





Long Island Sound Coastal Resilience Forum

Monday, October 28, 2024



Save the Date
Long Island Sound Coastal Resilience Forums

Nassau County Forum: Monday, October 28, 2024 Sands Point Preserve, Sands Point, NY

Suffolk County Forum: Tuesday, October 29, 2024 Dorothy P. Flint 4-H Camp, Riverhead, NY

These forums will bring together state and local decision makers, municipal staff, and other interested parties working to address flooding, shoreline erosion and other coastal issues. The goal of these forums is to share information on best practices, discuss challenges, identify opportunities to increase resilience, and enhance coordination across communities.

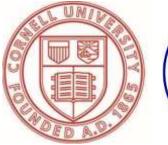
This year's forums include a field trip to a shoreline resilience project site!

Register here: https://www.lisresilience.org/upcoming-trainings-and-events/

Hosted by New York Sea Grant and Long Island Sound Study in partnership with Nassau and Suffolk Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Sands Point Preserve Conservancy, Maidstone Landing, and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Nassau County.









Agenda



9:45 AM	Welcome & Introductions
10:00 AM	Planning for Sea Level Rise & Other Climate Threats
10:40 AM	Creating Resilient Shorelines
12:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM	Field Trip - Resilience projects at Sands Point Preserve
3:30 PM	Return from Field Trip/Depart

Long Island Sound Study Management Plan





Comprehensive Conservation & Management Plan

The *draft* 2025 Plan is available for public comment until November 22, 2024.



Learn more at:

https://longislandsoundstudy.net/about/ccmp-revision-updates/

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Expected Outcomes of SRC Work



A Sustainable and Resilient
Long Island Sound Community
is one which can anticipate and
overcome disturbances, while
achieving well-being for all.





Planning for Sea Level Rise & Other Climate Threats



LIS Resilience Resource Hub: <u>lisresilience.org</u>





Resilience Steps

Resources & Tools

Connect

Search Q

Finding climate resources should be easy

The Long Island Sound Resilience Resource Hub is here to help your community. Learn about environmental challenges, planning solutions, and how to implement and sustain projects now.

Select your Planning Phase, Location, and/or Topic of interest to access a filtered selection of our curated resources and tools.

Planning Phase Location Topic

Select a Planning Phase

Select a Location

Select a Topic

Get Started



Steps to Community Resilience Planning



LEARN

Identify Risks



PLAN

Identify
Strategies to
Mitigate Risks



IMPLEMENT

Secure Funding to Implement Strategies



SUSTAIN

Maintain, Evaluate, and Adapt





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PERSISTS Framework adapted and adopted from Connecticut Institute for Resilience and Climate Adaptation. (2020). Resilient Connecticut Planning Framework.

Permittable

Equitable

Realistic

Innovative

Scientific

Transferable

Sustainable



Resilience Planning Guide

PERSISTS* Decision Support Criteria can help prioritize projects

Permittable – Can get all necessary permits and/or permissions

Equitable – Considers input from and impacts to vulnerable populations

Realistic – Has community support and can be realistically achieved

Safe – Enhances or maintains the wellbeing of communities

<u>Innovative</u> – Process has considered innovative options including nature-based solutions

Scientific – Incorporates the best available science

<u>Transferable</u> – Can serve as model for other communities

Sustainable – Socially, economically, and ecologically sustainable

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Case Studies

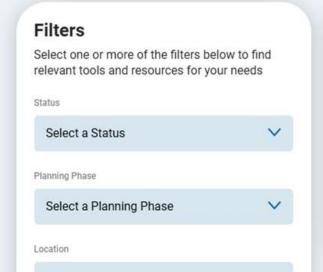






Funding Database







SRC Programming & Resources



Assistance Programs

LIS Resilience Planning Support Program

Focus: Planning and Project Scoping

Eligible Applicants: Municipalities, Nonprofits, Community Organizations

Next round will be released December 2024

LIS Resilience Grant Writing Assistance Program

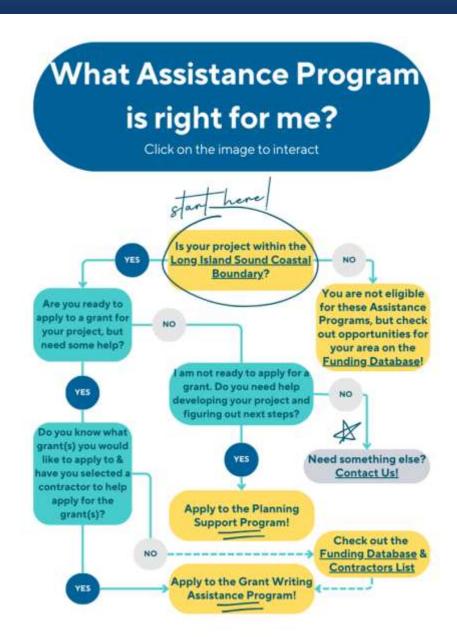
Focus: Grant Preparation and Writing

Eligible Applicants: Municipalities, Nonprofits, Community Organizations

Rolling: Open until all available funding has been allocated

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Grant Writing Assistance Success Stories





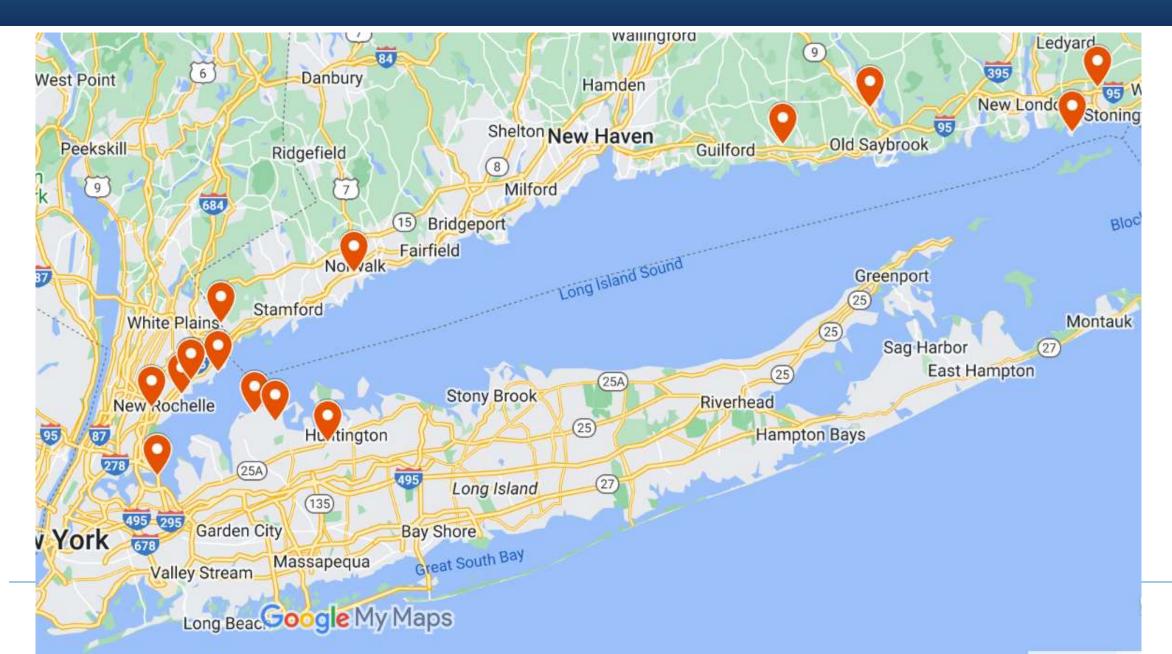
Cornell Cooperative Extension of Nassau

ReWild Long Island



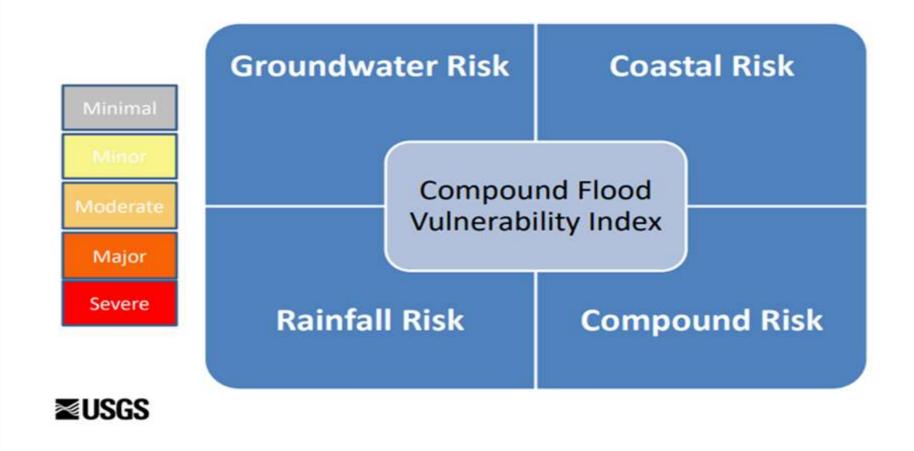
Planning Support Program - 15 projects!







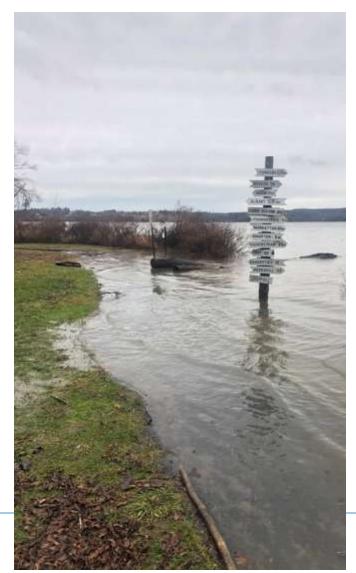
Compound Flood Mapper for Long Island Sound - Coming Soon!



New Tools



MyCoast NY mycoast.org/ny



NY Sea Grant has launched MyCoast NY, an online portal for collecting and analyzing photos of flooding and storm damage. When a photo report is submitted, it is automatically linked to the closest weather, river, and tidal gauge data to help provide context to the photo.

- **High Water:** Tracking (any type of) flooding across the state. This includes riverine, coastal, and shallow flooding (pluvial), such as flooding due to stormwater overflows and poor urban drainage.
- •Storm Reporter: Documenting storm damage across the state.

New Resource



Flooding & Erosion Basics / Adapting to Flood & Erosion Risk Fact Sheets



A Start Guide for Addressing Flooding and Erosion in Long Island Coastal Communities (<u>bit.ly/StartGuideLongIsland</u>)

Adapting to Flood and Erosion Risk

Coastal adaptation is taking action to minimize risk from flooding and erosion. Communities that adapt become more resilient to storms, sea level rise, and other environmental impacts.

STEPS TO RESILIENCE

The U.S. Climate Resilience Toolkit, developed through a partnership of federal agencies and organizations led by NOAA, describes a general 6-step process that can lead to adaptation actions. This general process can be combined with existing programs and planning in New York State such as Climate Smart Communities, Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, Hazard Mitigation Planning, Stormwater Phase 2: MS4 Program, and the Community Rating System. The steps are summarized below. Consult the U.S. Climate Resilience Toolkit website for more information (https://toolkit.climate.gov)

- 1) Getting Started. Identify a climate champion. An effective champion, whether inside government or a member of the community at large, works with a planning team to assess climate risk and makes recommendations on how to address it. Often, this leader is an elected official, a sustainability coordinator, or someone who works in a local government office. Other steps to get started include: build a representative team, consult existing planning documents, commit to centering equity in your plan, check alignment of your developing goals with community values, and announce your efforts to the public.
- 2) Understand Exposure. Consider the things your community cares about and determine what weather and climate-related hazards have occurred in the past and what hazards might occur in the future while considering climate change. Refer to the New York State Climate Impacts Assessment for a comprehensive look at how climate change is impacting New York (https://nysclimateimpacts.org).
- 3) Assess Vulnerability and Risks. Some groups handle this step themselves; others hire professionals to help them conduct vulnerability and risk assessments. In New York State, there are a range of existing tools and planning processes that can assess vulnerabilities and risks. Check out Climate Smart Communities Action P7: Vulnerability Assessment to learn more. (bit.ly/NYSCSCPET/Vulnerability/Assessment)

Resilience is the capacity of a community, or natural environment to prepare for, withstand, respond to, and recover more quickly from a disruption, such as flooding and extreme storms.

Climate Smart Communities

(CSC) Program: New York State's Climate Smart Communities is both a community certification system and a grant program. The program includes both mitigation (for greenhouse gas reduction) and adaptation actions. The adaptation actions can be taken to move a community towards flood resiliency and when combined with the mitigation actions, can help achieve certification at the bronze, silver, or gold level. Technical support is available to help communities achieve actions.

(https://climatesmart.nv.gov)

Vulnerable Populations: Vulnerable people do not have the material or social resources to respond or recover from hazardous events and often include the elderly, children, people with disabilities, and families in poverty. Certain neighborhoods within a community may be more vulnerable and less resilient due to socioeconomic factors and legacies of disinvestment. Extra efforts should be taken to engage and invest in these communities to reduce risk to climate and weather hazards.



A Start Guide for Addressing Flooding and Erosion in Long Island Coastal Communities (bit.ly/StartGuideLongIsland)

Flooding and Erosion Basics

Long Island is truly an island, surrounded by seawater. Its shorelines are continually impacted by the movement of sand by both wind and waves. The processes that Long Island's shorelines are experiencing are, of course, natural; however, when they impinge on our buildings, roads, and other infrastructure, people and places are put at risk. In order to prepare for, and adapt to, coastal risks, we all need to understand and assess the physical forces and how they are affecting coastal features.

Flooding and erosion are ubiquitous along Long Island's shorelines. Their impacts can be the result of one of many forces, or can be a compounded issue. The following describes the causes of flooding and erosion so that shoreline managers can understand the impacts and choose an appropriate mitigation strategy.



Flooded parking lot in Northport; NY. Credit: Trustee Dave Weber via MyCoast NY

CAUSES OF COASTAL FLOODING ON LONG ISLAND

Coastal flooding occurs when low-lying land is submerged by seawater.

Tidal

Long Island experiences two high tides and two low tides within a 24-hour period. Tides occur as a result of the gravitational pull of both the sun and the moon on the Earth. When the sun, moon, and Earth are aligned, the pull is the strongest and results in extreme tidal ranges including higher-than-normal high tides and lower-than-normal low tides. Shorelines are more likely to experience tidal flooding during spring tides, which align with the occurrences of new and full moons, or twice every month.

Storm surge

Long Island is impacted by both East Coast Winter Storms (nor'easters) and tropical systems (hurricanes), which both bring storm surges to the shorelines. These low-pressure system storms produce an abnormal rise in water levels that is pushed towards the shore by strong winds. As the storm interacts with the shoreline, the surge moves onshore, resulting in flooding.

Sea level rise

Sea levels around Long Island have been rising since the end of the last Ice Age; however, since the Industrial Revolution, sea levels have been rising at an accelerated pace. Global sea level rise is predominantly a result of land-based ice melt entering the oceans and the thermal expansion of seawater as it warms. Other factors can contribute to the local rate of sea level rise, such as land subsidence or groundwater pumping. Due to sea level rise, Long Island is experiencing more flooding during normal high tides, unrelated to storm events; this chronic flooding is expected to become more common and get worse as sea levels continue to rise.

New Resource



Bluff Sign & Post Card



Land Use Leadership Alliance Training



September 27th, October 4th & October 18th





DEC 10-11, 2024

3rd Annual LISS
Sustainable and Resilient
Communities Workshop









SAVE THE DATE

More details coming soon!



Questions?





Office of Climate Change Updates

Long Island Sound Coastal Resilience Forum - Nassau County October 28, 2024

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Updates

- 6 NYCRR Part 490 Projected Sea-level Rise -2024 update
- NYS Extreme Heat Action Plan
- NYS climate change adaptation and resilience planning
- Environmental Bond Act



6 NYCRR Part 490 Projected Sea-Level Rise

2024 update



6NYCRR Part 490, Projected Sea-level Rise

Community Risk and Resiliency Act (2014)

as amended by the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (2019)

- DEC to adopt science-based sea level rise projections.
- Part 490 was adopted in 2017.
- An amended <u>Part 490</u> was adopted in September 2024.
- Part 490 establishes projections of sea-level rise but does not impose any requirements on any entity.



Adopted 6NYCRR Part 490, Projected Sea-level Rise, 2024

	Region		l	ong	Island	ł		New York City/Lower Hudson							Mid-Hudson						
Time Interval	Descriptor	Low	Low- medium	Medium	High- medium	High	Rapid Ice Melt	Low	Low- medium	Medium	High- medium	High	Rapid Ice Melt	Low	Low- medium	Medium	High- medium	High	Rapid Ice Melt		
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	2050s	13	15	18	21	25	NA	12	14	16	19	23	NA	11	12	14	17	21	NA		
	2080s	23	26	32	41	48	83	21	25	30	39	45	83	18	21	26	35	41	83		
	2100	27	32	39	54	69	114	25	30	36	50	65	114	21	25	32	46	60	114		
	2150	42	50	63	94	185	NA	38	47	59	89	177	NA	32	41	52	82	171	NA		

Inches of rise relative to 1995-2014 baseline

New York State Climate Change Projections Methodology

Report Part 490 Projected Sea-Level Rise



Percentage Differences 6NYCRR Part 490, 2024/2017

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Time Interval	2080s	77%	44%	10%	5%	-17%	NA	62%	39%	3%	0%	-22%	NA	80%	50%	4%	-3%	-24%	NA	
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New York State Adaptation and Resilience Plan (NYSARP)



SOTS Commitment

"Governor Hochul will direct DEC, NYSERDA, and DOS, in coordination with all relevant state agencies, to develop a **comprehensive climate change adaptation and resilience plan** to ensure state entities and localities can equitably adapt to climate change, including assessing impacts on disadvantaged communities, ecosystems, infrastructure, and vulnerable economic sectors.

This statewide planning effort will **supplement ongoing work to collect information and develop the resources** needed to support the design and implementation of cost-effective strategies to reduce current and future climate risks – leveraging federal dollars and Environmental Bond Act investments to undertake dam removals, repairs to aging flood control structures, and advance green infrastructure projects."



Precedent Examples

California

Unifies existing adaptation efforts under common framework

Colorado

Regional approach to adaptation planning

Massachusetts

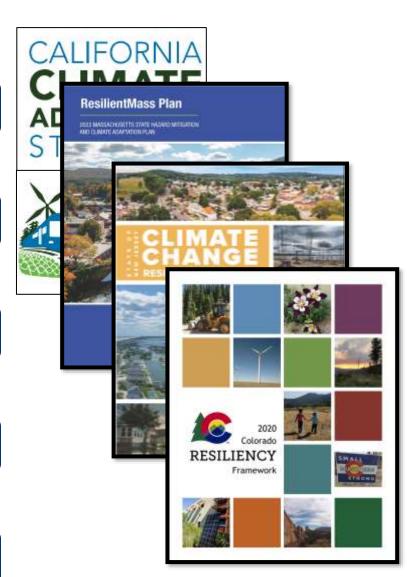
Layers onto existing hazard mitigation planning process

New Jersey

Planning under a common framework and governance

European Union

• Coordinates and standardizes resources for local adaptation





New York State Extreme Heat Action Plan



EXTREME HEAT ACTION PLAN

EXTREME HEAT ACTION PLAN ADAPTATION AGENDA FOR 2024–2030 Kathy Heichul, Governor | Seer Mehar, Interim Commissioner, DEC | Dorsen Harris, CTO and President, NYSERDA



Putting Adaptation into Action

- Missions, goals, and principles
- 49 strategies in four action tracks
- Short- and mid-range goals
- Implementation and evaluation



LEARN MORE

on.ny.gov/extremeheat



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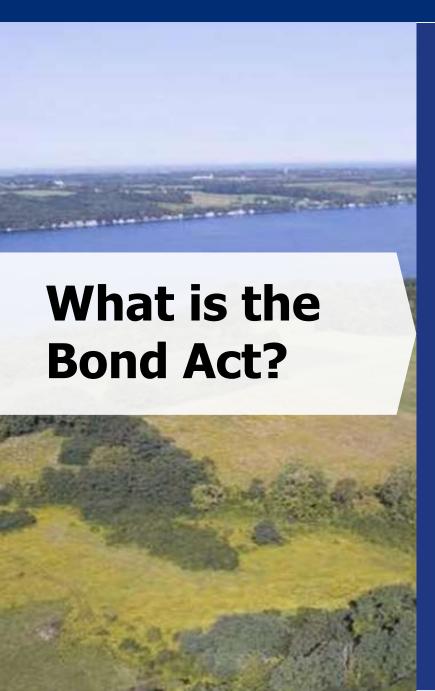


The Clean Water, Clean Air & Green Jobs

Environmental Bond

Act





A Historic \$4.2 Billion

Specifically, the Environmental Bond Act authorizes

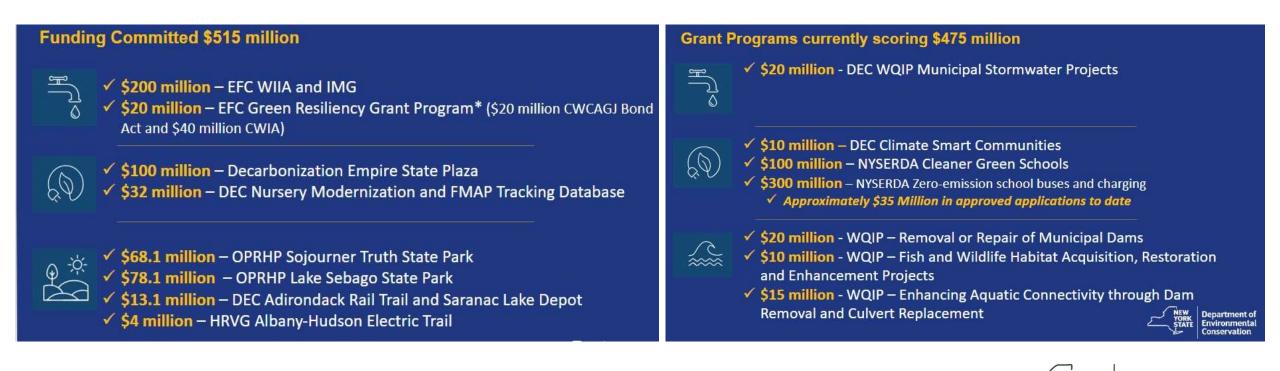
- \$1.5 billion for climate change mitigation;
- \$1.1 billion for restoration and flood risk reduction*;
- \$650 million for water quality improvement and resilient infrastructure*;
- \$650 million for open space land conservation and recreation; and
- *\$300 million for other projects not specifically allocated in the Act.



