

Sea Level Rise and Climate Resilience in Broward County, FL

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Community Resilience Challenges

- Rising sea level, rainfall and storm surge
- Increases in flood severity, impacts and disruptions
- Extreme heat and public health
- Infrastructure damage and safety concerns
- Economic implications
- Quality of life considerations



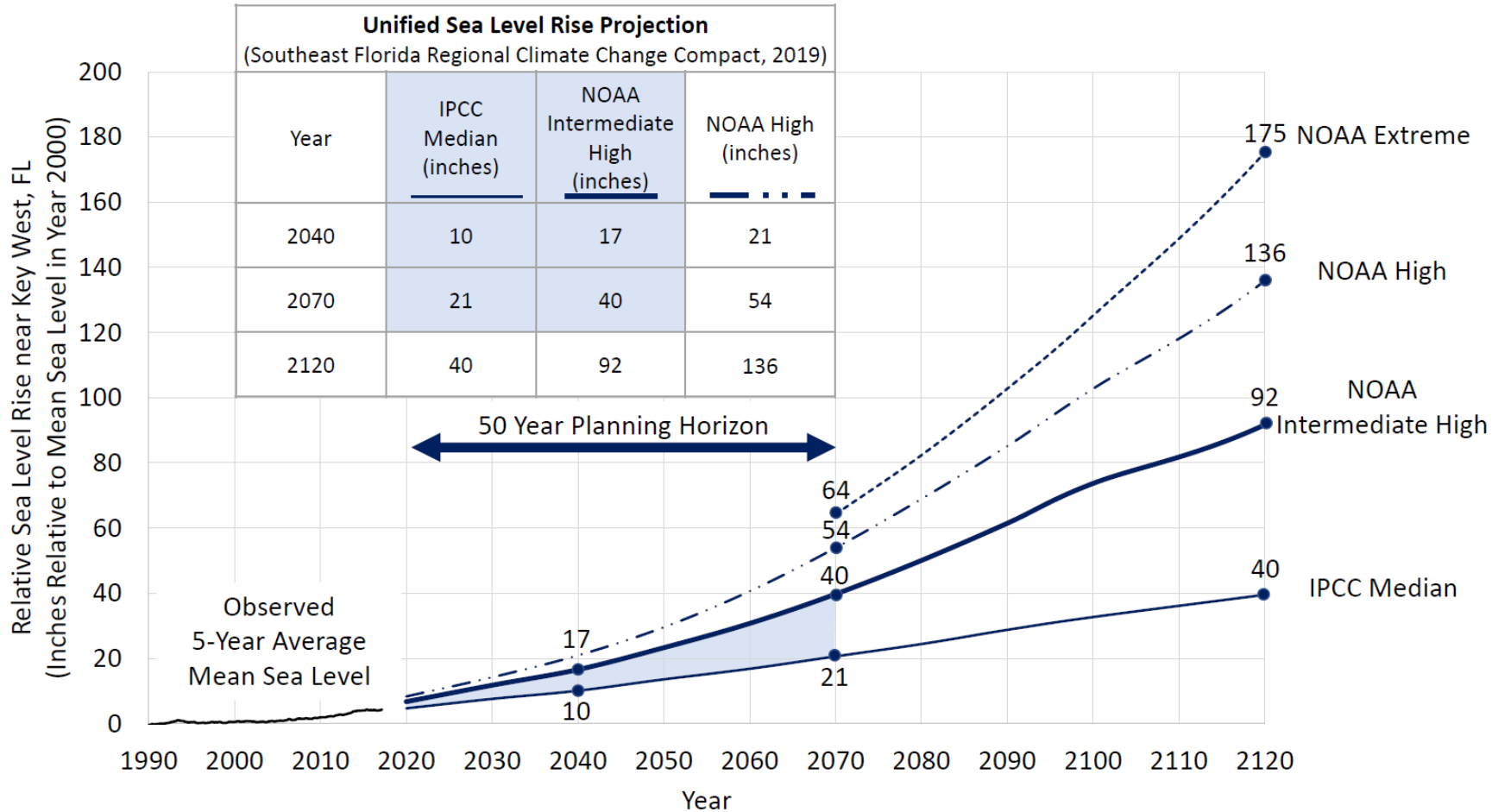
Climate Change & Our Hydrologic System

Climate change 'triple threat' increases severe flooding risk in biggest US cities

- Triple Threat
 - Rainfall and Storms
 - Storm Surge
 - Tidal Flooding
- Impacts
 - More frequent
 - More severe
 - More widespread
- Compounded Exposures
 - Value of Assets
 - Location of People

