

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE **COASTAL RESILIENCE DESIGN STUDIO** PRESENTS

# Carbon in the **TIDEWATER**





***This is a place of firsts.***

The first English settlers chose this place for its comfortable waters and protective cape. It was here that the first villages of the Kecoughtan were displaced in 1610.

It was here that the first African slave ships arrived in 1619 and

It was here that the first Union Army Camp would free enslaved African Americans in 1861. From the ramparts of Fort Monroe to the diverse streets of Phoebus, this place has withstood war, fires, hurricanes, and floods.

*Here, pivotal change in America's story has occurred before, and it is here that the story of our relationship with nature must evolve.*



# OUR TEAM

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Landscape Architecture  
Marine Science

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Landscape Architecture, Art

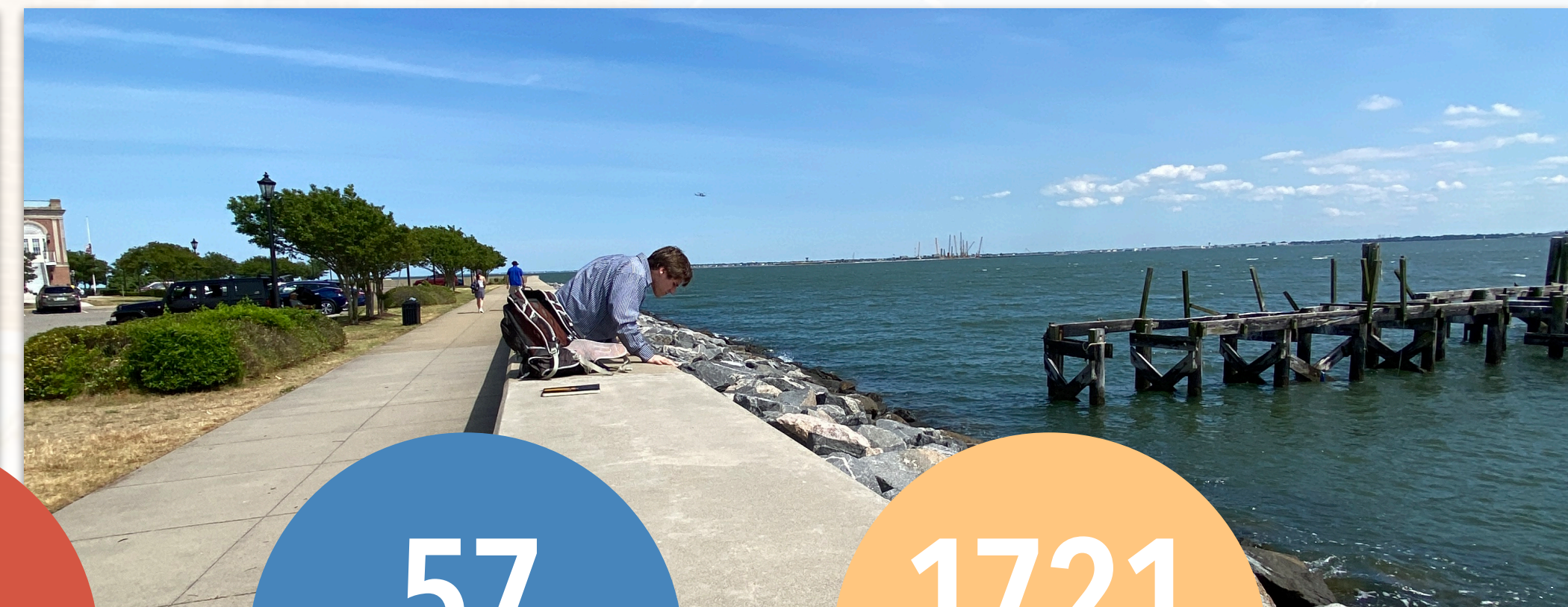
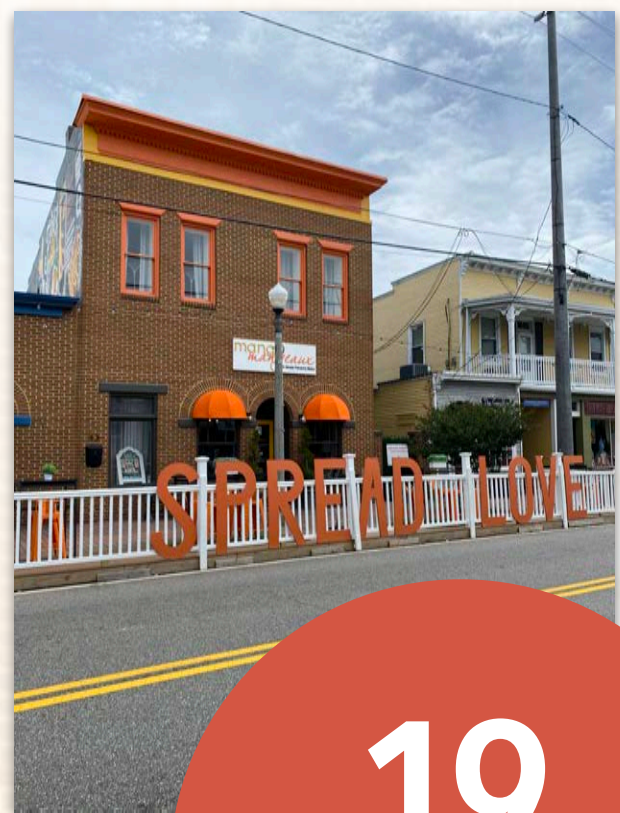
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Environmental Studies  
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Civil & Environmental Engineering

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Landscape Architecture  
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Landscape Architecture





# TEAM VISIT INPUT & INTERVIEWS

**19**  
hours of expert  
interviews

**57**  
scientific articles  
reviewed

**1721**  
hours student  
research & design  
work

Over the course of the design phase, the team spoke with several experts in the fields of coastal resilience and natural sciences. We would like to thank these individuals for their help and encouragement.

**Doug Janeic**, Sovereign Consulting & former Army Corps project manager

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# PAST PLAN REVIEW

## Structures of Coastal Resilience

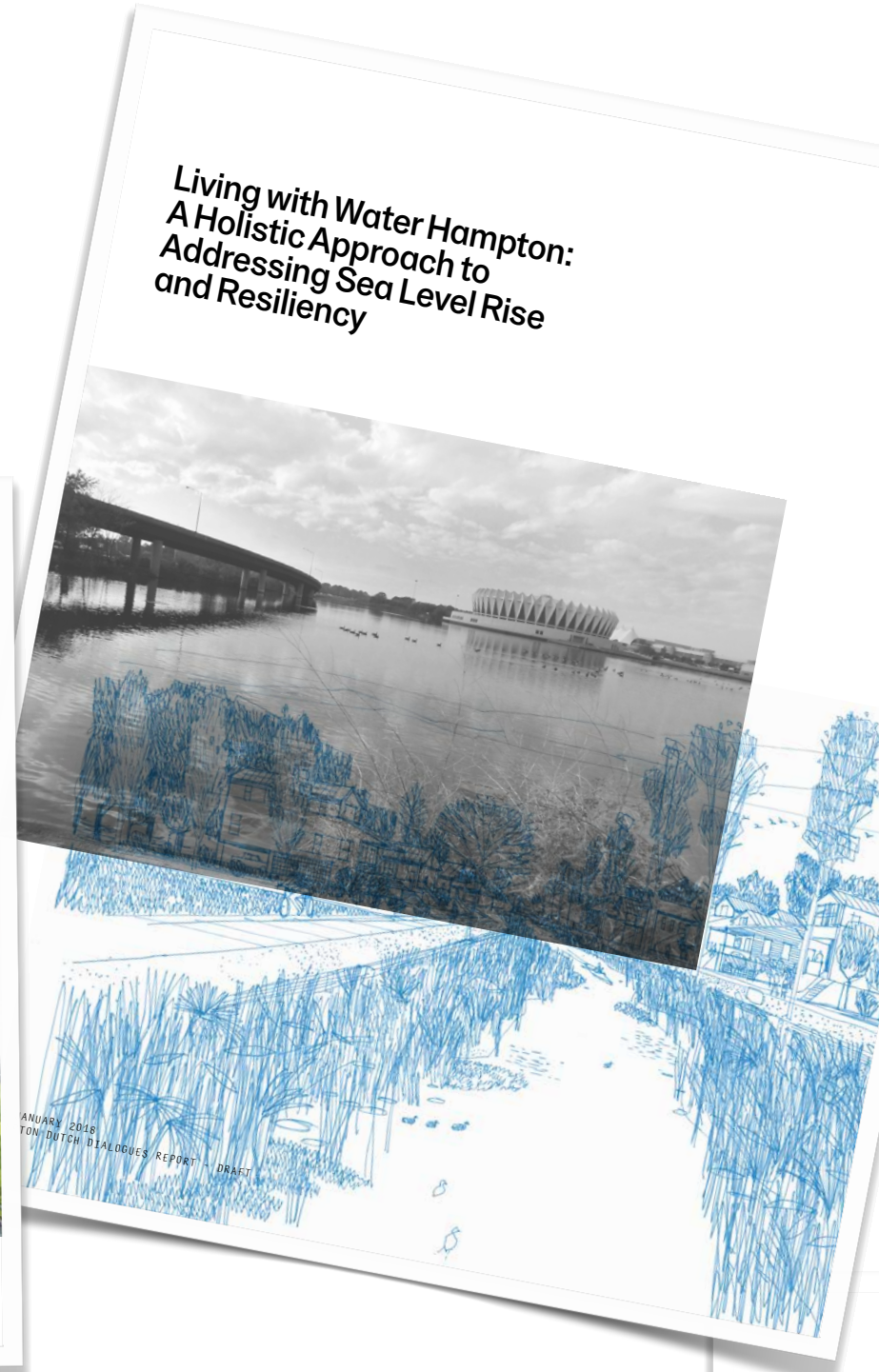
Phase 1  
Context, Site, and  
Vulnerability Analysis  
February 2014

- ### Major Topics
- 1 MAJOR EVENTS CAN CAUSE DAMAGE IN THIS COASTAL AREA AND ERODE THE SHORELINE.
  - 2 TIDAL FLOODING AND WATER BACKFLOW THROUGH EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE ARE CHALLENGES FOR PHOEBUS AND FORT MONROE.
  - 3 THE FUTURE OF FORT MONROE WILL VASTLY AFFECT THE ECONOMY AND SUCCESS OF THIS AREA, AND SPECIFICALLY PHOEBUS.

## PHOEBUS MASTER PLAN



ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL ON AUGUST 15, 2007  
AMENDED BY CITY COUNCIL ON MARCH 13, 2013



The coastal threat has been named a priority but most of the resilient based plans are focused on **inland stormwater issues.**

The team came to the conclusion that Phoebus & Ft. Monroe could not be protected unless we consider the **coastline holistically.**

SCR  
Structures of Coastal Resilience

## NEIGHBORHOOD LEVEL RESILIENCE IN THE CITY OF HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

FALL 2017 TIDEWATER COLLABORATORY

Zoe Schmitt || Callie Lambert || Bree Prince || Logan Stevens || Jessica Kirkland  
Aaron Updike || Aishwarya Borate  
Dr. Anamaria Bukvic



## THE RISING TIDEWATER

DISPARATE BUT URGENT EFFORTS TO ADDRESS SEA-LEVEL RISE IN THE VIRGINIA TIDEWATER, ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S MOST IMPORTANT STRATEGIC CENTERS, ARE STRIVING TO KEEP UP WITH VISIBLE REALITIES.



PHOEBUS MASTER PLAN:  
Hampton, Virginia URBAN DESIGN ASSOCIATES

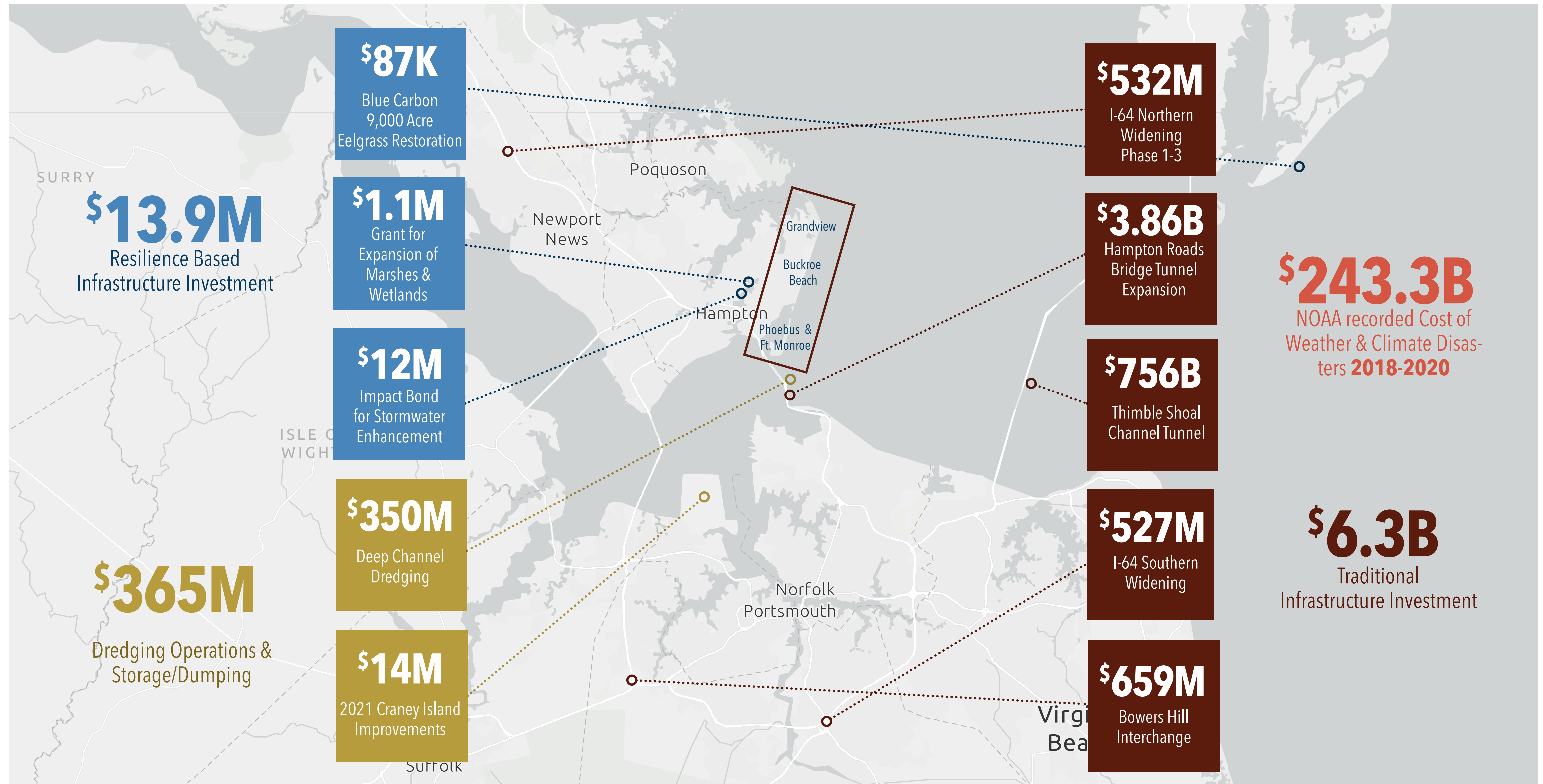


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# TEAM PIVOT

The University of Delaware Coastal Resilience Design Studio team imagines a future with ecologically based infrastructure and development that continually contributes to drawing down carbon from the atmosphere as the ***economic standard*** to tackle the heart of the problem that threatens all life on the planet we call home.

# REGIONAL INVESTMENT

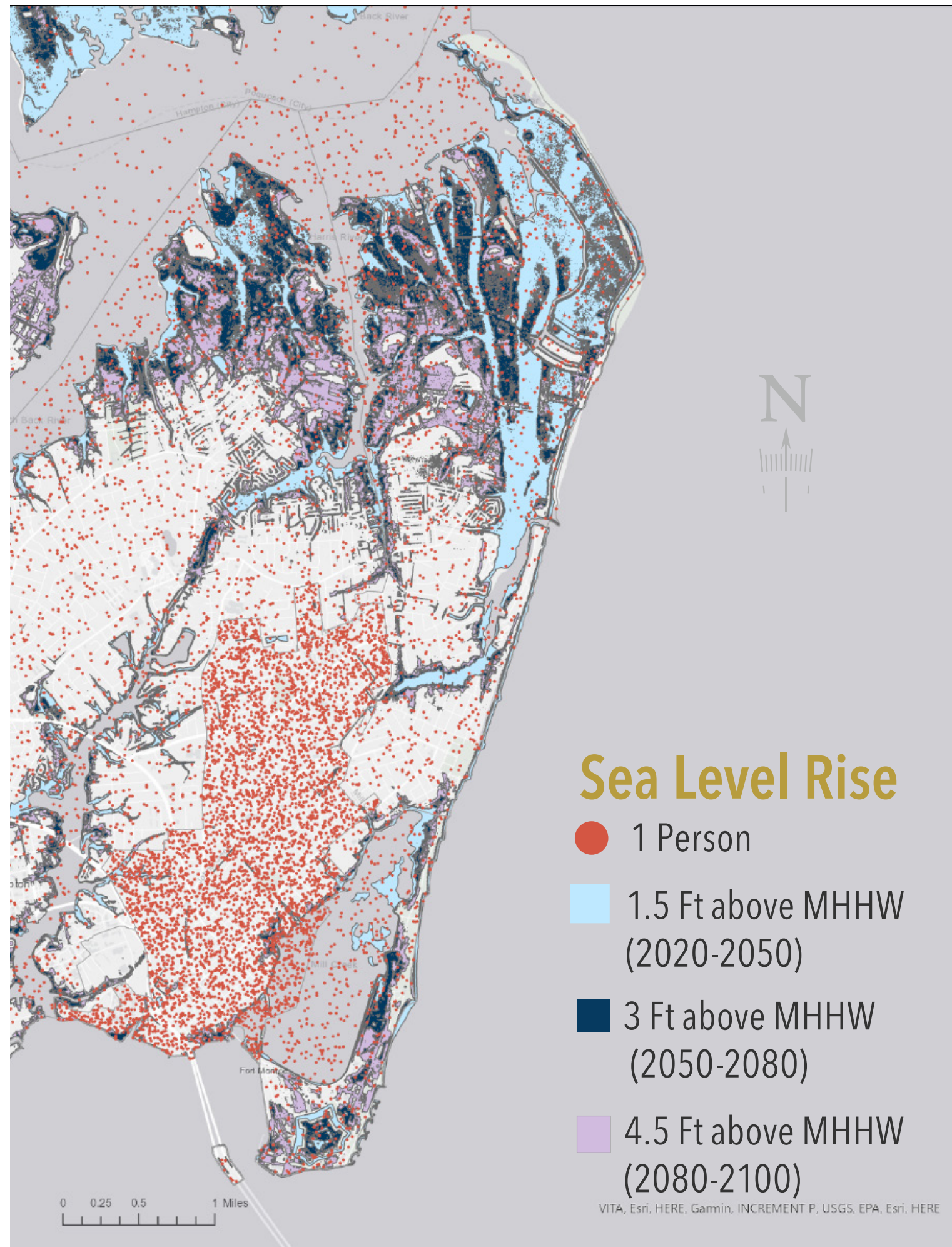


# TEAM APPROACH

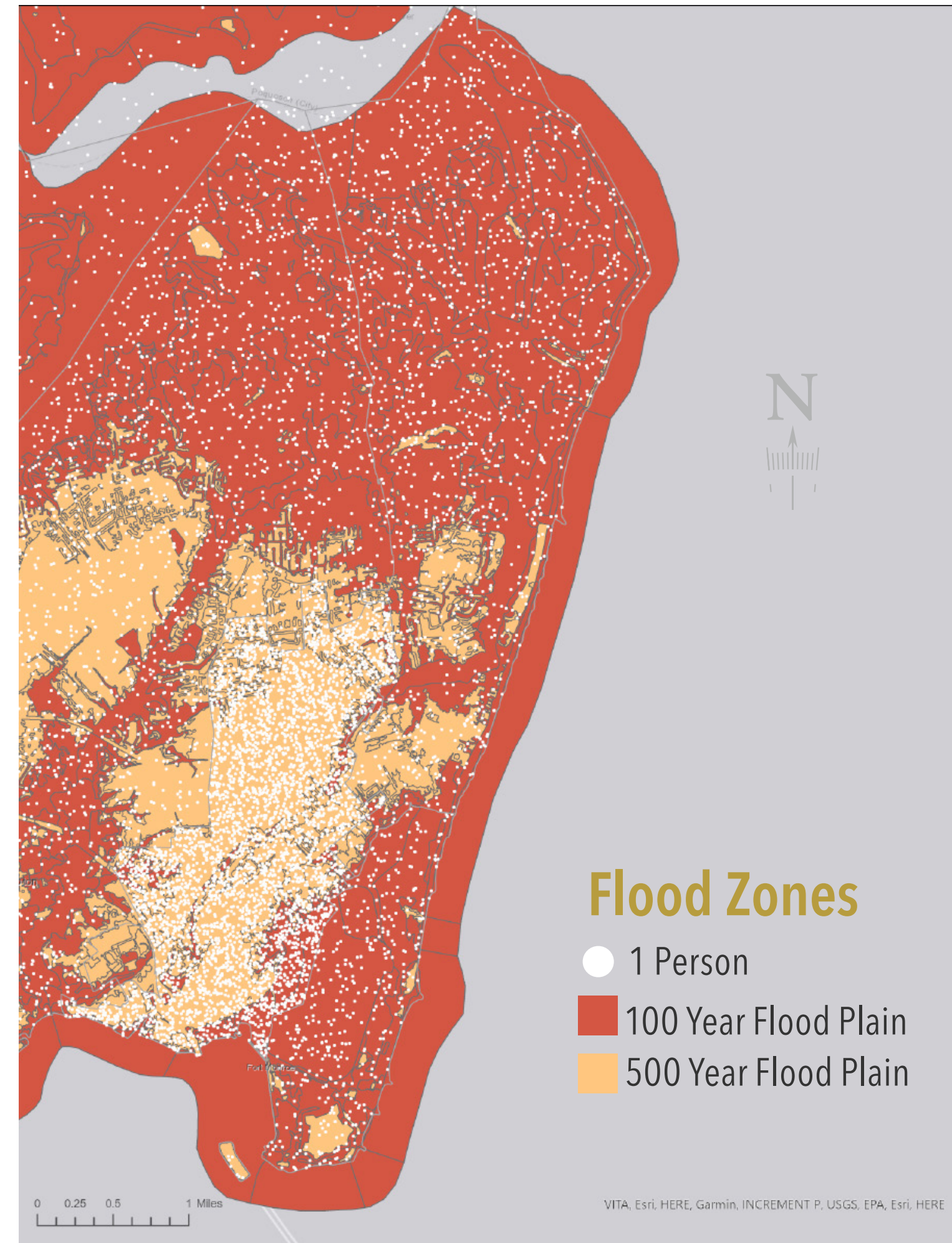
We approached the design solution by examining **human risk, ecological systems and associated risks, and economic and environmental policies** affecting the coastline of Hampton, Virginia.