Department of Environmental Conservation

Environmental Bond Act

- Funding dispersed through 23 programs across several state agencies.
- Eligibility guidelines for program funding released for public comment.





Services

New

ENVIRONMENTAL BOND ACT

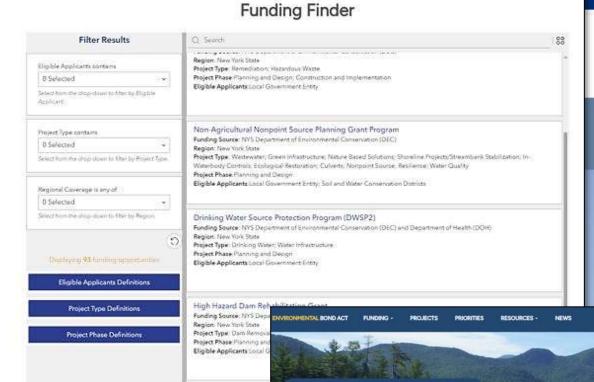
FUNDING -

Clean Water, Clean A **Green Jobs Environn Bond Act**

Investing \$4.2 Billion in New York's Environment and Communities

FUND A PROJECT →

RESOURCES FOR RESILIENCE ->



ENVIRONMENTAL BOND ACT

Resources for Resilience

Community Assistance Teams

Community Assistance Teams administered by the Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) help municipalities address their clean water infrastructure needs. Teams host regional events and connect communities with experts who can help them undertake their critical water infrastructure projects. These Teams also provide on-site or virtual consultations to help communities across the state jump-start planning, submit funding applications, and see their projects through to completion.

Resilient NY program

The flesilient NY Program administrated by the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) improves community resiliency to extreme weather events that result in flooding and ice jam formations. Resilient NY studies will identify the causes of flooding within each watershed, and develop, evaluate, and recommend effective and ecologically sustainable flood and ice jam hazard-mitigation projects. Proposed flood mitigation projects will be identified and evaluated using hydrologic and hydraulic modeling to quantitatively determine which proposed recommendations will likely result in the greatest flood reduction benefits. In addition, the flood resiliency studies will incorporate the latest climate change forecasts and assess ice jam hazards where they have been identified as a threat to public health and safety

Sustainable Shorelines / Nature Based Shorelines



- Inter-agency workgroup implementing delivery of funds
- Release of eligibility guidelines for public comment
- Bond Act entities launch grant opportunities

Next Steps: Implement and Update





Thank You

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https://climatesmart.ny.gov/

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X (Twitter): https://x.com/NYSDEC

Flickr: <u>www.flickr.com/photos/nysdec</u>





Creating Resilient Shorelines



LISS Marsh Viewer - East Creek



"Wetland Type" Map for East Creek Map at 2055, High SLR

Wetland Type:

Low Tidal

Low Marsh

High Marsh

Freshwater Non-Tidal

Freshwater Tidal Marsh

Flooded Developed Dry Land

definitions

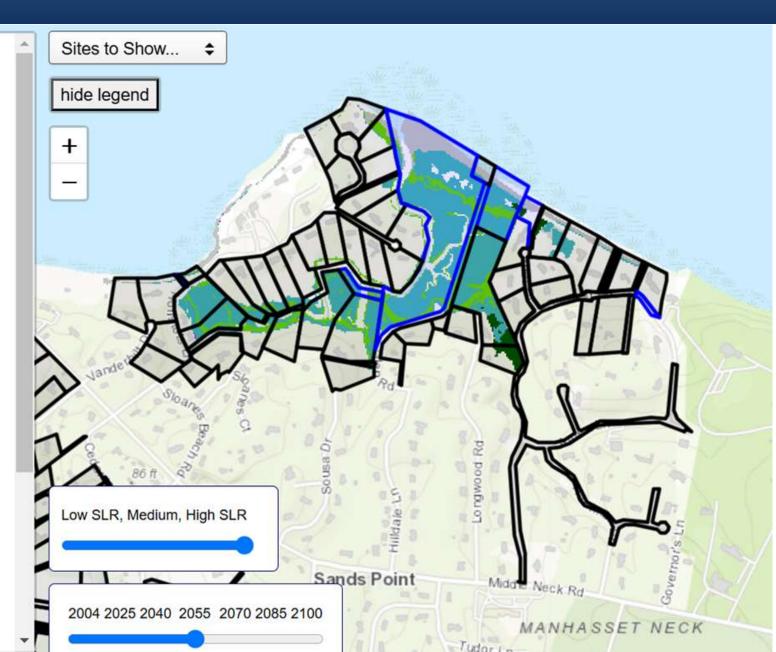
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East Creek fact sheet

Blue Tax Boundaries are Public Land Black Tax Boundaries are Private Land

no colors

Nassau County Tax Parcels 2019, 2022, County of Nassau, Dept. of Information Technology



LISS Marsh Viewer - East Creek



"Wetland Type" Map for East Creek Map at 2100, High SLR

Wetland Type:

Low Tidal

Low Marsh

High Marsh

Freshwater Non-Tidal

Freshwater Tidal Marsh

Flooded Developed Dry Land

definitions

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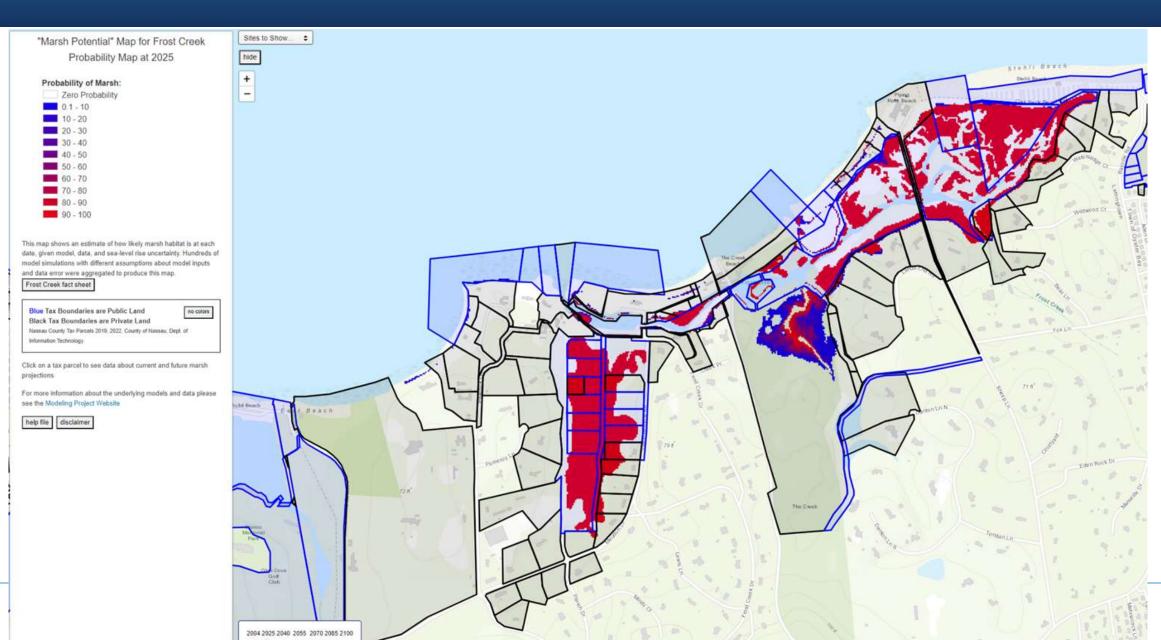
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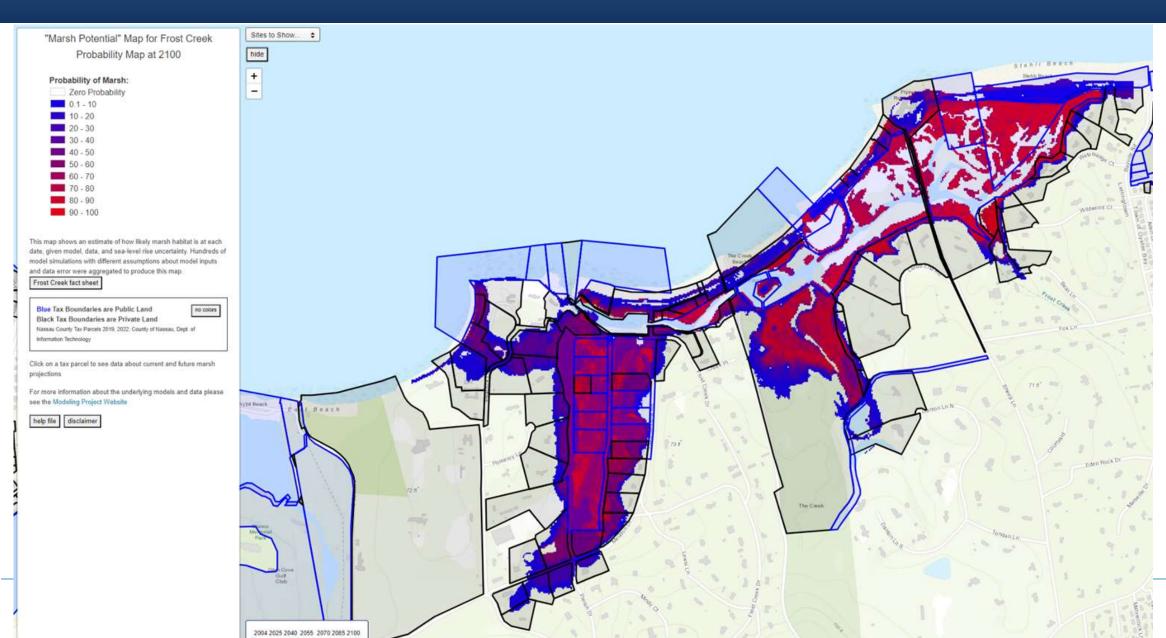
LISS Marsh Viewer - Frost Creek





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LISS Marsh Viewer – Marsh Conservation Plans







NEIWPCC

December 22, 2023

MARSH CONSERVATION PLANNING FOR STONY BROOK HARBOR NY AND WEST MEADOW CREEK NY







NEIWPCC December, 2023







Historic Threats to Salt Marshes:

- Coastal development
 - Filling in of marshes
 - Change to hydrology
- Invasive plants
- Human disturbance
 - Nutrient input

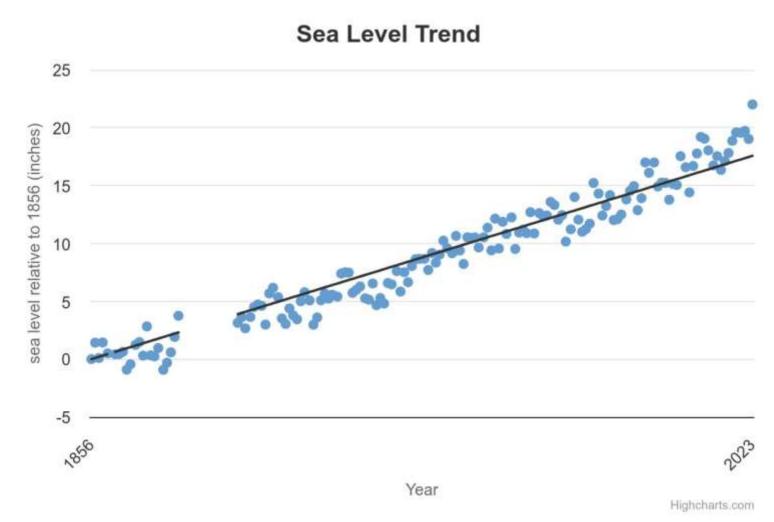


Current Threats to Salt Marshes:

Sea Level Rise

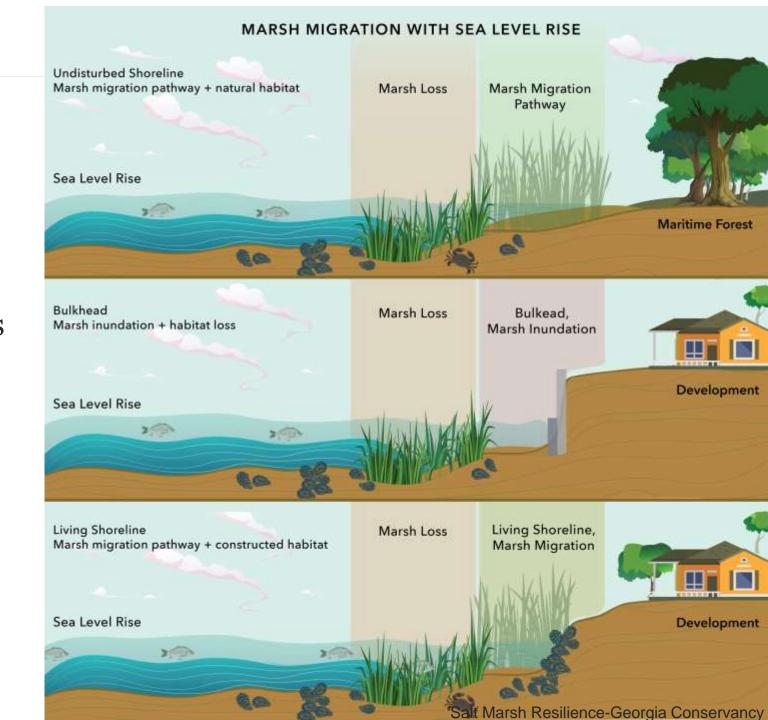
CT Institute for Resilience & Climate Adaptation (CIRCA): CT should plan for up to **20** inches of sea level rise by **2050**.

6 NYCRR Part 490, Projected Sea-level Rise: NY should prepare for up to 25 inches of sea level rise by 2050.



What is Marsh Migration?

The natural processes of marshes to respond to increased inundation by migrating inland and colonizing areas that were previously at higher elevations





How do you make salt marshes more resilient to SLR and accommodate for marsh migration?

- Salt Marsh Restoration
- Nature Based Solutions
- Land Protection
- Advocacy/Policy
- Community Conservation Action





What is SLAMM (Sea Level Affecting Marshes Model)

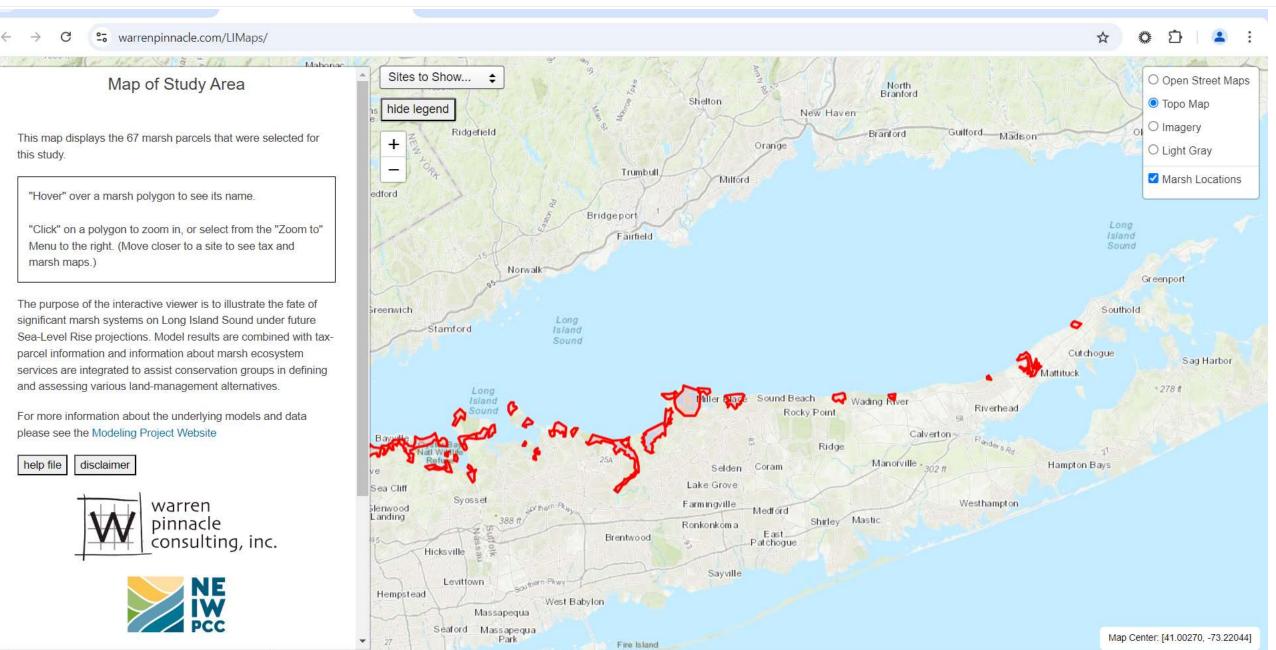
Mathematical model that uses
digital elevation data and other
information to simulates the
dominant processes involved in
wetland conversions and shoreline
modifications during long-term sea
level rise.



Long Island Sound Marsh Viewer

https://warrenpinnacle.com/LIMaps/









Audubon NY Salt Marsh Restoration Projects

Sunken Meadow Salt Marsh Restoration Projects-Kings Park, NY

- LISS Stewardship Site, ACJV
 Saltmarsh Sparrow priority site
- Partners: NYS Parks, Save the Sound, NYNHP
- Restore ~78 acres
- 2020 LISFF: completed 60% design
- 2023 LISFF: 100% design & permitting anticipated spring 2025





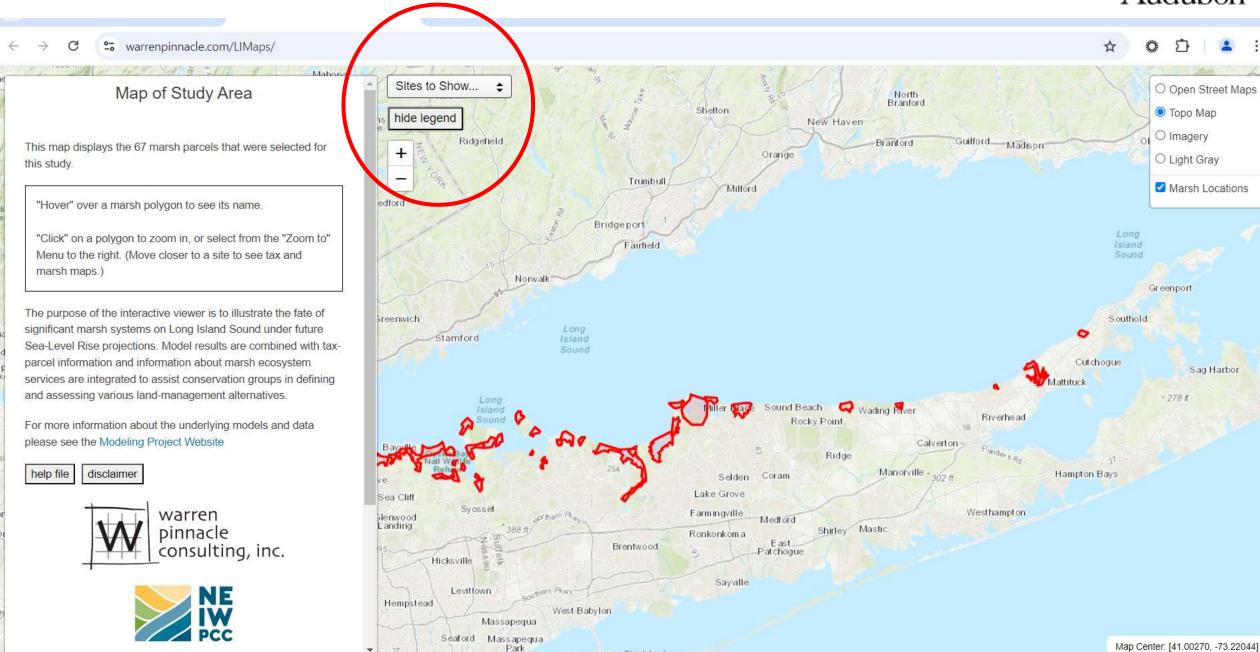
Audubon NY Salt Marsh Restoration Projects

Crab Meadow Salt Marsh Restoration Project-Fort Salonga, NY

- LISS Stewardship Site, ACJV Saltmarsh Sparrow priority site, Crab Meadow Hydrology & Stewardship Plan priority
- Partners: Town of Huntington, USFWS
- Restore ~250 acres
- 2023 USFWS: completed baseline marsh data collection
- 2024 USFWS Coastal Program funding: initial feasibility studies

Long Island Sound Marsh Viewer





Fire Island







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Map of Study Area

This map displays the 67 marsh parcels that were selected for this study.