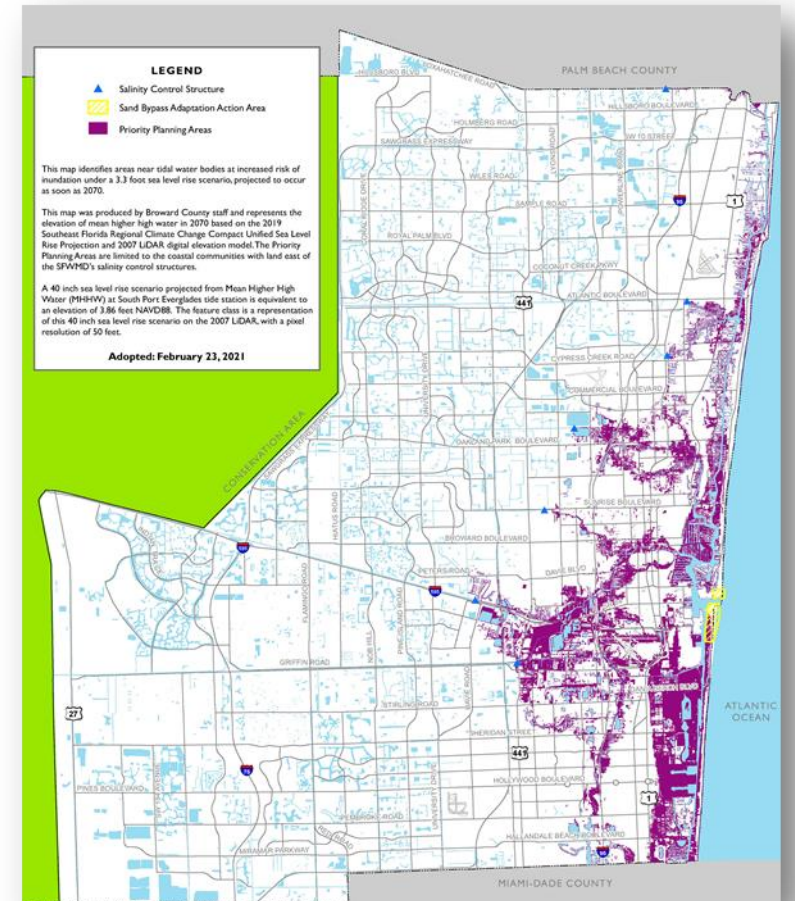


2019 Regional Sea Level Rise Projection



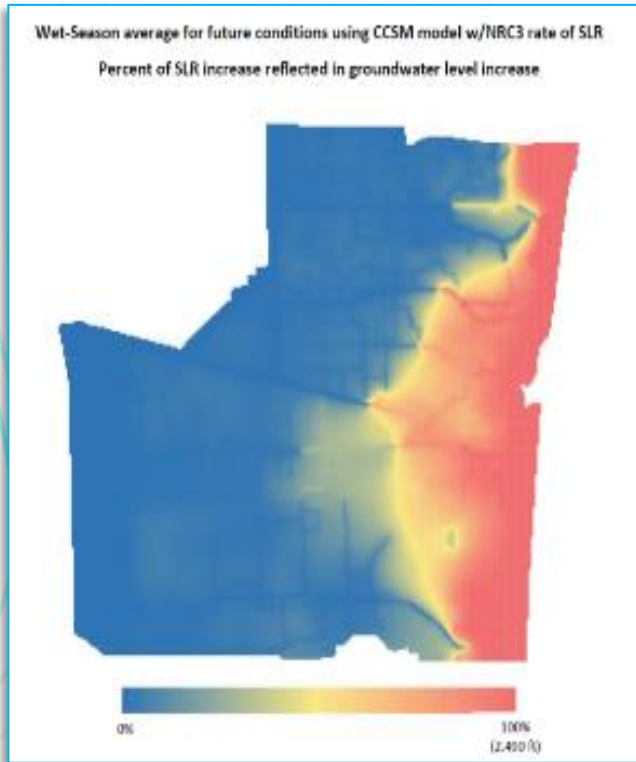
State of Resilience Standards

- Resilience Standards
 - Sea Level Rise Projection – 2012, 2015, 2020
 - Drainage infrastructure – 2017, 2024*
 - Tidal flood barriers - 2020
 - 100-Yr Flood elevations – 2021, 2024**
 - Design storms–2021, 2024**

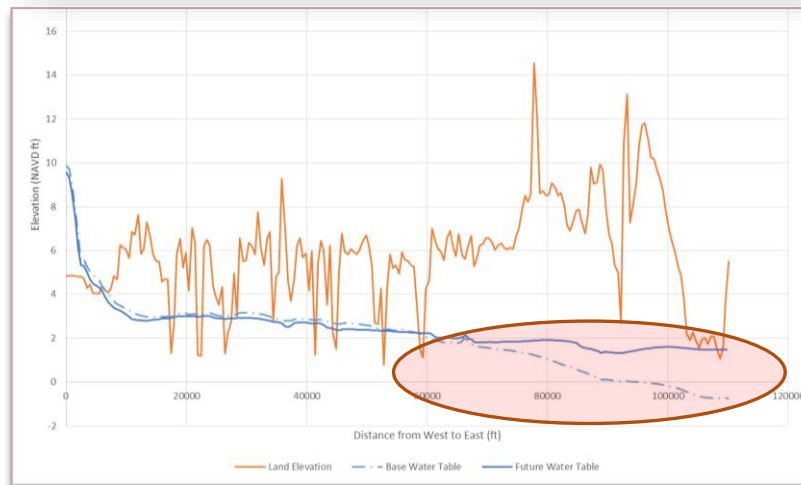
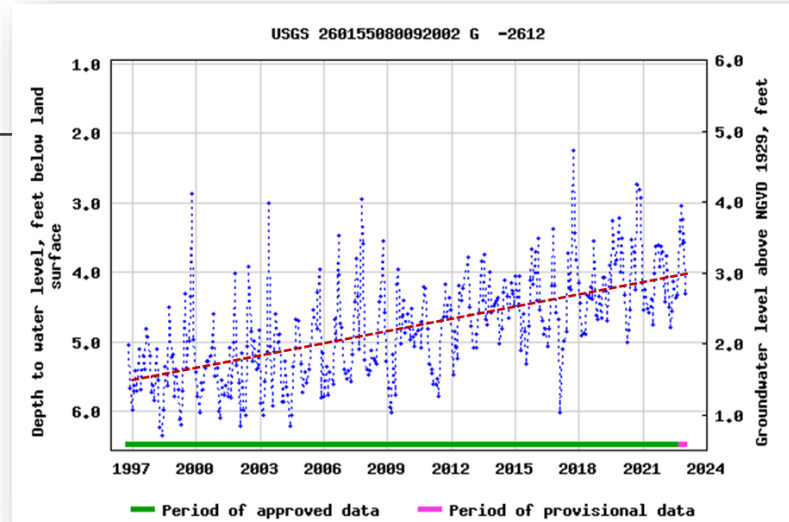