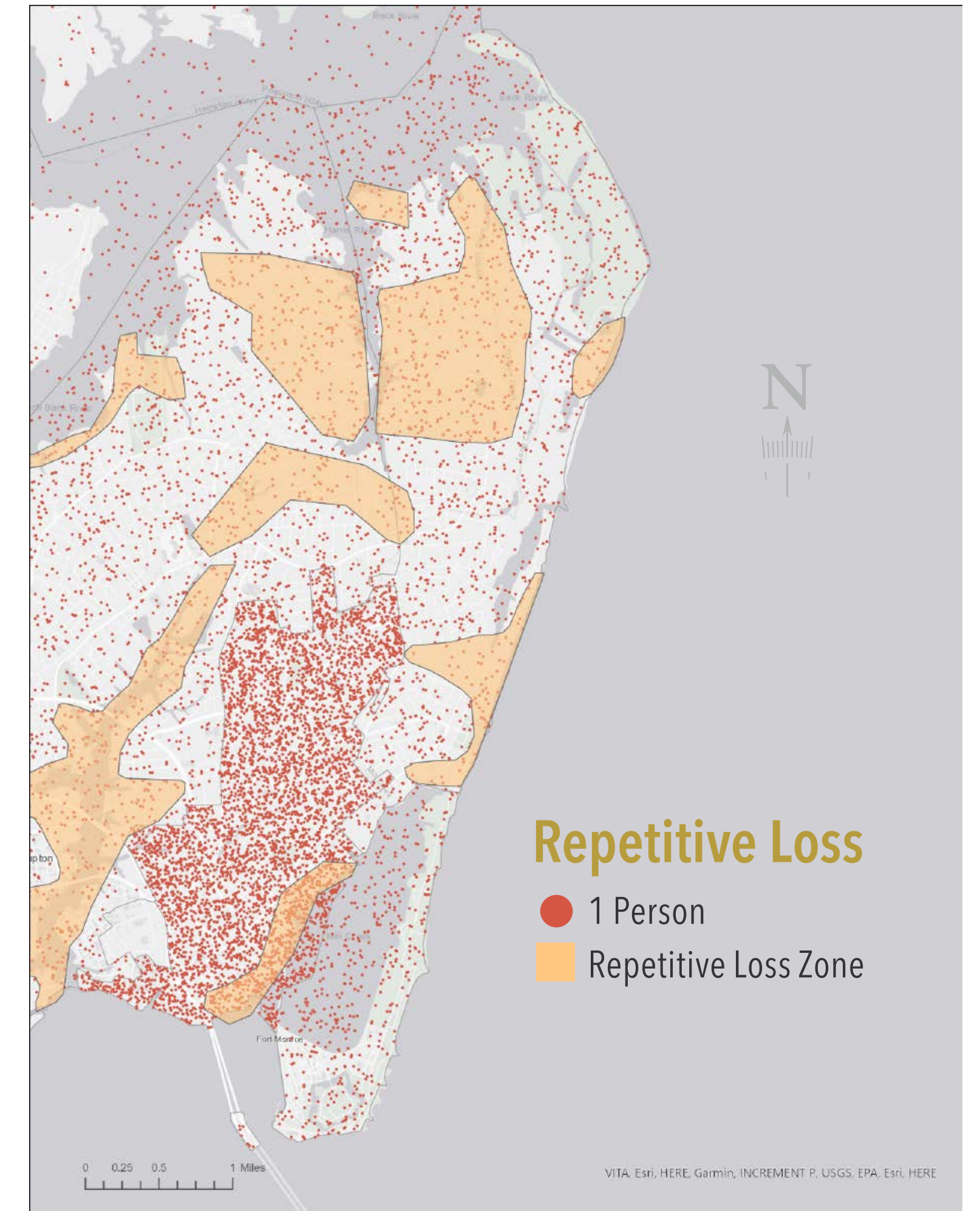
# HUMAN RISK



*Population Density data from the 2019 Community Survey living in the City of Hampton SLR zones indicate the largest area affected will occur at the 1.5' level*

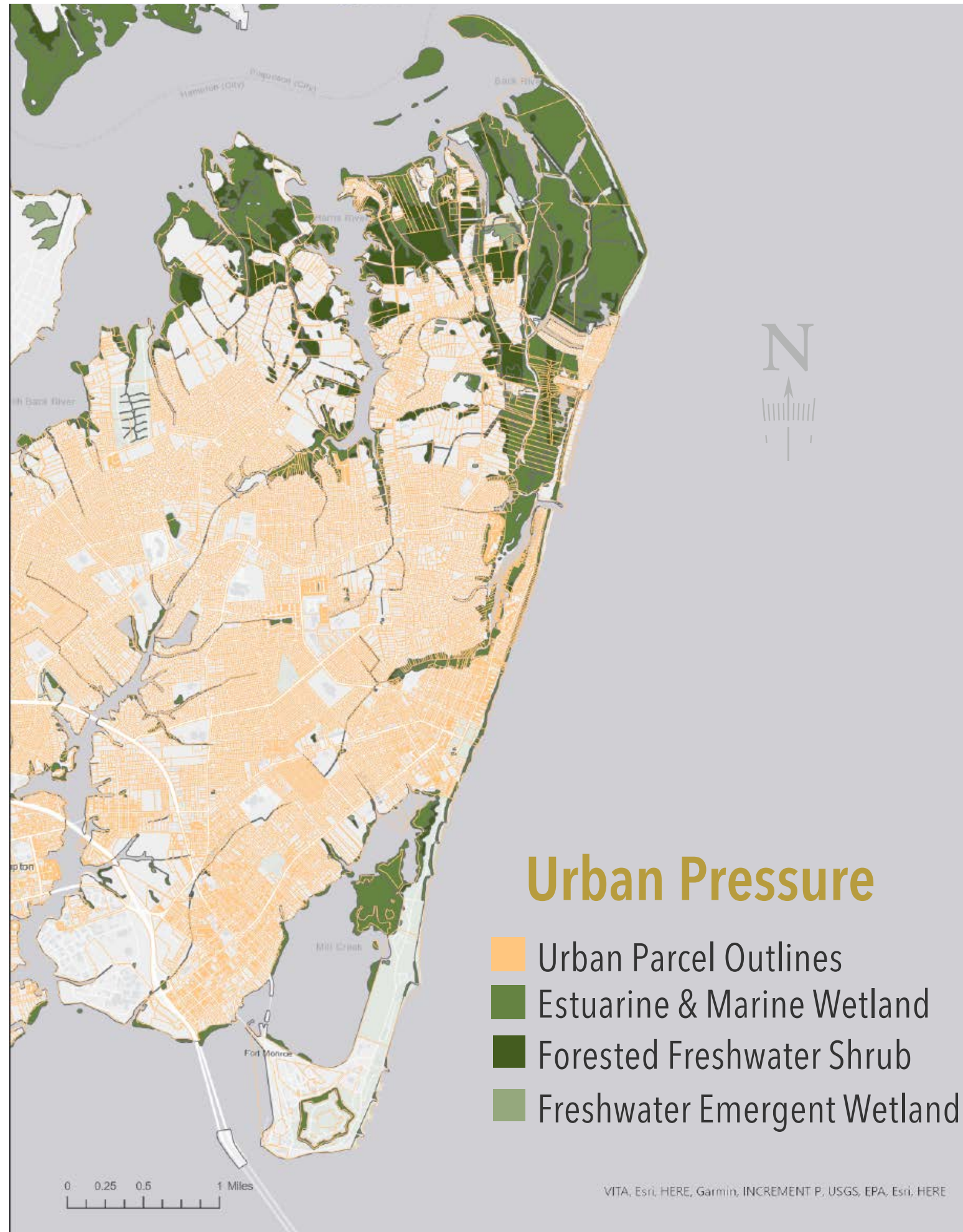


*Population Density living in the FEMA designated 100 and 500 Year Floodplain show high density in the lower risk zone, however, this limits increased capacity in that area*

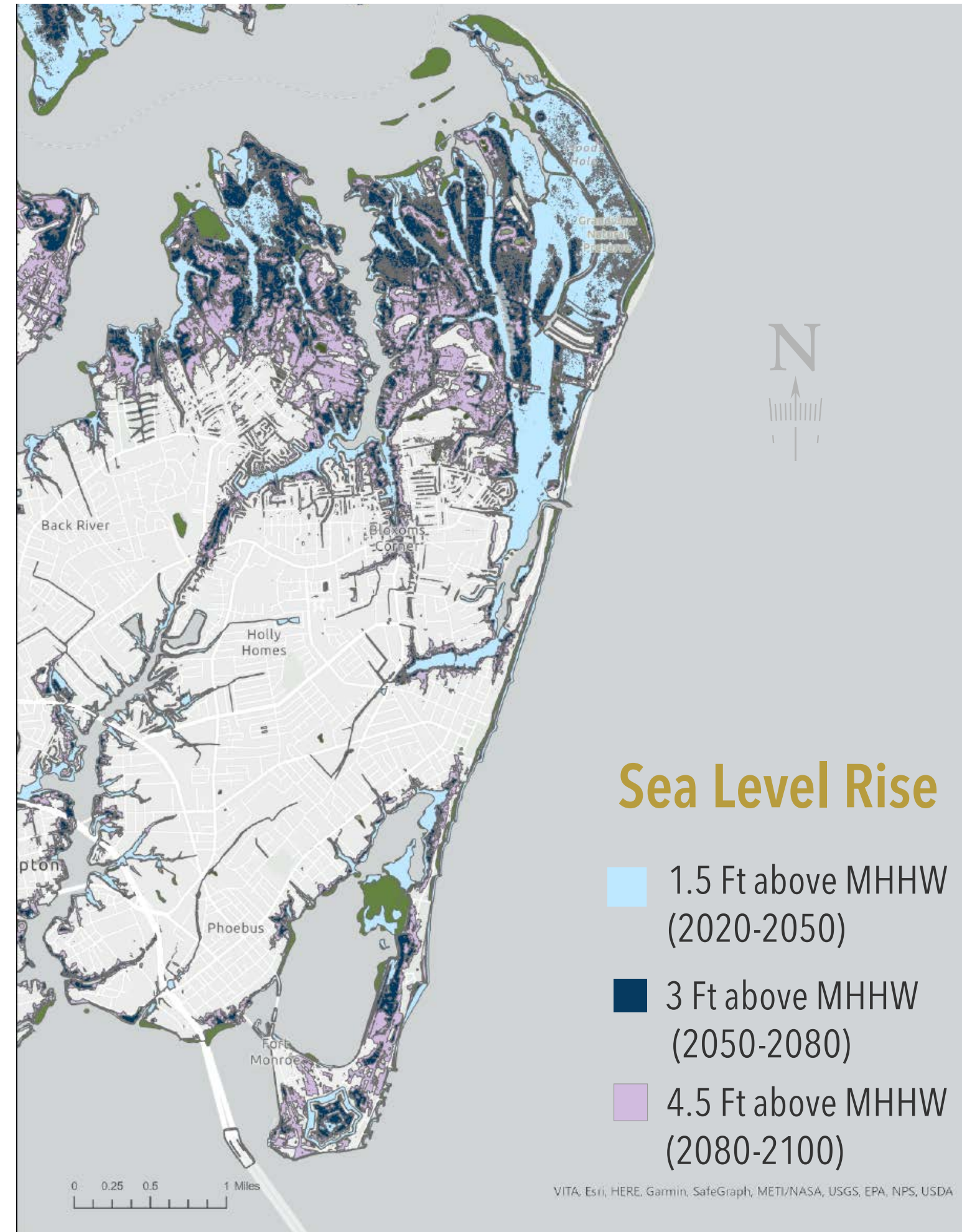


*Clusters of Repetitive Loss & Insurance Claims indicate that population density does not directly correlate with recurrent property loss and recovery payouts*

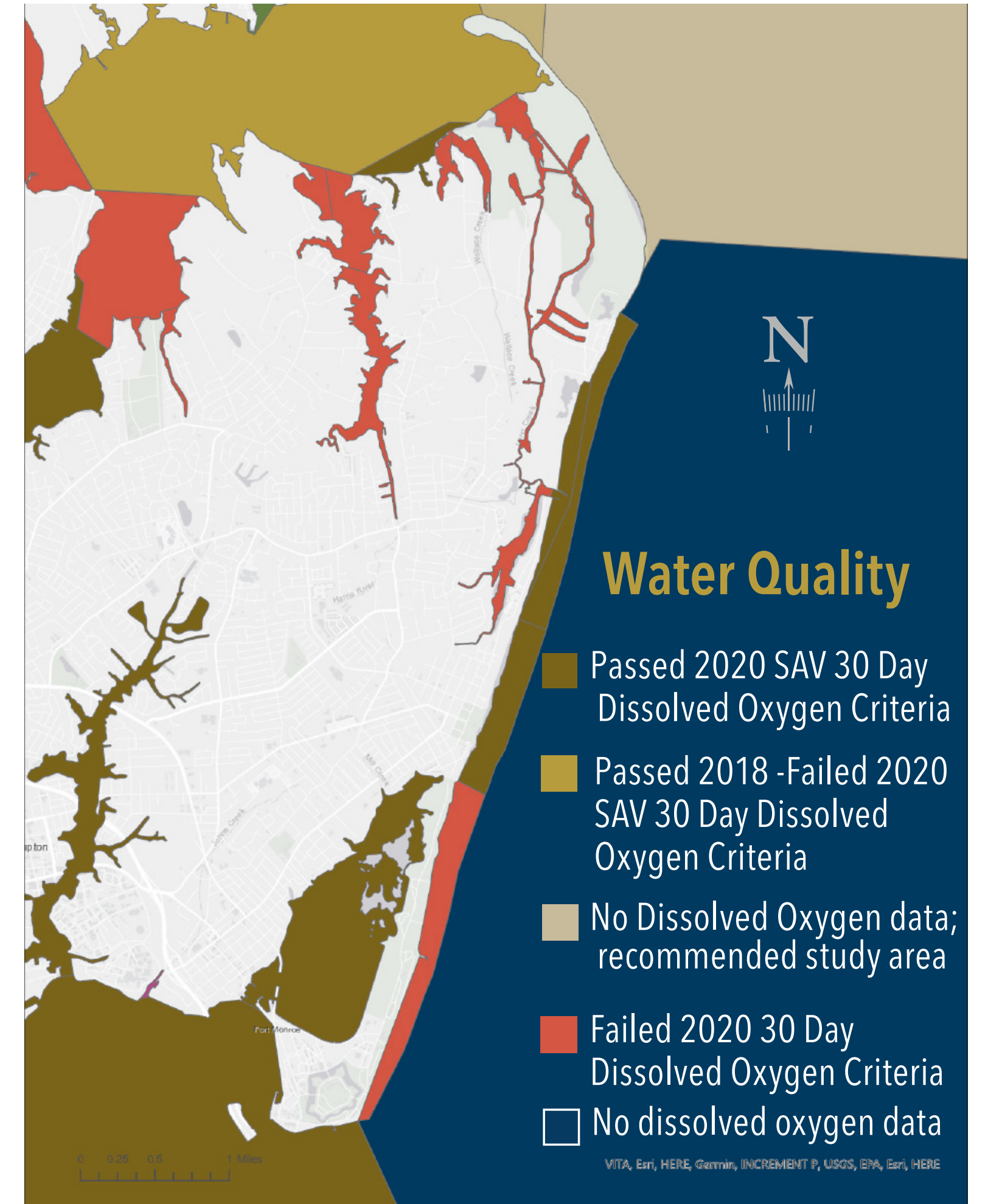
# ECOLOGICAL RISK



*Analysis of urban pressure on existing wetlands shows the existing parcel lines encroaching on wetlands from the west leaving no space for migration due to sea level rise.*