"Hover" over a marsh polygon to see its name.

"Click" on a polygon to zoom in, or select from the "Zoom to" Menu to the right. (Move closer to a site to see tax and marsh maps.)

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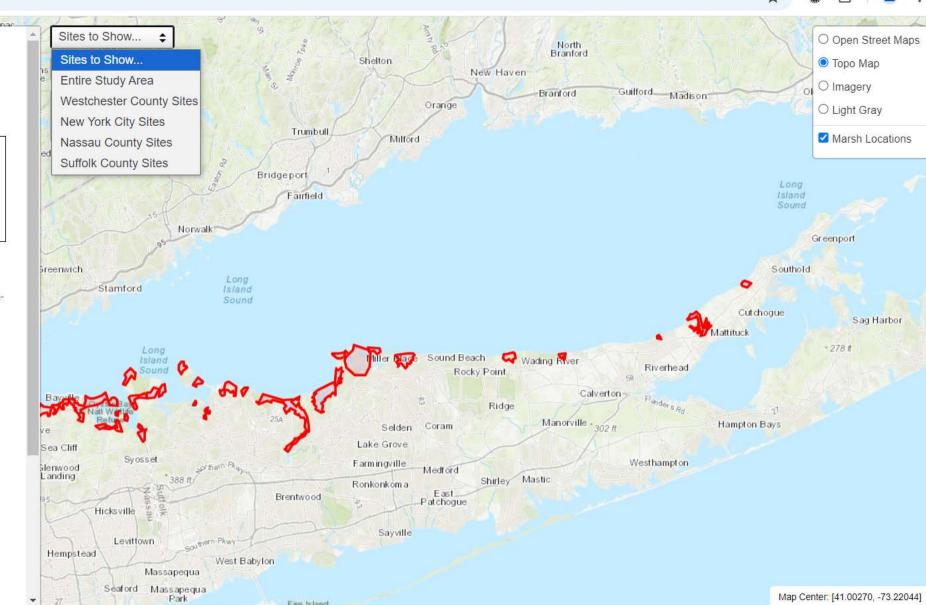
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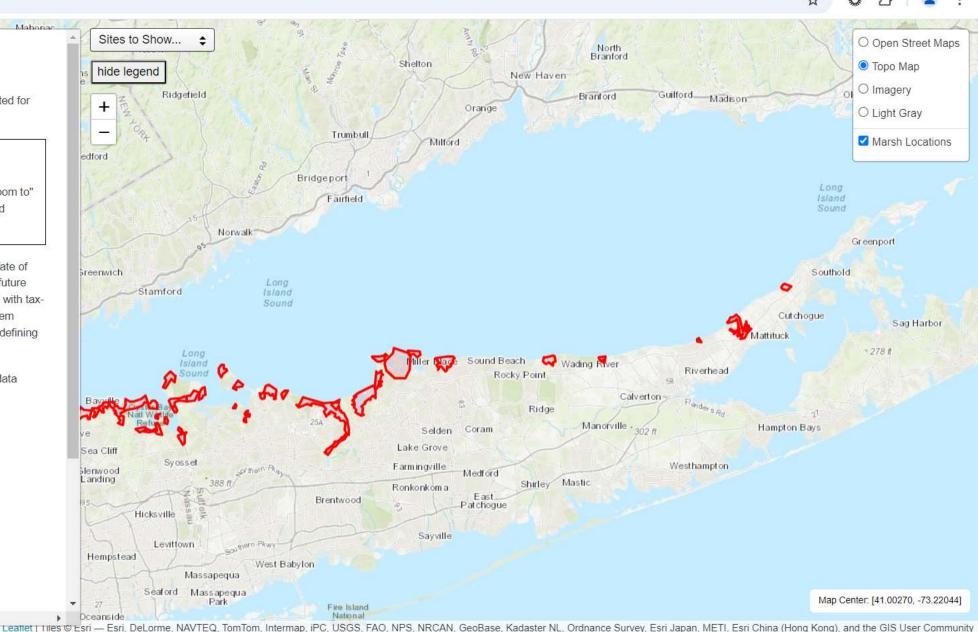
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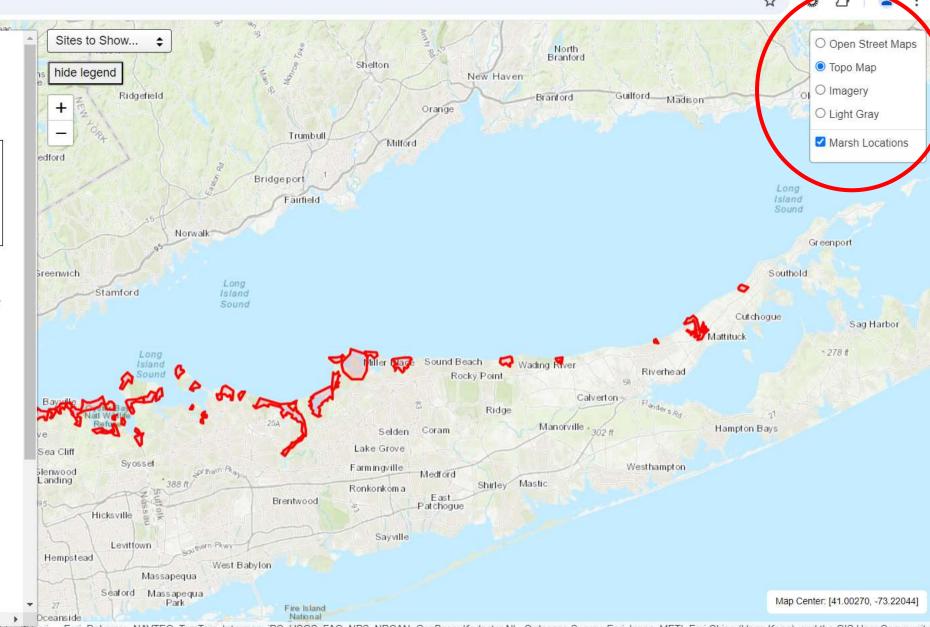
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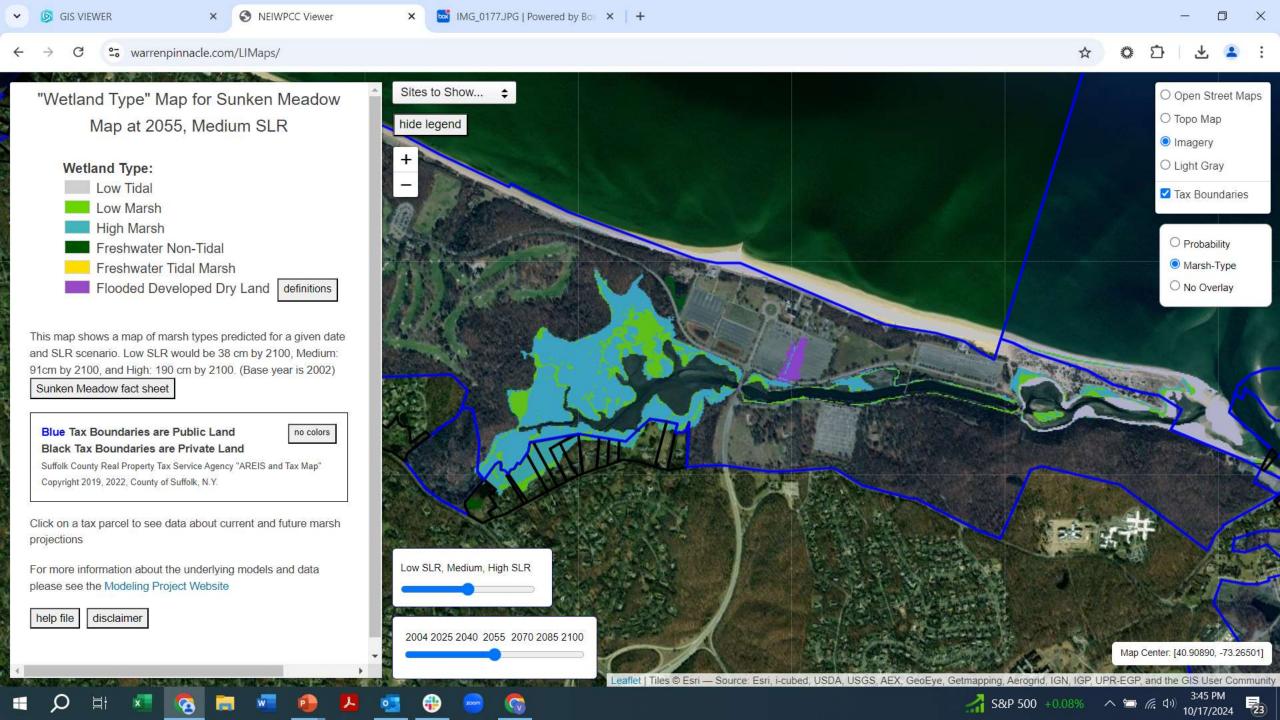


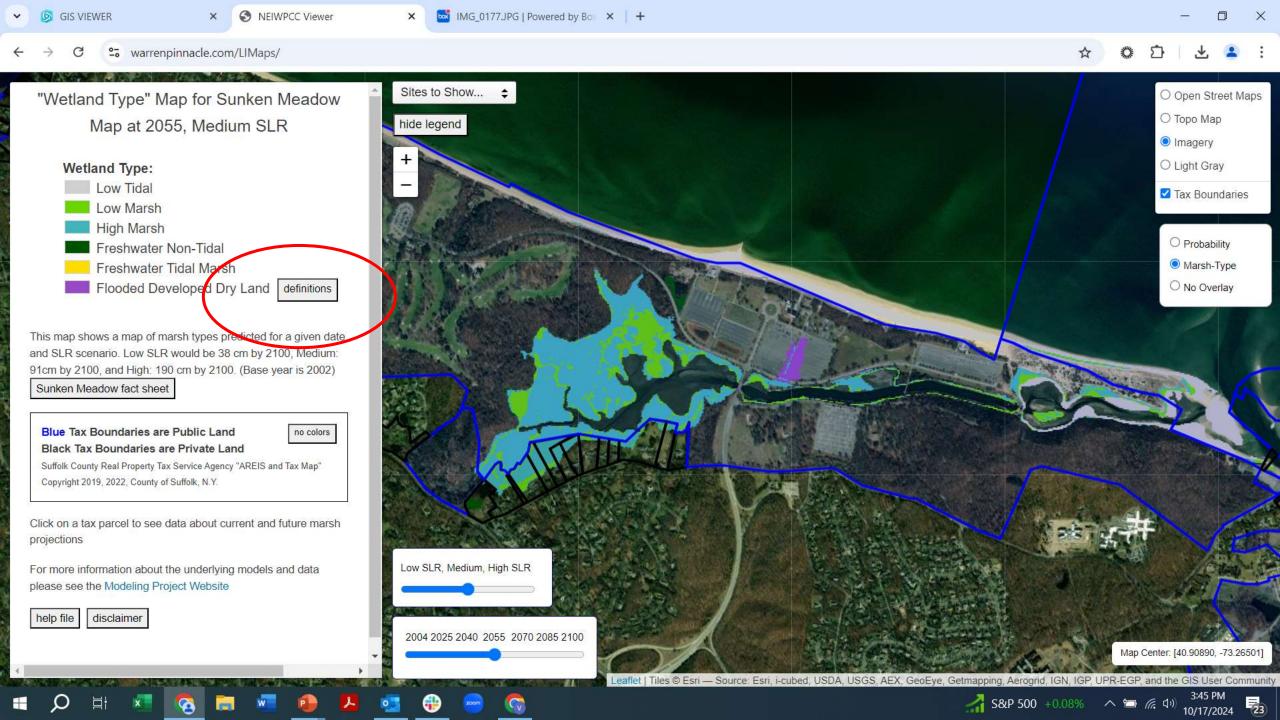


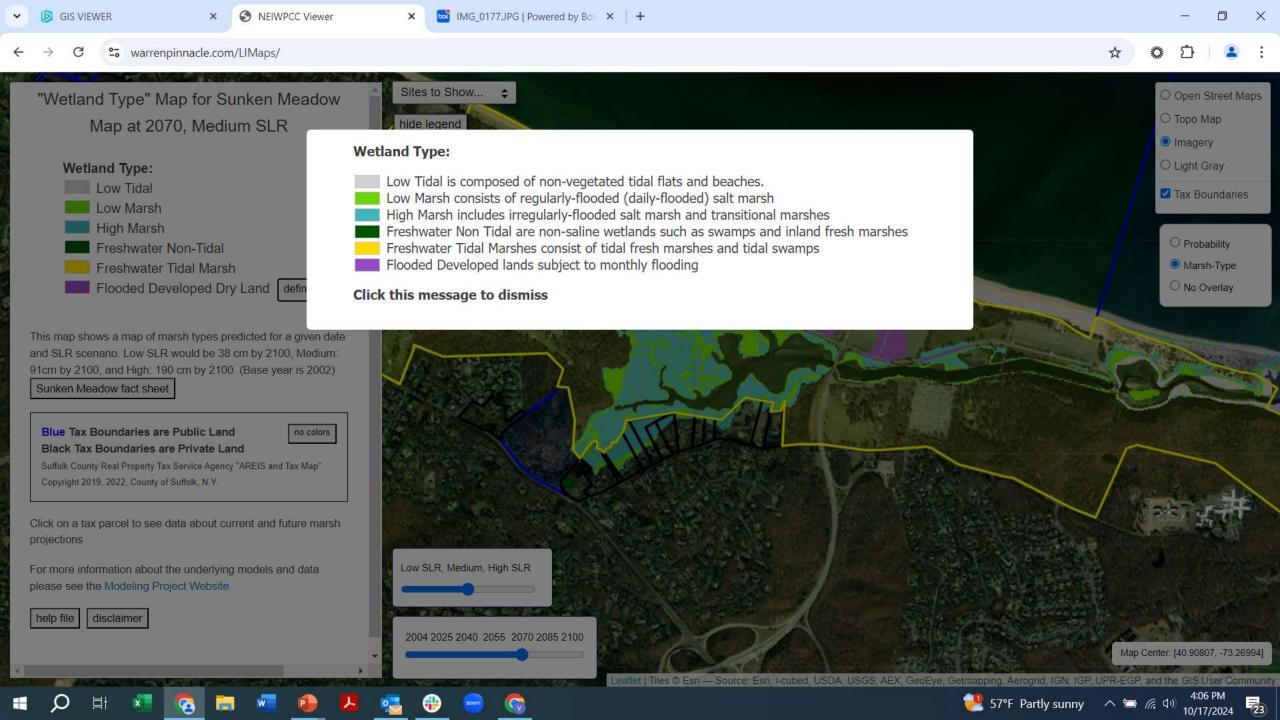


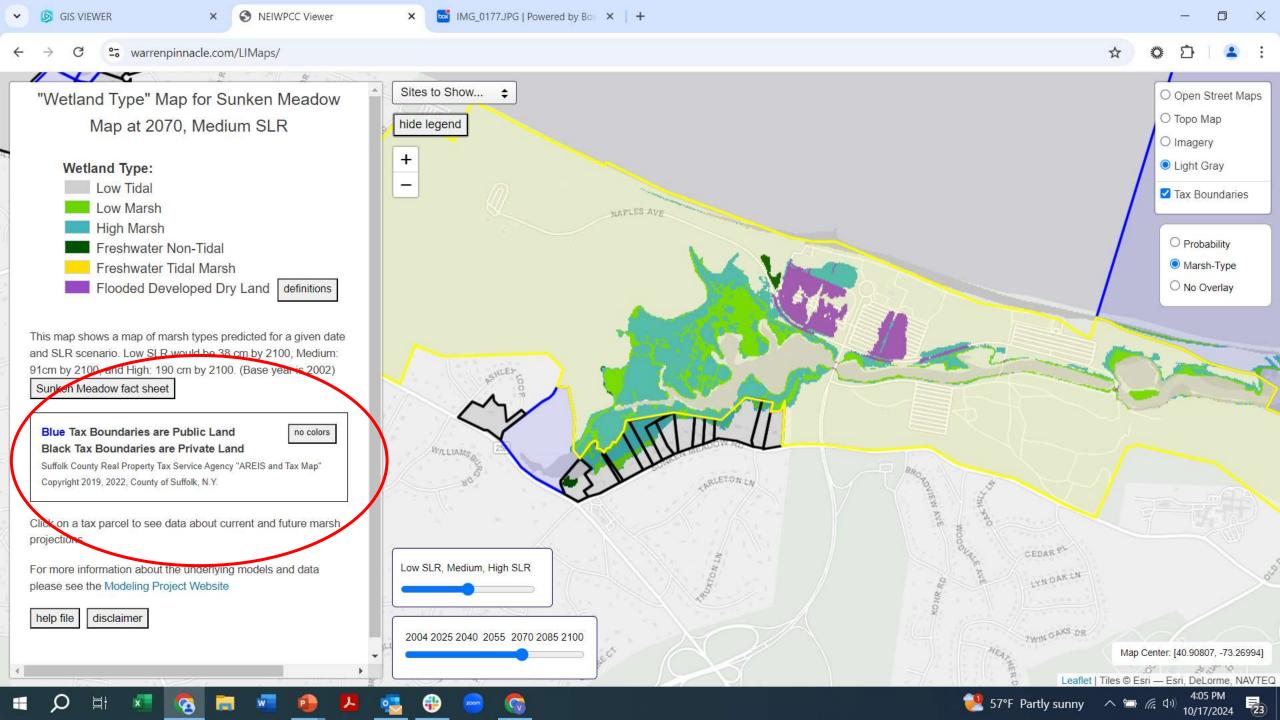
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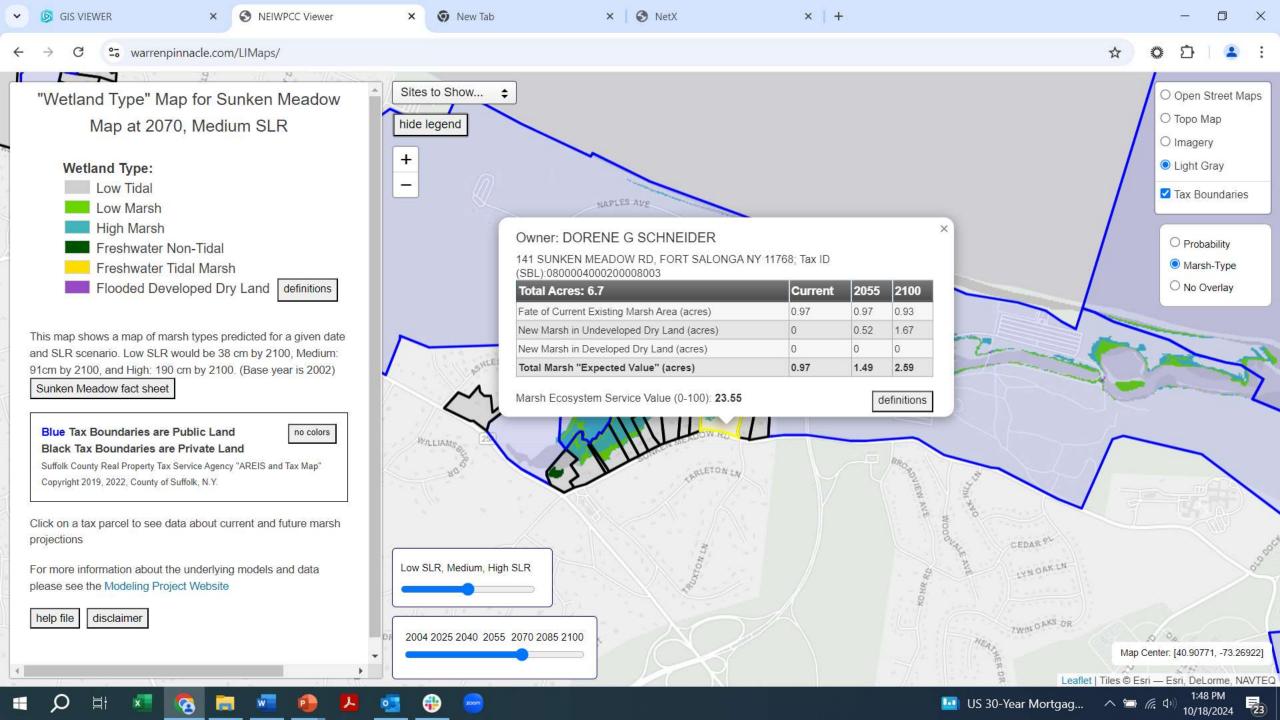
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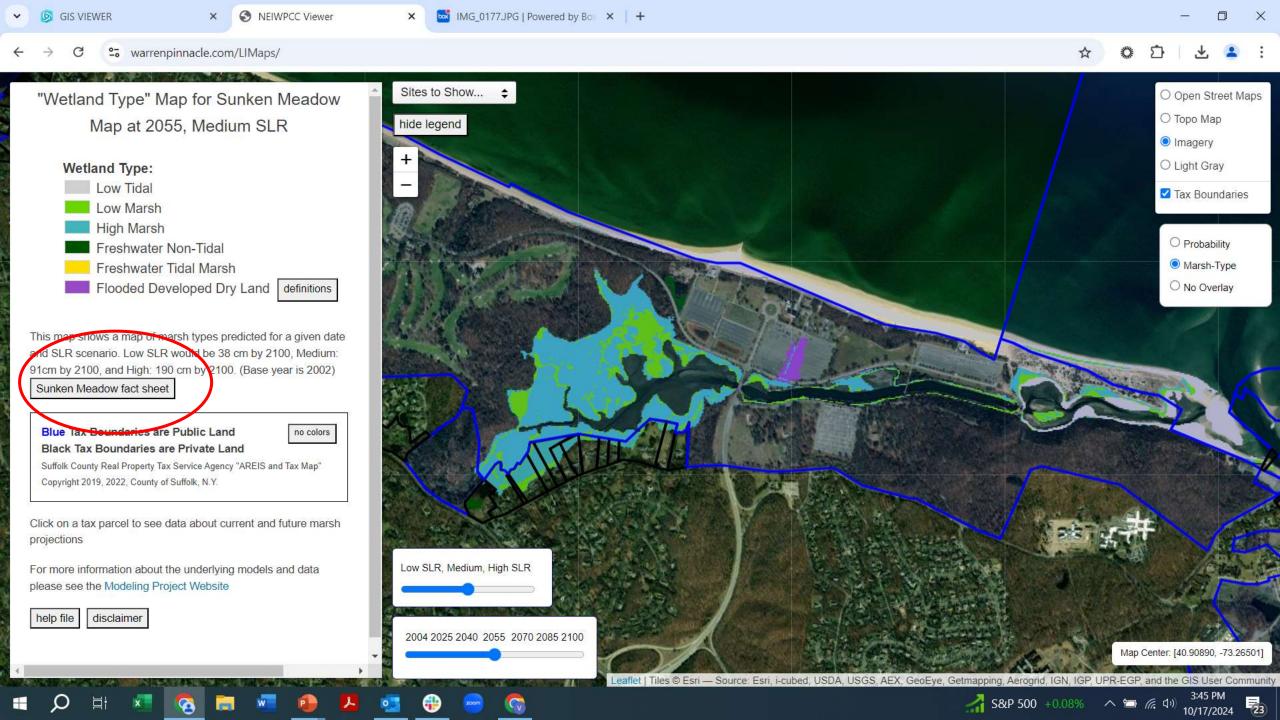