3.3 ft SLR = 17.6 mi²

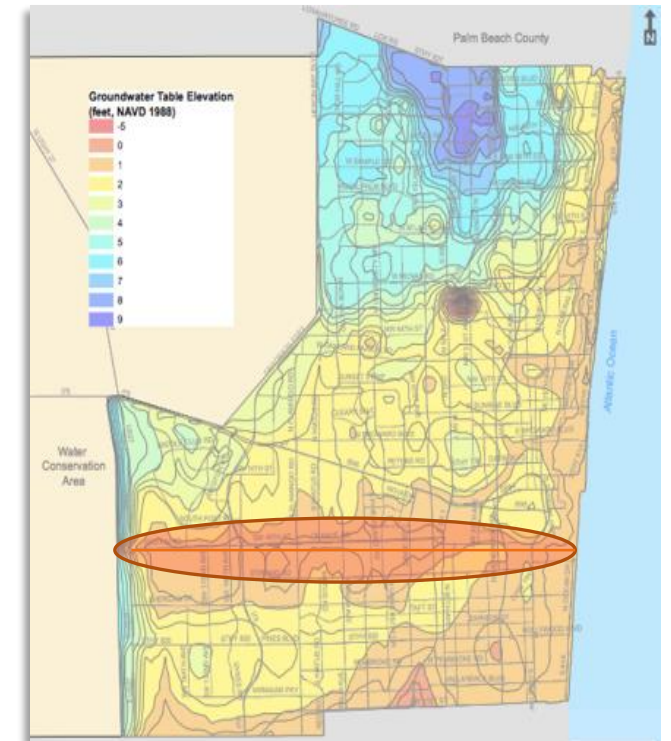
Future Conditions Groundwater Table Map



Modeled Change



Modeled W-E Cross Section



Future Conditions
Groundwater Table Map

Tidal Flood Barriers

- Modeled water levels:
 - 2 feet sea level rise
 - High tides
 - 25-yr storm surge
- Requires **5 feet NAVD by 2050**, allows **4 feet NAVD until 2035**
- Applies to new construction, major redevelopment, and sites w/ tidal water trespass
- Requires municipal adoption and real estate disclosure.

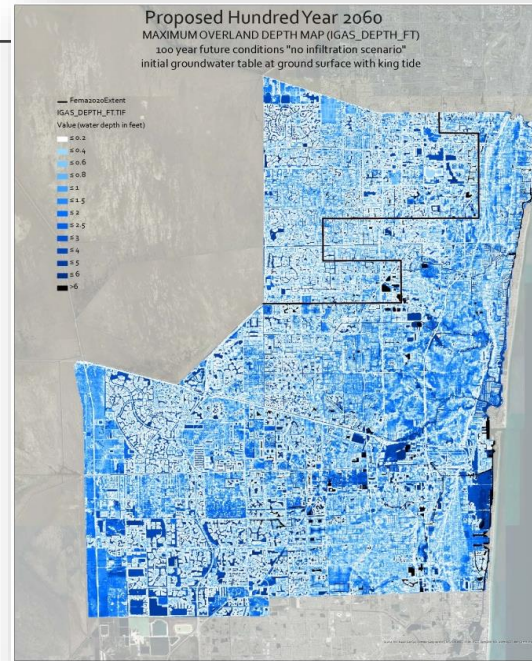
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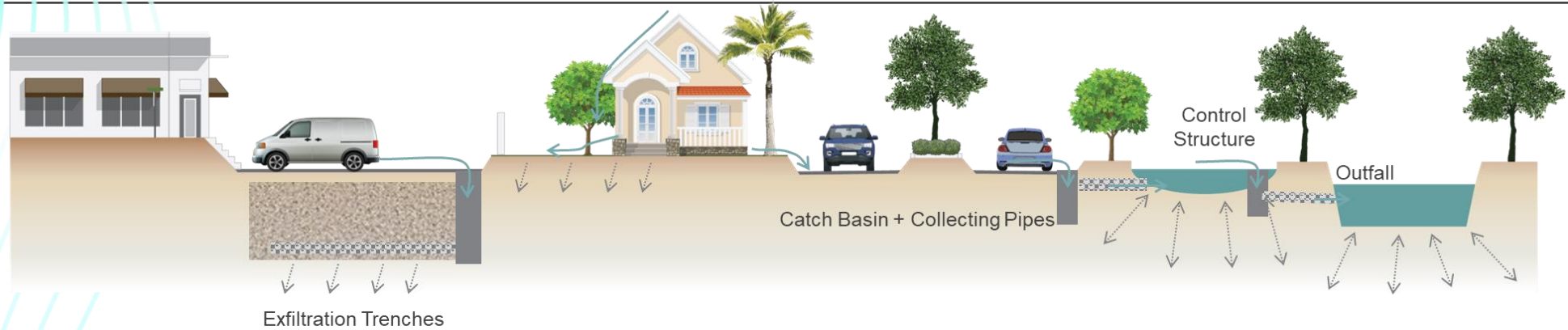
100-year Future Conditions Flood Map

Incorporates:

- 2 Feet SLR
- King tides
- Increase rainfall (13%)
- Ground saturation
- 368 flood areas



What about the Existing Landscape?



Event simulations, boundary conditions, **outputs**



Southeast Florida Resilience Business Case

Community-wide Adaptation

- A combination of soft and hard engineering investments at the open coast, intracoastal, and inland areas.

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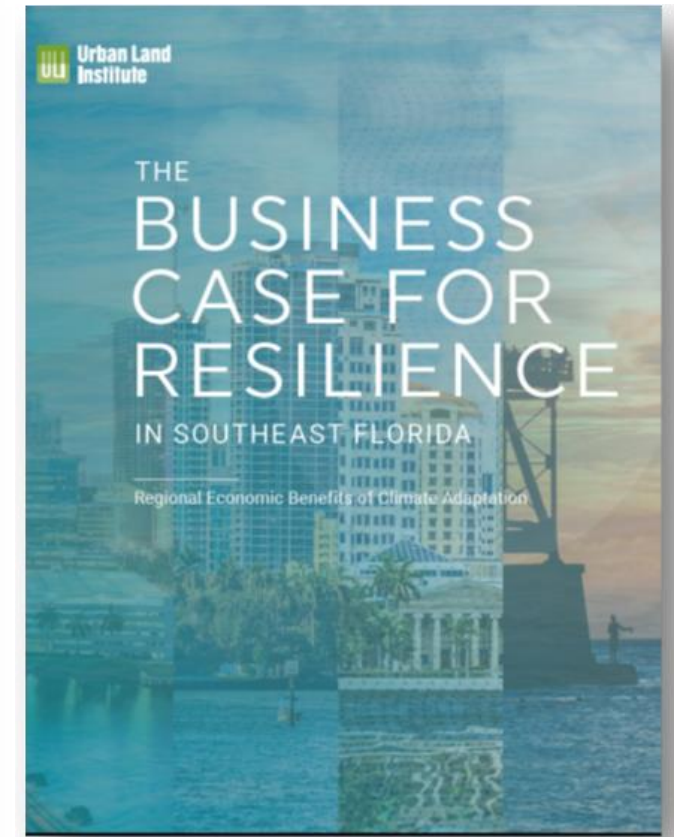
Building-level Adaptation

- A combination of structural improvements to property itself.

