Manchester-by-the-Sea

Coastal Resilience Forum

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Getting Started

- Objective: address potential impacts of climate change
- Define the main issues for Manchester
- Define the sectors that would be most adversely impacted
- Define mitigation projects for resiliency









Sawmill Brook Culvert and Green Infrastructure Analysis



Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management

Hazard Mitigation Plan Enhancement: Vulnerability Risk Assessment due to Climate Change







Community Involvement

Coastal Resilience Advisory Group

- **Town Administrator**
- Grants Administrator
- Fire Captain
- Police Representative
- DPW Director
- Town Planner

- Salem Sound Coast Watch
- Manchester Coastal Stream Team
- Downtown Improvement Committee
- Citizen Advisors
- Coastal Zone Management
- Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency





Watershed Concerns







Grants Overview

- Desktop Watershed Assessment
- Analysis of Culverts
- Hydrologic Modeling with Climate Change
- Enhancement to Manchester's current Hazard Mitigation Plan to address climate change impacts
- Locations for Flood Mitigation
- Conceptual Designs for Mitigation





Desktop Assessment

- Where does it flood?
- What opportunities exist to reduce flooding and impacts from climate change?
- Where are critical community assets located?





Field Survey

23 culverts assessed in Sawmill Brook Watershed







Field Survey

15 Sites assessed for green infrastructure and flood mitigation opportunities







Field Survey

Central Street Tide Gate & Culvert evaluated









Existing and Future Conditions Model



Model existing conditions



Evaluate future potential flooding Impacts due to climate change



Identify mitigation value of Green infrastructure and flood storage



Assess adequacy of culvert sizes



Identify impact on Community Assets

Existing Conditions Model Inputs











Existing Conditions Model (2015)



Future Conditions Model Inputs



Future Conditions Model Future Precipitation

UNH Oyster River Culvert Analysis Rainfall depths for 2025, 2050, 2100

Two scenarios:





Fossil Intensive Energy Use



Future Conditions Model Sea Level Rise & Storm Surge

Elevations for 2025, 2050, 2100 in model based on...

- Inundation Risk Model (IRM) developed by Keil Schmidt of Geoscience Consultants
- Location of 50% probability output (i.e. flooding is as likely to occur as not occur)





Inundation Risk Model Output



Future Conditions Model Outputs





Culvert Results 2025







Culvert Results 2100







MANCHESTER-BY-THE-SEA HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN ENHANCEMENT

Vulnerability Risk Assessment Due to Climate Change

Community Asset Organization

FEMA Community Asset Categories	Critical Sectors	Characteristics of Community Assets
People	Schools, Vulnerable Populations, Cultural Facilities	Areas of greater population density, or population with unique vulnerabilities or less able to respond and recover during a disaster.
Built Environment	Critical Municipal Facilities, Water, Wastewater, Energy, Stormwater, Transportation, Cultural Resources	Critical facilities necessary for a community's response to and recovery from emergencies, infrastructure critical for public health and safety, economic viability, or needed for critical facilities to operate.
Economy	Marinas, Downtown Business District	Major employers, primary economic sectors and commercial centers where loss or inoperability would have severe impact on the community and ability to recover from a disaster.
Natural Environment	Natural Resources	Areas that provide protective function to reduce magnitude of hazard impact and increase resiliency. Areas of sensitive habitat that are vulnerable to hazard events, protection of areas that are important to community objectives, such as the protection of sensitive habitat, provide socio-economic benefits, etc.





Community Asset Locations







Community Asset Results

RISK KEY:

Me-None Low Med High High

Table 7 - Community Asset: PeopleRisk of Flooding for 2015, 2025, 2050, 2010

	NAME	ADDRESS	Sector Code	Flood Zone	IRM Sea Level Rise				IRM Shallow Coastal Flooding				IRM Storm Surge				IRM Hurricane/ Cat 1				Upland Flooding			
ID				Elevation (ft)	2015	2025	2050	2100	2015	2025	2050	2100	2015	2025	2050	2100	2015	2025	2050	2100	2015	2025	2050	2100
P-1	Brookwood Elementary School	1 Brookwood Road	СВ	14	N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				
P-2	Manchester Memorial Elementary School	71 Lincoln Street	СВ	15	N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				
P-3	Manchester Essex Regional Middle High School	36 Lincoln Street	СВ		N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				
P-4	Landmark School	167 Bridge Street	VP	14	N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				
P-5	Magic Years Nursery School	3 Chapel Lane	VP	13	N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				
P-6	Shore Nursery School	38 Bridge Street	VP	11	N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				
P-7	Hornet's After School Program	71 Lincoln Street	VP	15	N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				
P-8	Tara Montessori School	60 School Street	VP		N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				
P-9	The Plains Seniors Housing	The Plains Road	VP		N/A													N/A	N/A	N/A				









Community Asset Locations







Selected Community Assets

People (6)	Built Environment (12)							
 Landmark School Magic Years Nursery School First Baptist Church Congregational Church Summer Street Apartments The Plains Senior Housing 	 Fire Department Police Department Town Hall & Emergency Operations DPW Garage Manchester Waste Water Treatment Plant Lincoln Street Well & Pump Station Downtown Stormwater Drainage Central Street Dam & Culvert School Street & Culvert Lincoln Street & Culvert MBTA Tracks & Bridge Route 127 							
 Natural Resources (5) Manchester Harbor Singing Beach Millet's Brook & Swamp Sawmill Brook Bennet's Brook & Marsh 	 Economy (3) Selected Downtown Business Manchester Marine Crocker's Boat Yard 							
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Risk and Vulnerability Assessment (RVA) Rating System





RVA Approach

Step 1: Develop rating system for sensitivity, adaptive capacity, consequence and likelihood

Step 2: Site visits and interviews with town personnel and building staff







Prioritization Considerations

- Flooding reduction (short term and long term)
- Cost
- Permitting
- Project phasing
- Coordination with other Town projects
- Operation & Maintenance





Tide Gate & Culvert Improvements







Central Street Tide Gate and Culvert Improvements – Option 2 Replace









Culvert 23 – School Street







Culvert Improvement at School Street







Culvert Improvement at School Street







Culvert 22 – Norwood Ave







Culvert Improvement at Norwood Avenue







Culvert Improvement at Norwood Avenue







Porous Asphalt Parking Area at Coach Field Playground



Next Steps



Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management

Grant opportunities

Project sequencing

Funding sources and availability

Public input





Update HMP

Anticipate Phase II Grant

Complete VRA





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