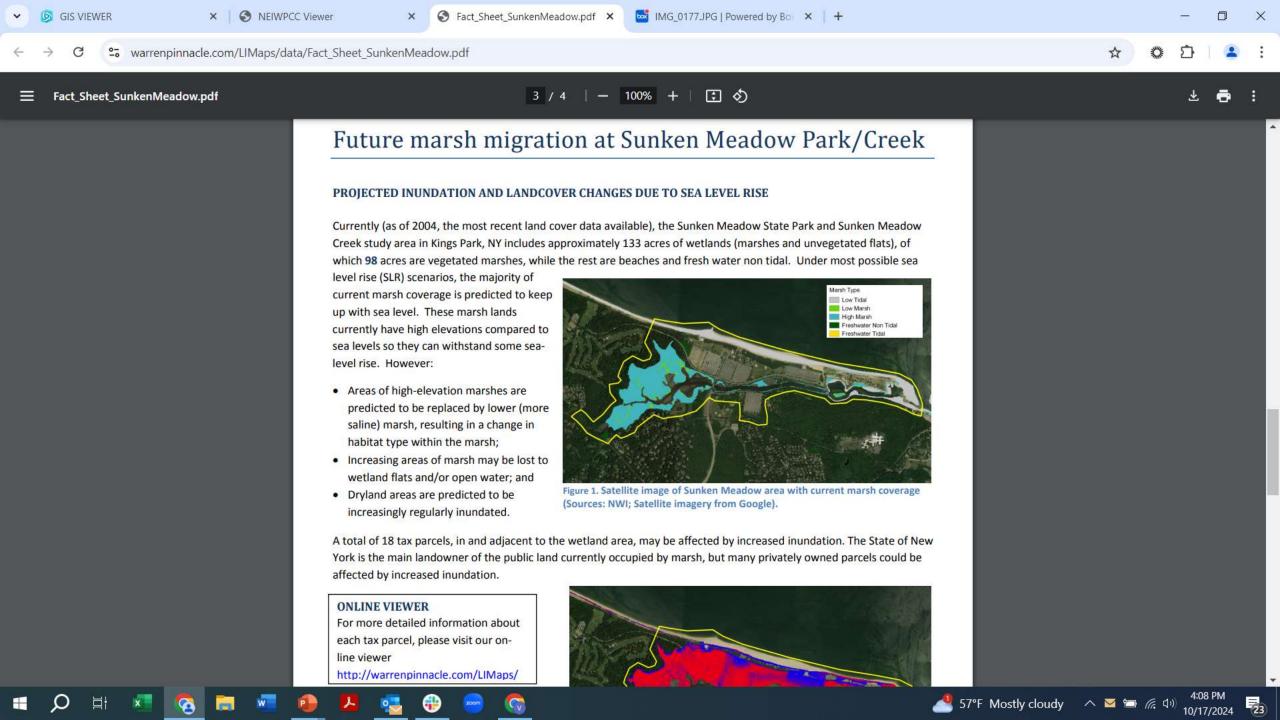


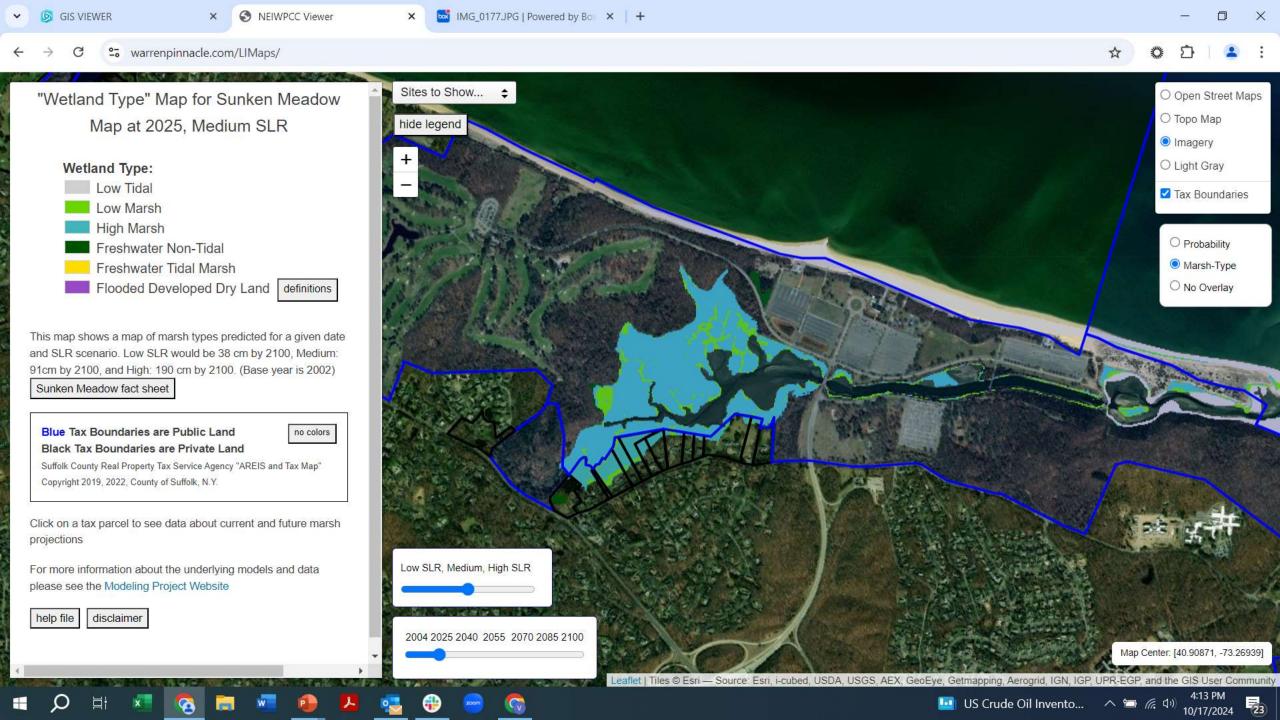


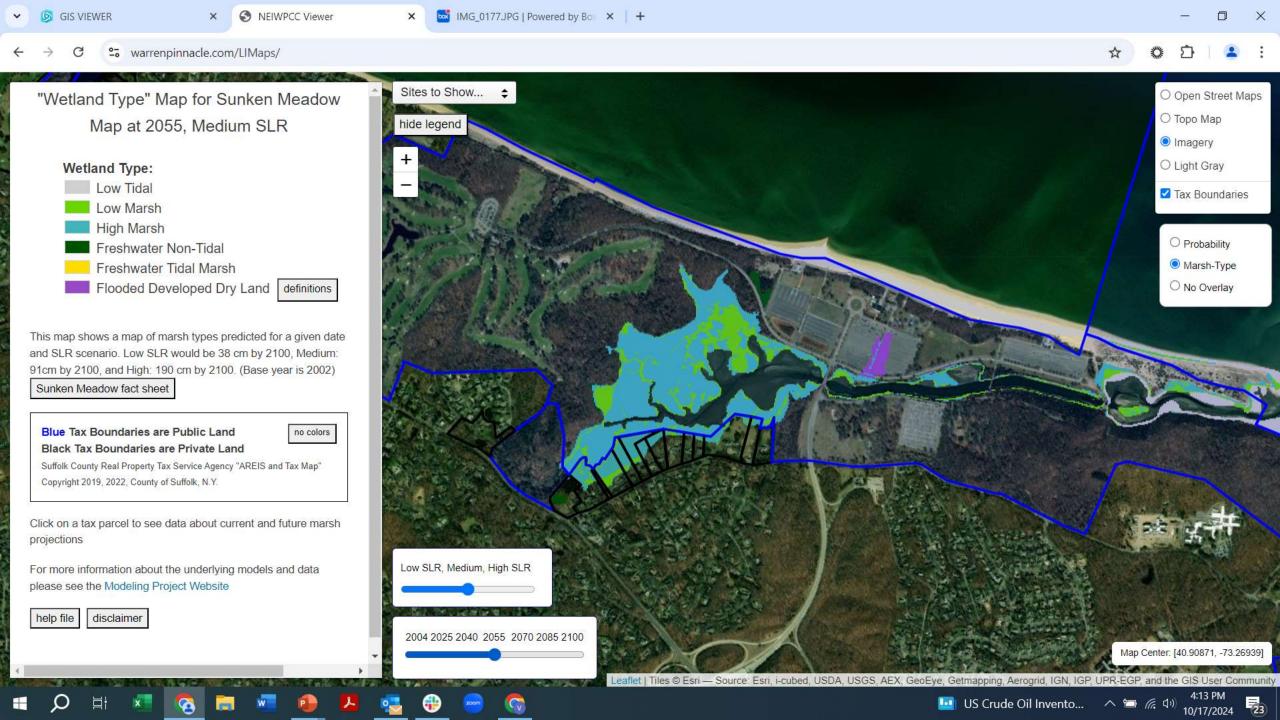


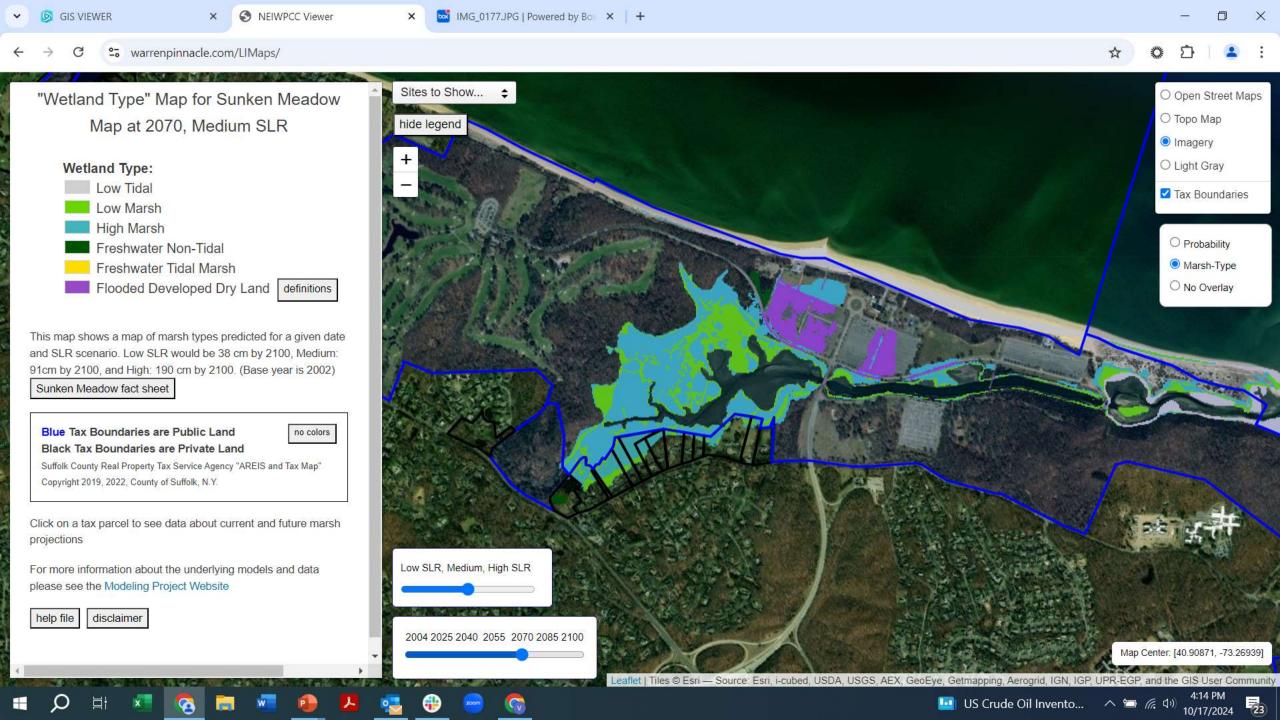


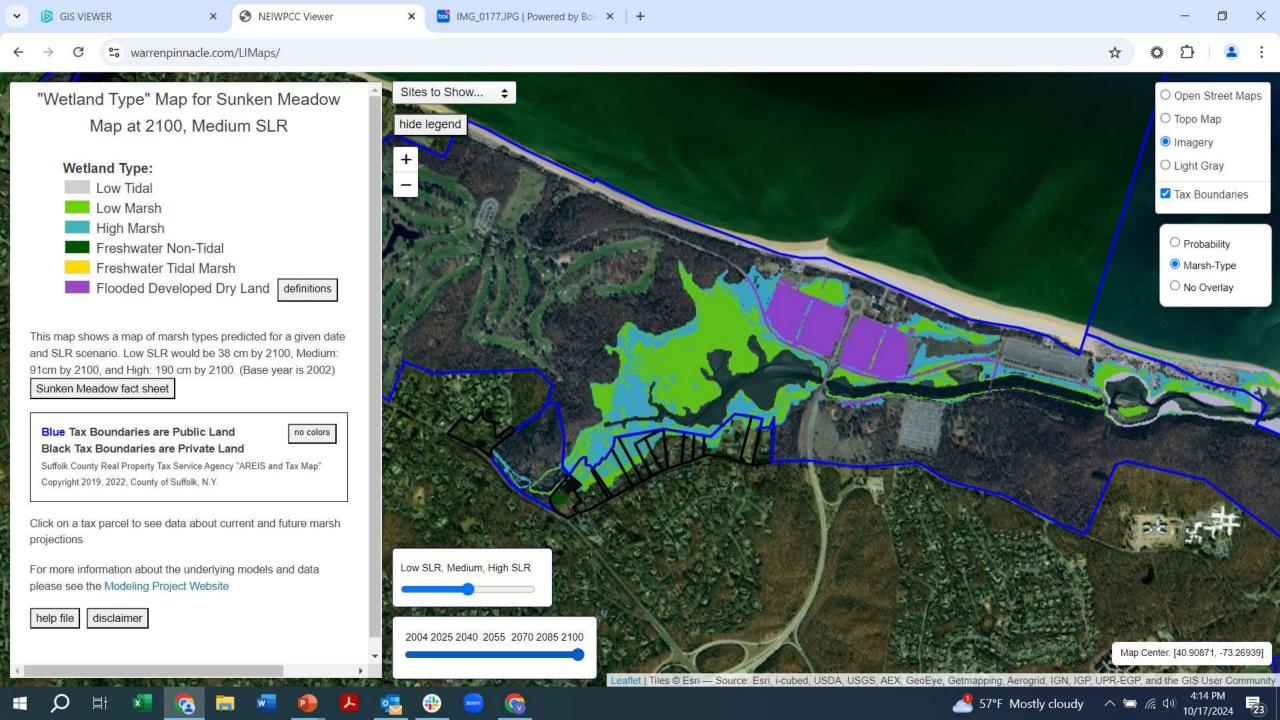


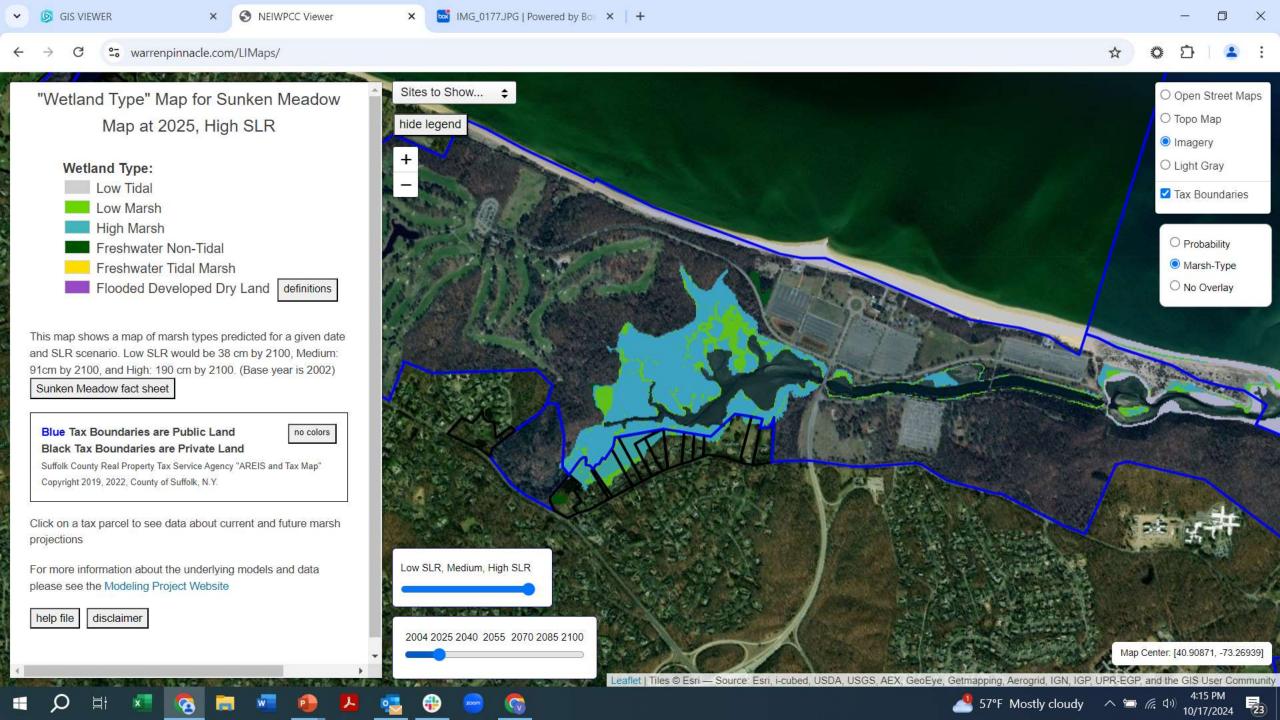


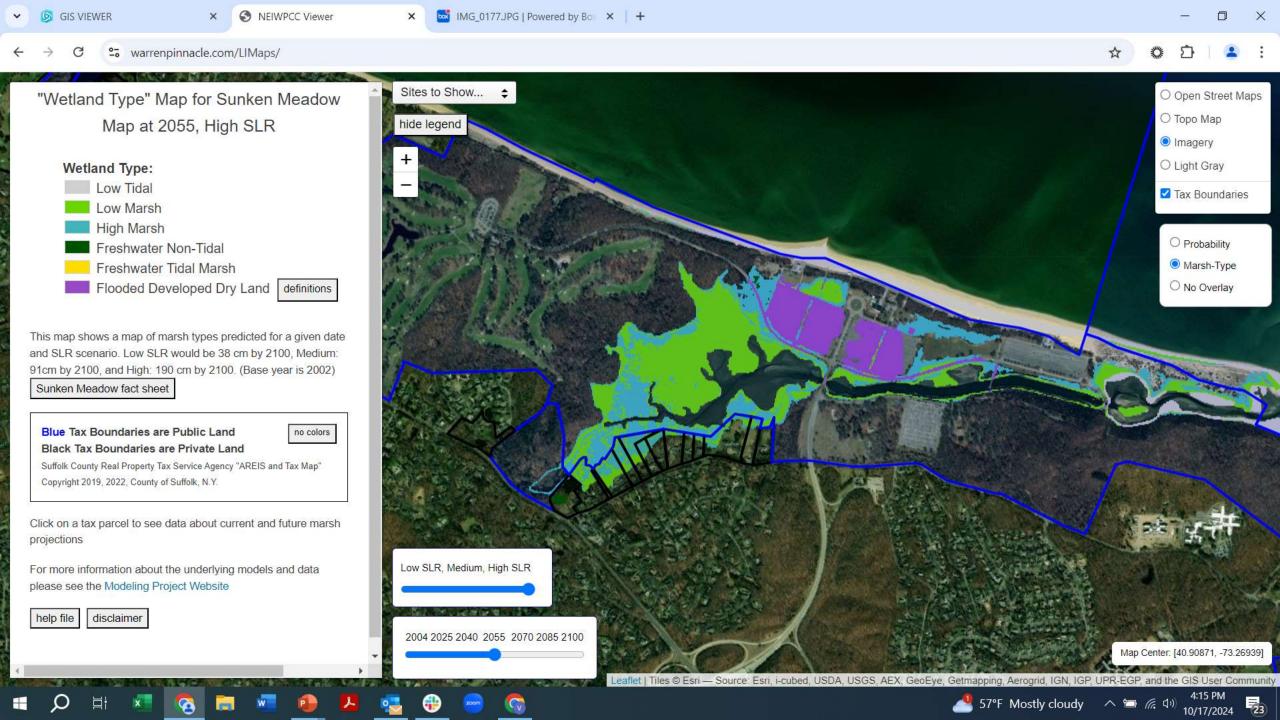


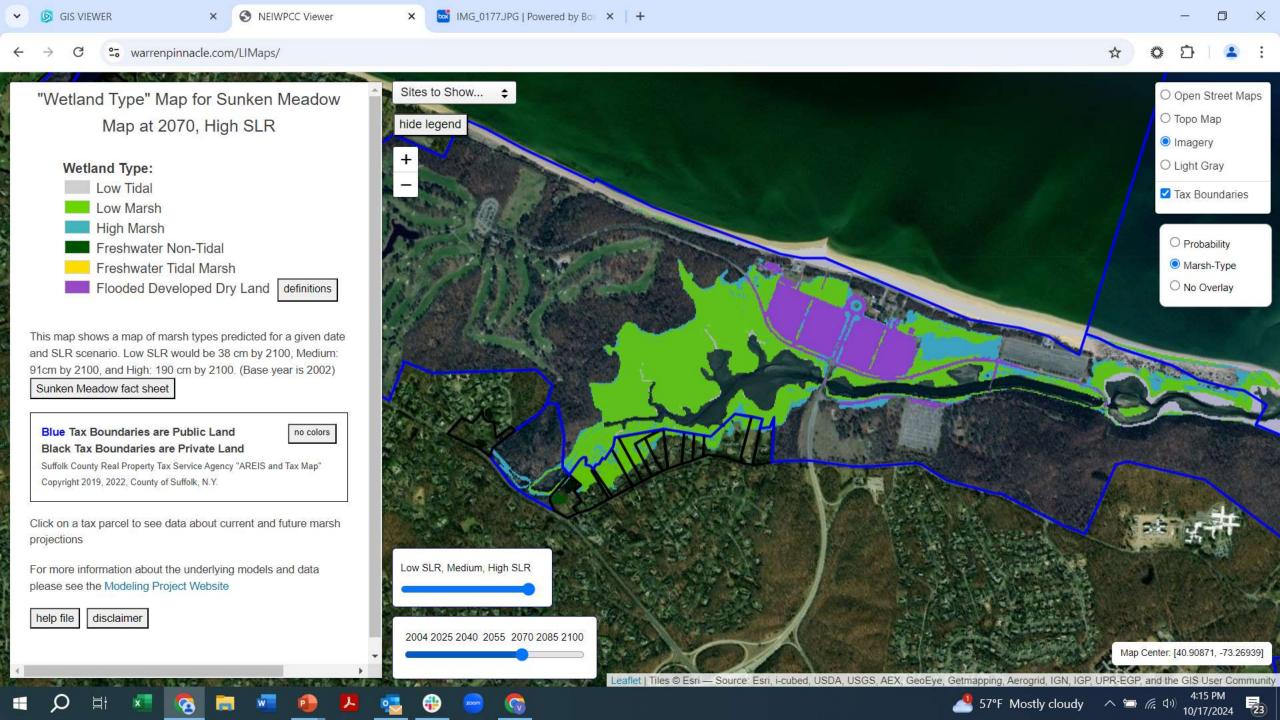


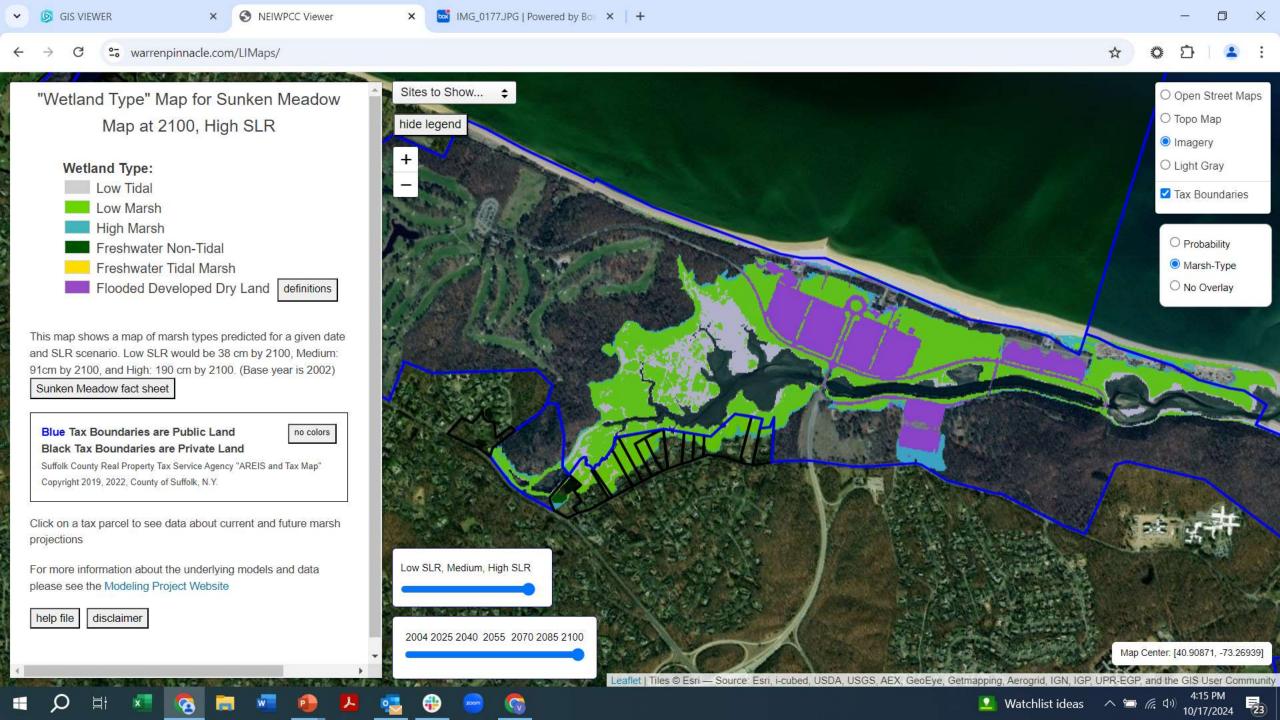


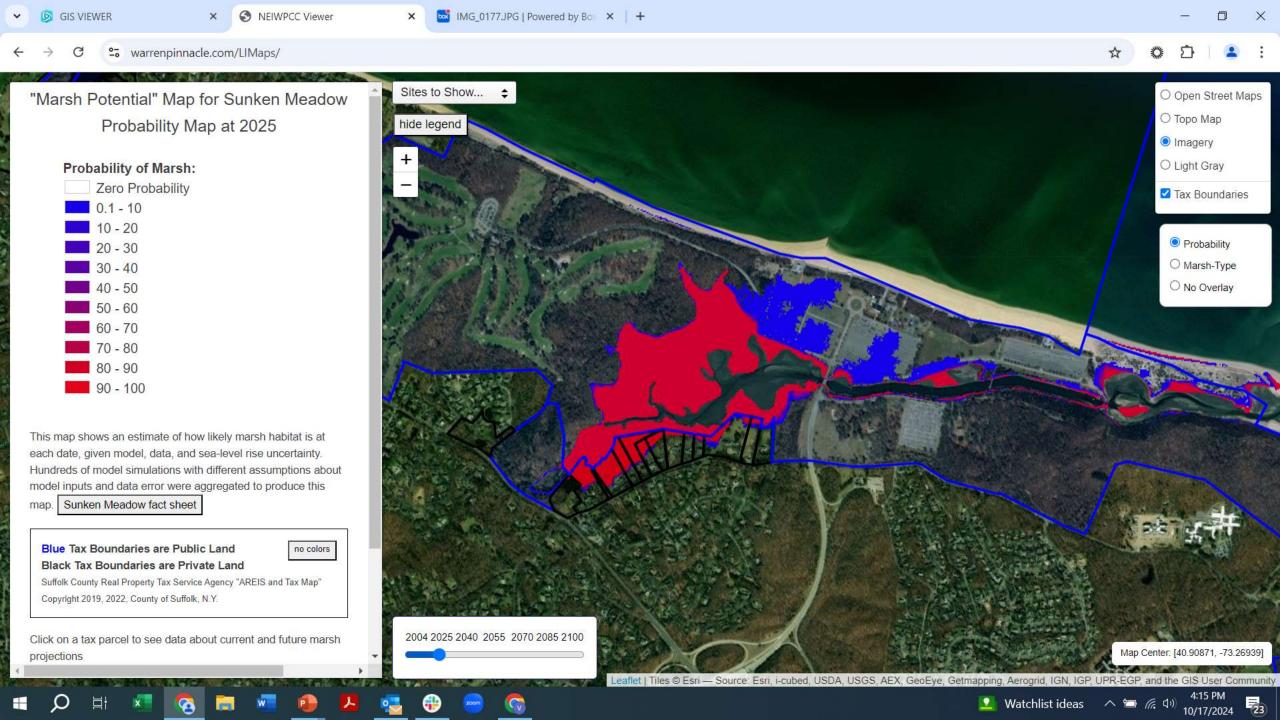


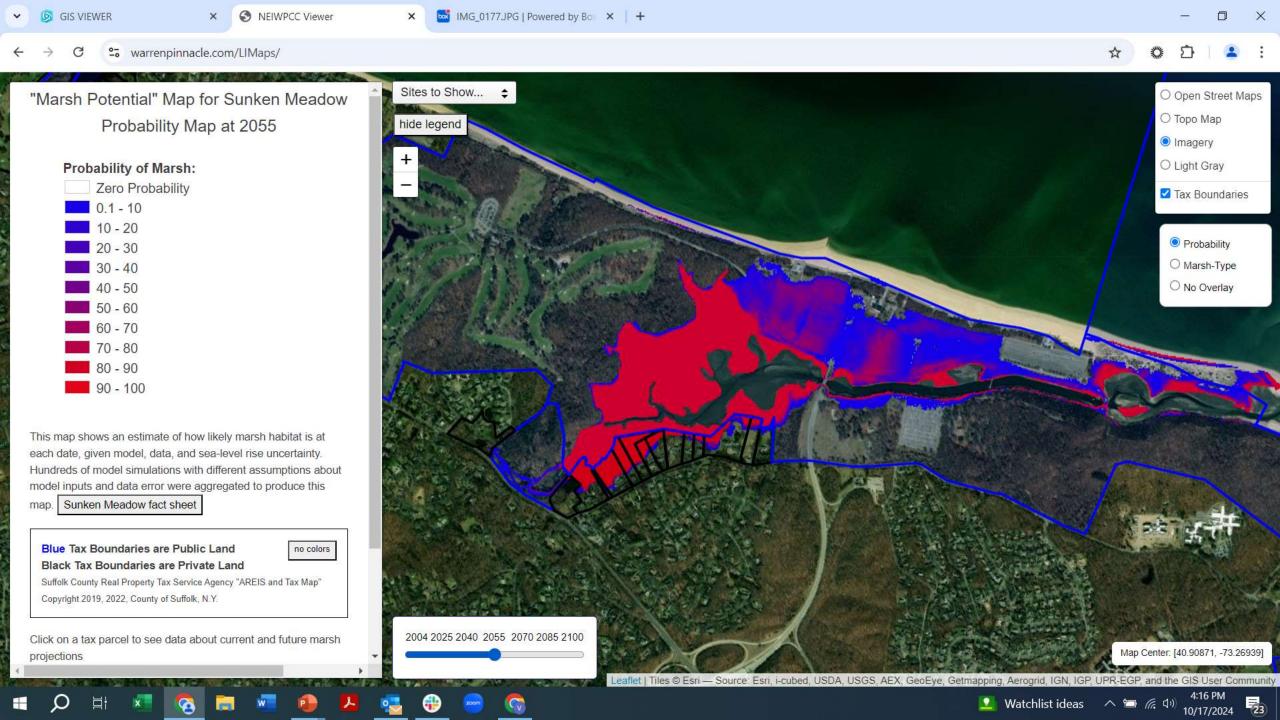


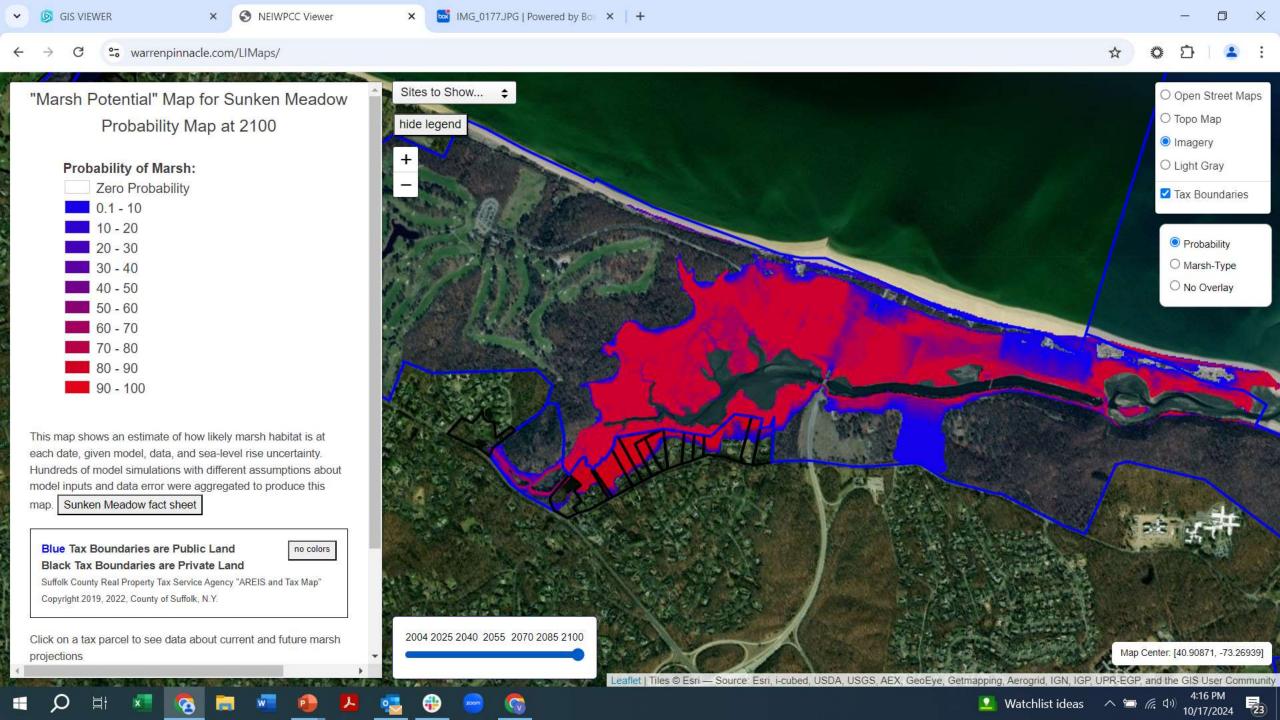


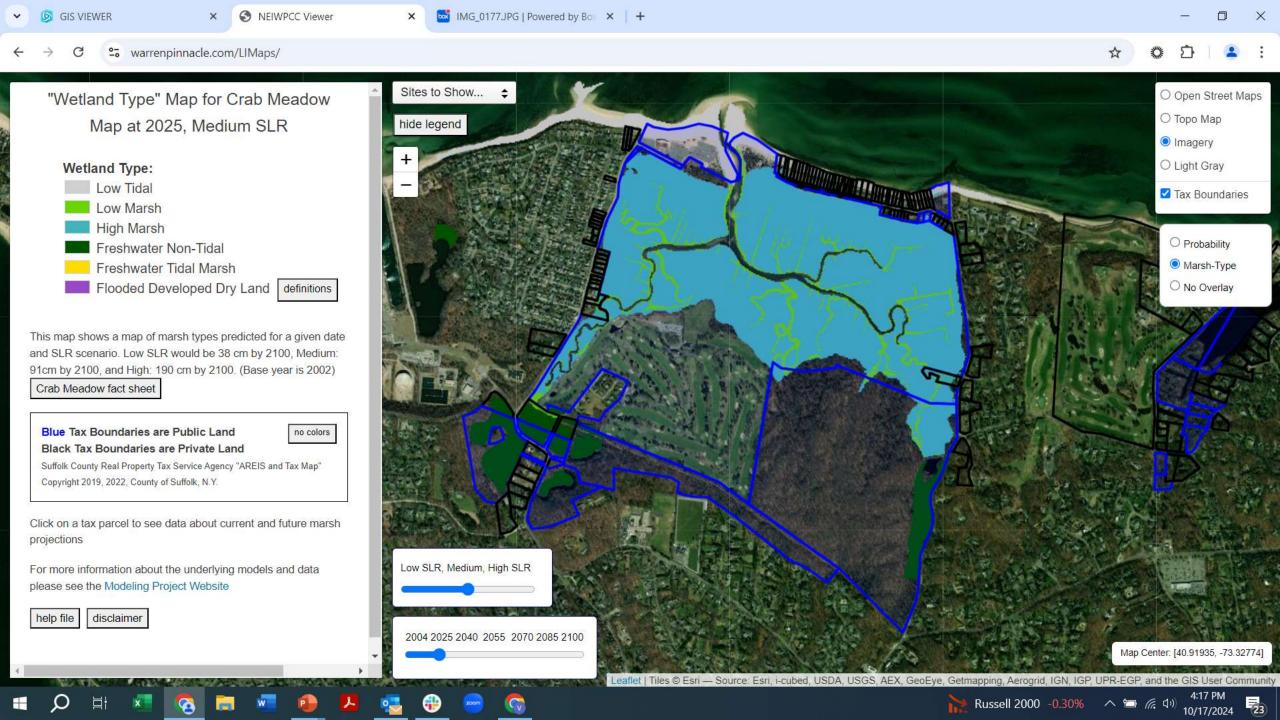


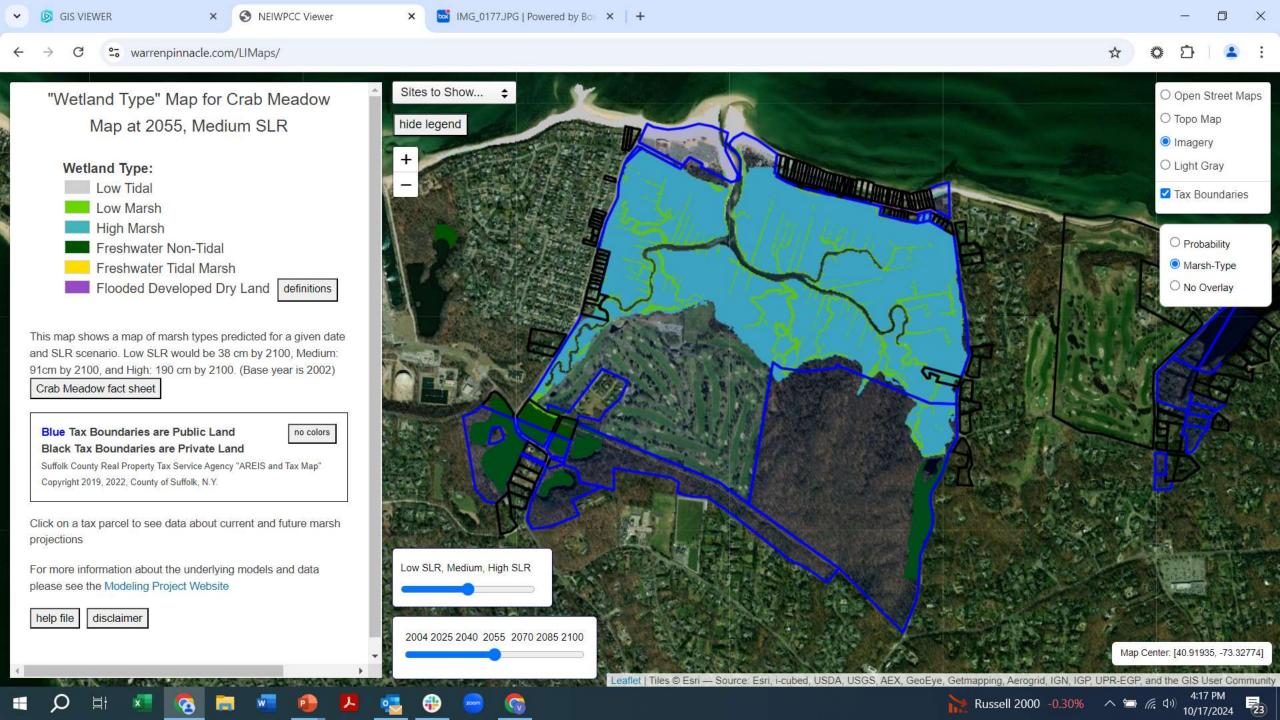


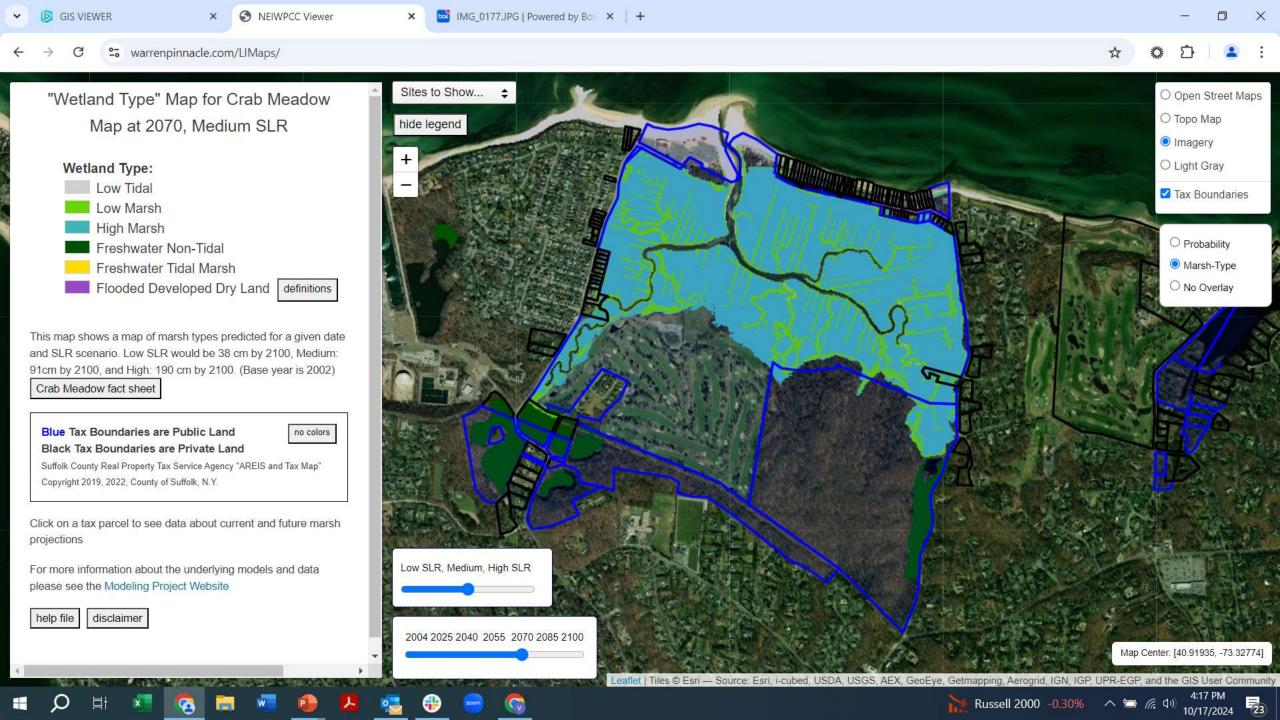


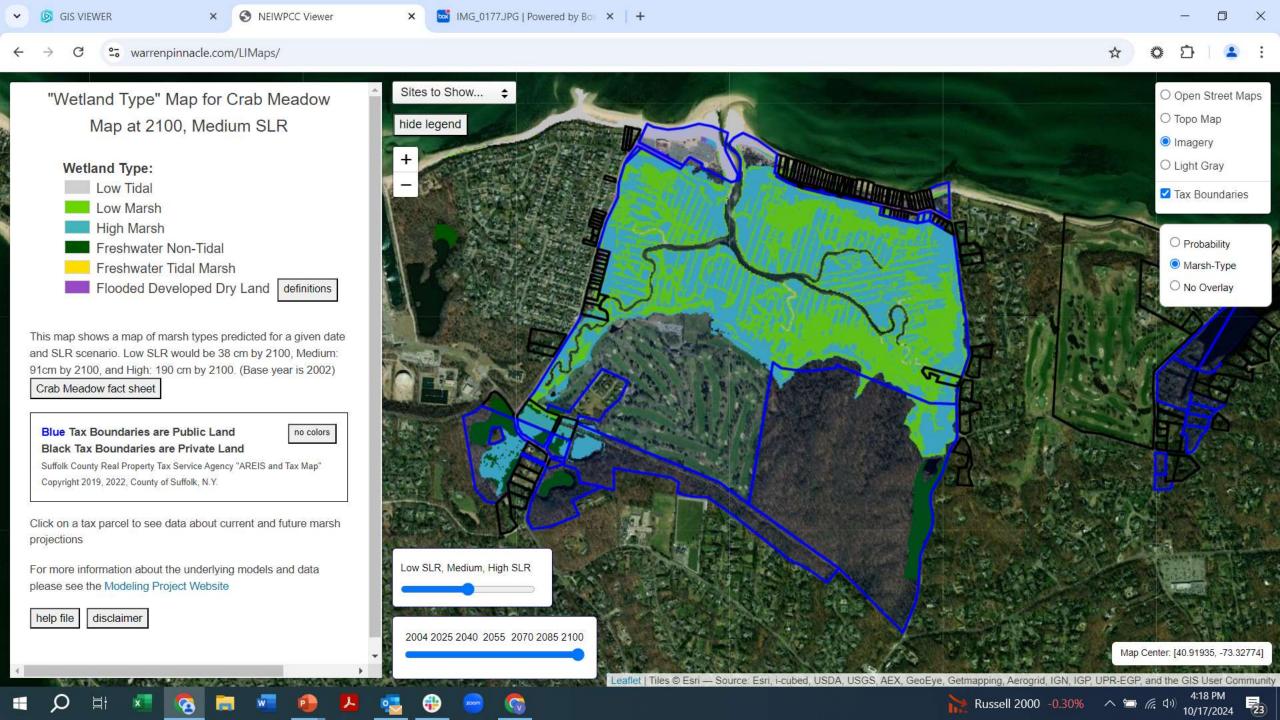


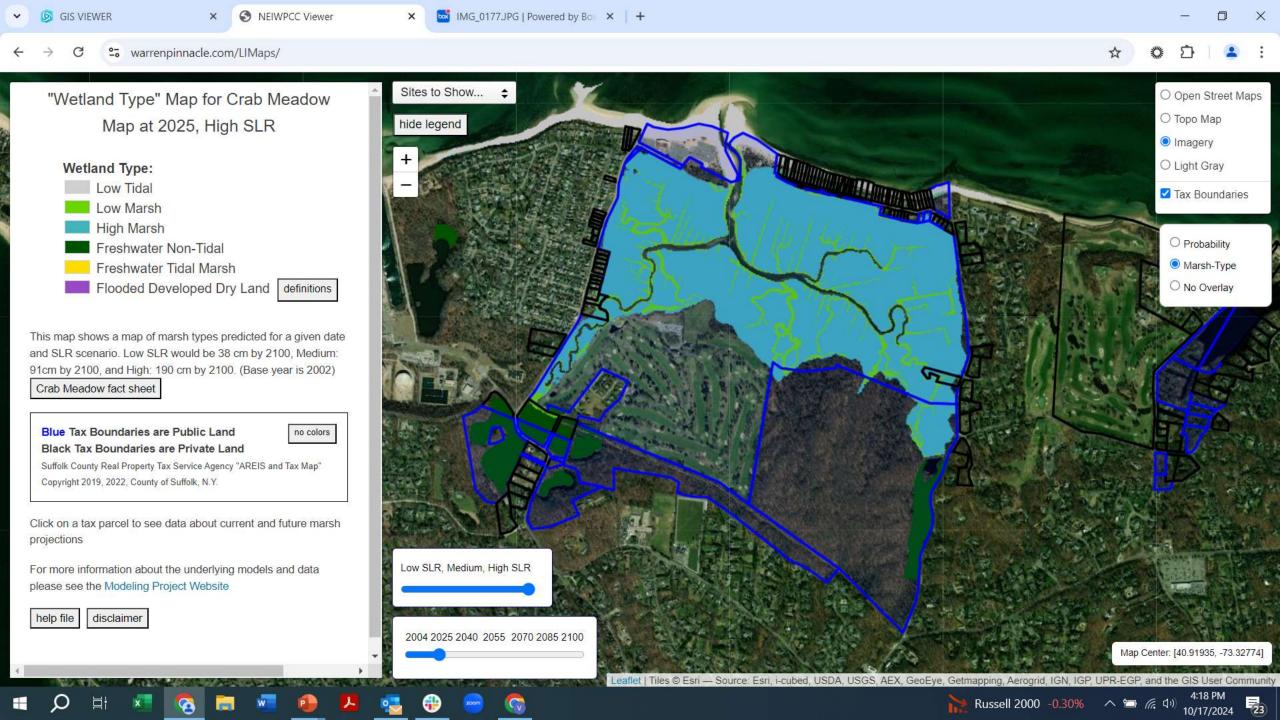


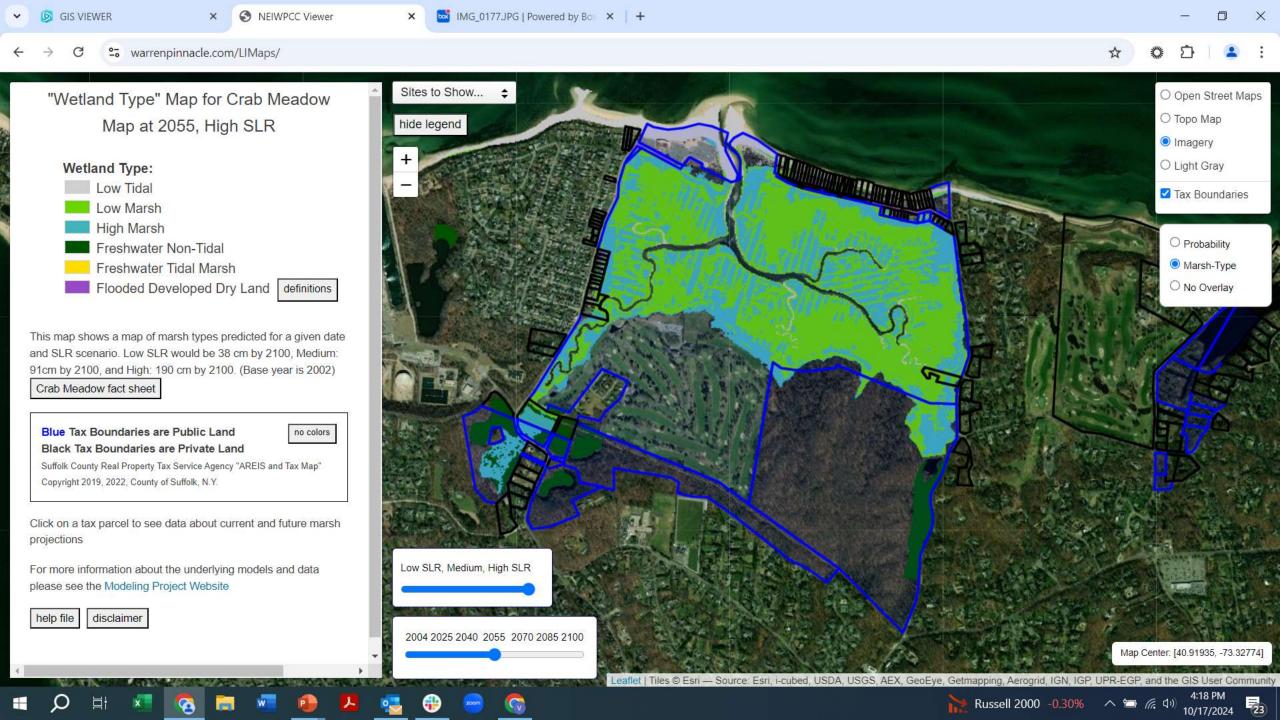


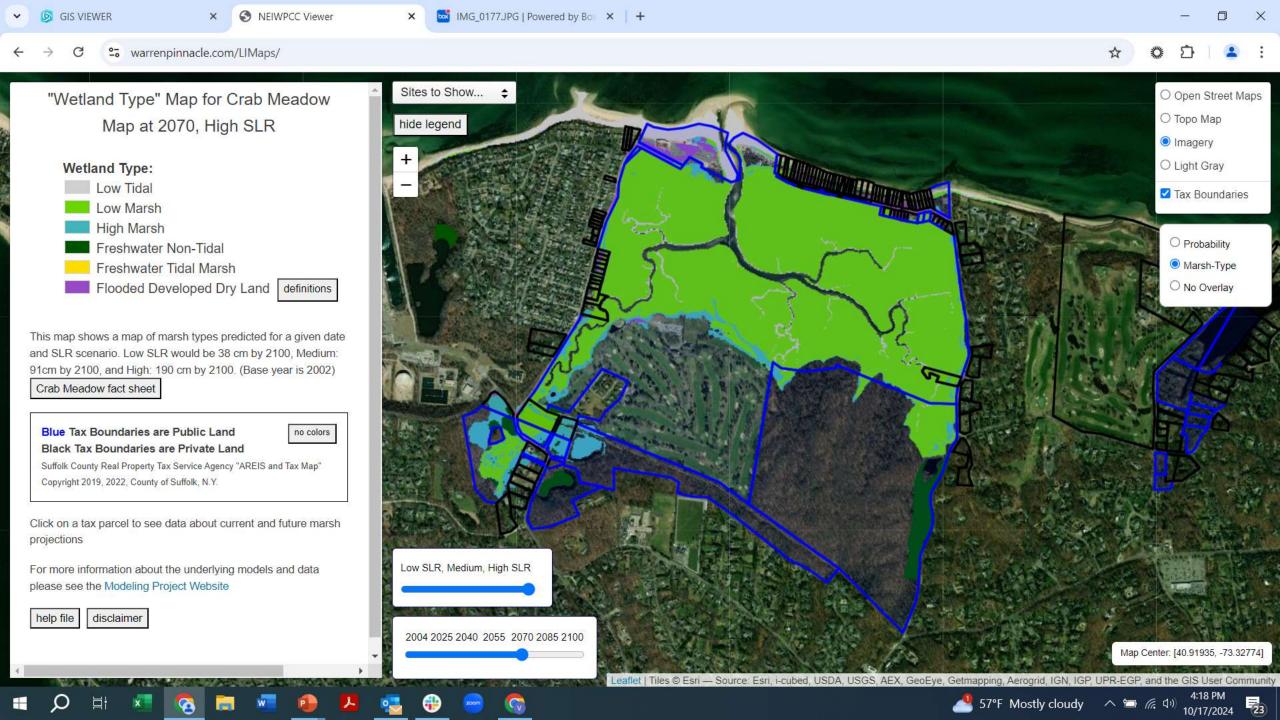


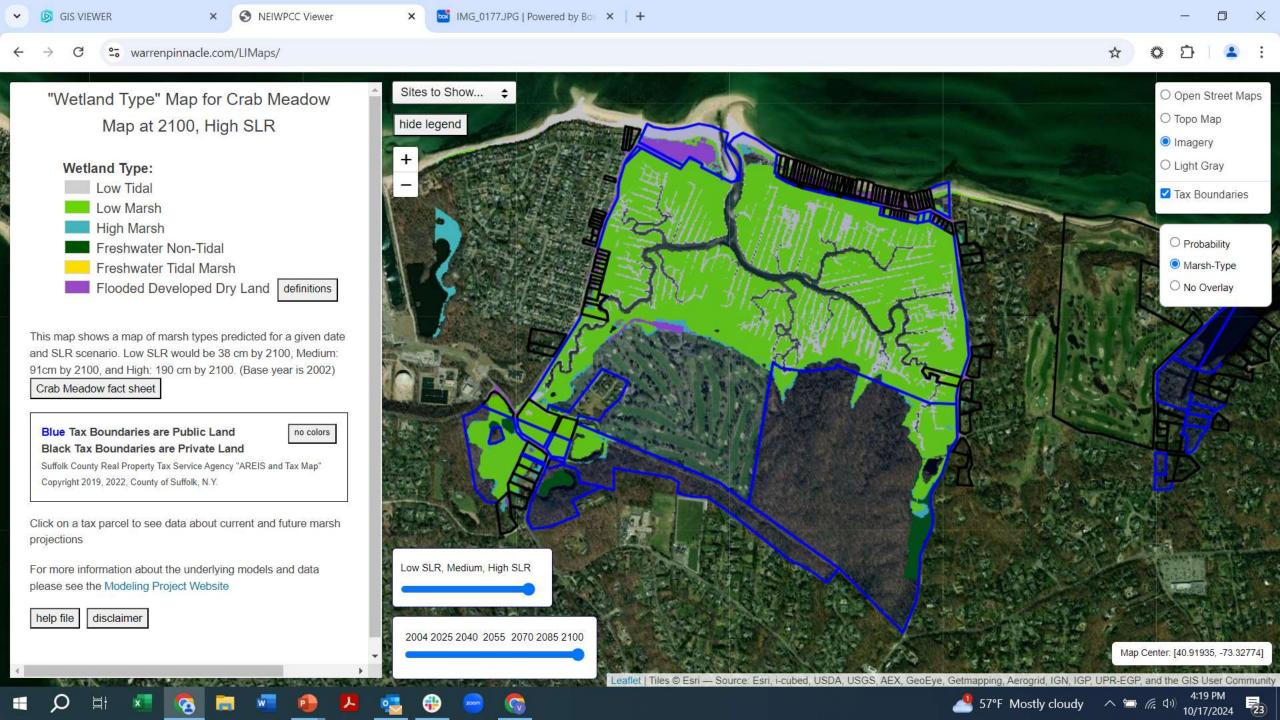


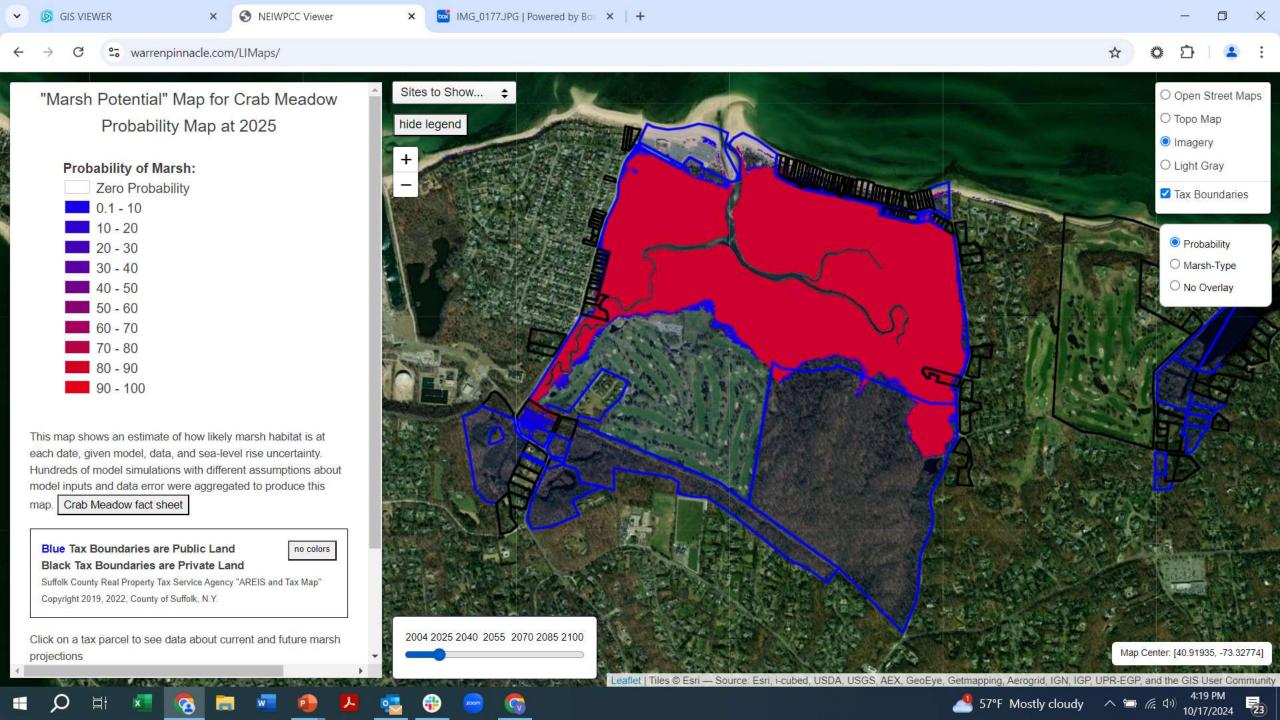


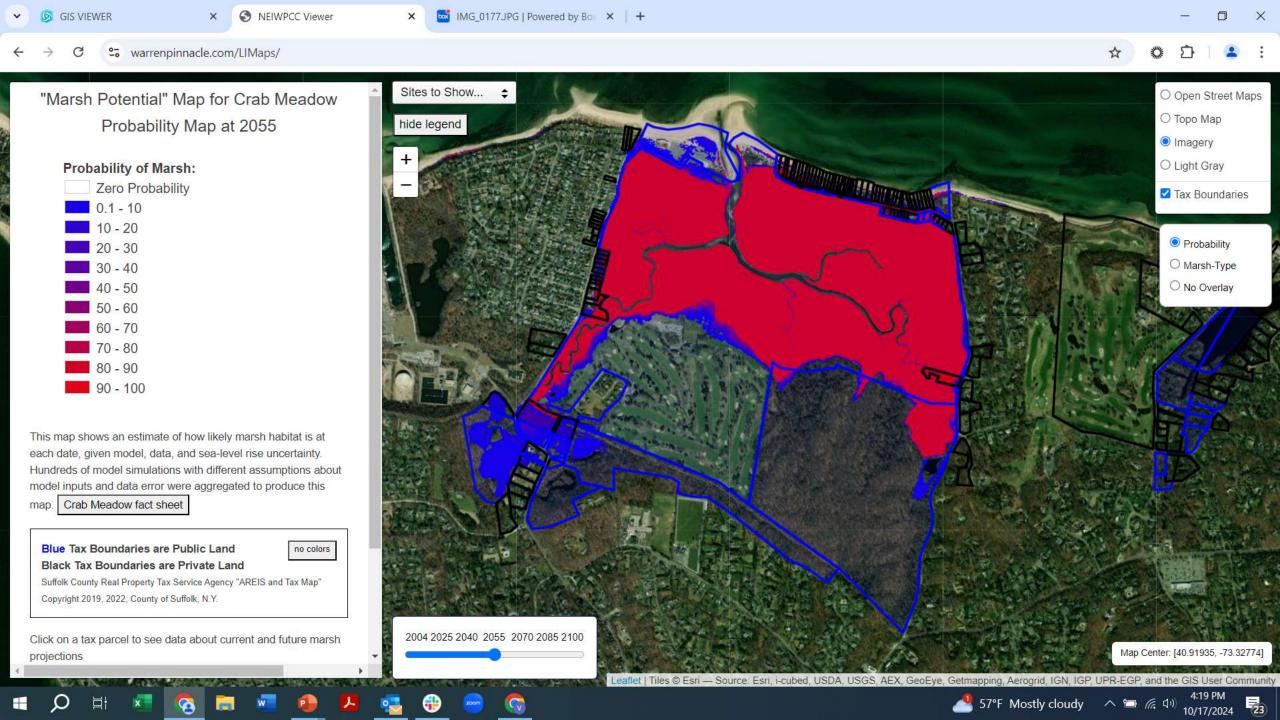


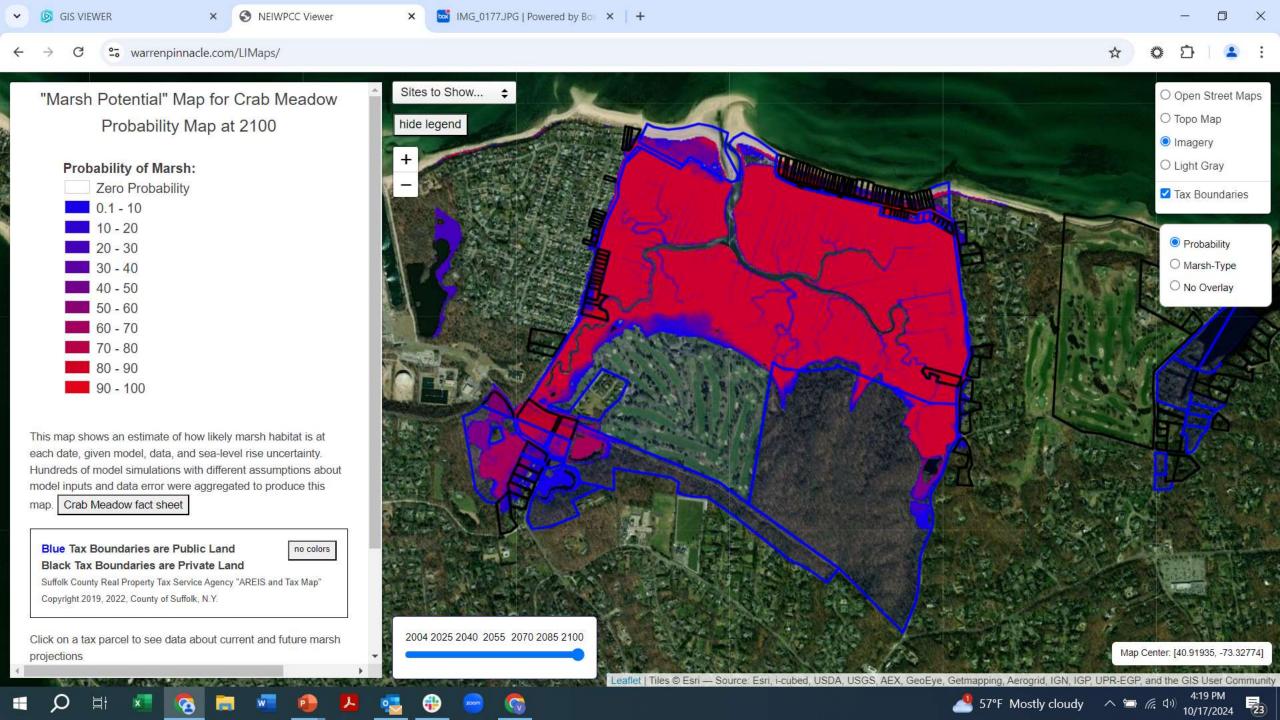












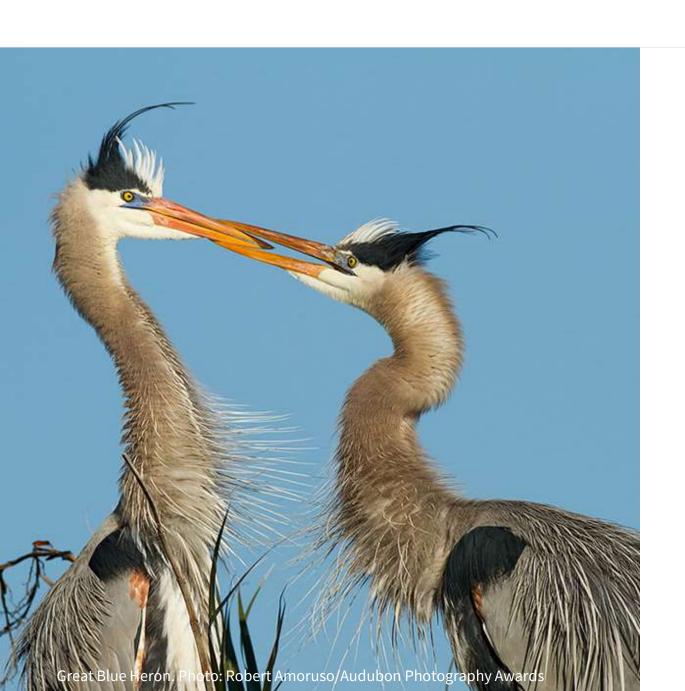




What can LIS Marsh Viewer do for you?

- View the fate of 67 Long Island Sound marsh parcels
- Identify property owners
- Determine marsh type conversion
- Determine flooded infrastructure
- Planning for various SLR scenarios and timeframes
- Access individual site marsh migration fact sheets





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Questions?





Oyster Stacks

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Coastal Technologies Corp (CTC) is a Long Island based company that has engineered and patented a wide range of coastal resilience and restoration products designed to achieve vital environmental goals alone or in combination with other methods.

CTC has collaborated with governmental agencies such as US Fish & Wildlife, NYC DEP, USDA and NGOs such as Ducks Unlimited, the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana and the Sands Point Preserve Conservancy. Pilots and research trials have been conducted with academic partners including MIT, **CUNY, Cornell Cooperative Extension and others.**

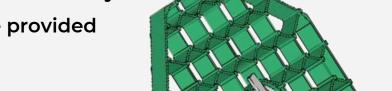
Cliff Stabilizer

The Cliff Stabilizer, MarshGuard **and** Oyster Stacks systems are available commercially.

Specification & Data sheets are provided upon request.