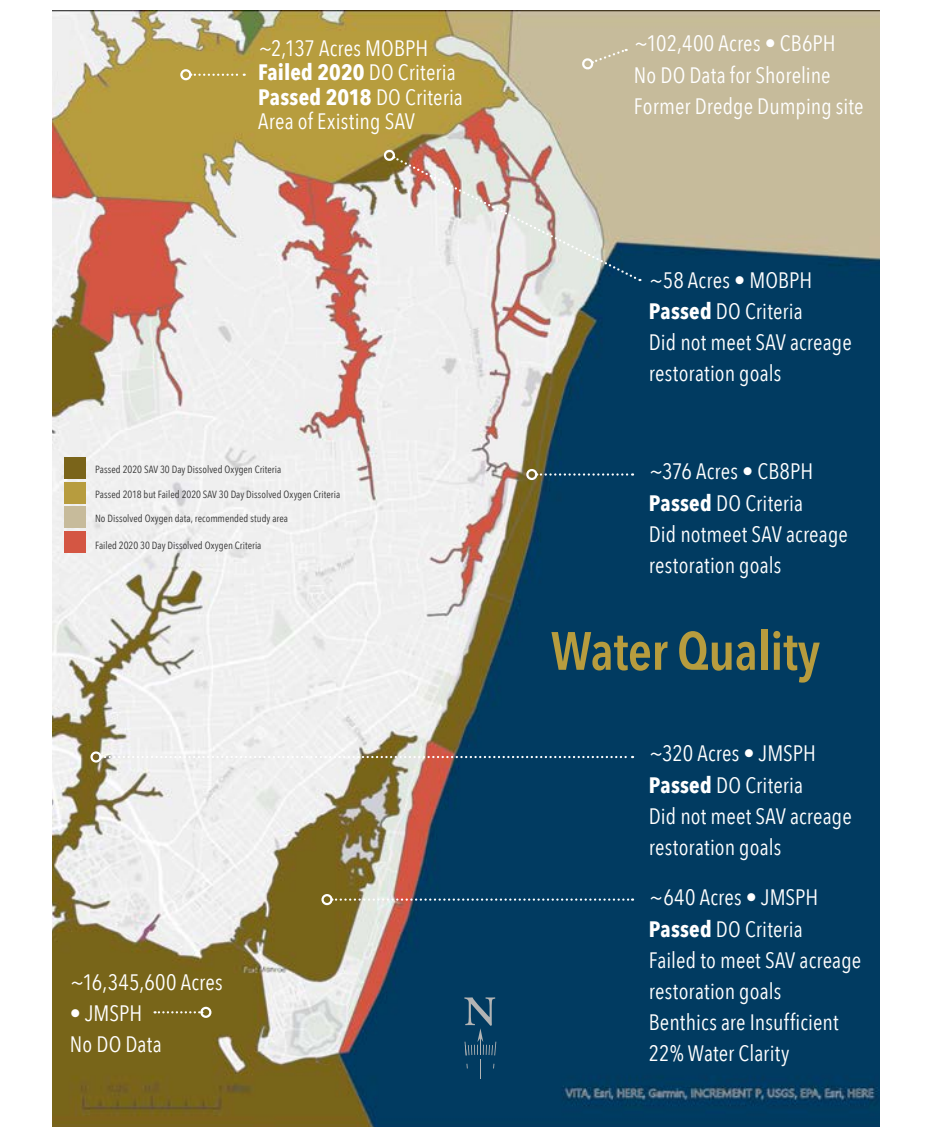
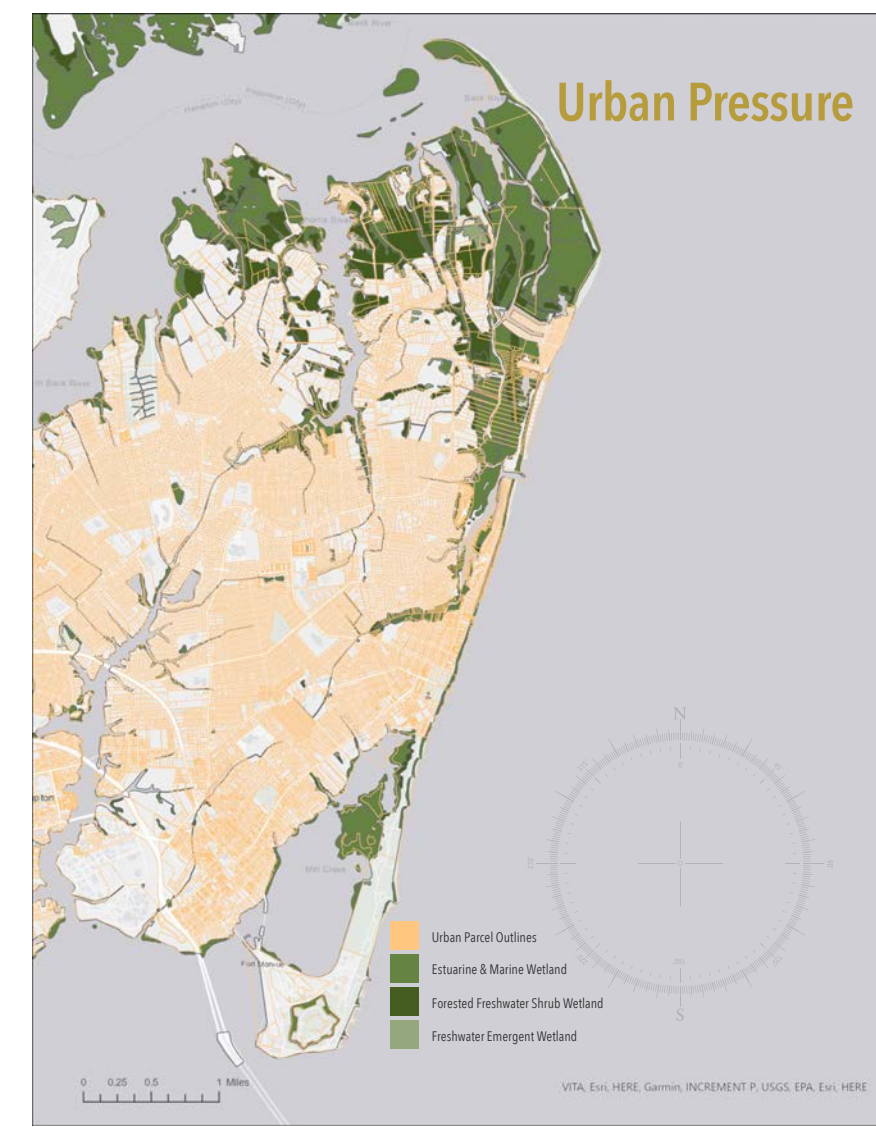
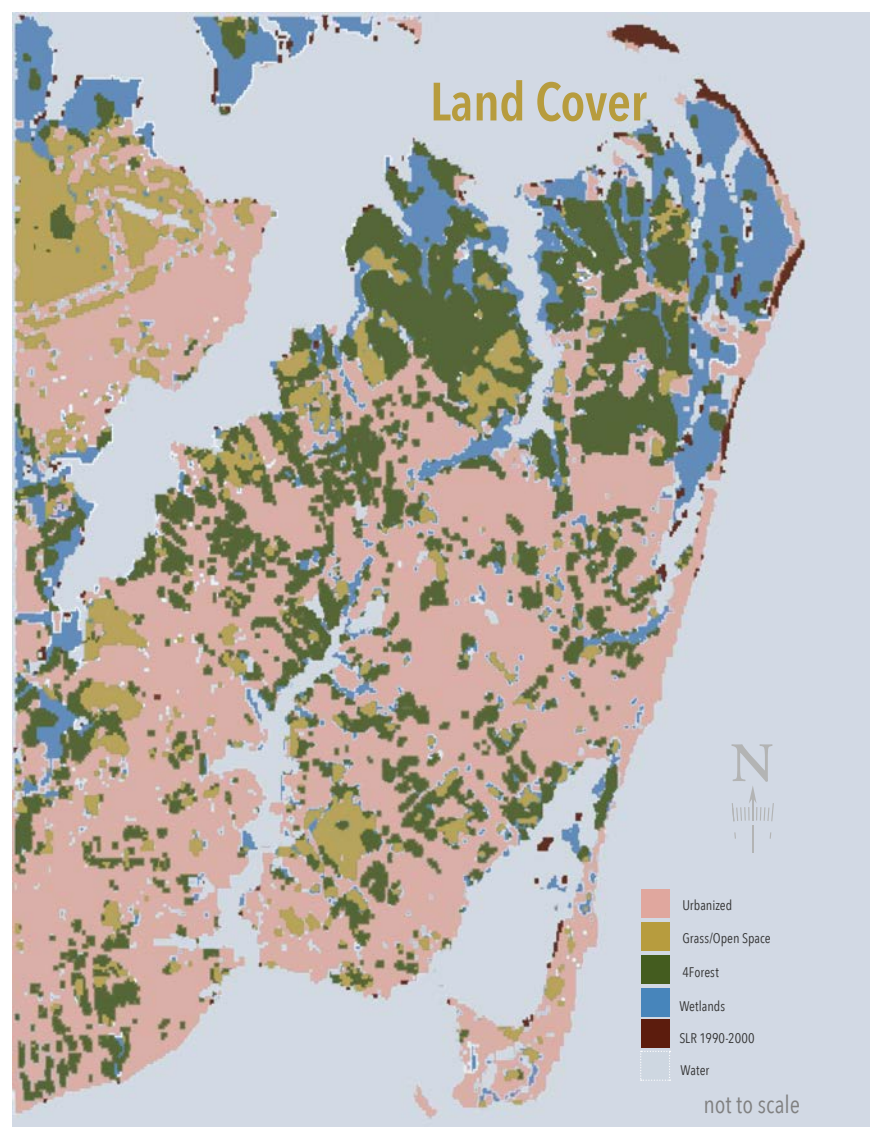
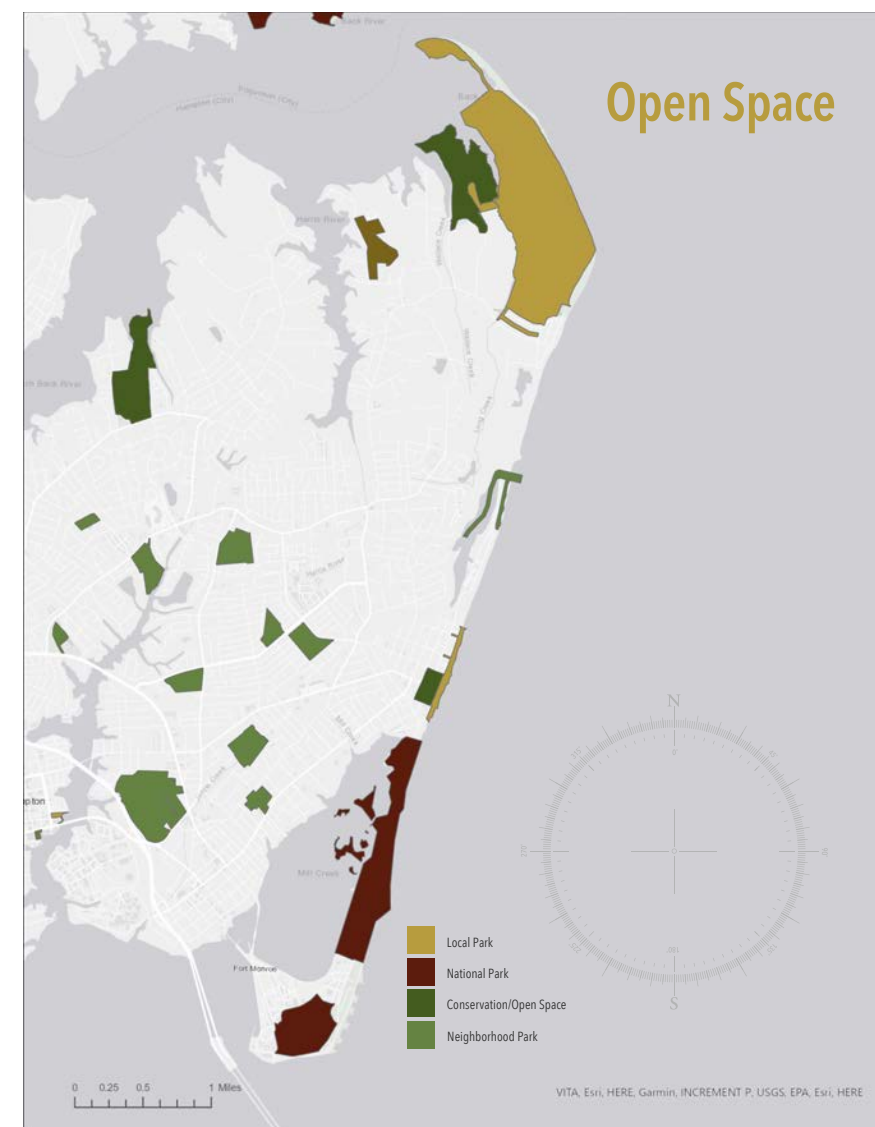
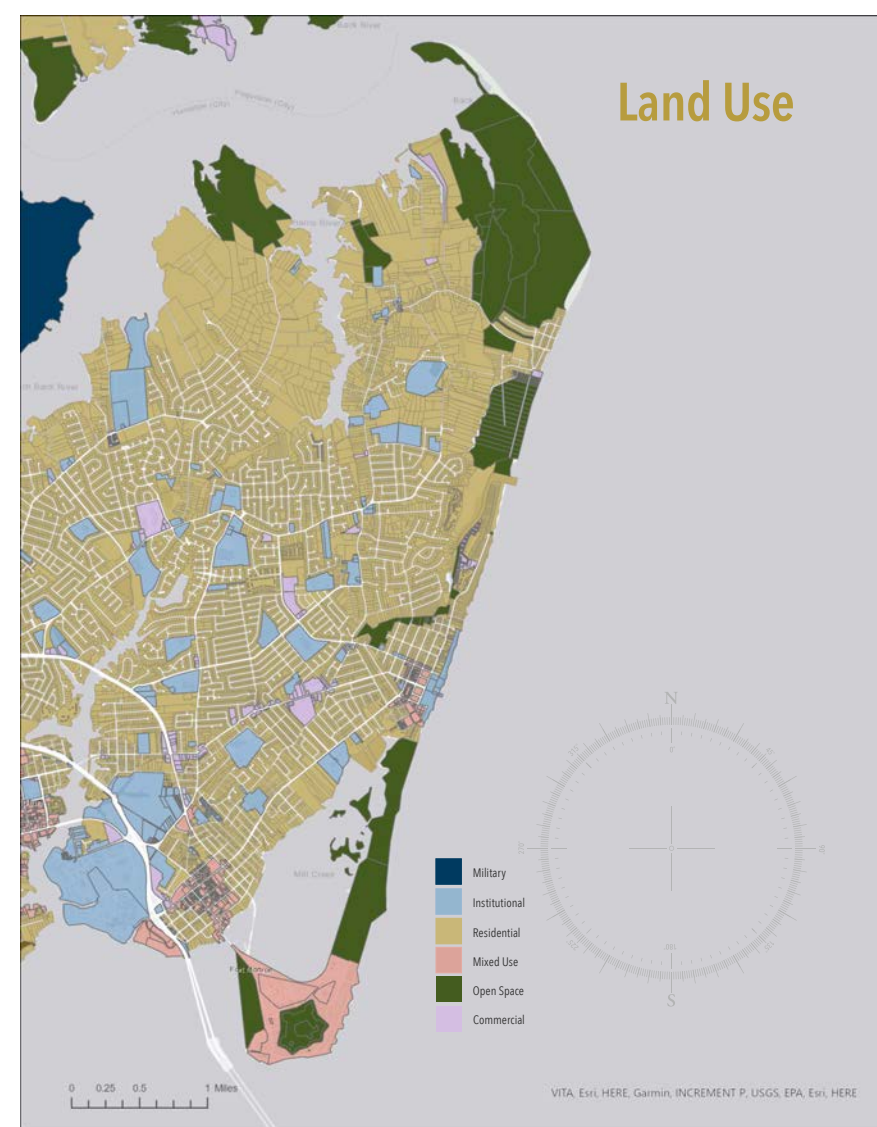
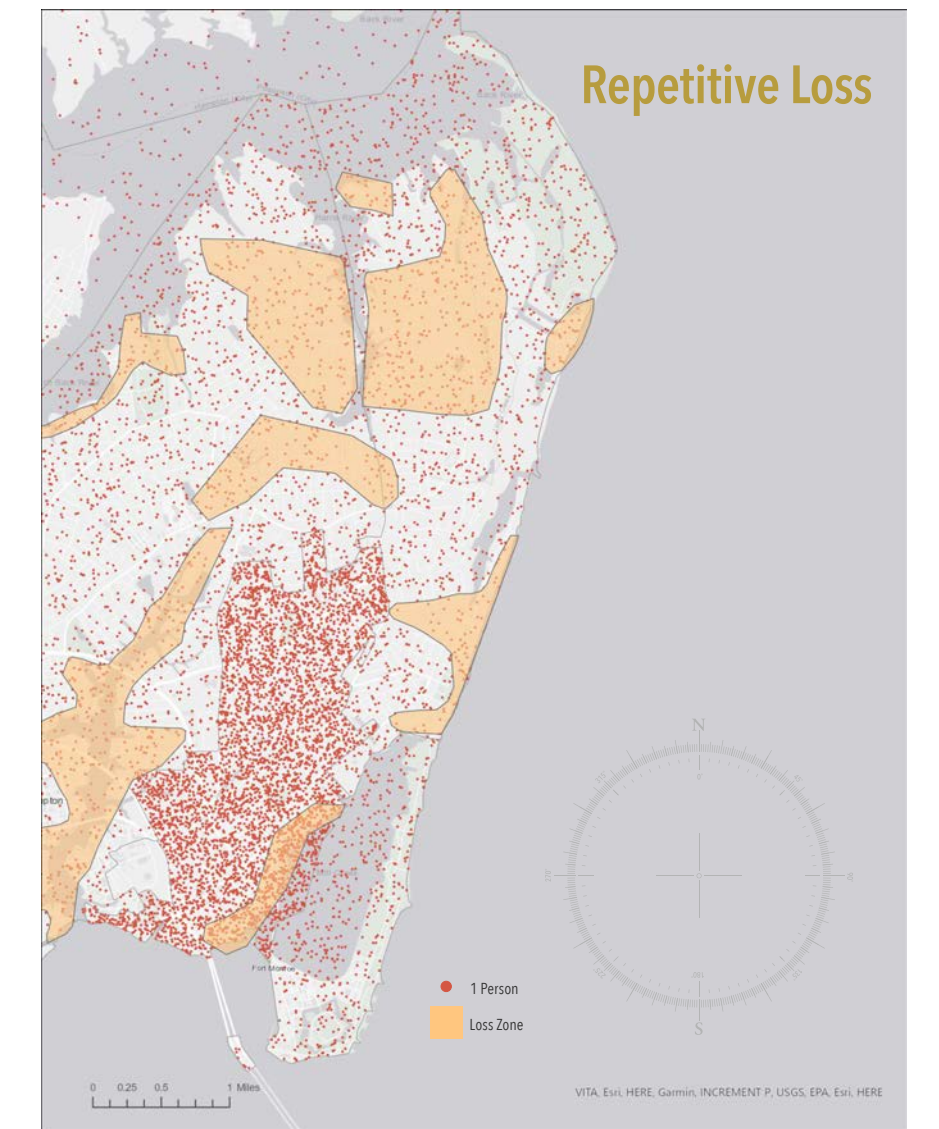
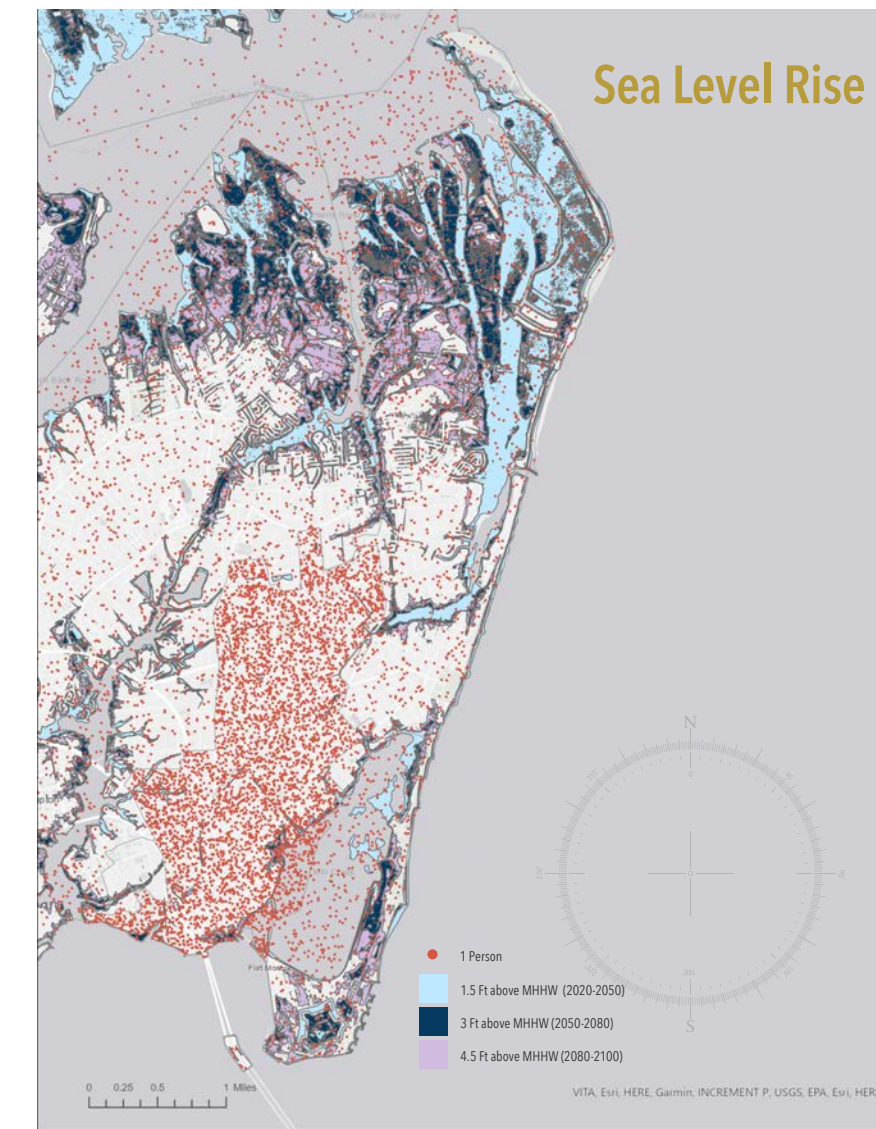
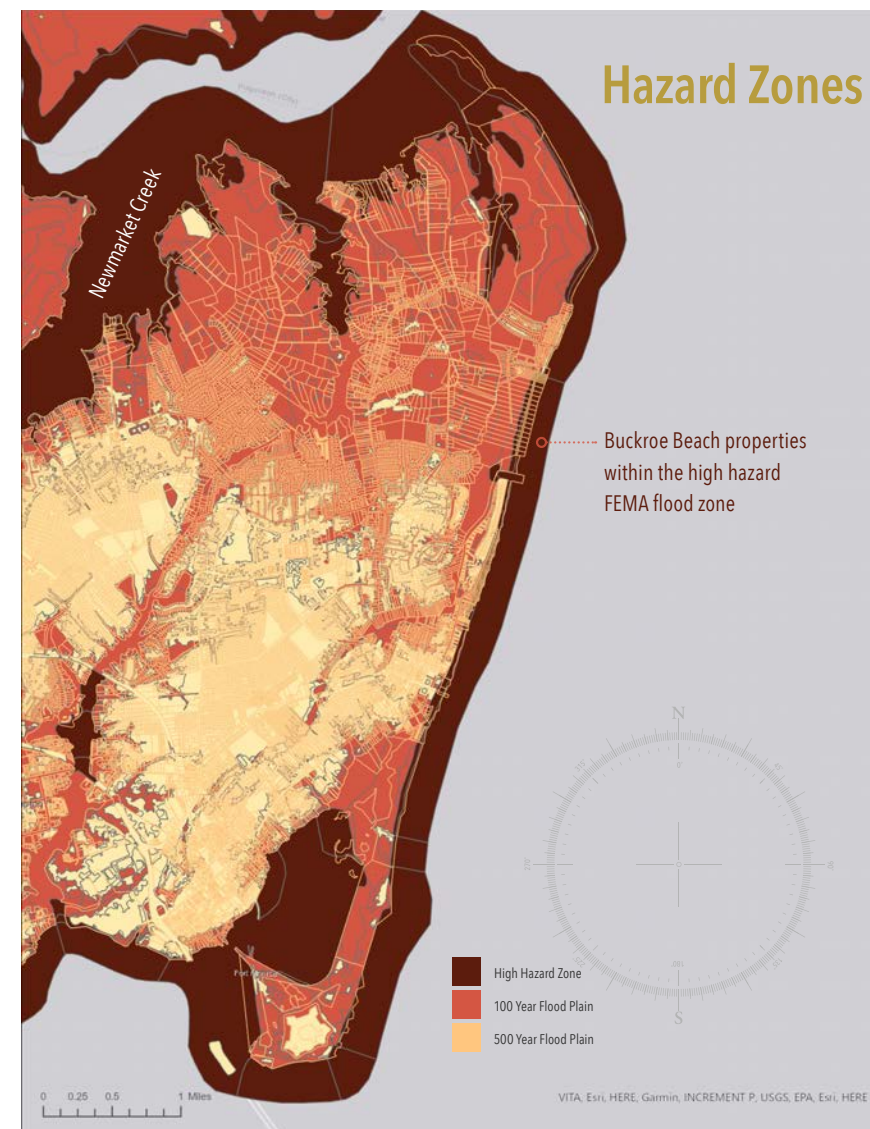
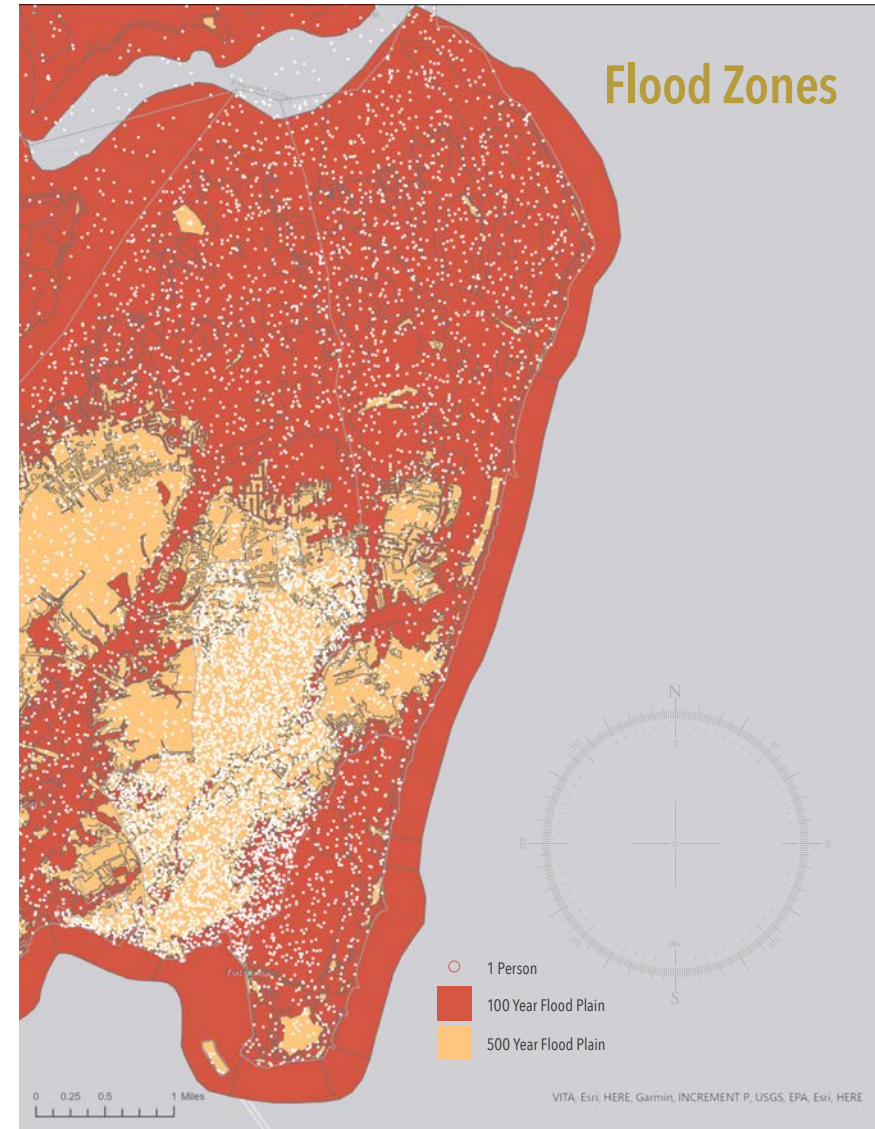
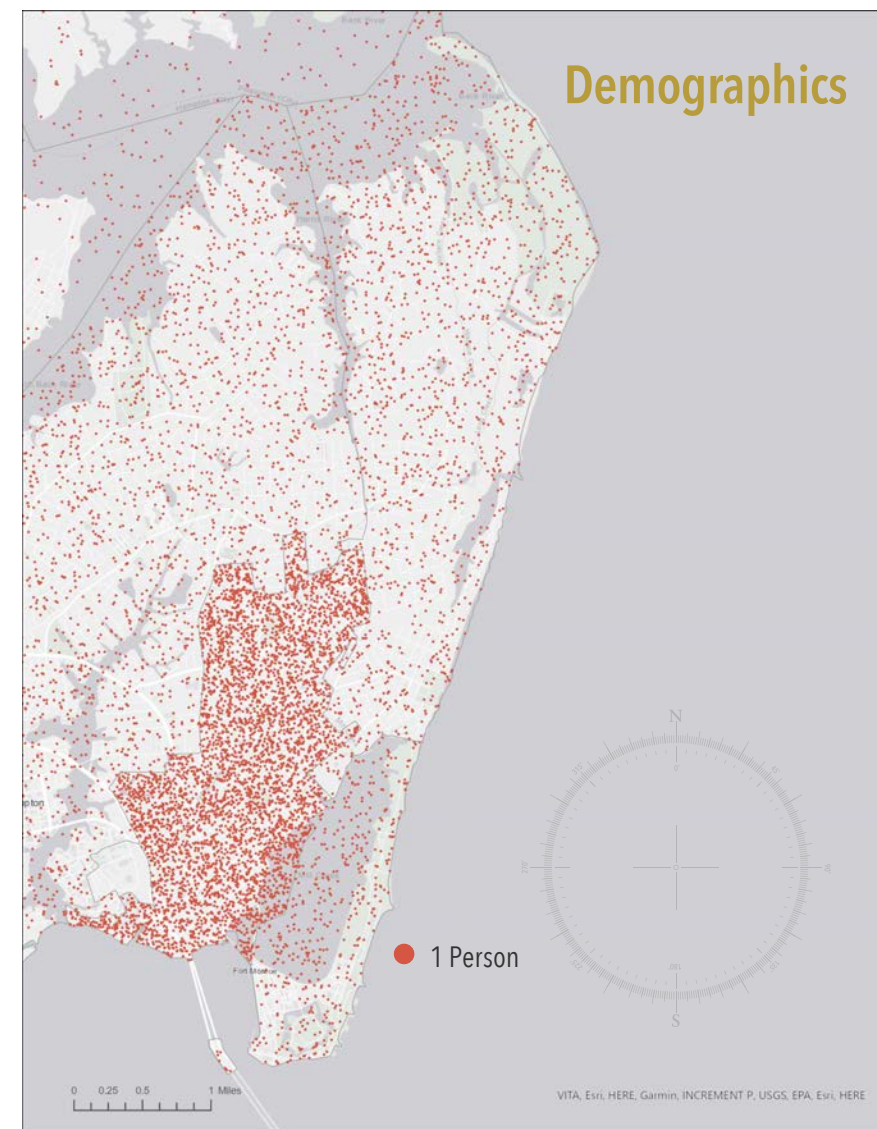


*Sea level rise impacts on existing wetlands indicate the greatest area of loss to vital wetland ecosystems will occur at the lowest level of predicted sea level rise*