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Note: Building-level adaptation will not provide benefit to regional infrastructure or to coastal resources such as beaches.



Community Resilience Requires Coordinated Plans and Investments



COMMUNITY
OUTREACH



RISK
ASSESSMENT



ECONOMIC
MODELING

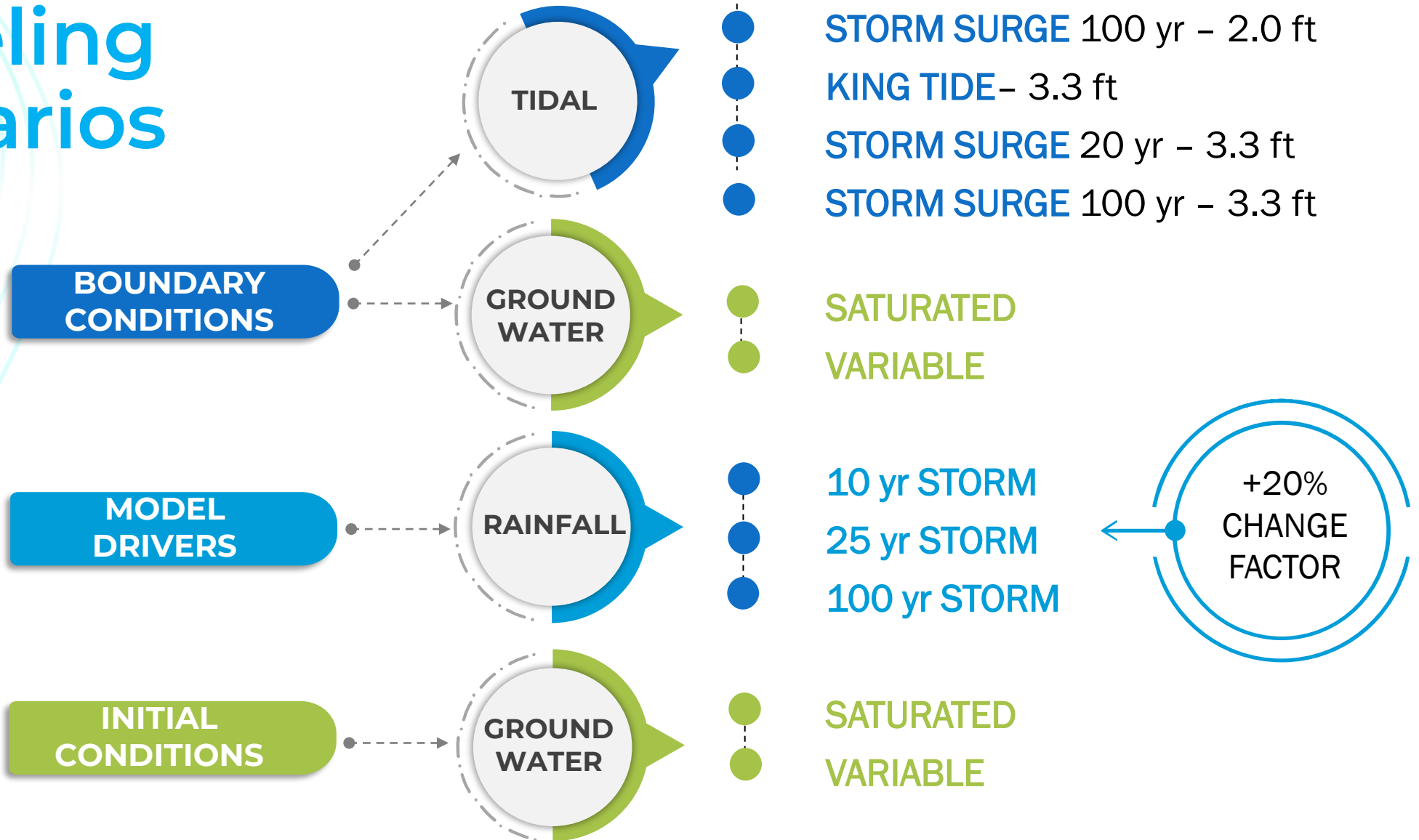


ADAPTION
PLAN



ONLINE
PLATFORM

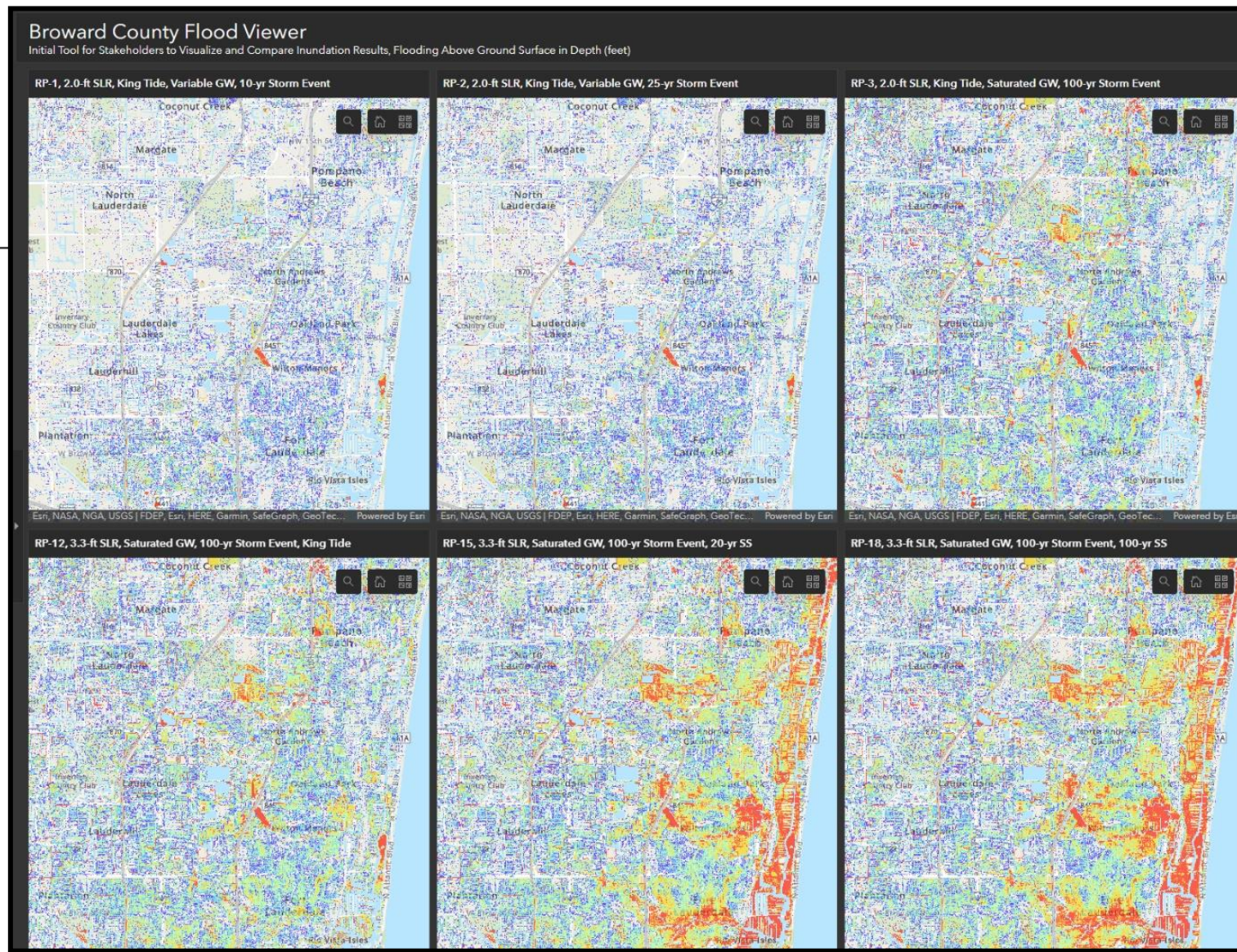
Resilience Plan Modeling Scenarios



Comparative Flood Risk Analysis

bit.ly/RiskAnalyses

3 feet/100-yr
+ high tide



2 feet/100-yr
+ High tide

3 feet/100-yr
+ High tide
+ surge

What are our Exposures?



HAZARD EXPOSURE

- Frequency, duration, extent of flooding – properties, roads, essential infrastructure
- Flood damage repair costs
- Heating degree days
- Socio-economic projections