Patented in the USA Patent Pending Internationally in Europe, Britain, China, Japan, Mexico, Australia, Korea, Canada & 192 Countries







Oyster Stacks™ System

- Oyster Stacks creates unequaled reef habitat while preventing the causes of oyster mortality, such as predation, subsidence & silitation.
- Reef can be produced quickly and economically.
- Scalability is unlimited. No sourcing of used shell or curing is required.
- Devices contains natural and inert materials.
- They are easily installed and fully adjustable in-the-field.
- The slate plates are extremely attractive for natural oyster recruitment or tank setting.
- Devices can function as "seeding armatures" to form permanent oyster reef structures, or can be deployed as temporary, removable and reusable reef.
- Oyster Stacks can be "set" and relocated to areas where establishment of new oyster populations are desired.

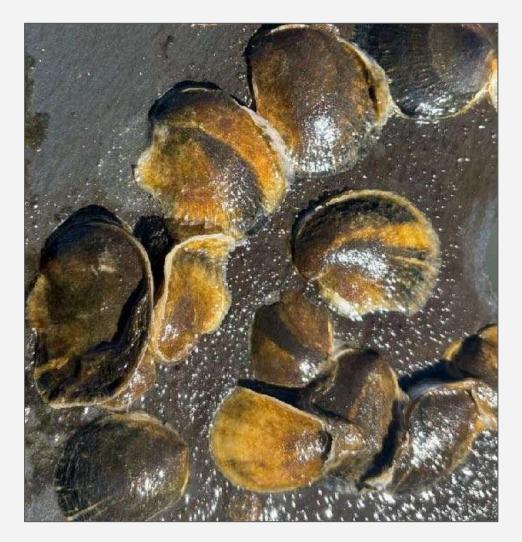




Flax Pond Marine Lab Pilot: June 25th to October 25th

- Oyster Stacks successfully recruited free-swimming oyster larvae. Each plate contained hundreds of
 oysters. The oysters on a single Oyster Stacks device can filter up to 30,000 gallons of water per day.
- Photo shows 4 months of intertidal growth. Growth was "exceptional".
- No predation, siltation or subsidence were observed.





Ribbed Mussel Pilot: NYC DEP Bergen Basin CSO Bioremediation

- Oyster Stacks were modified to recruit ribbed mussels for combined raw sewage outflow bioremediation in NYC.
- Mussels filter finer particles including pathogens and contaminants oysters cannot.
- Data/Results to be available Spring 2025



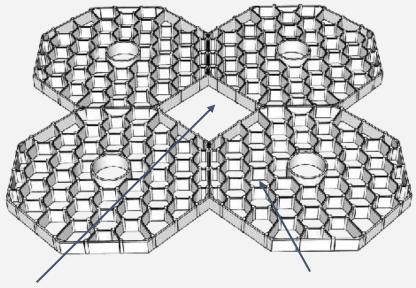


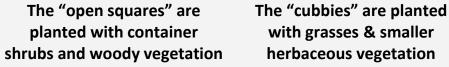


Cliff Stabilizer™ System

- Cliff Stabilizer devices are engineered to stabilize and vegetable bluff faces, shores, river banks, berms, road cuts, etc. that are subject to rapid erosion.
- The devices lock-down sediments instantly halting erosion.
- The grid's cubbies and spaces shelter and hold plugs, bareroot, container shrubs and seeds against the escarpment.
- The plants, protected from erosive forces have time to establish root systems, to permanently stabilize these slope.
- Installation is simple and devices are removable after plants have established to be used again.
- Cliff Stabilizer are marine-grade HDPE and will last for multiple applications.