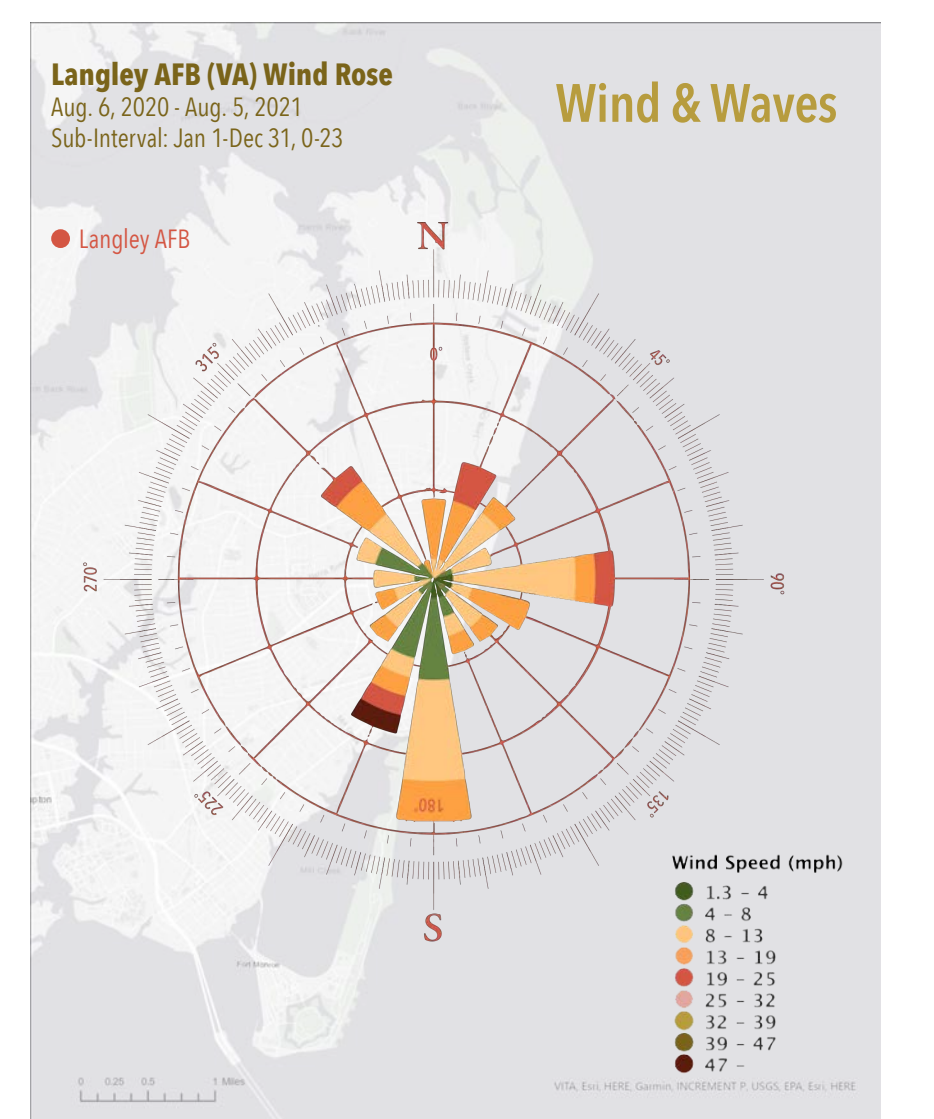
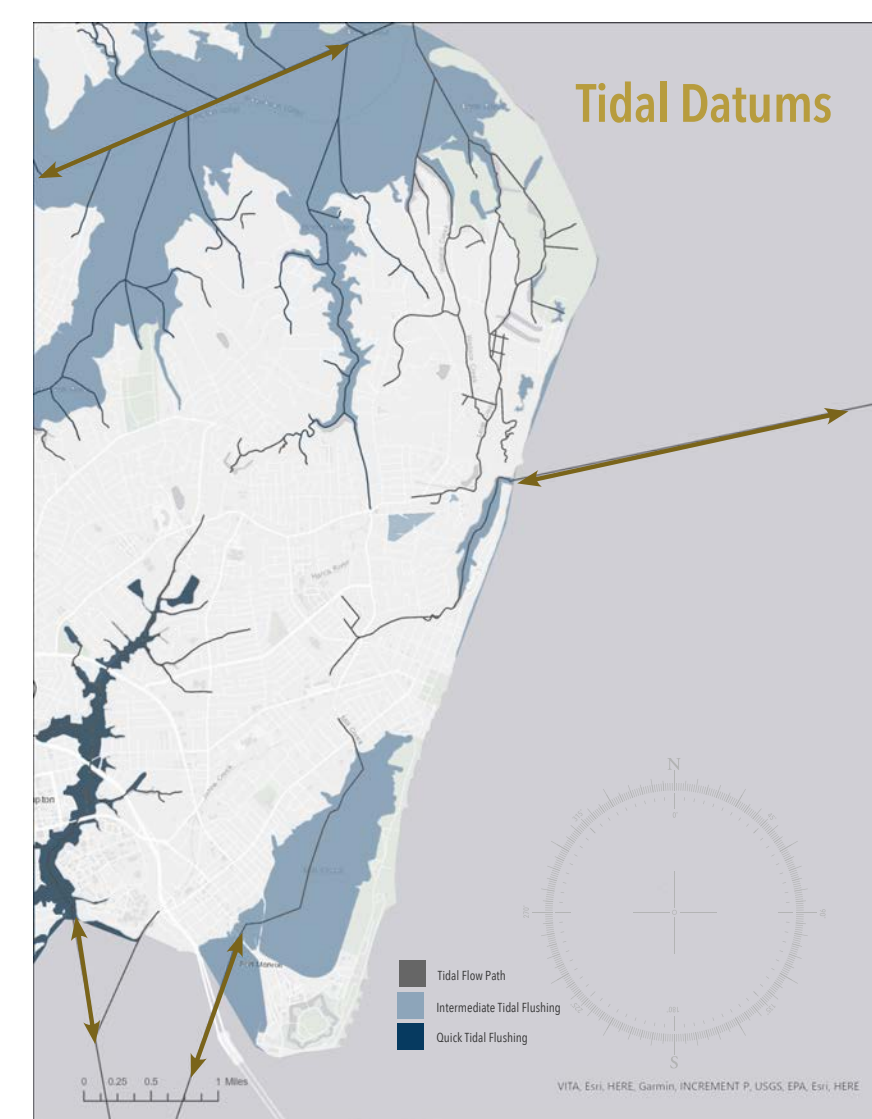
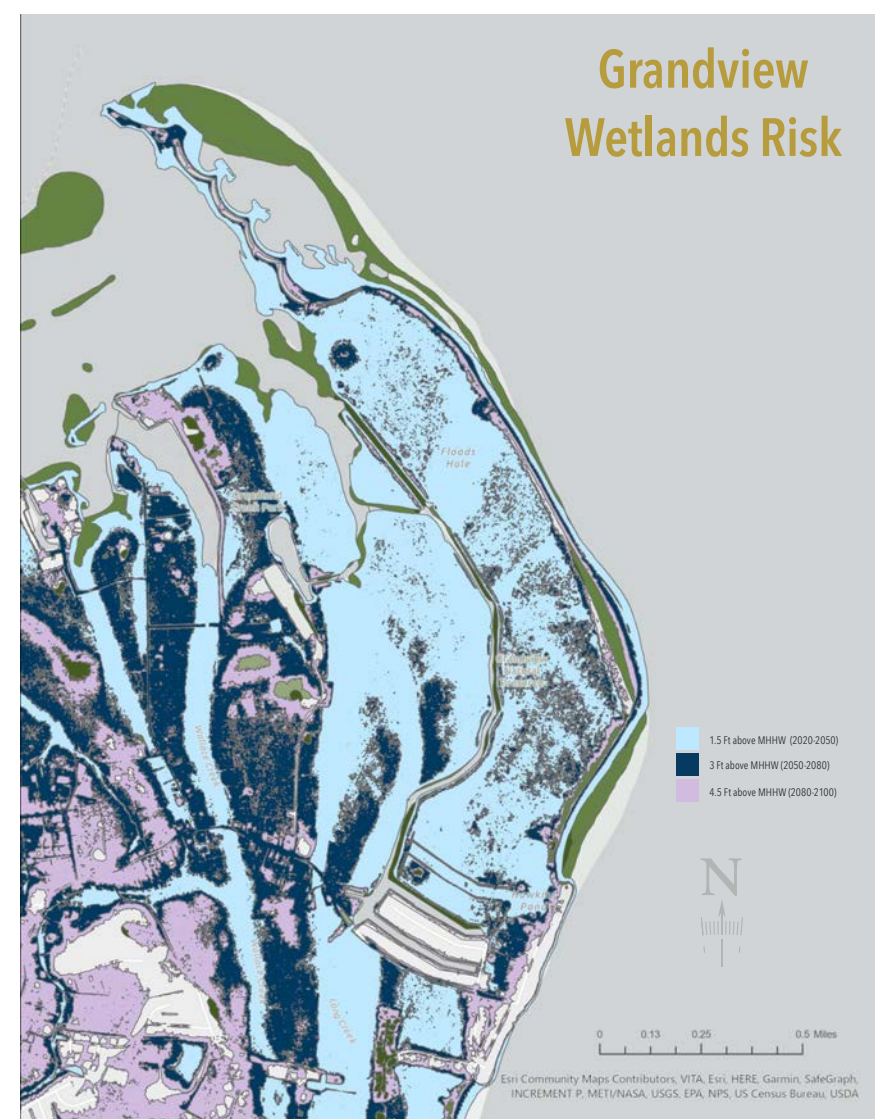
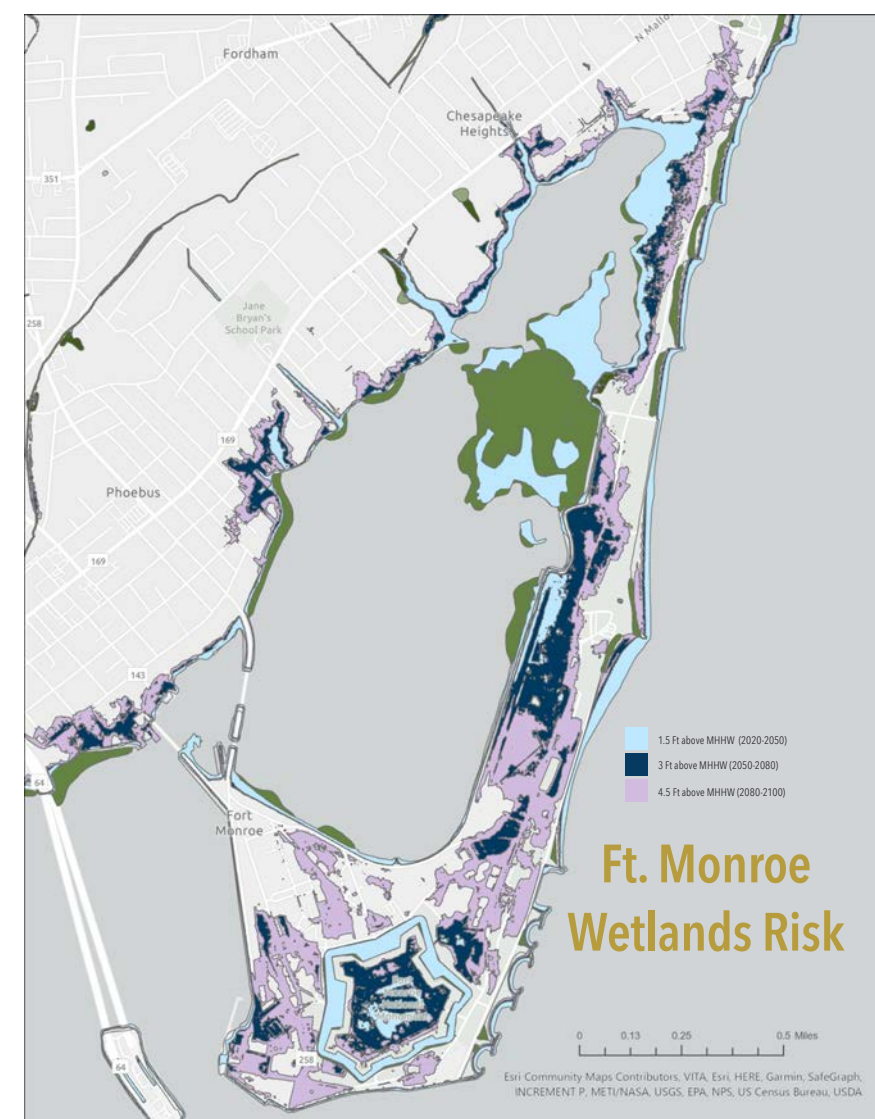
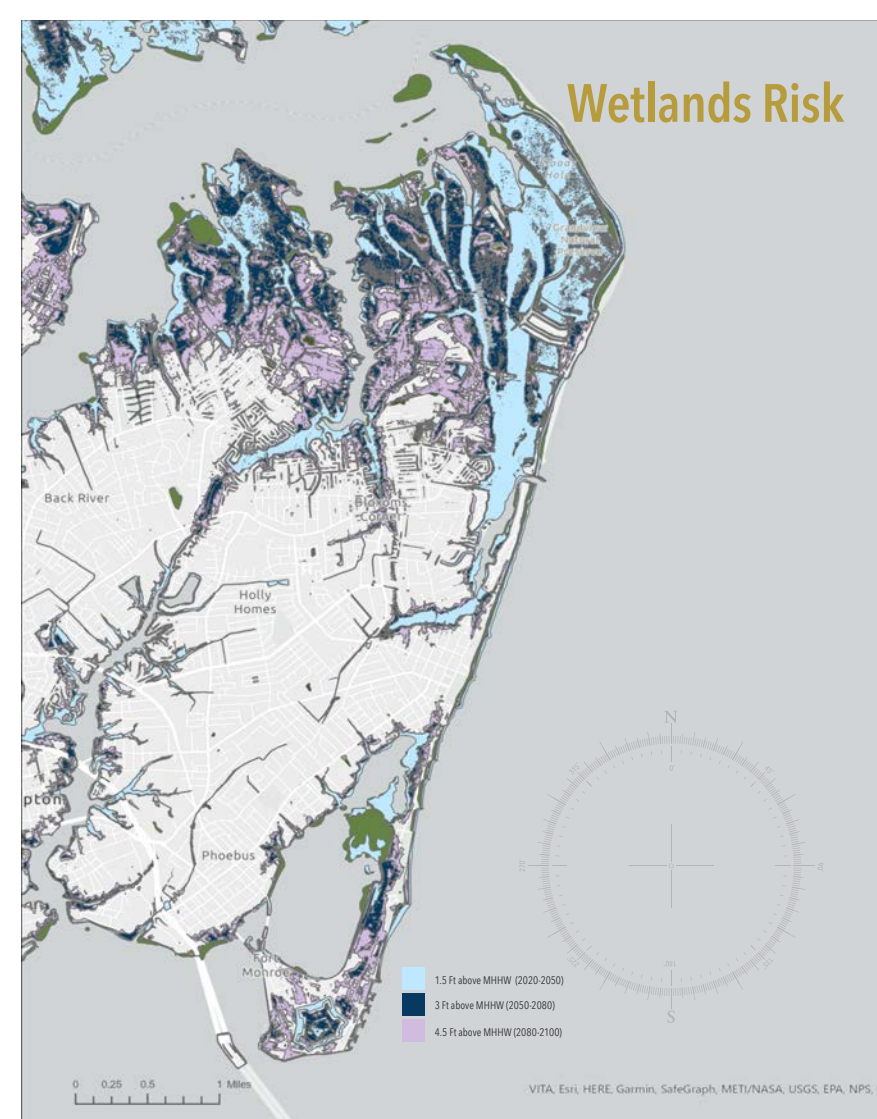
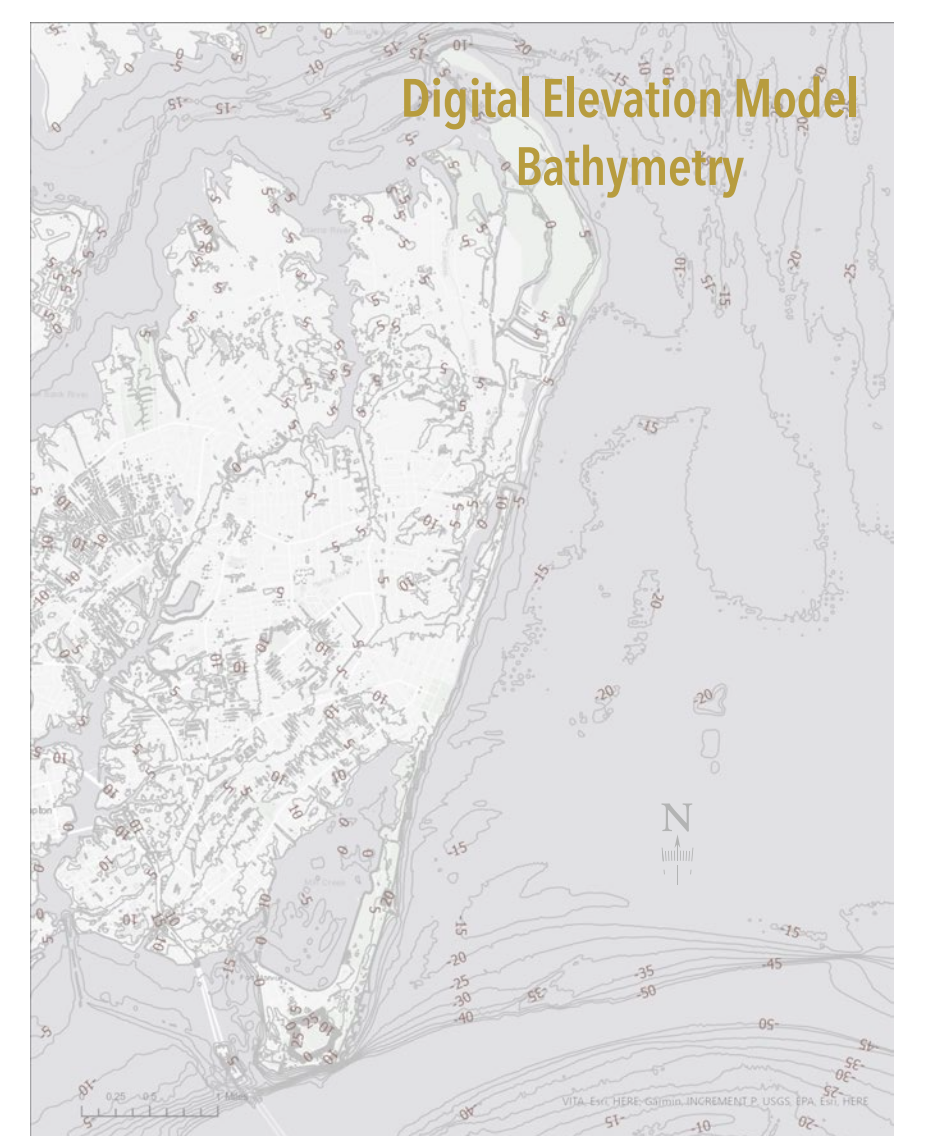
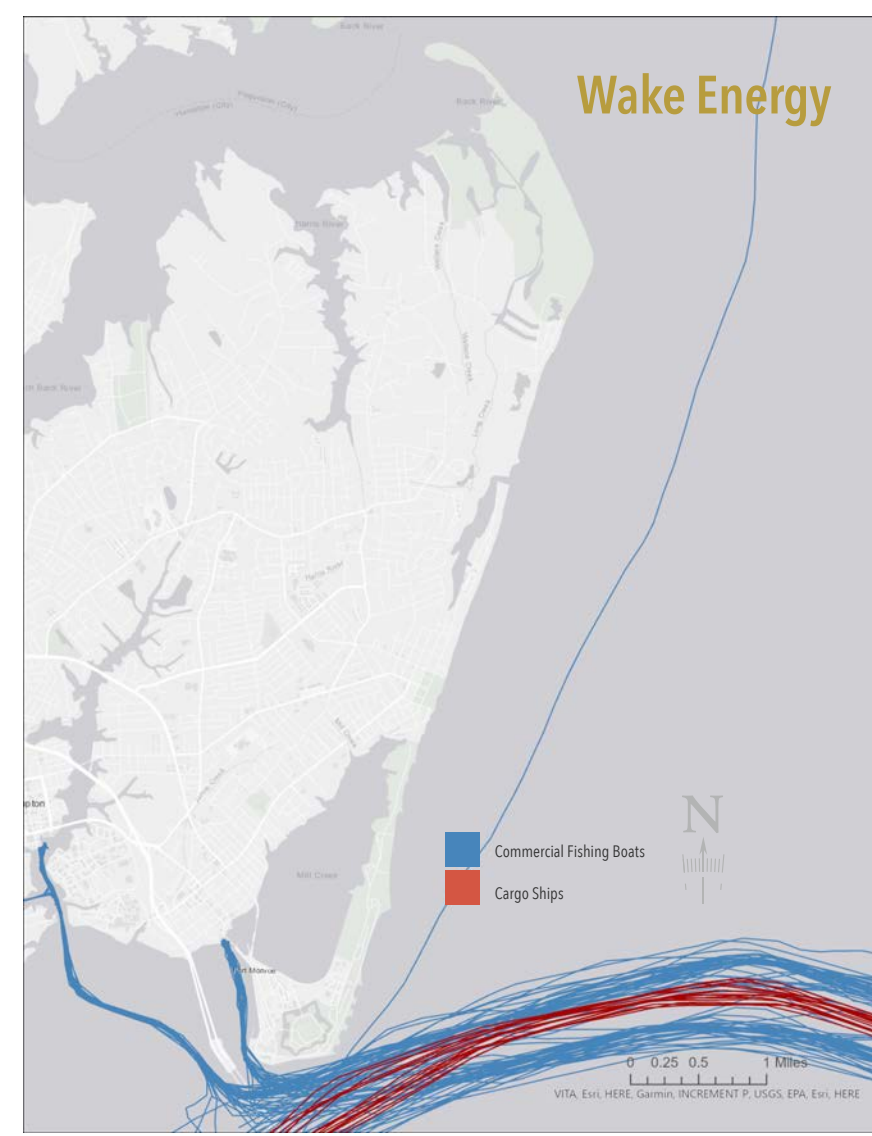
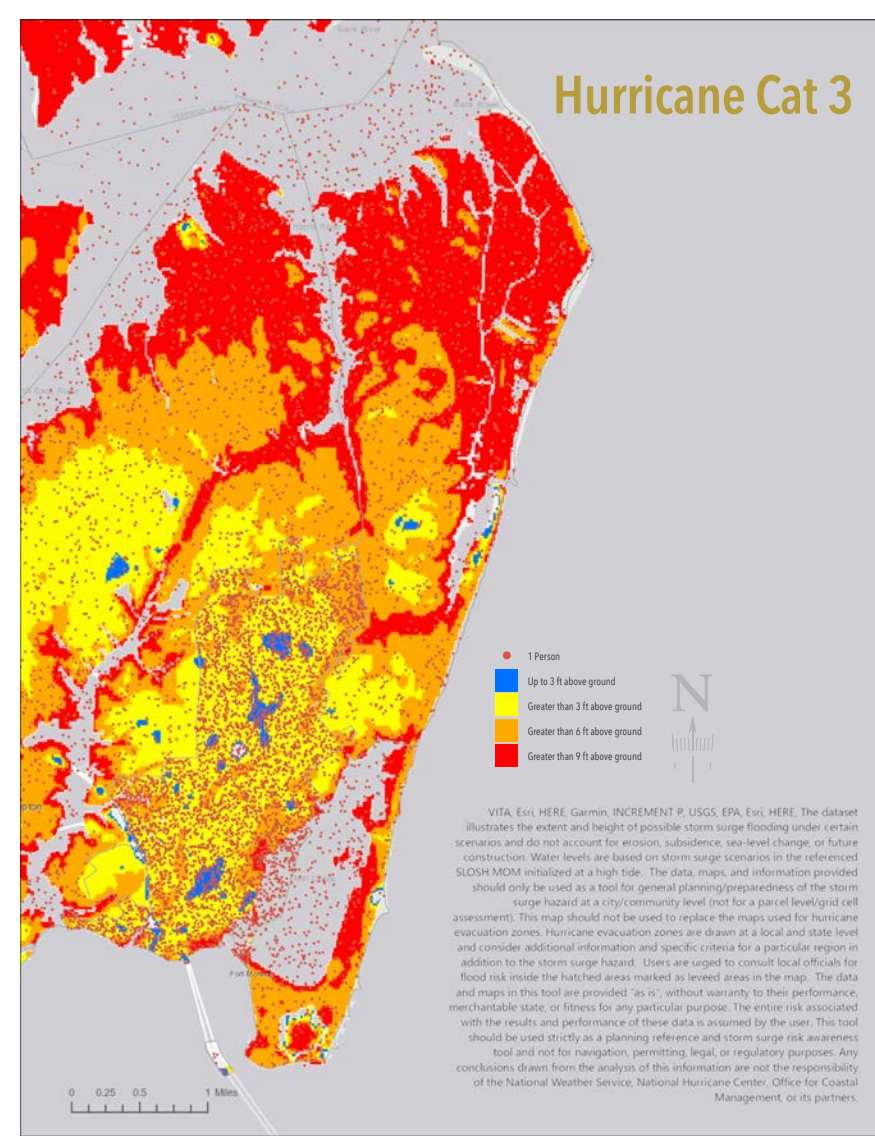
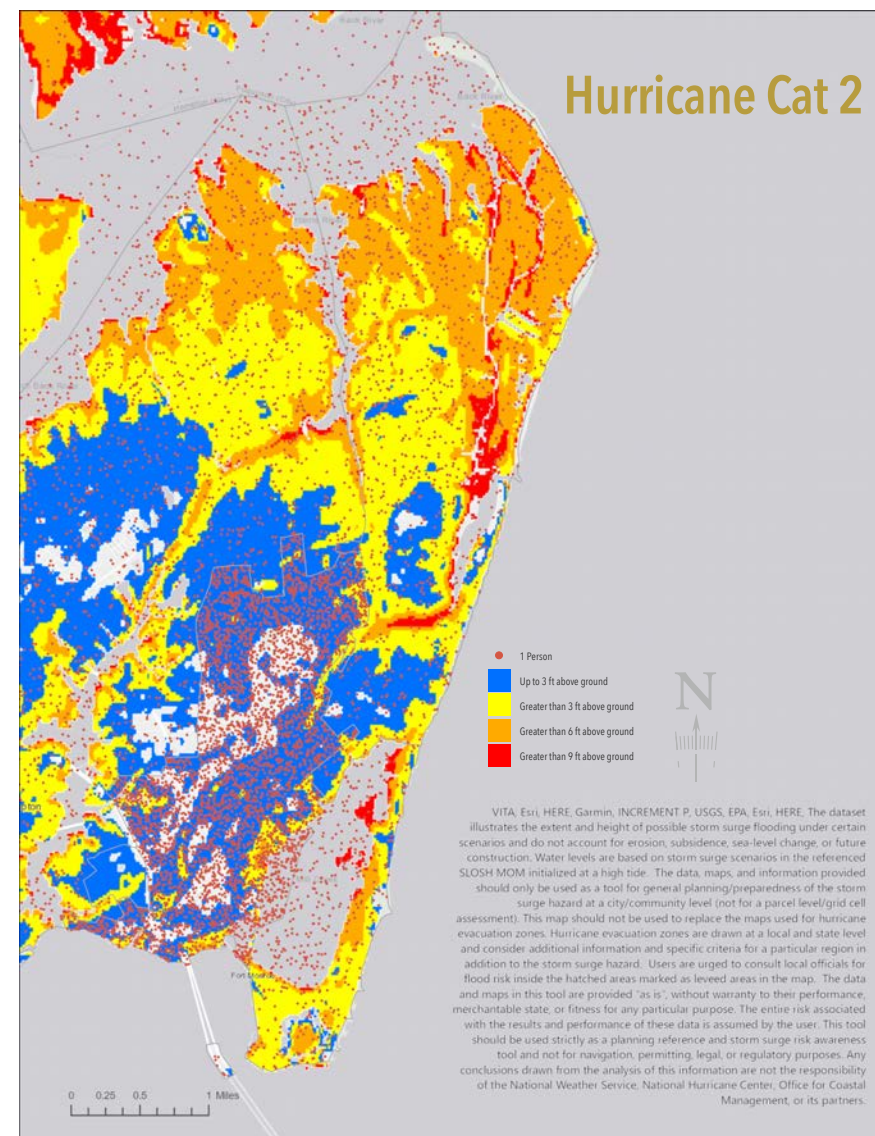
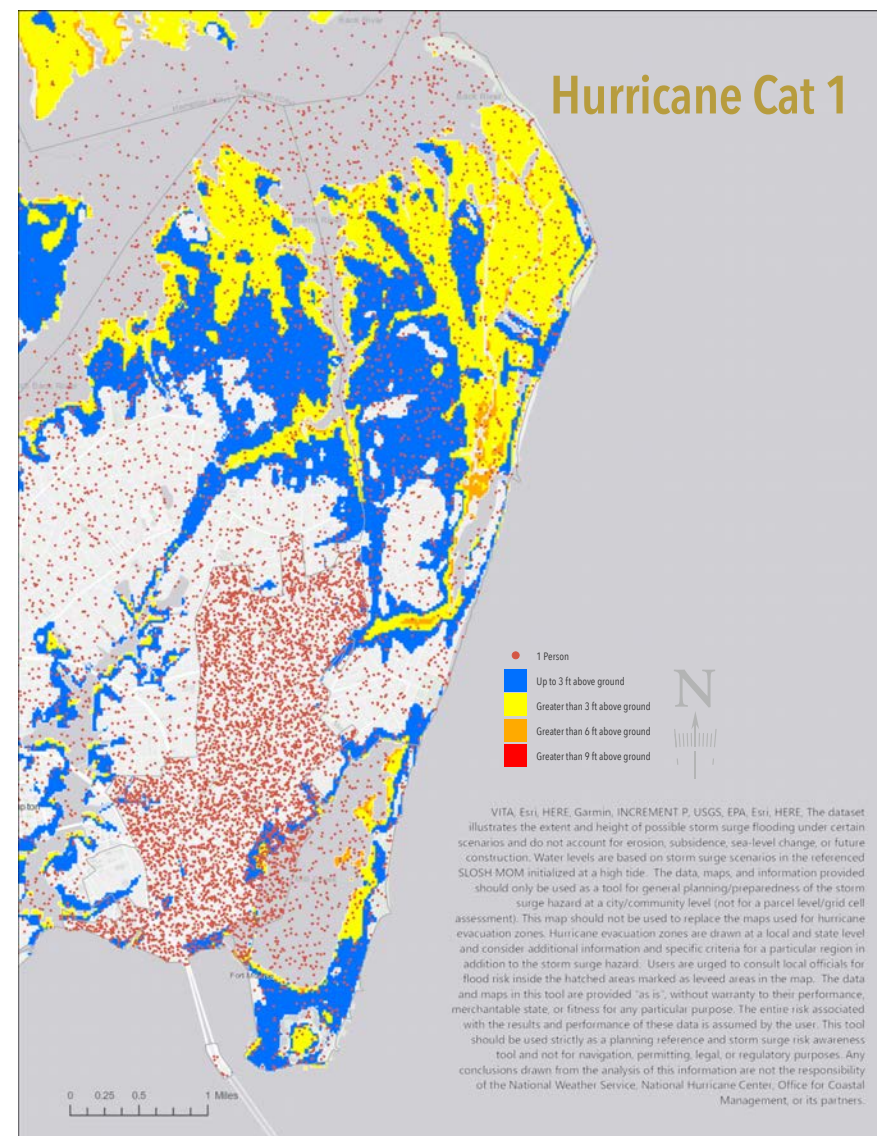