FIRST PARTY LOSS

- Building and asset damage
 - Lost income from business interruption
 - Cost of lost access to services
 - Humanitarian (health) impacts



INDIRECT IMPACTS

- Resident and business income
- Population, Jobs, Investment
 - Economic Growth
- Beaches, recreation areas
- Natural environment
 - Insurance availability and affordability
 - Real estate values
- Tax revenue and government spending/Credit quality



KEY IMPACT METRICS

- Economic activity (by sector)
- Household impacts
 - Asset values
 - County finances
- Distribution of impacts

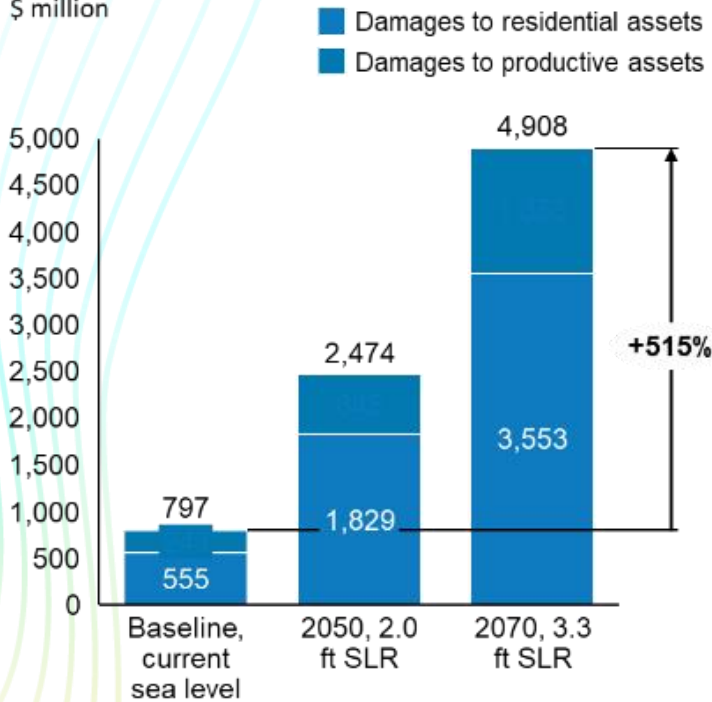
Risk Assessment and Resilience Plan

Economic Modeling

NO ADAPTATION INCLUDED

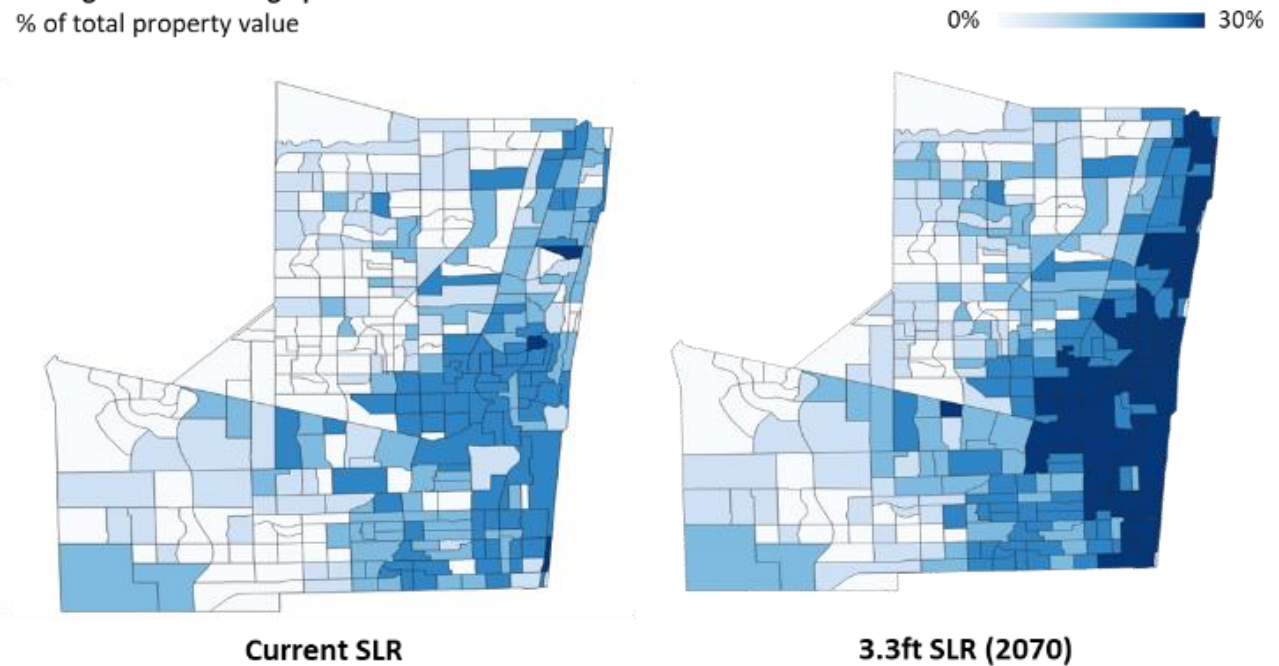
By 2070, residential/productive asset damage could increase 6.4x/5.6x times compared to baseline