Nissequogue LI Private Bluff Resilience Project: "Before"

- This private coastal bluff was eroding approx 1' foot per year.
- Deep gullies lined the bluff face.
- Erosion caused large alluvial fans to accumulate at the base.
- Strong storms could erode several feet at a time.
- Patio deck had already fallen down the escarpment.
- Invasive mugwort provided little stabilization or habitat
- A plan utilizing traditional methods & pitch would have resulted in 31' feet of lost cliff-top property.

Crown Collapse

Gullies & Rills

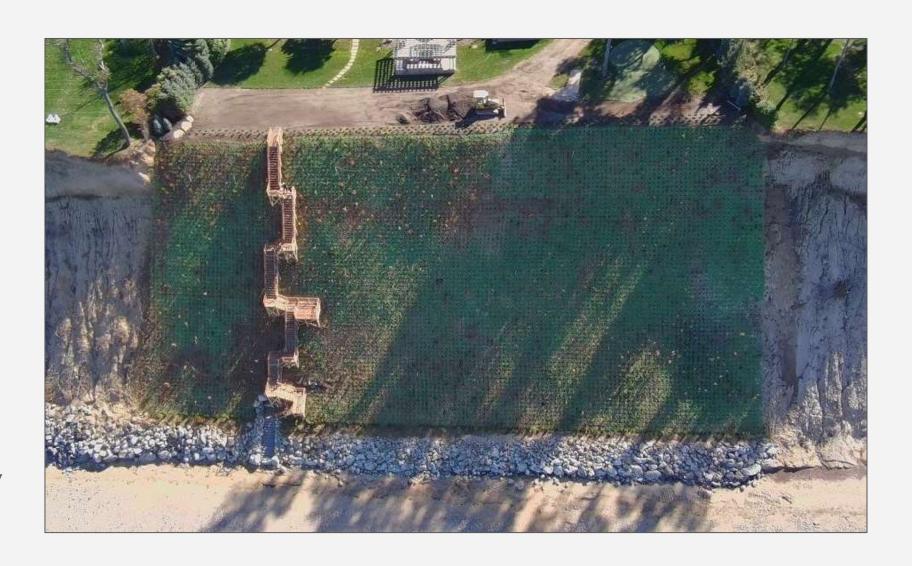
Invasive Mugwort

Eroded Sediments



Nissequogue LI Private Bluff Resilience Project: "After"

- 35,500 sq feet of bluff has been stabilized.
- Over 4 dozen native plants have been deployed
- The densest, most diverse ecosystem on LI has been created.
- The Spring growing season will set forth a growth that will have species both competing & cooperating resulting in greater vigor. This is illustrated by the findings of the "Miyawaki Method".
- Additional, the staircase footings are also secured by the plants.



Results and Benefits:

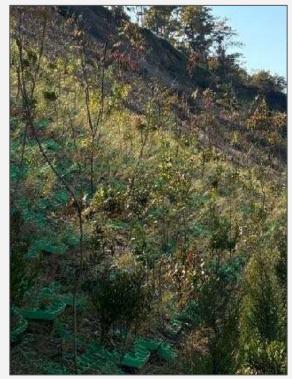
- The Cliff Stabilizer installation and plantings were completed in under 4 weeks, halting decades of bluff loss.
- The devices will be removed in 18-24 months for a "once-and-done" stabilization.
- 20' feet of cliff-top land was preserved from an earlier less-steep design.
- Over 4 dozen native, bluff-evolved plants were deployed. A productive "vertical garden" was created enriching the client's lifestyle and enjoyment of nature.
- The neighboring bluffs remains vulnerable.
 A single step causes landslides of sandy sediment, while the stabilized bluff can be walked on with no issues.
 - The significant plant mass will continually absorb excess nutrients before they can enter the LI Sound.

Nutrient Runoff Absorption & Sequestering:

- Nitrogen 2 tons
- Phosphorus .5 tons
- Carbon 27 tons









Long Island Native Species: Plugs, Containers & Seed Blends

- The native plant species guide used at the Nissequogue Bluff Project was developed in collaboration with the Cape May USDA Plant Material Service and the Ernst Conservation Seed Company.
- The *USDA* facility's mission is the identification and commercialization of new coastal resilience plant materials.