*Data from the Virginia DEQ 2020 facilitated a water quality analysis to evaluate areas of potential for future SAV restoration and creation*

# COASTAL ANALYSIS



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The background of the slide is an aerial photograph of a coastal region, showing a mix of green land, blue water, and urban development. A dark blue semi-transparent rectangle is overlaid on the lower half of the image, containing the main text. The title 'THE IDEA' is positioned in the upper right corner in a light yellow, sans-serif font.

# THE IDEA

The team synthesized scientific research, emerging engineering technologies, resilience based case studies, policy, and interviewed experts in the fields of resilience, soils, engineering, and carbon capture. The result is a **four layer approach** that addresses the need for coastline protection that is regenerative and adaptive, harnessing the **global carbon market** as a finance tool.

# OUR PLAN



## RESILIENT SELF-GENERATIVE INFRASTRUCTURE

We propose four treatments along a 5.2 mile portion of Hampton's coastline. These resilient self-generative infrastructure treatments rely on ecological processes to protect the urban environment, sequester carbon, clean water, and generate carbon credits for the benefit of Hampton through the year 2100.

- ▶ *600 Acre Protective Barrier Island*
- ▶ *37 Living Oyster Reef Breakwaters and Seagrass Beds*
- ▶ *Restored and Constructed Wetland*
- ▶ *Citizen Driven Carbon Sequestration Program*



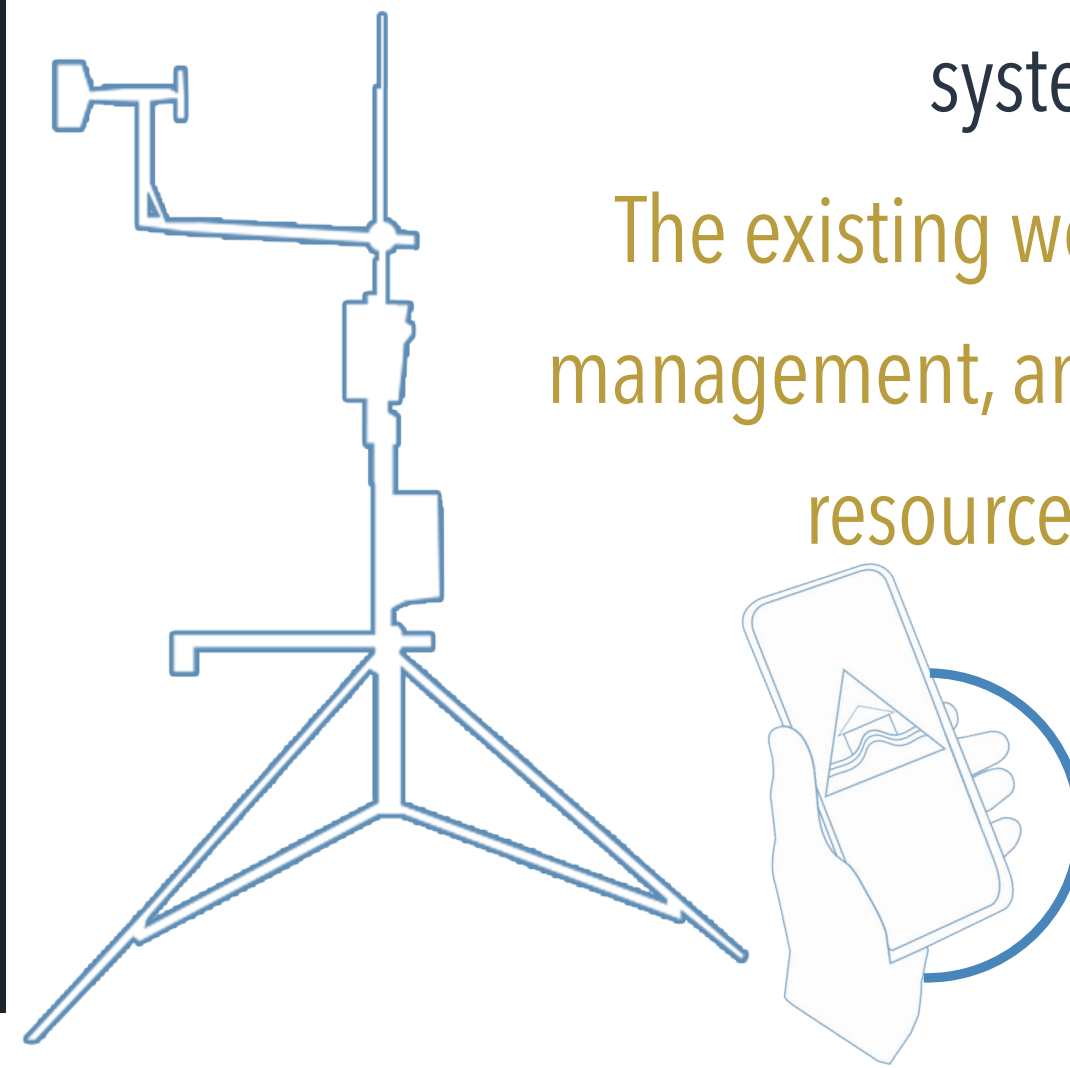
# GRANDVIEW BARRIER ISLAND

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Inspired by *The Disappearing Islands of the Chesapeake* (Cronin, 2005) and sited on the location of a former dredge dump site (USGS), this newly created 600 acre reclaimed dredge barrier island provides habitat, carbon sequestration potential, addresses water quality issues, and provides

strong protection to the critical, existing wetland system at Grandview Nature Preserve.

The existing wetland provides critical flood protection and management, and is a valuable blue carbon stock and storage resource that will be lost to early levels of SLR.



Remote weather and climate monitoring systems are placed on the island, creating a new warning system and a way for residents to interact with the protected offshore habitat.

Grandview Nature Preserve

Coastal Shallows

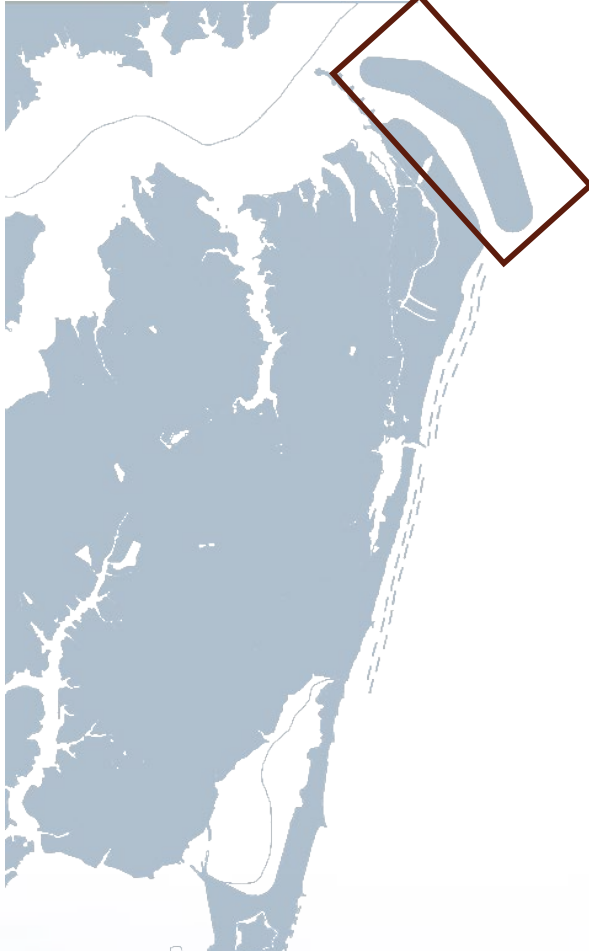
Planted reclaimed dredge fill between oyster reef breakwater bound edges

Open Bay





# GRANDVIEW BARRIER ISLAND



**29,044,444**  
cubic yards  
Dredge Spoils  
Reuse

## Shoreline Restoration

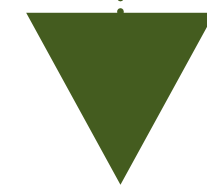
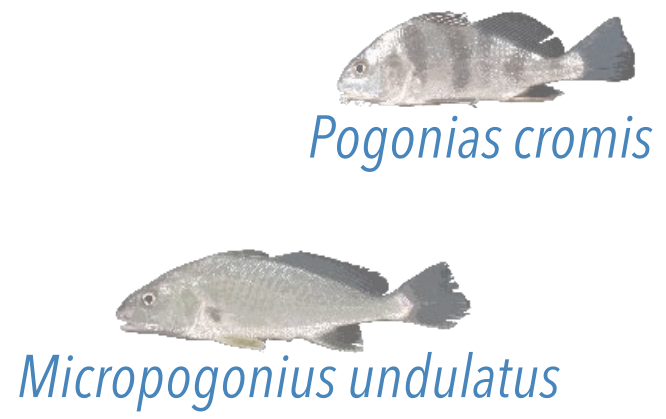
**200-300**  
million cubic yards dredged annually  
**20-30%**  
is reused for beneficial purposes  
(NDT, 2003).

**\$40,081,333**  
in dredge storage savings  
(Craney Island Dredged Material  
Management Area).



Sand Dune    Littoral Zone    Coastal Shallows    Oyster Reef Breakwater    Forested Wetland    Grassed Wetland    Open Bay

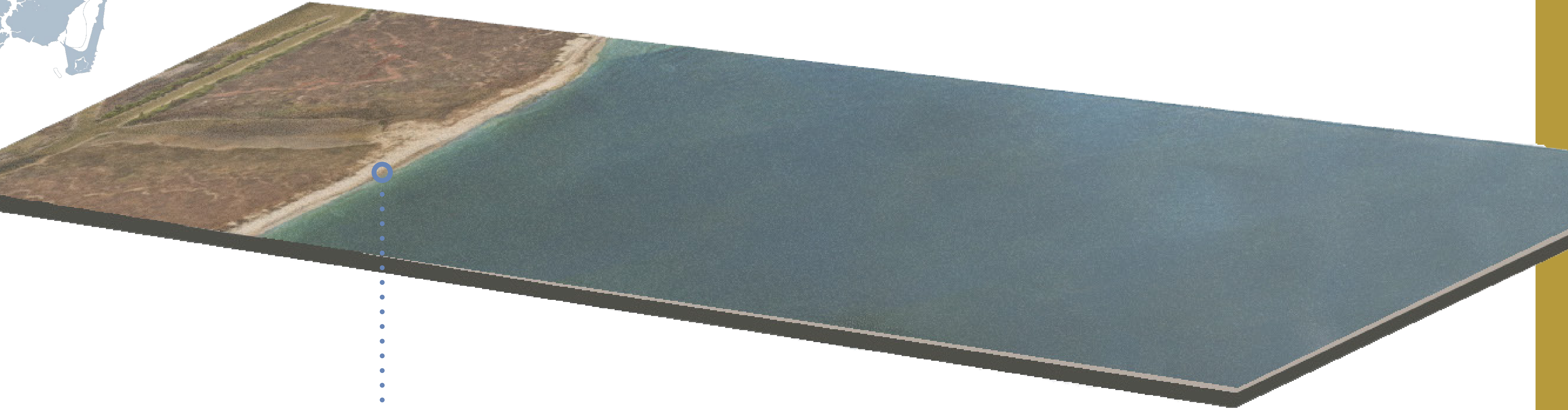
**541.35 tonnes C**  
Average Annual Carbon  
Sequestration Potential of  
Barrier Island



# GRANDVIEW BARRIER ISLAND

2021

**GRANDVIEW NATURE PRESERVE  
CURRENT CONDITION**



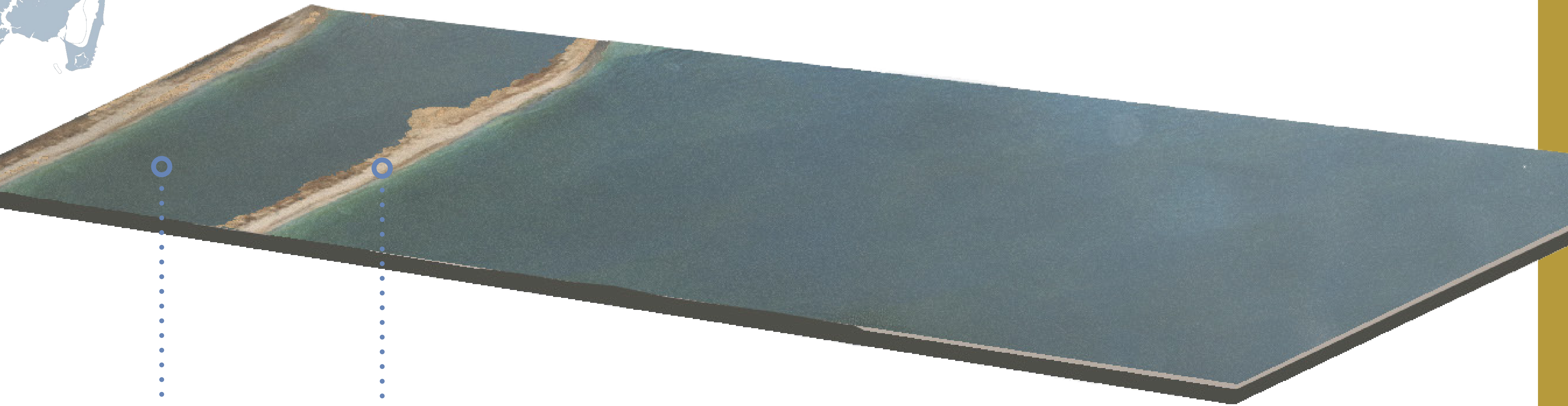
EXISTING SHORELINE



# GRANDVIEW BARRIER ISLAND

2050

**1.5 FT SEA LEVEL RISE  
NO INTERVENTION SCENARIO**



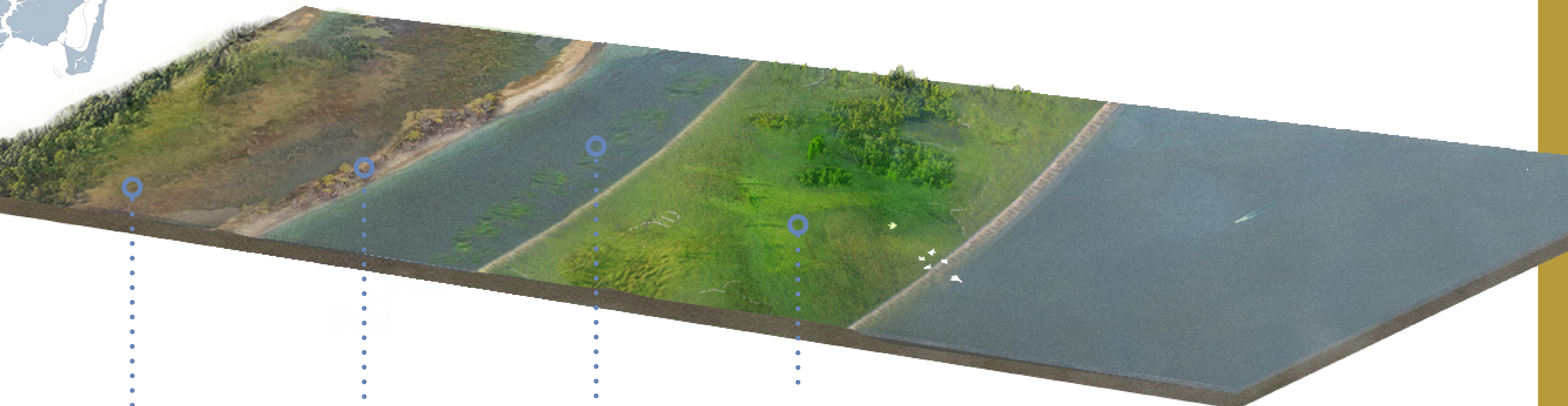
INUNDATED WETLAND

SHORELINE

# GRANDVIEW BARRIER ISLAND

2050

**1.5 FT SEA LEVEL RISE  
INTERVENTION SCENARIO**



GRANDVIEW  
NATURE PRESERVE

SHORELINE  
REPLENISHED & PROTECTED

SHELTERED  
EELGRASS BEDS

600 ACRE  
FULLY VEGETATED  
BARRIER ISLAND

# GRANDVIEW BARRIER ISLAND

BUCKROE BREAKWATER



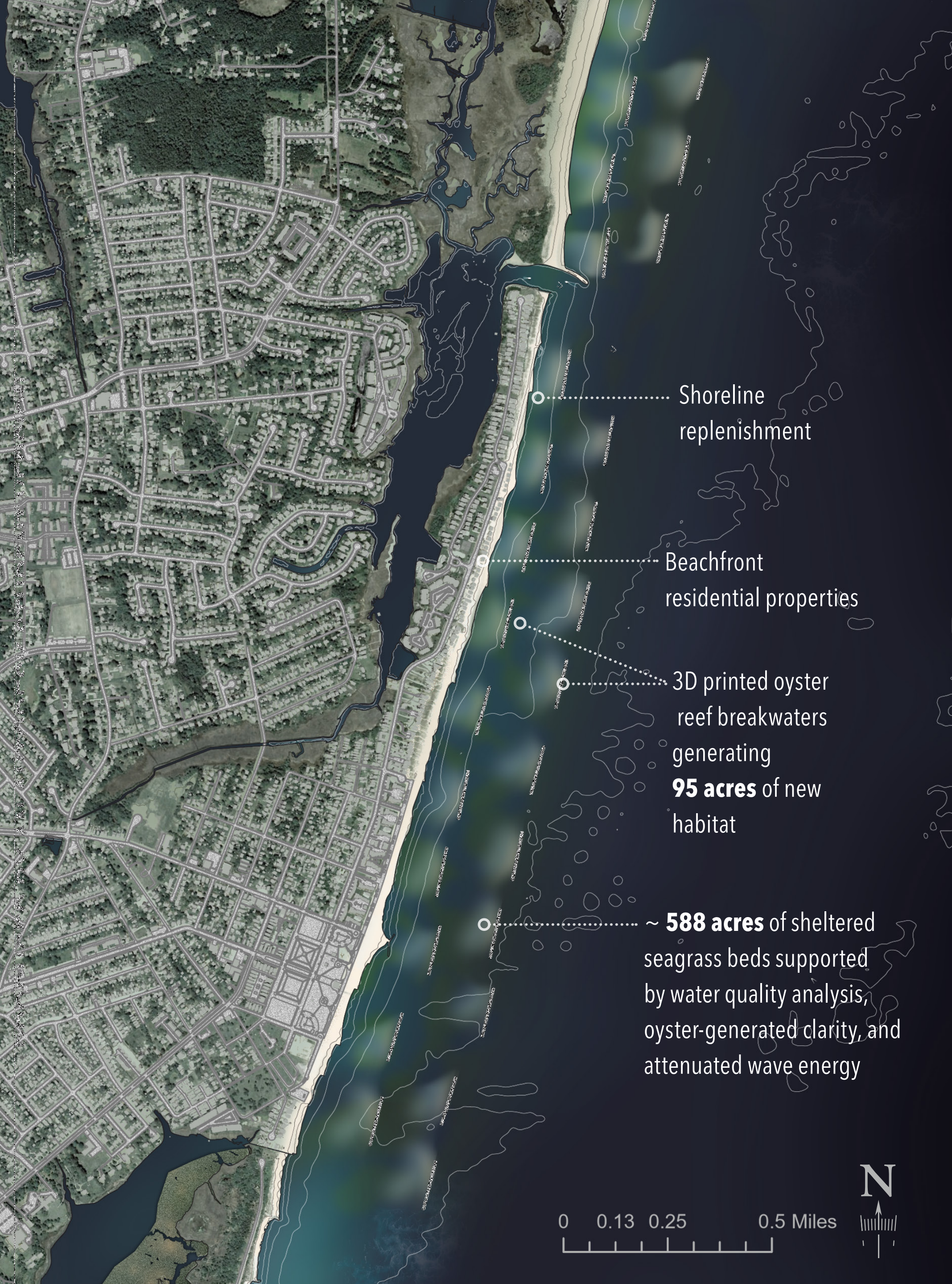
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# BUCKROE BREAKWATER