Average annual damage, total
\$ million



Most flood damage is concentrated along the coast

Average annual damage per census tract
% of total property value



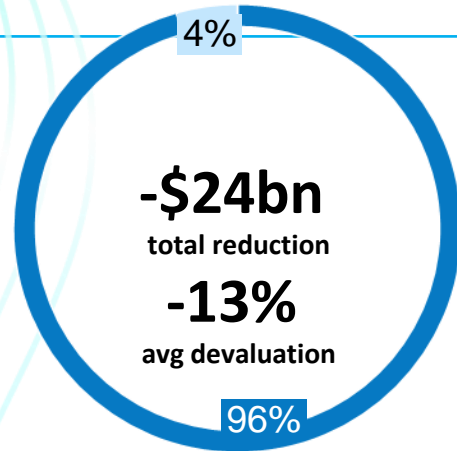
Increased damages could reduce property values by ~13% Countywide in 2.0ft SLR scenario

NO ADAPTATION OR INFLATION INCLUDED

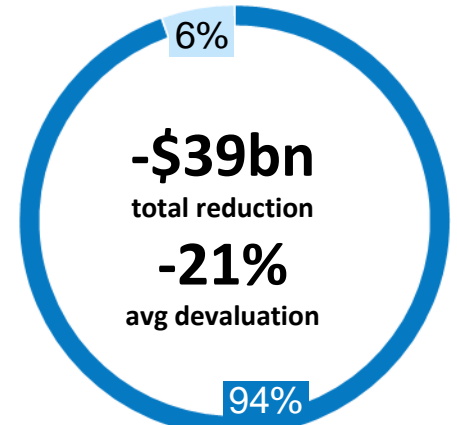
Total reduction in residential property value^{1,2}

Drivers: ■ Asset damages ■ Loss of use

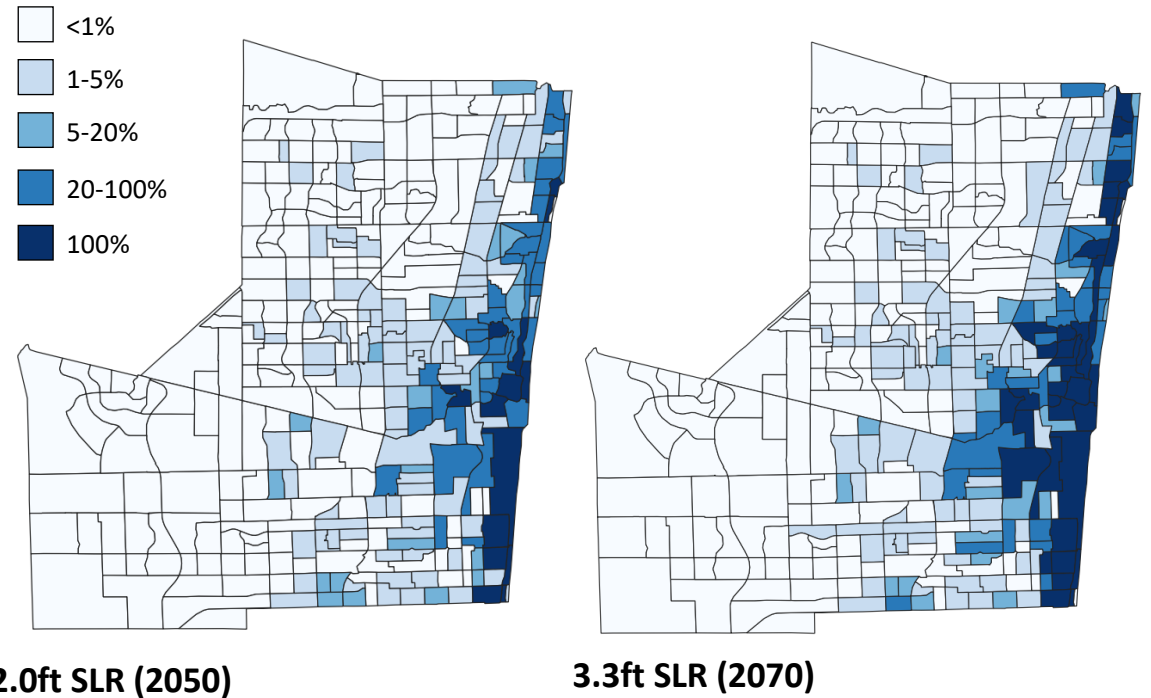
2.0ft SLR (2050) vs current



3.3ft SLR (2070) vs current



Distribution of census tracts by average residential building devaluation (%)



Interim Results (Baseline/No adaptation actions considered)

4. A census tract is considered to experience complete loss in property value if the average annual flood-related loss increase (vs current) is greater than current net operating income (i.e., around \$23k, which is 4.94% of average property value).