- CTC encourages and has made the "Seed Blends" freely available for purchase from Ernst Conservation Seeds.
- The Upper Blend includes more wildflowers designed to crowd out invasives. The Lower Blend is more salt tolerant.
- The mixes are known as:
 - "Coastal Technologies Upper Bluff Mix - CTC_00101"
 - "Coastal Technologies Lower Bluff Mix - CTC_00102"

Plugs - Bluff Face
Coastal Sweet Pepperbush (Clethra alnifolia)
Arrowwood Viburnum (Viburnum dentatum)
Coastal Panicgrass (Panicum amarum)
Saltmeadow Cordgrass (Spartina patens)
Purple Lovegrass (Eragrostis spectabilis)
American Beach Grass (Ammophila breviligulata)
High Tide Switchgrass (Panicum virgatum)
Little Bluestem (Schizachyrium littorale)
Saltmarsh rush (Juncus gerardii)
Saltmarsh bulrush (Scirpus robustus)
Containers - Bluff Face
Red Chokeberry (Aronia arbutifolia)
Sweet-fern (Comptonia peregrina)
Virginia Rose (Rosa Virginiana)
Beach Plum (Prunus maritima)
Bayberry (Morella pensylvanica) (Myrica)
Creeping Juniper (Juniperus horizontalis)
Seaside Goldenrod (Solidago sempervirens)
Groundsel tree (Baccharis halimifolia)
Bearberry (Arctostaphylos uva-ursi)
Bigleaf marsh-elder (Iva frutescens)
Shining Sumac (Rhus copallinum)
Virginia Creeper (Parthenocissus quinquefolia)
Lowbush Blueberry (Vaccinium angustifolium)
Salt Tolerant Trees - Toe Protection
Gray Dogwood (Cornus racemosa)
Pitch Pine tree (Pinus rigida)
Bear Oak (Quercus ilicifolia)
Eastern Red Cedar (Juniperus virginiana)
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Little Bluestem (Schizachyrium scoparium)

Sand Dropseed (Sporobolus cryptandrus)

Rough Dropseed (Sporobolus asper)

Upcoming: Port Jefferson Village East Beach Bluff 2025

- Pilot will be conducted on a 1,950 sq feet site riddled with deep gullies.
- Stabilization is scheduled for Spring 2025



MarshGuard™ System

- MarshGuards are engineered with flexible protrusions that absorb the energy of water currents.
- A small pilot of MarshGuards were deployed to protect vulnerable bulrush plugs at Lake Pontchartrain.
- Previous plantings had been uprooted by waves and boat wakes.
- The restoration functioned to heal a shore blowout caused by Hurricane Ida.
- US Fish & Wildlife asked "How many days will the install take?" The devices were installed in under 10 minutes.