Inspired by historic Virginia oyster middens, this resilient Oyster Reef Breakwater is designed to serve as an adaptive protected edge for Hampton's vulnerable coastline, sized to last through 2100 and beyond.

Hosting 95 acres of oyster habitat, capable of filtering 2.3 billion gallons of water per day, this reef also provides a clean, sheltered zone for 588 acres of eelgrass meadow.

This coastal engineering design innovation synthesizes scientific research on oyster habitat supporting structures, SAV supporting conditions, related carbon sequestration rates, and emerging construction technologies.



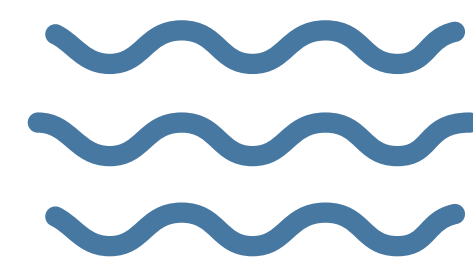
# BUCKROE BREAKWATER

The breakwaters are assembled with 3D printed formless concrete plates that lock together, supported by a recycled concrete and reclaimed dredge material core. The additive manufacturing of concrete is a relatively new technology entering the world of construction. By utilizing a computer-aided design, 3D printers are able to extrude concrete to create free-form structures. This beneficial process is scalable and fully customizable to handle anything from single unit blocks to entire bridges.



## 3D Printed Biomimicry Living Breakwater Plate

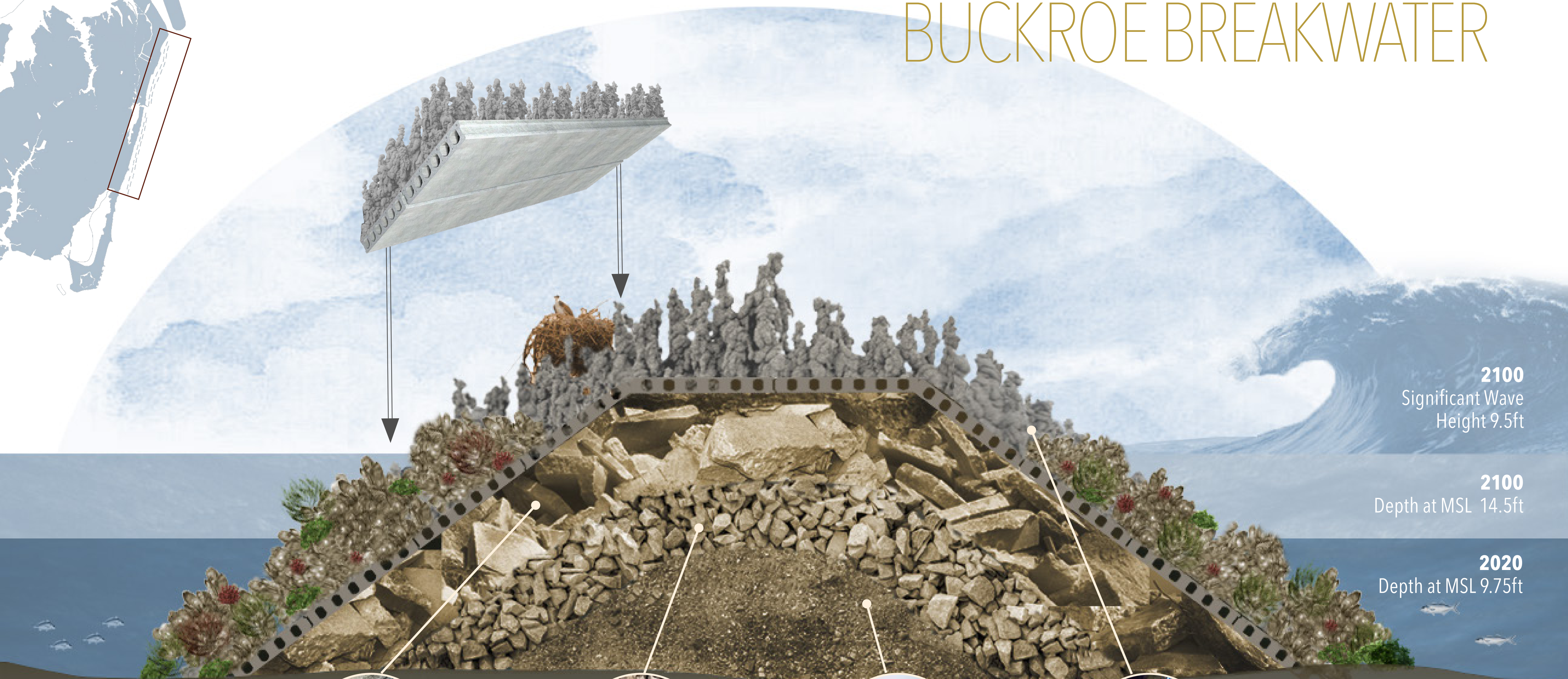
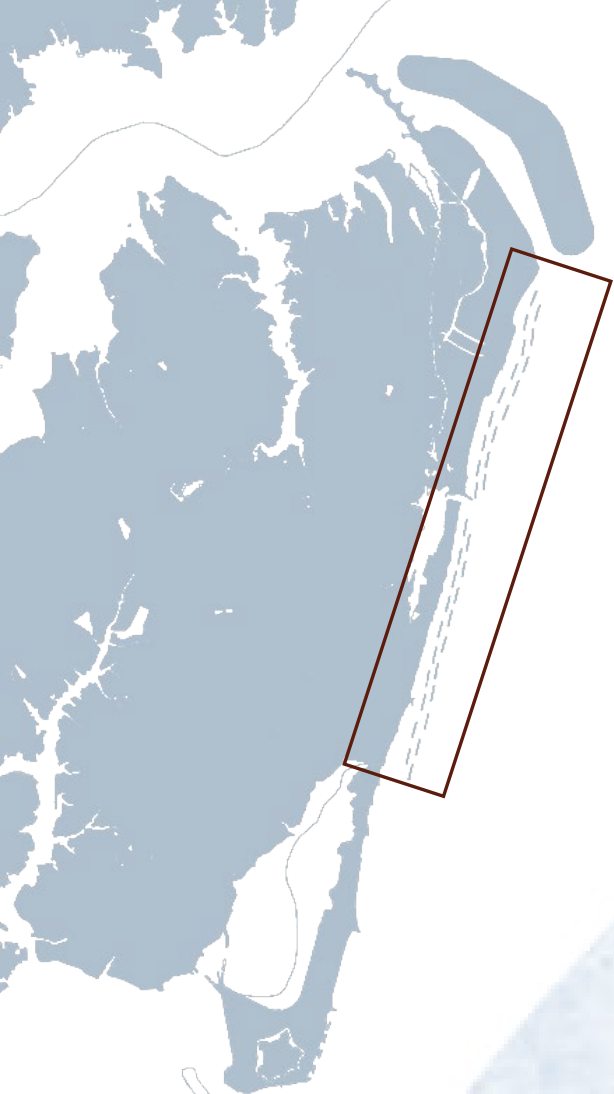
INFRASTRUCTURE THAT GROWS.



RESILIENT  
**SELF GENERATIVE**  
INFRASTRUCTURE



# BUCKROE BREAKWATER



**2100**  
Significant Wave  
Height 9.5ft

**2100**  
Depth at MSL 14.5ft

**2020**  
Depth at MSL 9.75ft

Elev: -10'-0"



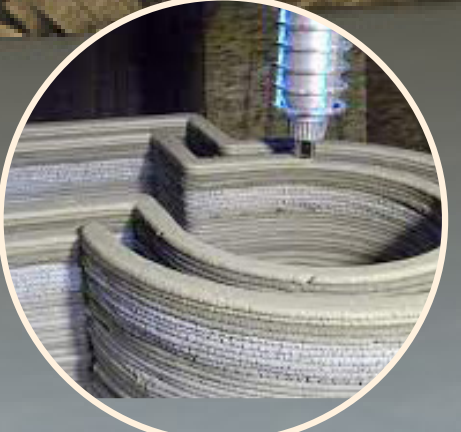
Recycled  
Concrete  
Structural  
Core



Recycled  
Concrete  
Aggregate



Productive  
Reuse  
Dredge



3D Printed  
Biomimicry  
Form



# BUCKROE BREAKWATER

## SAV Habitat potential **588 acres**

Eelgrass planting zones along the coast are defined by qualifying dissolved oxygen content from the 2020 Virginia DEQ water quality report and expanded based on ecological mutualism between eelgrass and oysters.

**968,657**  
cubic yards  
Dredge Spoils  
Reuse



## Oyster Habitat potential **95.3 acres**

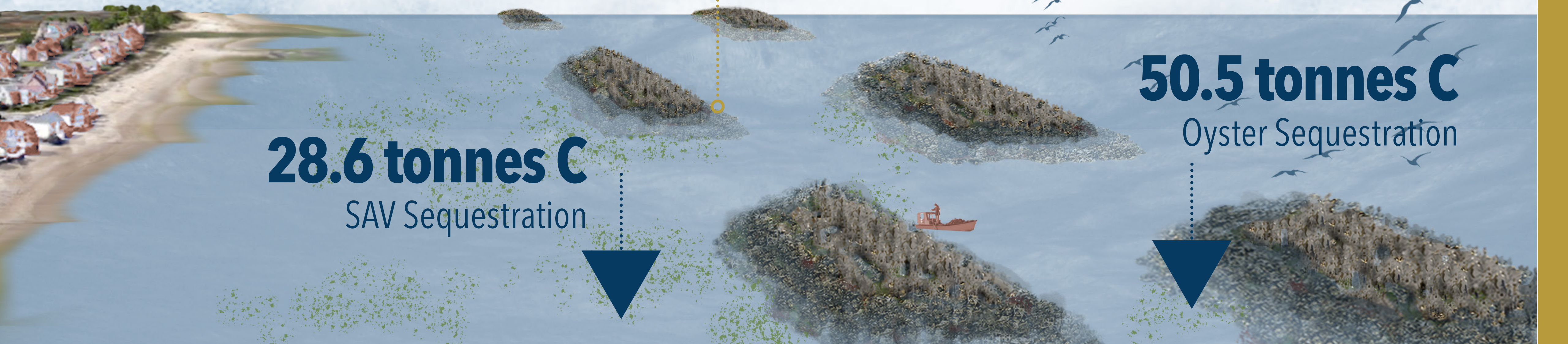
Oysters living on the breakwater below MHHW cover approximately 25 ft of each sloped side



Oyster Reef filters **2.3 Billion**  
gallons water per day

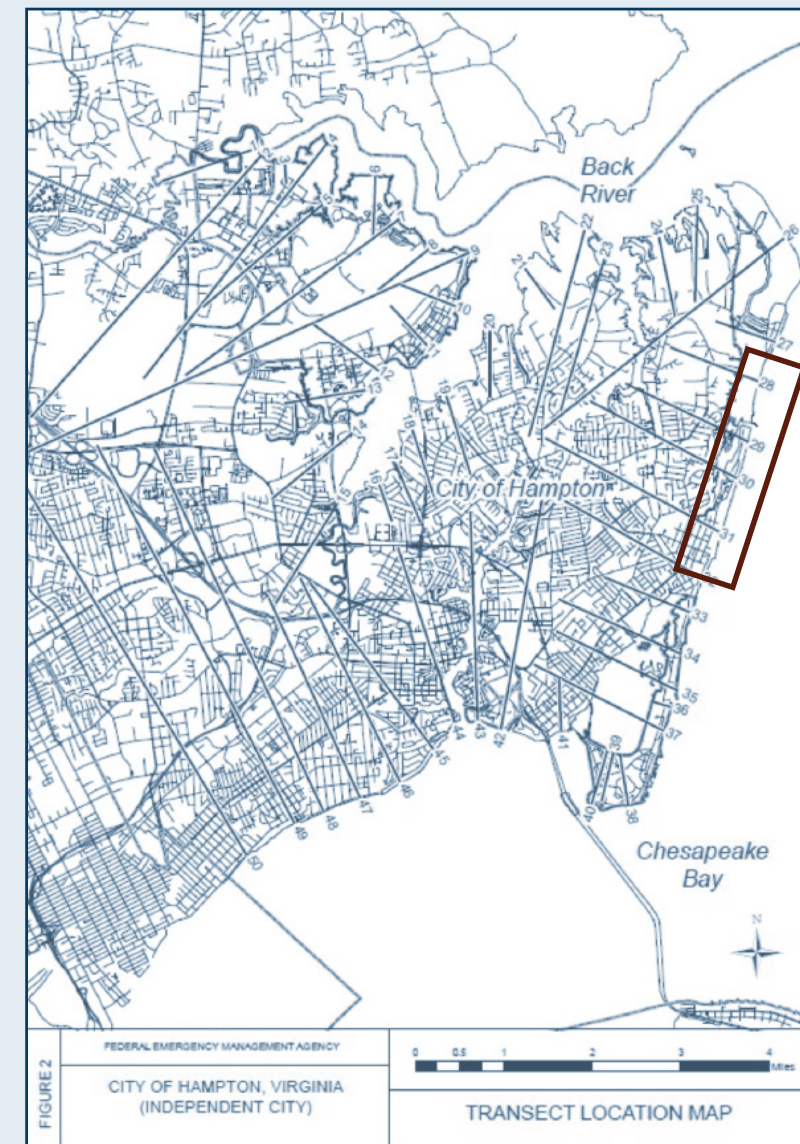
**28.6 tonnes C**  
SAV Sequestration

**50.5 tonnes C**  
Oyster Sequestration



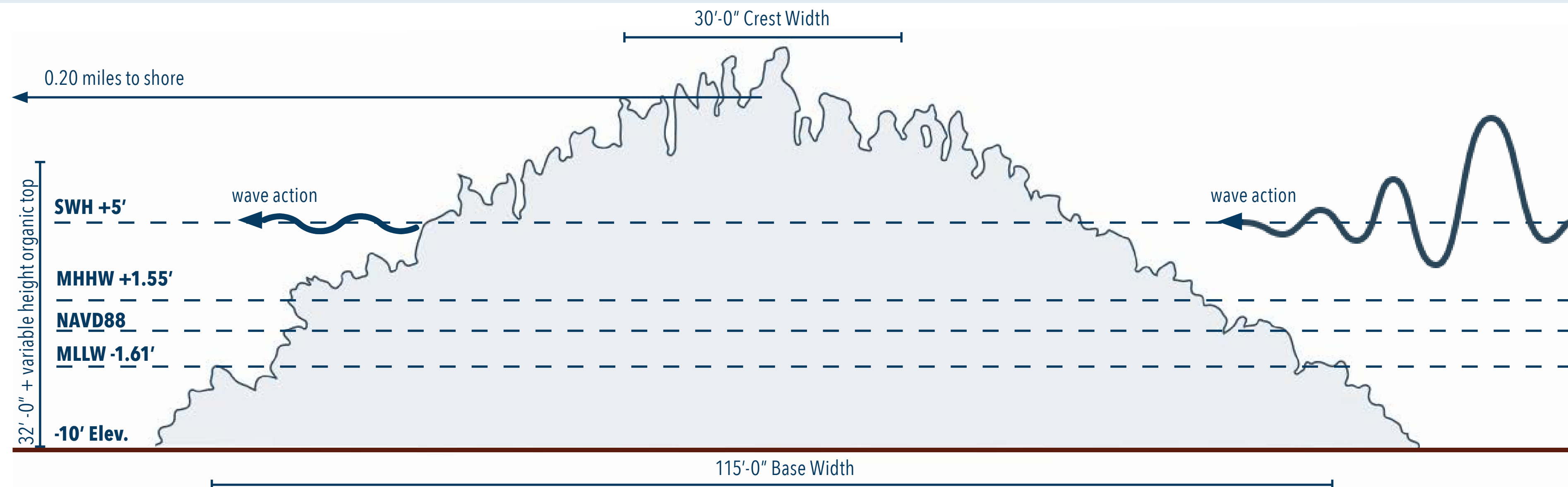
# BUCKROE BREAKWATER

The breakwater design is intended to protect the shoreline of Hampton from significant damage during future storm events and allow the existing shoreline to accrete additional landmass. Based on data from a 2016 areawide flood insurance study (FEMA, 2016), the breakwater was designed to serve as a non-over topping rubble-mound style structure that accounts for a 100 year storm event for up to 80 years of current sea level rise estimates. The specifications will potentially protect this coastline at higher sea level rise estimates further into the future as an over-topping breakwater. Oyster populations serve as a major component of the structure allowing the reef to grow and adapt over time to maintain pace with future sea level rise.



FEMA Flood Insurance Transect Map

Flood Source	Transect	Significant Wave Height (ft)	Peak Wave Period (sec)	Starting Stillwater Elevation (feet NAVD 88)				Sea Level Rise			Minimum Breakwater Crest Elevation (Non-overtopping)					Slope Width	Crest Width	Total Width	
				10% Annual Chance	2% Annual Chance	1% Annual Chance	0.2% Annual Chance	30-year	60-year	80-year	Current - 10 yr	Current - 100 yr	30 yrs - 10 yr	30 yrs - 100 yr	80 yrs - 10 yr				80 yrs - 100 yr
Back River	25	2.7	2.6	5.0	6.4	7.0	8.4	1.5	3.0	4.5	7.7	9.7	9.2	11.2	12.2	14.2	48.4	30.0	126.8
Chesapeake Bay	26	8.9	7.3	4.7	6.0	6.6	7.7	1.5	3.0	4.5	13.6	15.5	15.1	17.0	18.1	20.0	60.0	30.0	150.0
Chesapeake Bay	27	9.1	7.4	4.8	6.2	6.7	7.8	1.5	3.0	4.5	13.9	15.8	15.4	17.3	18.4	20.3	60.6	30.0	151.2
Chesapeake Bay	28	8.1	7.5	5.0	6.3	6.8	8.1	1.5	3.0	4.5	13.1	14.9	14.6	16.4	17.6	19.4	58.8	30.0	147.6
Chesapeake Bay	29	9.4	7.5	5.0	6.3	6.9	8.1	1.5	3.0	4.5	14.4	16.3	15.9	17.8	18.9	20.8	61.6	30.0	153.2
Chesapeake Bay	30	9.8	7.4	5.0	6.4	6.9	8.2	1.5	3.0	4.5	<b>14.8</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>19.3</b>	<b>21.2</b>	62.4	30.0	154.8
Chesapeake Bay	31	9.8	7.5	5.0	6.4	6.9	8.2	1.5	3.0	4.5	<b>14.8</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>19.3</b>	<b>21.2</b>	62.4	30.0	154.8
Chesapeake Bay	32	9.7	7.6	5.0	6.5	7.0	8.2	1.5	3.0	4.5	14.7	16.7	16.2	18.2	19.2	21.2	62.4	30.0	154.8
Chesapeake Bay	33	9.6	7.5	5.0	6.5	7.0	8.3	1.5	3.0	4.5	14.6	16.6	16.1	18.1	19.1	21.1	62.2	30.0	154.4
Chesapeake Bay	34	9.2	7.4	5.1	6.5	7.1	8.4	1.5	3.0	4.5	14.3	16.3	15.8	17.8	18.8	20.8	61.6	30.0	153.2
Chesapeake Bay	35	9.0	7.4	5.0	6.5	7.1	8.3	1.5	3.0	4.5	14.0	16.1	15.5	17.6	18.5	20.6	61.2	30.0	152.4
Chesapeake Bay	36	2.1	2.6	5.0	6.5	7.1	8.5	1.5	3.0	4.5	7.1	9.2	8.6	10.7	11.6	13.7	47.4	30.0	124.8
Chesapeake Bay	37	8.8	7.3	5.1	6.6	7.1	8.4	1.5	3.0	4.5	13.9	15.9	15.4	17.4	18.4	20.4	60.8	30.0	151.6
Hampton Roads	38	7.7	6.7	5.1	6.5	7.1	8.3	1.5	3.0	4.5	12.8	14.8	14.3	16.3	17.3	19.3	58.6	30.0	147.2
Hampton Roads	39	2.1	2.7	5.1	6.7	7.4	8.8	1.5	3.0	4.5	7.2	9.5	8.7	11.0	11.7	14.0	48.0	30.0	126.0
Hampton Roads	40	5.2	6.6	5.1	6.5	7.1	8.4	1.5	3.0	4.5	10.3	12.3	11.8	13.8	14.8	16.8	53.6	30.0	137.2
Hampton Roads	41	2.9	2.8	5.1	6.5	7.0	8.3	1.5	3.0	4.5	8.0	9.9	9.5	11.4	12.5	14.4	48.8	30.0	127.6