Source: Flood modeling and damages from Hazen and Sawyer

1. Capitalization rate used for both single-family and multi-family residential properties was the average capitalization rate for multi-family residential properties in 4 Florida cities as per CBRE 2023 1H
2. The analysis does not consider impact from loss of local amenities and services as well as second-order impact from reduced economic activities
3. Downtime-related losses assumes owners do not derive value for the property while it is uninhabitable

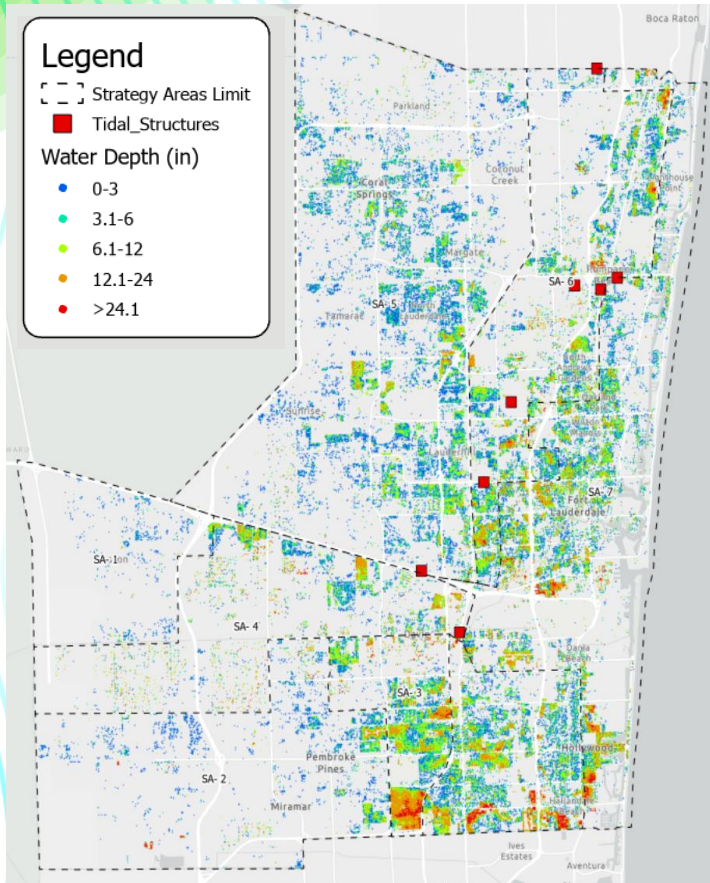
Adaptation Strategies Evaluated

- Storage - Above and below ground
- Reducing Impervious area
- Conveyance
 - Improving structures (canals, culverts, etc.)
 - Additional Pumping
- Barriers
 - Seawalls
 - Nature-based and/or engineered structures
 - Large scale levees and other close out structures

Green Infrastructure

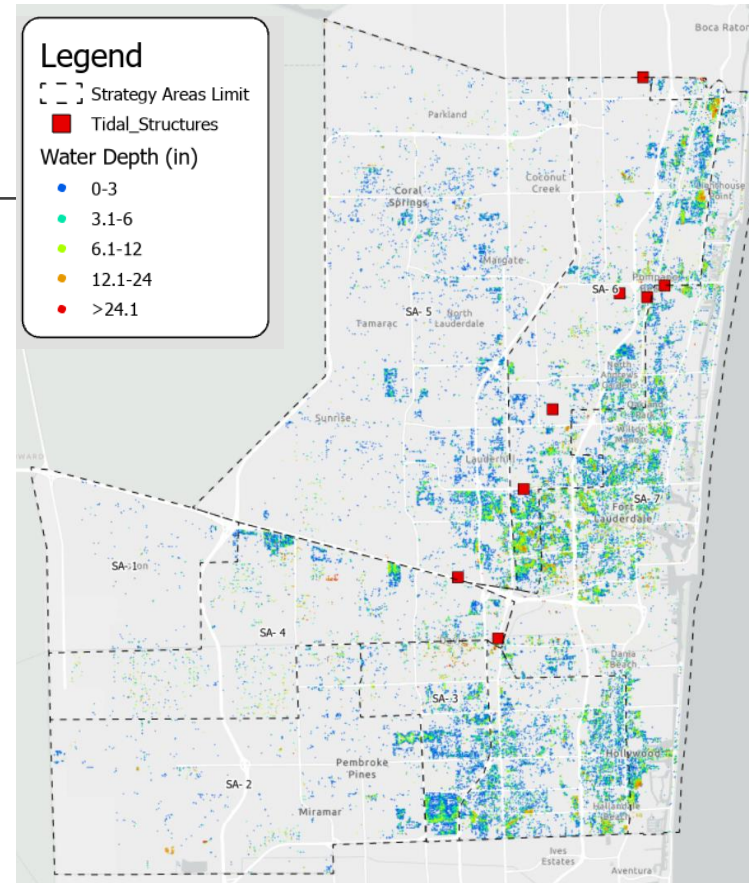


All Adaptation Strategies Working in Combination



Base Scenario Water Depth

Rain	SLR	Tidal
100-yr 3-day	2 ft	King Tide



Adaptation Strategy Water Depth

All secondary structures have the control elevation (CE) reduced by 1'.
Includes also: Pumps, Crossings, Seawalls.

Water Depth Reduction (148,045 Prop)

Delta Flood Depth (inches)		%
from 12	to 24	14.0
from 9	to 12	14.0
from 6	to 9	20.5
from 3	to 6	22.7
from 0	to 3	28.8

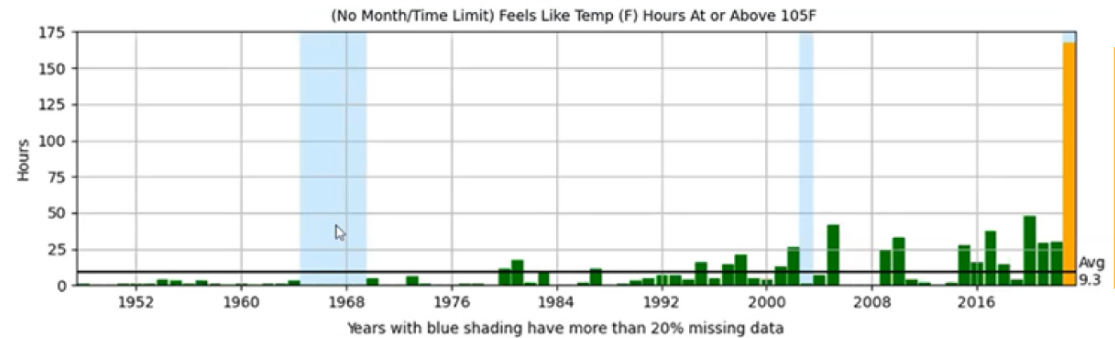
+190
Miles of Seawall
and Enhanced
Natural Barriers

