Place Source: ESA 2015

Living Levee



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	Gradual	Steepening Concept
	PWA Ref# 1955.00	Se PWA

Petaluma Marsh Levee




"Habitat Friendly" erosion, flood hazard mitigation, Hamilton Wetlands, Novato



Horizontal Levee







Warm Springs Bench 1987



Wind Waves and Wetlands Workshop



Warm Springs Bench 1999



Wind Waves and Wetlands Workshop

Sonoma Baylands Wave Break Peninsula, 2005 🗧 PWA



Wind Waves and Wetlands Workshop

Oyster Reef Complex





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Coastal Armoring

PETER WIJSMAN, ARCADIS

Pros: Moderate ROW required **Cons:** Cost, Impacts







New Storm Surge Barrier New Orleans





















ROGER LEVENTHAL, MARIN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Pros: Temp solution to tidal riverine flooding **Cons:** Cost, limited effectiveness over time







Offshore Structures

Pros: Uses landscape to attenuate waves, provides habitatCons: Cost for earthwork, larger ROW











Horizontal Levees & Tidal Marshes

Pros: Uses landscape to attenuate waves, provides habitat **Cons:** Cost for earthwork, larger ROW









Natural Capital

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Managed Retreat

SHANNON FIALA & KELSEY DUCKLOW, CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION

Overview

Managed retreat involves relocating or removing existing development out of hazard areas Examples include acquisition and buyout programs, transfer of development rights programs, and others.

Pros

- a) Prevents property destruction from hazards and damage to public access areas and ecosystems
- b) Promotes preservation and conservation of open space
- c) Allows for the inland migration of wetlands and other environmentally sensitive habitats
- d) Allows for continued or enhanced public access and recreational opportunities
- e) Maintains the open spaces commonly used by people with a range of socio-economic backgrounds.

Cons

- a) Space may not be available immediately inland of existing development
- b) Expensive, potentially time-consuming planning process
- c) Political and social barriers





Ventura, Surfer's Point

- Relocated public access parking lot and bike path
- Incorporated dune restoration





source: CA California Records Project





Monterey, Fort Ord

- Removed blufftop structure and revetment that was protecting it
- Allowed for restored lateral access along the beach as natural processes took over





source: CA California Records Project





Pacifica State Beach

• Purchased two homes and surrounding acreage in order to remove the homes, rebuild the dunes, and restore four acres of beach and the nearby estuary





source: CA California Records Project





Malibu, Broad Beach (Planned)

• Removal of septic systems and conversion to centralized wastewater treatment



source: CA California Records Project





San Francisco, Ocean Beach (Planned)

- Removal of Great Highway and conversion to open space with public coastal access
- Associated dune/habitat restoration and enhancement





source: SPUR





San Luis Obispo, Piedras Blancas

• Relocation of Highway One inland







Hazard Assessment Districts

KATHY SCHAEFFER





Sustainability Team

KELLEN DAMMANN





Stinson Beach Community Center November 14th, 2015





Home Upgrade







Energy Upgrade California[®] Home Upgrade

- Funded by California rate payers under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission and the California Energy Commission
- Goals include:
 - Increasing energy efficiency in the existing building stock (70% built before 1980)
 - Helping homeowner save on utility bills
 - Lowering state greenhouse gas emissions
 - Meeting goals set by Assembly Bill 32, California Air Resources Board, and local Climate Action Plans



BAY Regional Energy AREA Network





Part of the Energy Upgrade California[®] Statewide Program







Energy Upgrade California[®] Home Upgrade

- Rebate program for making energy efficient upgrades to the home
 - Up to \$3,150 for Home Upgrade
 - Up to \$6,800 for Advanced Home Upgrade
- Projects can include:
 - Upgrading duct systems
 - Upgrading HVAC
 - Installing insulation
 - Sealing air leaks
 - Upgrading hot water heaters
 - And more!







What issues is a Home Upgrade project meant to address?

- Home comfort issues
- Indoor air quality
- High utility bills
- Plus: reducing emissions







Common building performance problems

- Lack of insulation
- Air leaks
- Disconnected/leaky ducts











Building Science in Action

- Blower door test measures your home's total air leakage
- Duct blaster does the same for your duct system
- Thermal imager shows where your home is lacking insulation









Home Upgrade Advisor Service

How can they assist contractors?

- Free resource to help homeowners and contractors participate in the program
- Independent third-party providing individual service and ongoing support
- Available via toll-free number and limited inhome advising visits
- Remove barriers and convert more leads
- Advisors are BPI-certified Building Analysts
- Clearinghouse for information on complementary energy and water efficiency programs



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Financing

• Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Financing

- PACE Financing is a voluntary means for local home and business owners to finance energy efficiency, water conservation, and renewable energy improvements to their properties
- The up-front costs of the energy and water related improvements are financed and then repaid via a special voluntary assessment placed on the property
- Repayments are made twice yearly on the property tax bill
- Eligible improvements include those permanently affixed to the property




Financing

- PACE Benefits
 - PACE assessments are attached to the property—not the individual (when the property is sold the assessment may stay with the property)
 - Not considered personal debt
 - Varied payback terms—long term payback allows for lower payment to be offset by energy savings
 - Interest is tax-deducible





Financing

- There are many other financing products on the market; the Home Upgrade Advisors can help you identify the best options.
 - Conventional Cash Out Refinance
 - FHA 203K Renovation Loan
 - Energy Efficiency Mortgage
 - Traditional Line of Credit





Resources for Renters and Small Business Owners

California Youth Energy Services

• Available to everyone



- Free home energy and water evaluation with free replacement of incandescent lights, free aerators, and more
- SmartLights Program
 - Free start-to-finish technical assistance and instant rebates for energy efficiency projects
 - Free no-obligation energy Assessment and report



Community Preference Survey

- Conceptual options NOT a list of projects/policies ready to implement
- Ideas from workshops, technical experts, guidance documents, County staff
- Feedback from professionals and stakeholders
- Results guide Adaptation Strategy Report and LCPA
- Opportunities for ongoing involvement





Policy Questions for Entire Coastal Zone

- Planning timeframes for construction standards in hazard zones should take into consideration the life expectancy of the structure or development being proposed.
 Require a sea level rise bazards analysis as
- 2. Require a sea level rise hazards analysis as part of a Coastal Development Permit for new projects on vacant land or for projects that expand the size of existing development.





Policy Questions for Entire Coastal Zone

- 3. Allow waivers or seek a Categorical Exclusion for projects in coastal hazard areas, including structures in the 100-year floodplain, that meet certain standards
- **4.** Raise building height limits in coastal hazard areas to allow for adaptation to sea level rise.
- **5.** Encourage the creation of local self-funded assessment districts to manage common hazard risks.
- **6.** Establish a managed retreat program.





Policy Questions for Entire Coastal Zone

- 7. Prioritize adaptation options that protect, enhance, and maximize protection of coastal resources and public access.
- 8. Please provide any other suggestions for policy initiatives to address sea level rise in Marin County.





Survey available at www.MarinSLR.org

STINSON BEACH

Please mark the <u>CONCEPTUAL</u> adaptation strategies you support. Feel free to write in additional comments. The numbers refer to locations on the community maps. *Entities in blue italics represent potential implementing agents*.





Community-Specific Adaptation Concepts

