Estimating the Economic Impact of Rising Sea Levels in Cape Canaveral

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ECONOMIC RESILIENCY



About ECFRPC

- Council of Governments Located in Orlando, Florida
- Provide Technical Assistance within 8-county Region

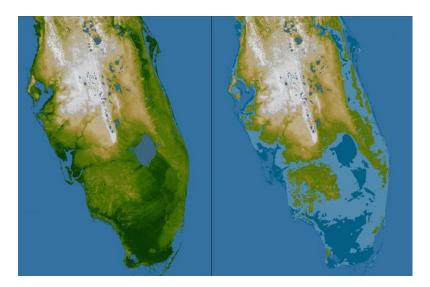


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Economic Impact of Sea Level Rise

- Seal Levels Expected to Rise over Next 70 Years
- Affect Major Population and Economic Centers
- Effects will Occur Gradually Over Time





ECONOMIC IMPACT OF SEA LEVEL RISE



Karl Havens Coastal Resilience Grant

- Prepare Coastal Communities for Challenges of Sea Level Rise
- Partnership with Sea Grant College Programs in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina



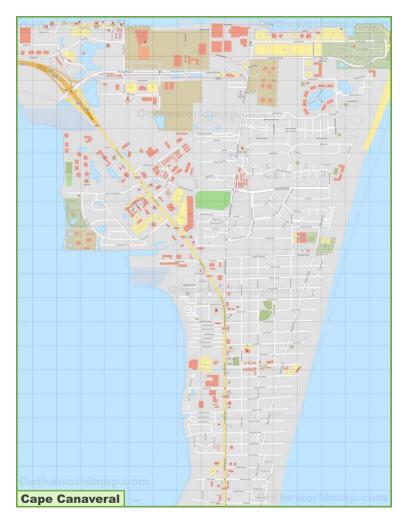


PARTNER COMMUNITY



City of Cape Canaveral

- Located on the Florida's Atlantic Coast
- Community is an important part of state's tourism and aerospace economies



RESILIENCY FRAMEWORK

Economic Scenario

- Estimate economic impact of up to five feet of sea level rise using three variables
- Forecast economic activity over 51 year period (2030-2080)



PEOPLE



Variable 1: City Demographics

- American Community Survey Data
- Census Block Group Level
- Divide Population
 Between Economic
 Migrants and Retirees

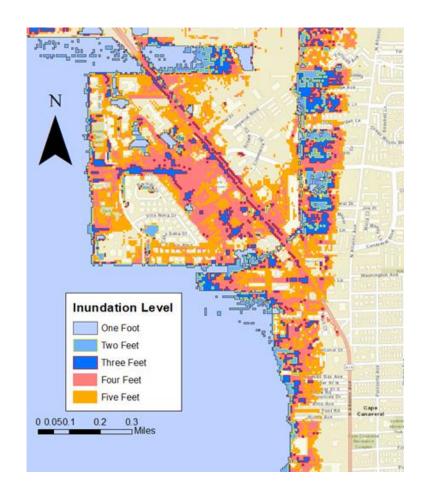




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Variable 2: Inundated Parcels

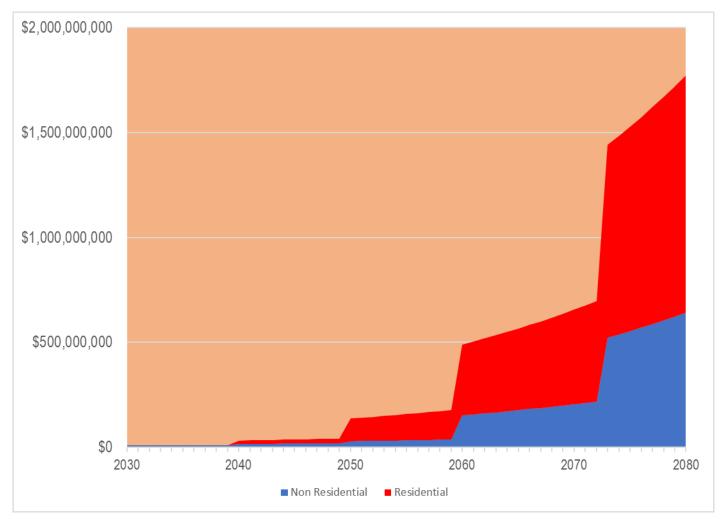
- Identify all parcels that will be at least 50% inundated
- Forecast new property values up to 2080
- Use ten year increments starting 2040







Capitol Stock Losses



PROSPERITY



Variable 3: Industry Losses

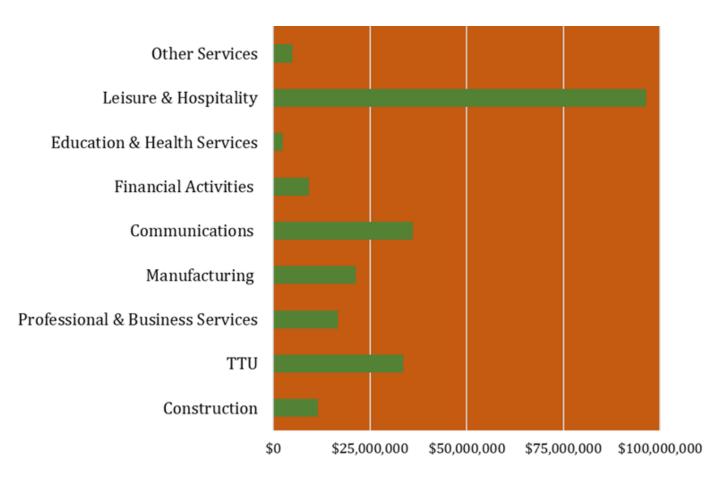
- Identify affected businesses using Data Axle/Infogroup
- Include businesses that will be surrounded by water
- Forecast sales losses up to 2080 (3% Increase Annually)



PROSPERITY



Variable 3: Business Sales Losses



ECONOMIC SCENARIO RESULTS



Average Loss per Year

- 3,865 Jobs 9,518 People
 - \$1.07 Billion Output/Sales
 - \$3.38 Billion Personal Income

- \$650 Million Gross Regional Product



Questions/Comments

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