# BUCKROE BREAKWATER

2050

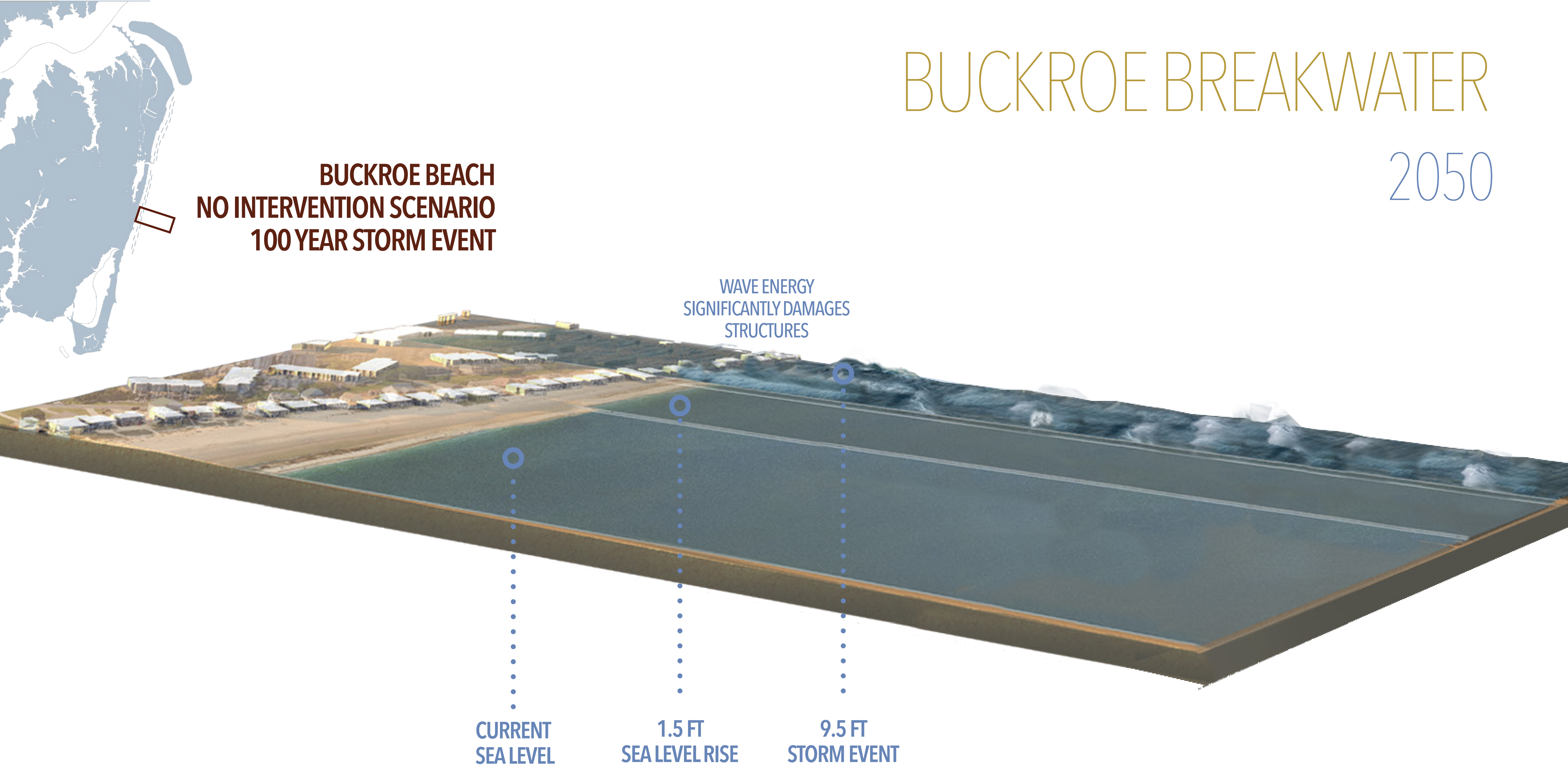
**BUCKROE BEACH  
NO INTERVENTION SCENARIO  
100 YEAR STORM EVENT**

WAVE ENERGY  
SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGES  
STRUCTURES

CURRENT  
SEA LEVEL

1.5 FT  
SEA LEVEL RISE

9.5 FT  
STORM EVENT

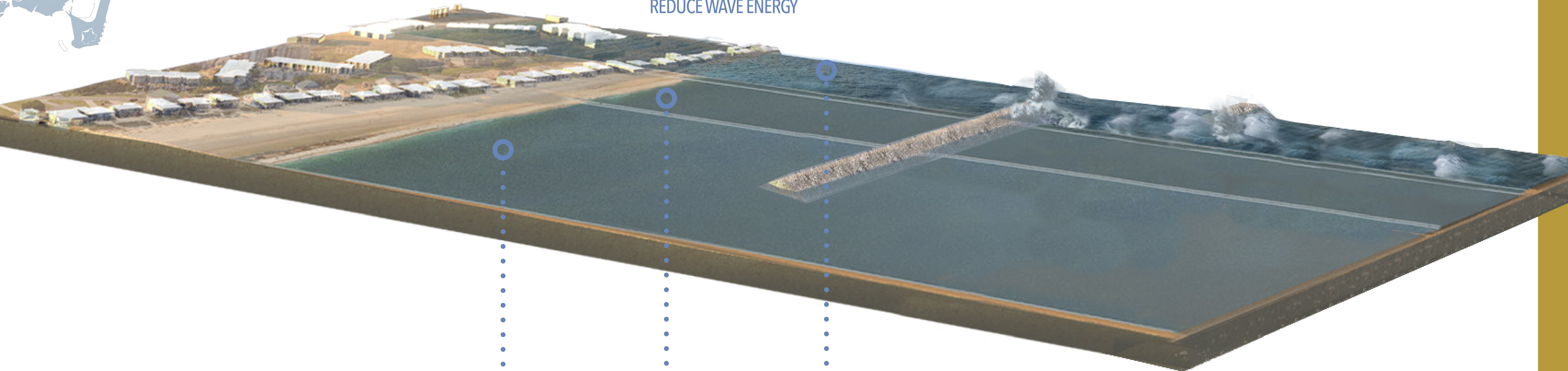


# BUCKROE BEACH INTERVENTION SCENARIO

2050

**BUCKROE BEACH  
INTERVENTION SCENARIO  
100 YEAR STORM EVENT**

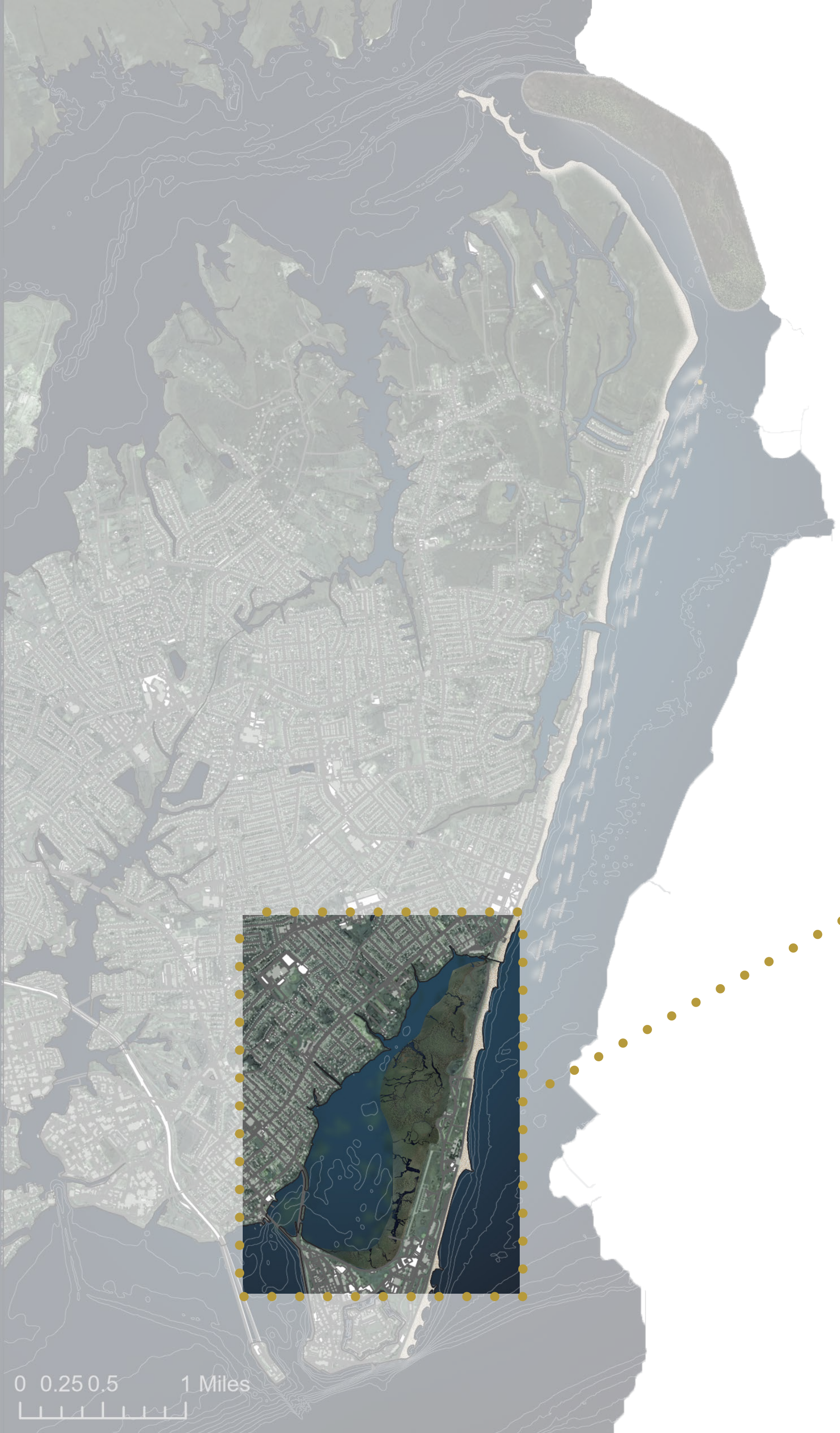
BREAKWATERS SIGNIFICANTLY  
REDUCE WAVE ENERGY



CURRENT  
SEA LEVEL

1.5 FT  
SEA LEVEL RISE

9.5 FT  
STORM EVENT



GRANDVIEW BARRIER ISLAND

BUCKROE BREAKWATER

FORT MONROE WETLAND  
RESTORATION



0 0.25 0.5 1 Miles

# FT. MONROE WETLAND RESTORATION

The barrier island that has been home to Fort Monroe, protecting Phoebus for over 400 years, is at significant risk.

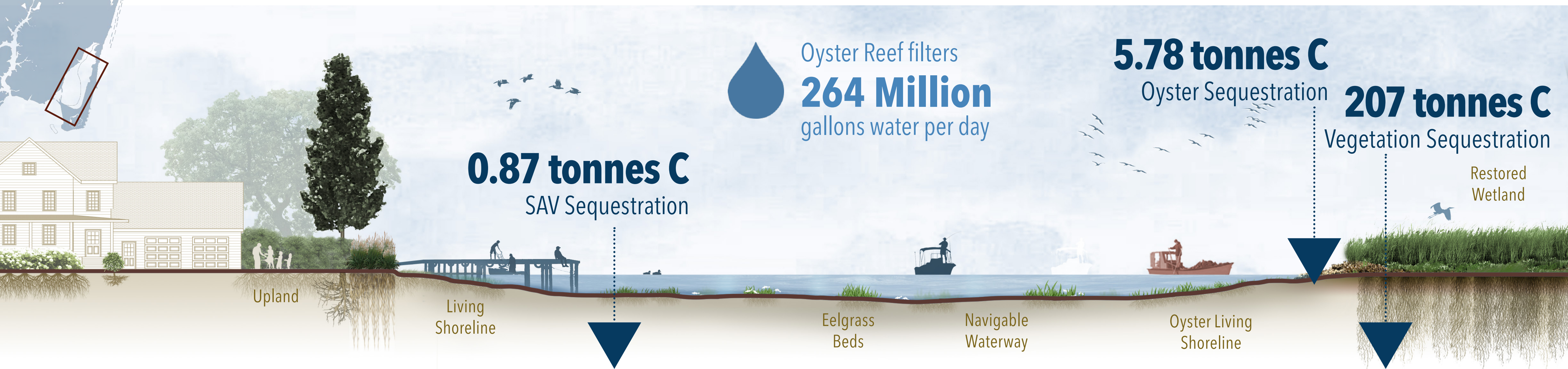
Northern portions of Fort Monroe will be inundated by sea level rise, allowing wave energy from storms to breach the barrier island and enter Mill Creek.

The naturally protective wetland system in Mill Creek has been slowly going under water and will be the first to be totally inundated at the lowest projected level of sea level rise by 2050.

This area is of significant value to the residents of Phoebus ecologically and structurally. The team evaluated tidal flushing rates, the close proximity of dredge material, water quality, and Virginia environmental policy.



# FT. MONROE WETLAND RESTORATION



**0.87 tonnes C**  
SAV Sequestration

Oyster Reef filters  
**264 Million**  
gallons water per day

**5.78 tonnes C**  
Oyster Sequestration  
**207 tonnes C**  
Vegetation Sequestration

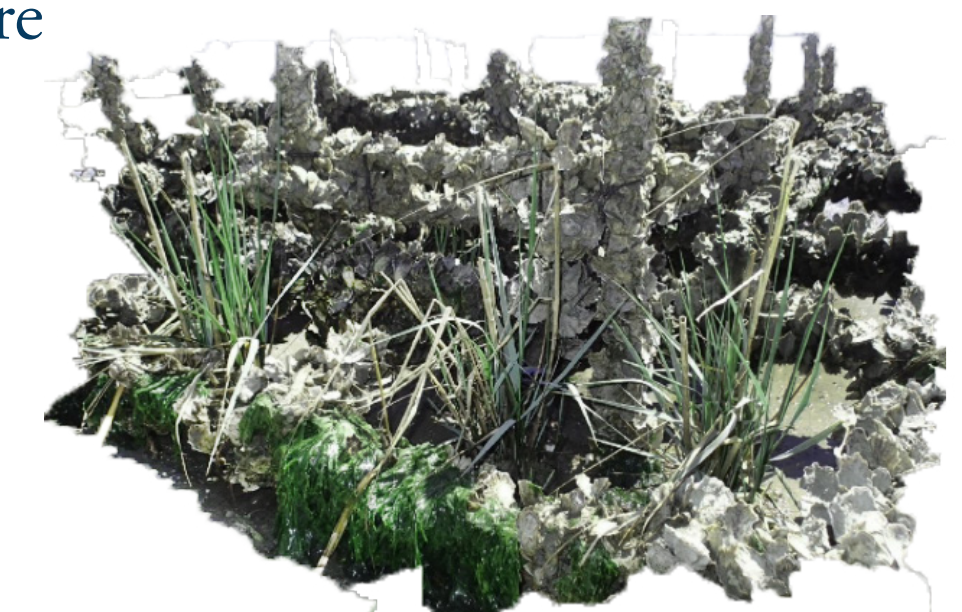
SAV Habitat potential  
**18 acres**

Eelgrass planting zones inside Mill Creek are defined by qualifying dissolved oxygen content from the 2020 Virginia DEQ water quality report with an assumption of improved benthics and water clarity from the oyster inhabited living shoreline along the wetland edge.



Biodegradable Oyster Substrate  
**11 acres**

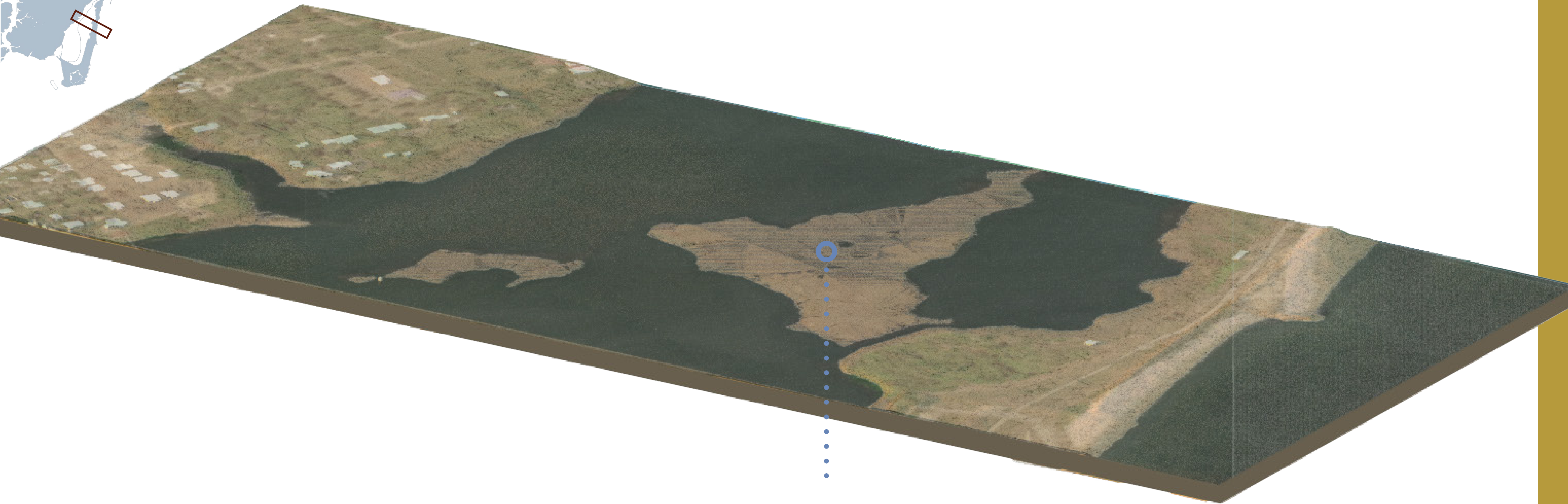
These biodegradable, modular units with proven success in North Carolina are suggested in place of a traditional coir log edge surrounding the wetland.



# FT. MONROE WETLAND RESTORATION

2021

**FT. MONROE WETLAND  
CURRENT CONDITION**



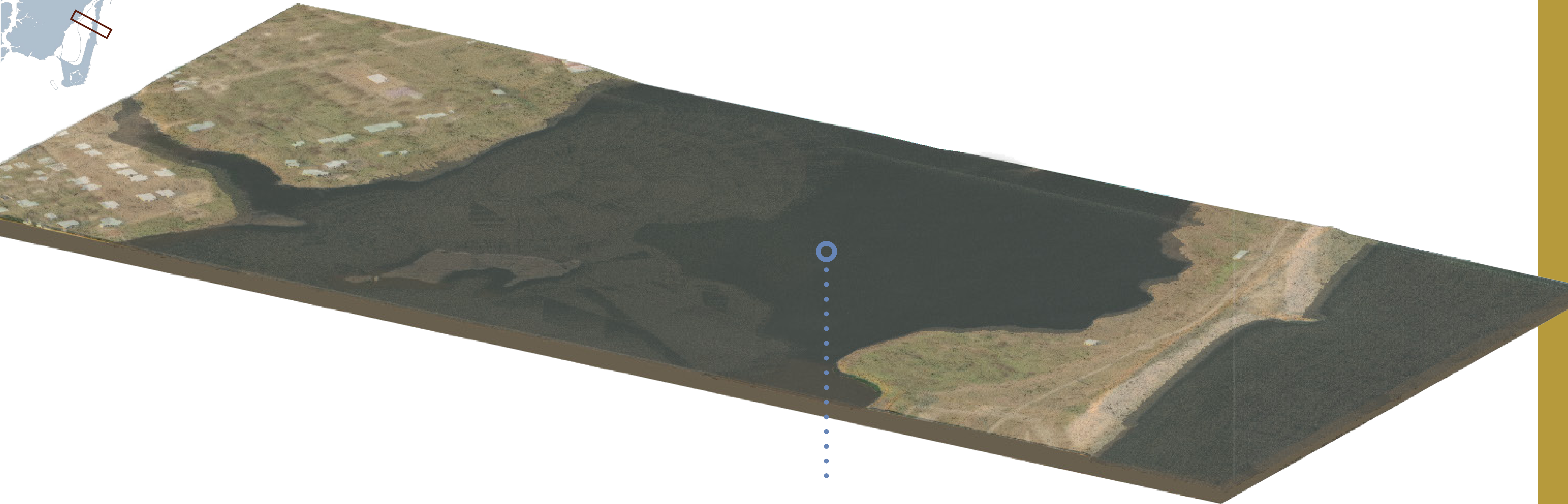
REMAINING SEGMENTS OF WETLAND  
ARE HIGHLY THREATENED  
BY SEA LEVEL RISE



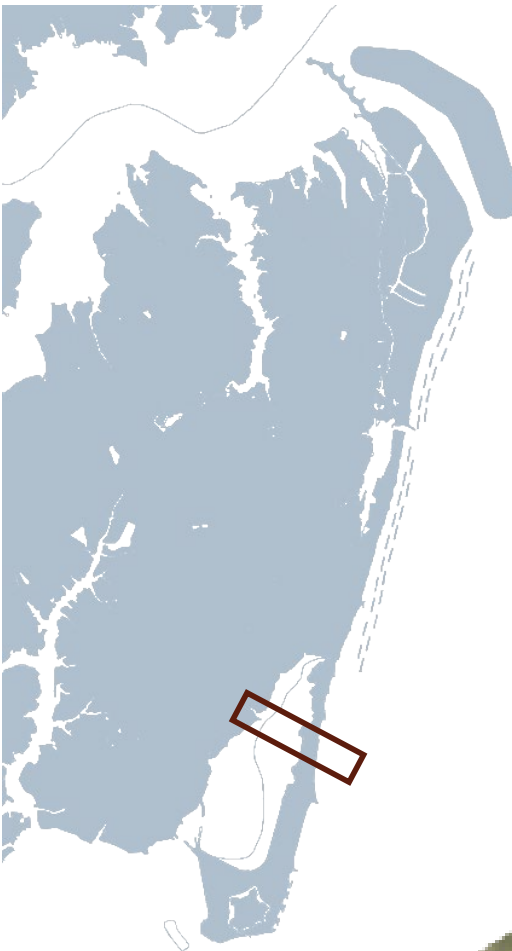
# FT. MONROE WETLAND RESTORATION

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**FT. MONROE WETLAND  
NO INTERVENTION**