Greater Context: IPCC's 6th Assessment Report



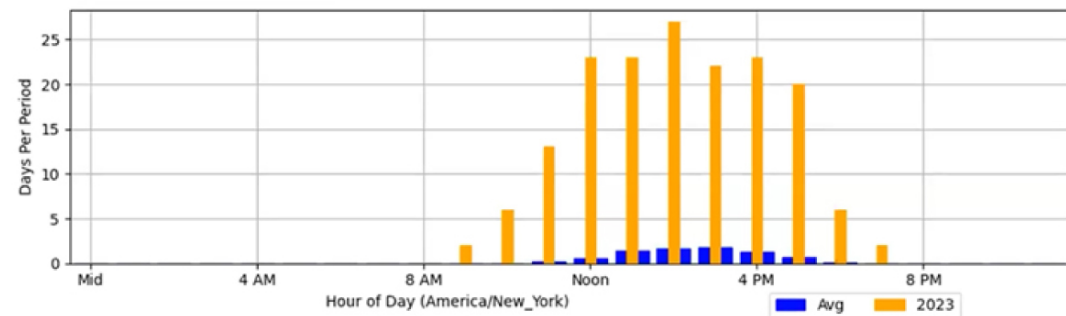
- With every increment of global warming, regional changes in mean climate and extremes become more widespread and pronounced.

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RECORD
HEAT
IN 2023

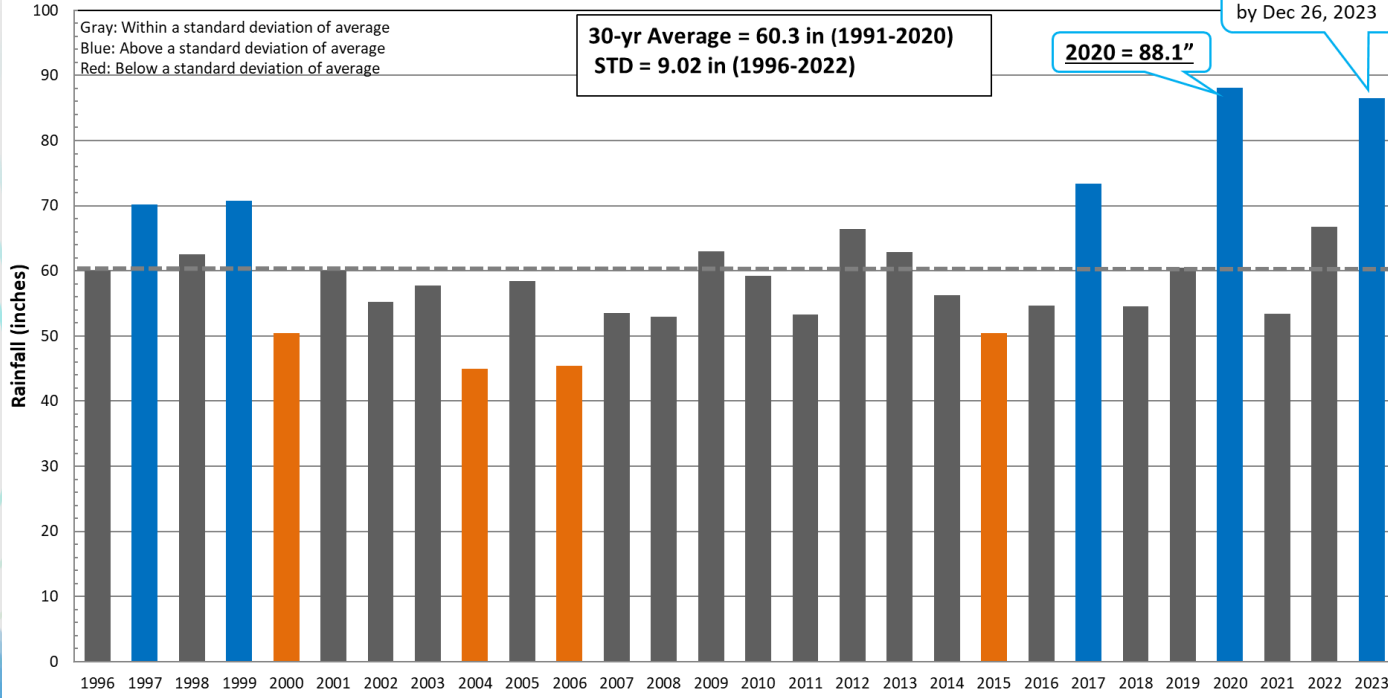
BY HOUR OF DAY



Fort Lauderdale eclipses 100 inches of rain in 2023, as Florida braces for more flooding

Historic downpour in Fort Lauderdale dropped 88 billion gallons of rain

Broward Yearly Rainfall Since 1996



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Fort Lauderdale was inundated with a third of its annual rainfall within hours

By [Tim Craig](#), [Scott Dance](#), [Andrew Jeong](#) and [Matthew Cappucci](#)

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How we Intend to Quantify Plan Benefits

AVOIDED LOSS IN:	AVOIDED COST OF:	AVOIDED REDUCTION IN:
Resident and Business income	Emergency services	Property values
Neighborhood amenities (a.k.a. - Increases in quality and availability of goods and services)	Property insurance premiums	Value of Recreation days (willingness-to-pay)
	Mortgage interest rates	Value of Environmental amenities (willingness-to-pay)
	Electricity cost to cool properties	
Tax revenue to County and local governments	County borrowing and credit	Government services



Summary

- Evolving and compound flood risk is one of South Florida's most pressing climate-related challenges (in addition to extreme heat).
- Update of design standards is already delivering benefits.
- Current efforts focus on development of a coordinated, community-wide resilience plan.
- Community and economic resilience is a central theme, addressing livability, affordability and opportunity.
- Large scale adaptation is on horizon, but must be combined with state and federal investments, along with aggressive emissions reductions, community-wide.

Questions ?

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