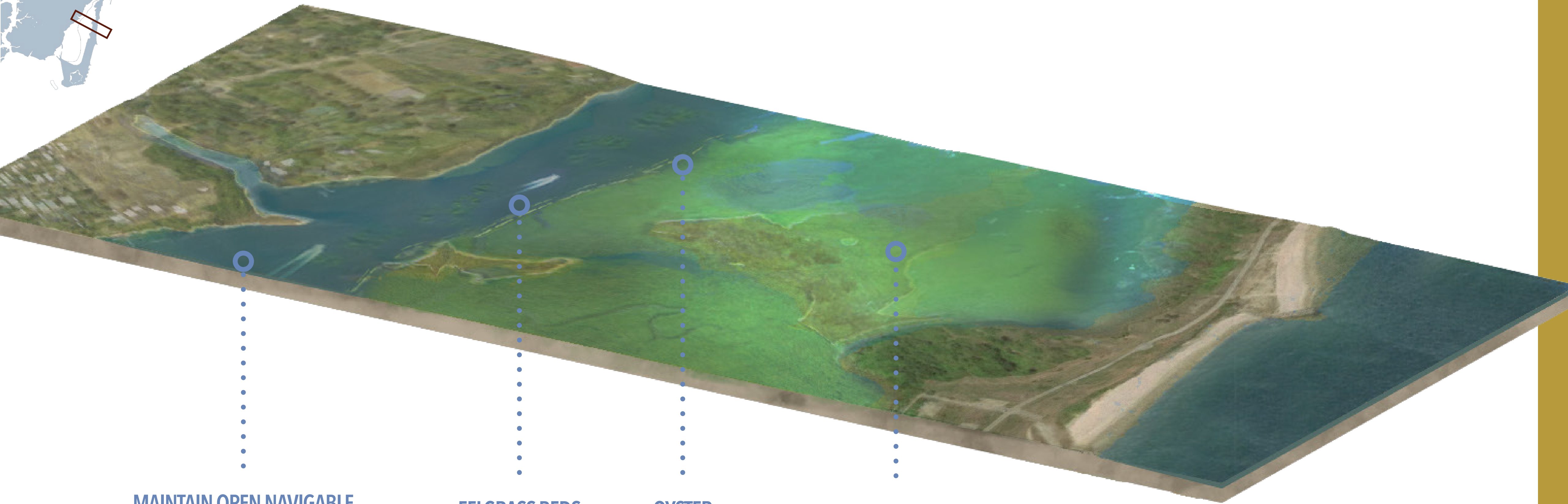
REMAINING SEGMENTS OF WETLAND  
INUNDATED BY 1.5 FT SEA LEVEL RISE



## FT. MONROE WETLAND INTERVENTION

# FT. MONROE WETLAND RESTORATION

2050



MAINTAIN OPEN NAVIGABLE  
WATERWAY FOR RESIDENTS AND  
FISHING ACCESS

EELGRASS BEDS

OYSTER  
SUBSTRATE  
LIVING EDGE

RESTORED & CONSTRUCTED  
WETLAND



GRANDVIEW ISLAND

BUCKROE BREAKWATER

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RESTORATION

..... CHESAPEAKE CARBON GARDENS

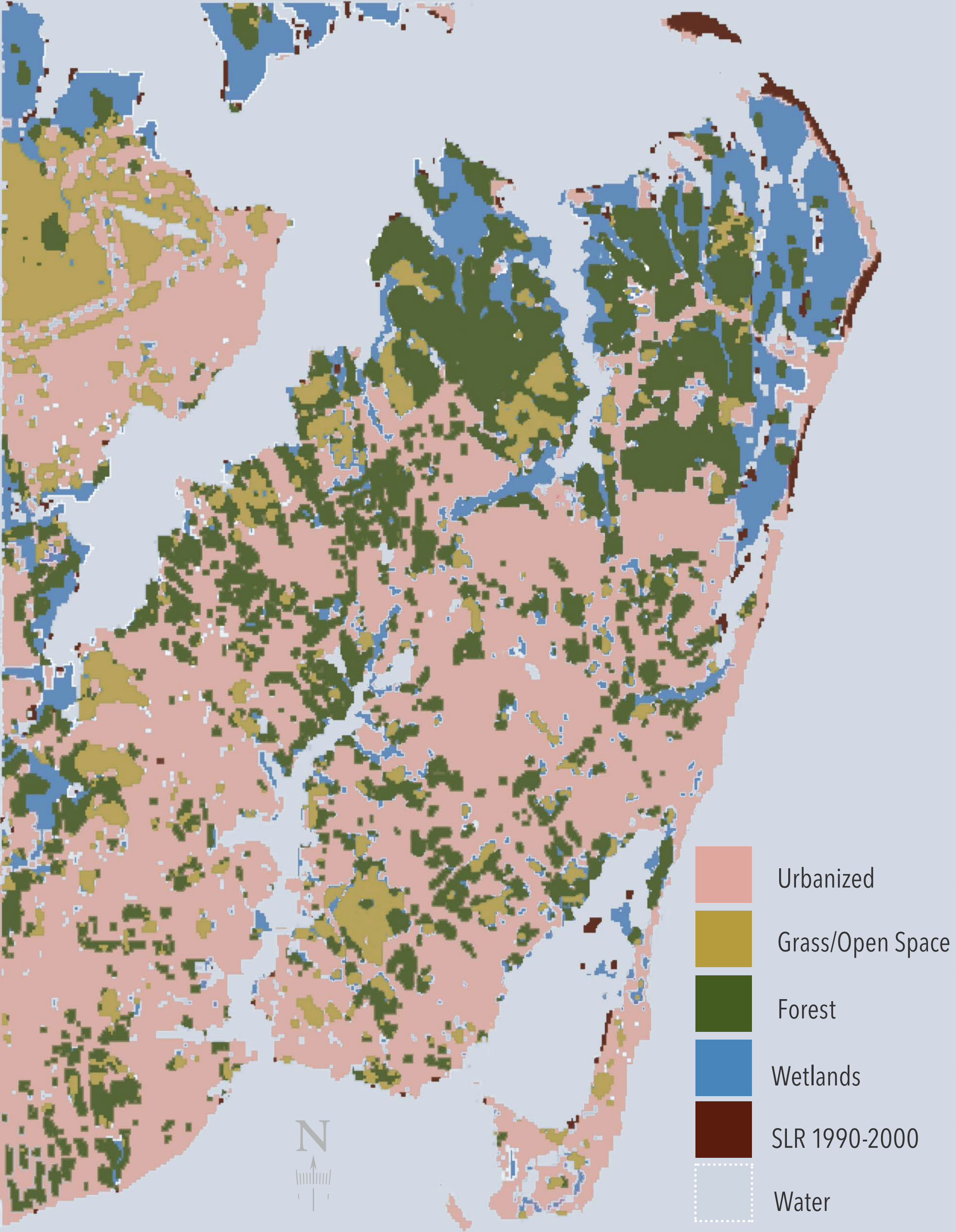
# CHESAPEAKE CARBON GARDENS

Private land and community open space represents a valuable component of resilience planning.

This plan offers an accessible way for neighborhoods and individuals to impact climate change and stormwater through the addition of Chesapeake Carbon Gardens.

Our project analysis revealed the urban plantable space potential in the project area is 1,131 acres currently planted as turf grass. Our conservative goal was to convert 10%, or 113 acres, to Chesapeake Carbon Gardens.

By educating & empowering Hampton residents with attractive options and predefined planting palettes, citizens can contribute to a better carbon future by converting a portion of their lawn to a carbon garden.



# CHESAPEAKE CARBON GARDENS

## LAWN DOMINANT LANDSCAPE

Annual Sequestration  
Based on 1/2 acre lot with 30% impervious  
space, and 70% lawn

0.04  
tonnes  
C



Ornamental  
tree



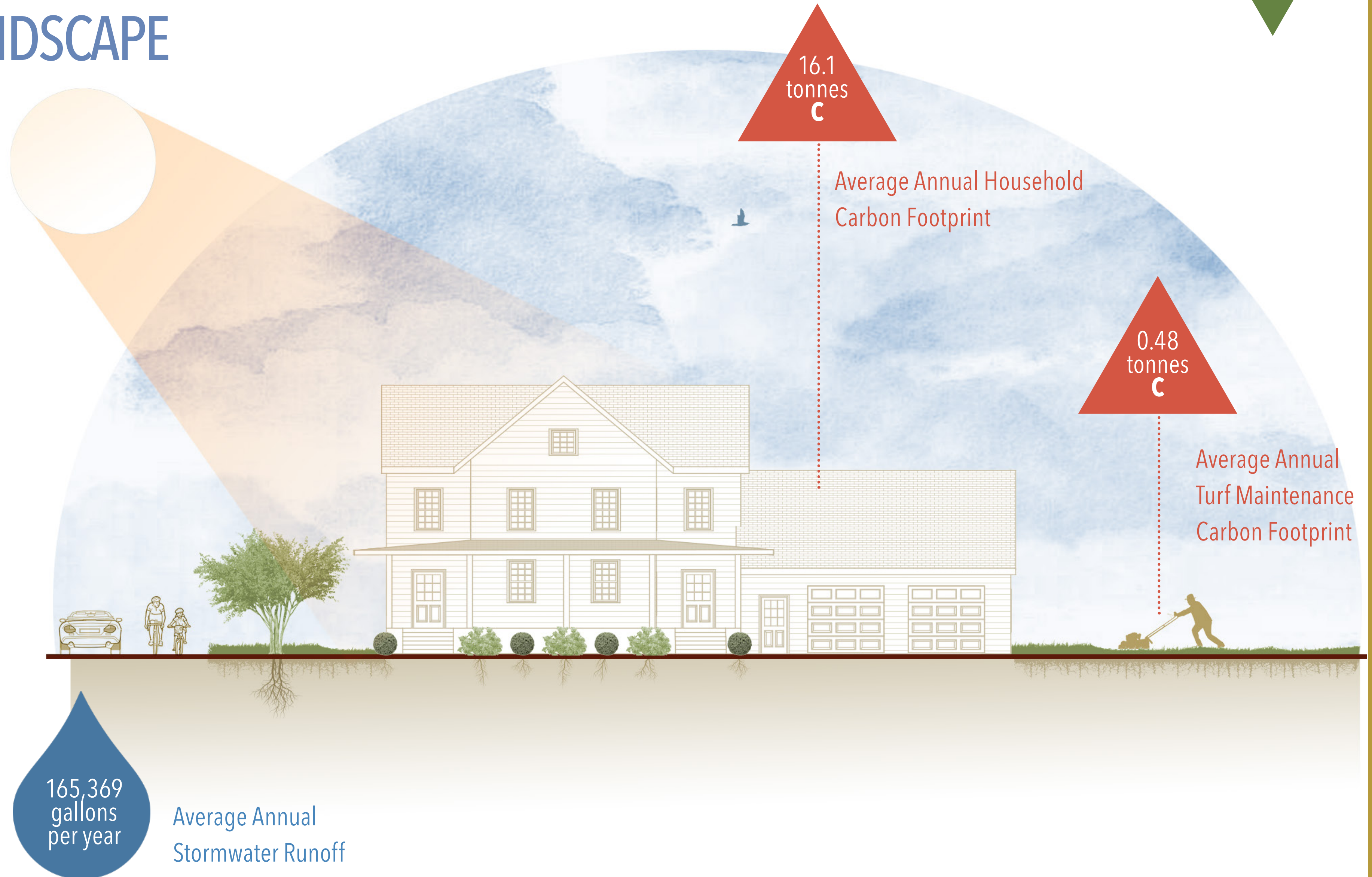
Evergreen  
shrub



Deciduous  
shrub



Turf  
grass



# CHESAPEAKE CARBON GARDENS

## HISTORIC TIDEWATER INSPIRED DESIGN

Increased Annual Sequestration  
Based on 1/2 acre lot with 30% impervious  
space, 35% lawn, and 35% planted space

0.40  
tonnes  
C



*Quercus  
phellos*



*Pinus  
palustris*



*Cornus  
florida*



*Ilex  
glabra*



*Hydrangea  
arborescens*



*Itea  
virginica*



*Sporobolus  
heterolepis*



**100,000**  
gallons from entering the  
stormwater system annually by  
increasing the porosity of the soil

**Roots = Soil Carbon**  
CO<sub>2</sub> enters the soil through decomposing plant  
matter, root exudates, and the soil organisms  
that feed on them

Sources: Epa.gov, NC State Carbon Foot-  
print Calculator, Climate Positive Design  
Carbon Calculator

# CHESAPEAKE CARBON GARDENS

## VERNACULAR TIDAL INSPIRED DESIGN

Increased Annual Sequestration  
Based on 1/2 acre lot with 30% impervious  
space, 35% lawn, and 35% planted space

0.41  
tonnes  
C



*Liriodendron  
tulipifera*



*Aesculus  
hippocastanum*



*Hamamelis  
virginiana*



*Ilex  
verticillata*



*Andropogon  
gerardii*



*Bouteloua  
gracilis*



*Eragrostis  
spectabilis*



*Muhlenbergia  
capillaris*



*Schizachyrium  
scoparium*



*Sorghastrum  
nutans*



**C4** grasses can help to  
increase carbon sequestration  
and reduce stormwater runoff

Sources: Epa.gov, NC State Carbon Footprint Calculator, Climate Positive Design Carbon Calculator

# CARBON SEQUESTRATION

1395  
tonnes  
C

$$.43 \text{ tC} \cdot \text{ha}^{-1} \cdot \text{yr}^{-1} \times (588 \text{ ac} / 247) \text{ha} = 102.34 \text{ tC} \cdot \text{yr}^{-1}$$

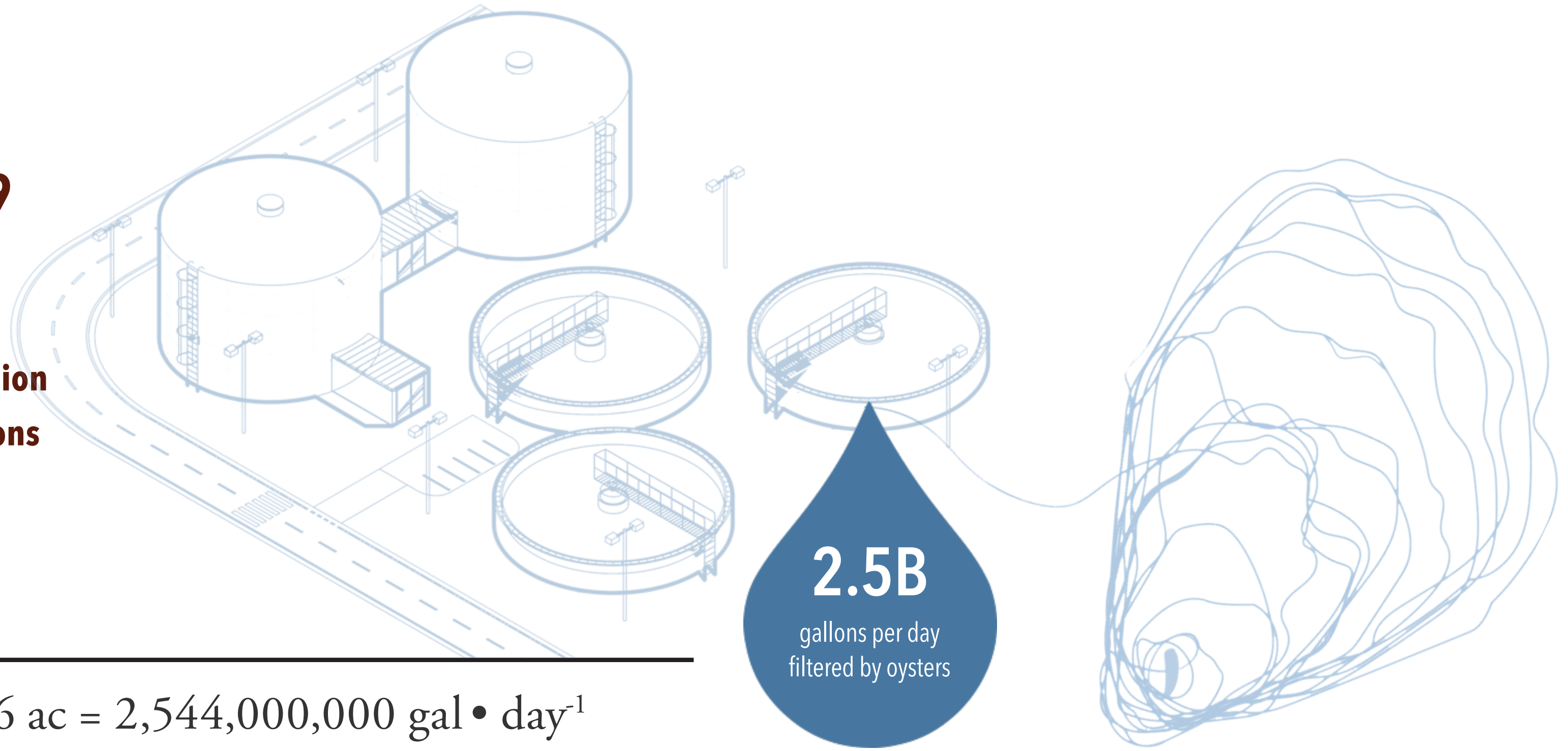
Intervention	Sequestration Rate	Area (acres)	Total Carbon Sequestered
Oysters - Breakwaters	131 gC m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	95	50.53 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
Oysters - Ft. Monroe	131 gC m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	11	5.78 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
Eelgrass - Coastal	0.12 gC m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	588	28.60 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
Eelgrass - Ft. Monroe	0.12 gC m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	18	0.87 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
Wetland - Ft. Monroe	161.8 gC m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	317	207.64 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
Wetland - Grandview	161.8 gC m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	677	443.45 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
C4 Veg - Barrier Island	2.66 tC ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	390	419.82 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
Trees - Barrier Island	1.43 tC ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	210	121.53 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
C4 Veg - C Gardens	2.66 tC ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	73.45	79.07 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>
C4 Veg - C Gardens	1.43 tC ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	39.55	22.89 tC yr <sup>-1</sup>



# WATER FILTRATION

**The Hampton Roads Sanitation district has a total capacity of 249 million gallons per day, serving 1.7 million people.**

**The oyster reef breakwater design, with 4.15 million square feet of oysters, each one filtering 50 gallons per day, has the potential to clean 9.5 times more water.**



$$24,000,000 \text{ gal} \cdot \text{ac}^{-1} \cdot \text{day}^{-1} \times 106 \text{ ac} = 2,544,000,000 \text{ gal} \cdot \text{day}^{-1}$$

Project Zone	Area (acres)	Water Filtration Capacity	Total Water Filtration	
Breakwaters	95.00	24,000,000 gal ac <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>	2,280,000,000 gal/day	832,200,000,000 gal/year
Ft. Monroe	11.00	24,000,000 gal ac <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>	264,000,000 gal/day	93,360,000,000 gal/year



As the planet warms and waters rise, we have the opportunity to synthesize science, technology, engineering, and the resilient superpower of nature to capture carbon, clean water, and provide coastal protection.

*We have the opportunity to be first.*

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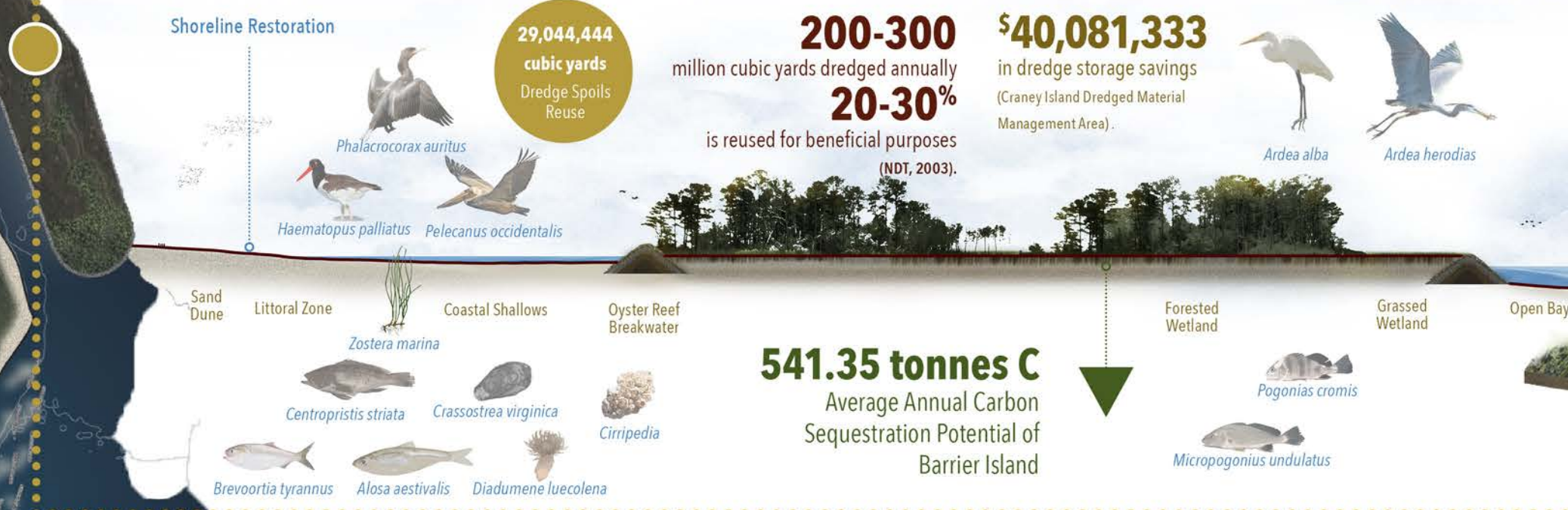
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# Carbon in the Tidewater

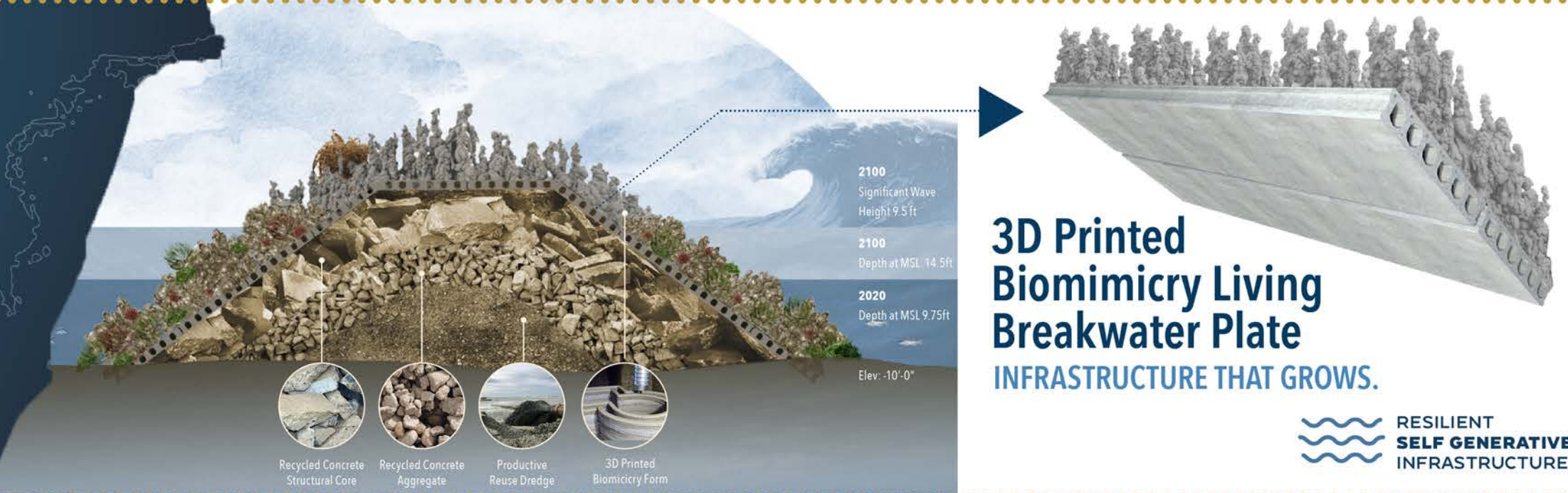
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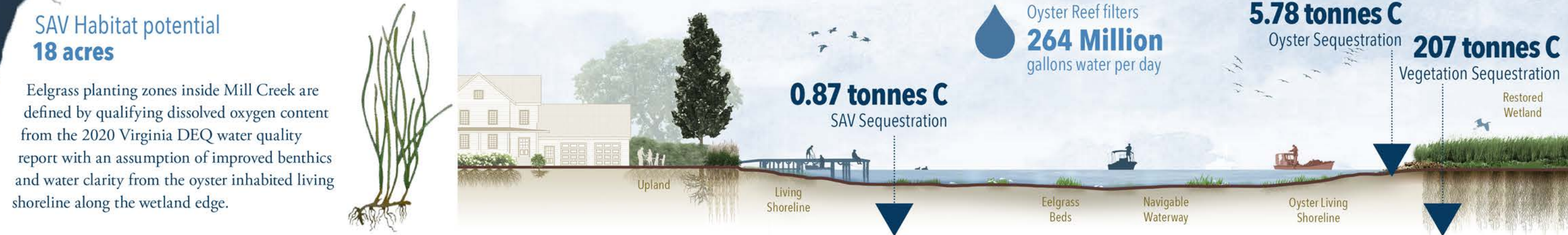
## Grandview Barrier Island



## Buckroe Breakwater



## Ft. Monroe Wetland Restoration



## Chesapeake Carbon Gardens