Passive Sediment Deposition & Mosquito Ditch Filling

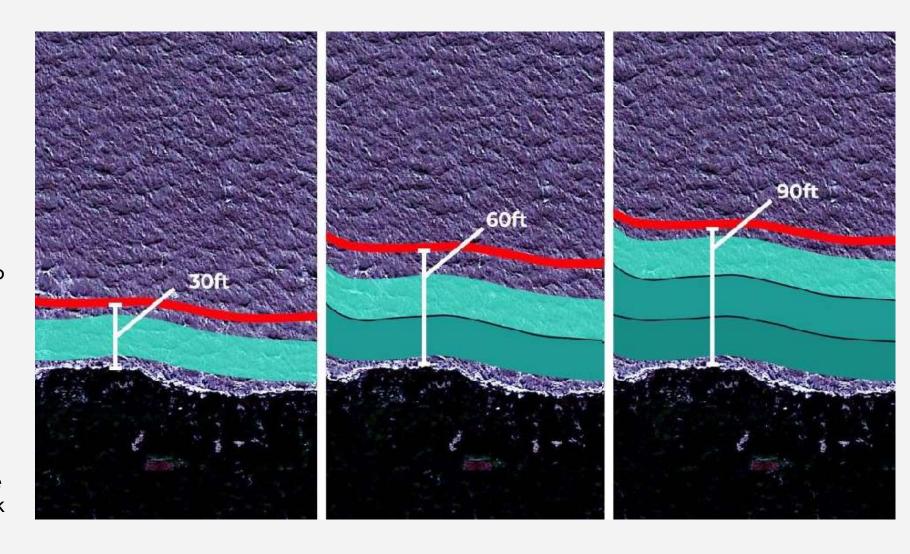
- MarshGuard promotes deposition & reduce wave and boat wave erosion in living shoreline restoration projects which are plagued by high plant loss.
- Testing for passive wetland mosquito ditch filling in Staten Island and New Jersey is being conducted by US Fish & Wildlife, NYC DEP and Ducks Unlimited.
- Devices are reusable and easily adjustable in-the-field.





Wetland Shoreline Building: Array Repositioning Method

- MarshGuard devices can be deployed as a movable array.
- The array mitigates wave & boat edge erosion, protecting vulnerable plantings until root systems can stabilize.
- A MarshGuard array slows currents causing sediment to fall out of suspension, increasing sediment elevation.
- As the array is moved, the new elevated area can be planted with the next phase of plantings.
- This method allows shoreline to be progressively built back to desired goals.



Upcoming: West Meadow MarshGuard Project & Educational Program 2025





These systems offer new abilities to fortify and restore our shores & bluffs.

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Thank you!!



Questions?





United States Department of Agriculture





Using an Integrated Planting Approach to Stabilizing Coastal Bluffs

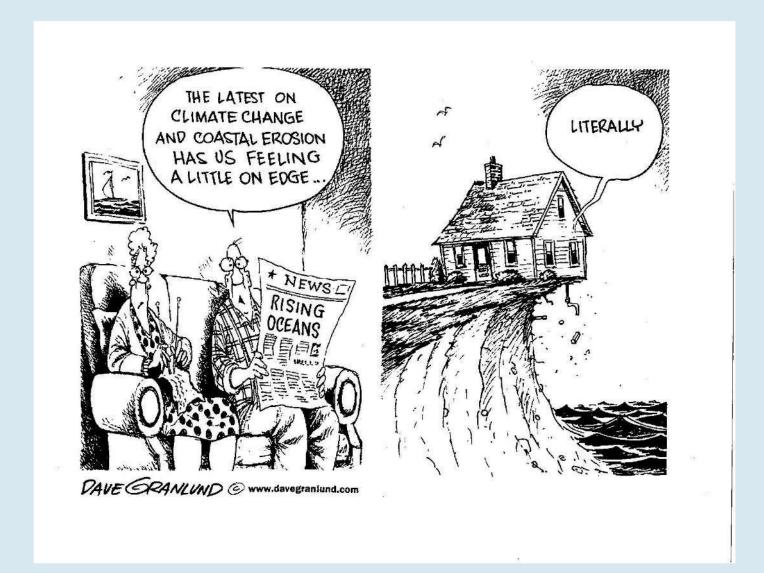
Presenter: Christopher Miller, Manager/Plant Specialist

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Climate Change Anxiety!



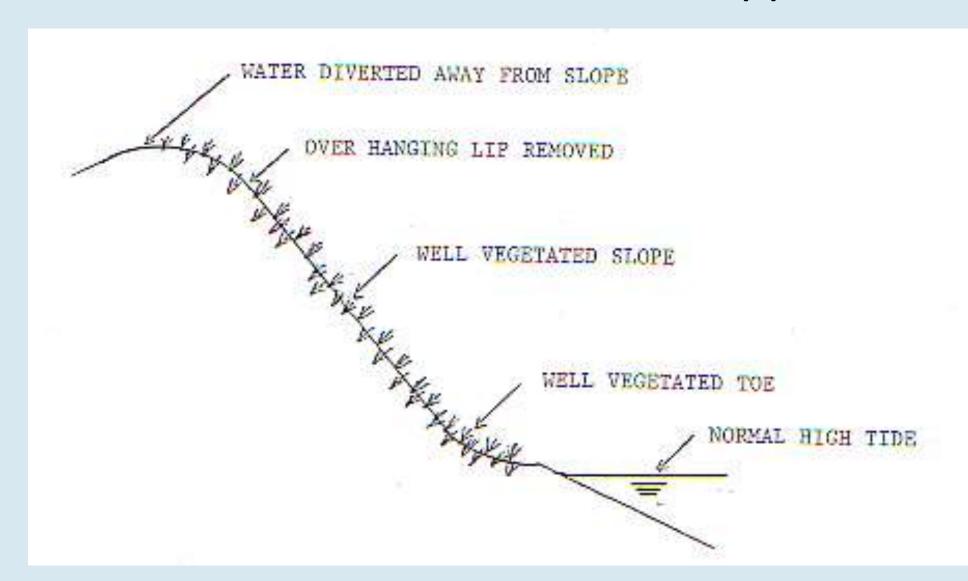


Plant Adaptation-What makes a Resilient Coastal Plant?

- 1. Ability to rebound from scour or damage. (Stump sprouting, root suckering, rhizomes).
- 2. Ability to tolerate fresh/saltwater flooding for extended periods as well as alternating wet/dry conditions.
- 3. Heat/drought tolerance
- 4. Spread rapidly by seed or rhizomes
- 5. Adaptable to varying environmental (some shade/full sun) and soil conditions. (acid, low nutrient, low organic matter soils)



Bluff Treatment-Idealized Approach





Traditional Approach



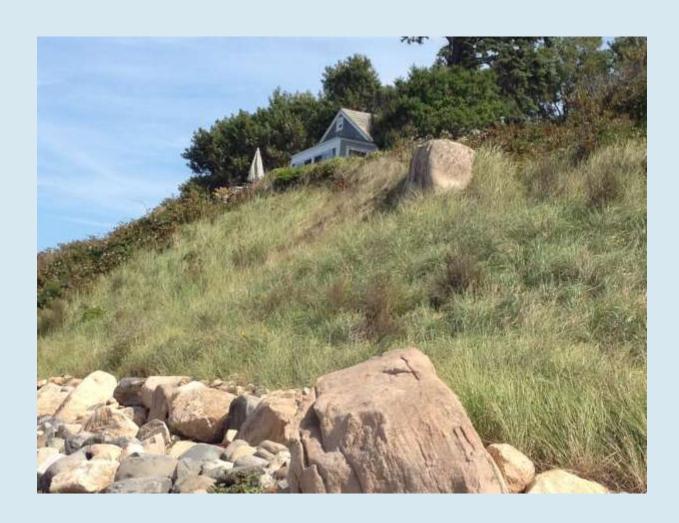
- Use of a turfgrass mix with erosion control fabric
 - Not the best approach for long term sustainability of the site.







Stabilization with American Beachgrass





A Hands-Off Approach?





Integrated Approach for Slope Stabilization

- The integrated approach incorporates using a combination of seed as well as woody and herbaceous plant material in various forms.
 - Unrooted cuttings (willow, shrub dogwood, cottonwood, Viburnum, Elderberry)
 - Bare root seedlings/culms
 - Deep plugs/tubelings
 - containerized



Soil Bioengineering

- **Soil Bioengineering**: The practice of utilizing plant materials alone in such a way as to perform a structural function of stabilization
- Biotechnical Stabilization: Utilizing a combination of plants, geotextile fabrics, synthetic products, and/or structural measures for stabilization.

Unrooted Cuttings

- 1/4"-3/8" diameter
- 8"-12" length
- Perform better in moist soils
- May be planted through erosion control fabric







Rooted (bare root) plants

- field dug, bare root
- 3/8" at root collar
- Root gel (Terrasorb) increases survival in higher, drier bank zones









<u>Tubelings</u>





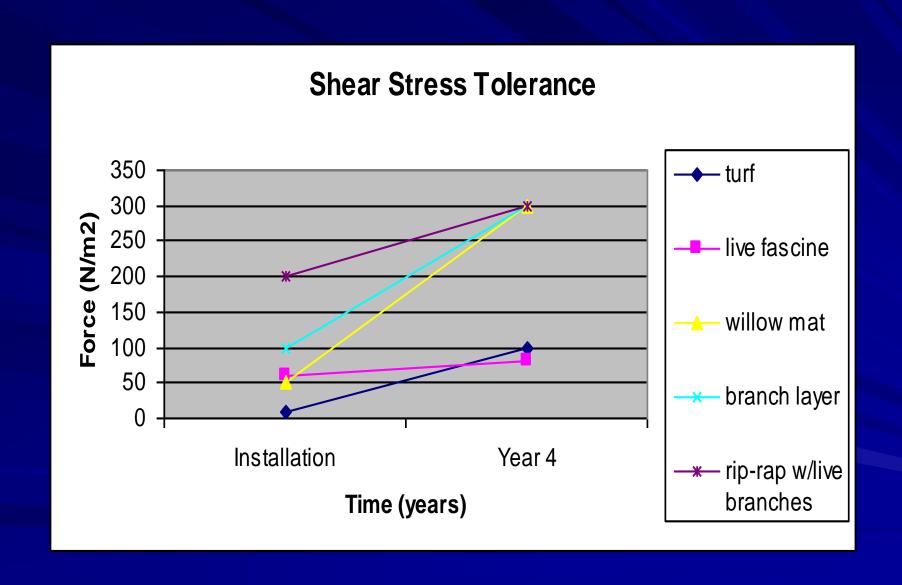
Containerized Plants



Soil Bioengineering









Use of Native Plants for Stabilization

Long Island, NY Native Bluff & Shore Species: Plugs & Containers

Grass & Herbaceous Plugs - Bluff Face	Shrub Containers - Bluff Face	Shade Tolerant Vine - Under Stairway
Coastal Sweet Pepperbush (Clethra alnifolia)	Red Chokeberry (Aronia arbutifolia)	Virginia Creeper (Parthenocissus quinquefolia)
Arrowwood Viburnum (Viburnum dentatum)	Sweet-fern (Comptonia peregrina)	
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Saltmarsh bulrush (Scirpus robustus)	Bigleaf marsh-elder (Iva frutescens)	
	Shining Sumac (Rhus copallinum)	

- The strategy of highly diverse over-planting allows competition to naturally select the species that can best occupy each environment micro-niche.
- Over-planting spurs vigorous growth through both competition and mutualism. This is illustrated by "Miyawaki Reforestation" principals.
- Grasses and herbaceous plugs provide fast root stabilization and are the initial colonizers.
- Shrubs will form longer lasting rooting colonization and provide the richest ecosystem habitat.
- Vine species will be deployed under stairwells where shade would prevent most bluff species from establishment.
- Small salt-tolerant scrub tree species will be deployed at the bluff toe to provide resilience from wave notch erosion



Coastal Bluff Stabilization Full Sun/Drought tolerant Herbaceous Species

- American beachgrass (Ammophila breveligulata)
- Coastal panicgrass (Panicum amarulum)
- Switchgrass (Panicum virgatum)
- Saltmeadow cordgrass (Spartina patens)
- Coastal little bluestem (Schizachyrium scoparium var. littorale)

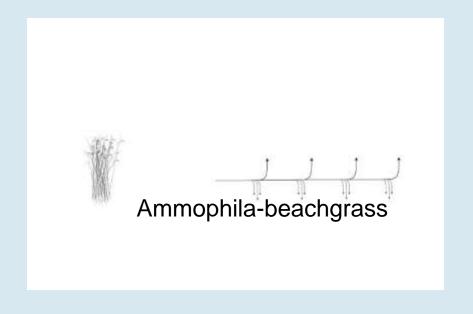


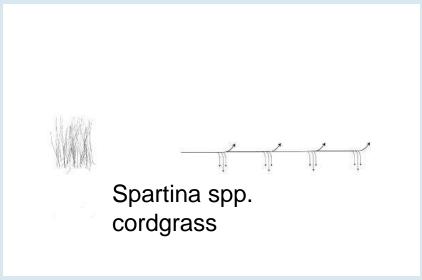




Coastal Resilient - Grasses

Root Architecture





Source: Structures for Coastal Resilience, Harvard School of Design.



Climate Resilient-Wildflowers/ Forbs

- Asclepias incarnata, syriaca, tuberosa, milkweeds
- Euthamia graminifolia, Grass-leaved goldenrod
- Monarda fistulosa, Wild Bergamot
- Pycnanthemum muticum/tenuifolium Broad/ narrow-leaved mountain mint
- Rudbeckia laciniata, Green-headed coneflower
- Solidago rugosa, Wrinkleleaf goldenrod
- Solidago sempervirens, Seaside goldenrod
- *Symphyotrichum lanceolatum*, pilosum, puniceum Lance-leaved American Aster



Secondary Dunes/Steep Coastal Slopes

- High diversity leads to high resilience
- Secondary dunes/slopes can support more species, so in a healthy dune there should be a diverse mix of native species e.g.
 - Saltmeadow cordgrass (Spartina patens)
 - Coastal panicgrass (Panicum amarum var. amarulum)
 - Coastal little bluestem (Schizachyrium littorale)
 - Seaside goldenrod (Solidago sempervirens)
 - Trailing wild bean (Strophystyles helvola)
 - Beach pea (Lathyrus japonicus)















Long Island, NY Native Seeding Species: Hand Sown/Hydroseeding

Annuals, Biennials & Perennials - Grasses, Herbeacous & Wildflowers		
Upper Bluff Mix		
Autumn Bentgrass (Agrostis perennans)	Black Eyed Susan (Rudbeckia hirta)	
Butterfly Milkweed (Asclepias tuberosa)	Little Bluestem (Schizachyrium scoparium)	
Smooth Aster (Aster laevis)	Early Goldenrod (Solidago juncea)	
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Round Headed Bushclover (Lespedeza capitata)	Autumn Bentgrass (Agrostis perennans)	
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Hoary Mountain Mint (Pycnanthemum incanum)	Rough Dropseed (Sporobolus asper)	
Narrow Leaved Mountain Mint (Pycnanthemum tenuifolium)	Sand Dropseed (Sporobolus cryptandrus)	

These seed mixes will become available for purchase at Ernst Seed Company, for any use, and will be labeled as *CTC Upper Bluff* and *CTC Lower Bluff* blends. It is 100% native and excludes even "naturalized" foreign species.

- "Seeding" the bluff creates a reservoir which will remain viable for decades.
- This limits invasive weeds by filling the small spaces that weeds exploit to take hold. Invasives, such as mugwort, have shallow roots and crowd out stabilizing species.
- The vast diversity provides hosting for bee, moth and butterfly larvae and sustenance for birds, insects, etc.
- Wildflower roots weave into other root systems and provide greater resilience and a mutualistic ecosystem.
- The habitat created by over 4 dozen native species will be the most diverse ever restored on any coastal bluff.



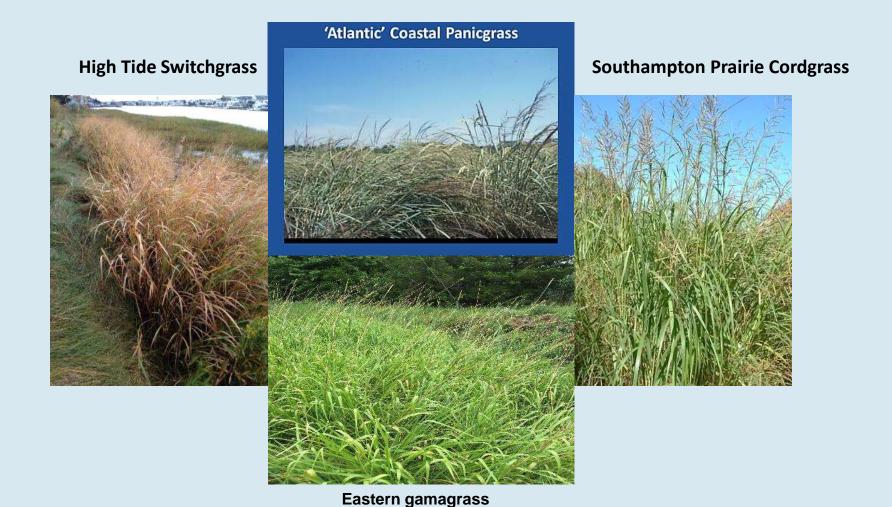
Diversified Planting







Native Warm Season Grass Species





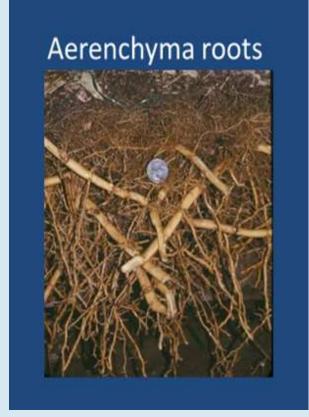
Native Warm Season Grasses

- Switchgrass plug root development within 3 months.
- Tolerate periods of drought well.
- Deep root system allows for soil/bank reinforcement





Eastern Gamagrass



Willow



Switchgrass



It's ALL in the ROOTS!

Anaerobic adapted roots

Photos courtesy of Dr. Ken Staver, UMD-Wye Research and Education Center



STRUCTURES OF COASTAL RESILIENCE

Rockefeller Foundation Funded After Superstorm Sandy

Narragansett Bay Team-Harvard School of Design

Think out of the "box" for Natural Based Designs

One potential solution "Attenuation Forest"

Utilize trees and shrubs that create a dense rhizomatic substrate with copselike (thicket, grove) arrangement that creates a layer of growth that will attenuate and mitigate storm surge.

Disturbance creates injury which encourages more new sprouting/coppicing (root suckering/stump sprouting)



Resilient Salt Tolerant Trees and Shrubs







Tree Species

Acer negundo-boxelder Acer saccharinum- silver maple Liquidambar styraciflua-sweet gum Populus deltoides- E. cottonwood Prunus virginiana-chokeberry Quercus nigra-water oak Quercus palustris- pin oak Quercus phellos-willow oak Robinia pseudoacacia-black locust Salix nigra-black willow Sassafras albidum-sassafras

Shrub Species

Amelanchier canadensis-serviceberry Amorpha fruticosa – indigo bush Baccharis halimifolia- groundsel Clethra alnifolia-sweet pepperbush Cornus spp.-shrub dogwood *llex spp.*-inkberry, smooth winterberry holly Morella spp.-wax myrtle, bayberry Prunus maritima-beach plum Rosa virginiana-Virginia rose Rhus spp.-sumac Sambucus canadensis-elderberry Viburnum spp.



Natural Resources Conservation Service



Woody Plant Functions Soil Bioengineering Systems

- Root reinforcement root tensile strength mechanically reinforces soil.
- <u>Soil moisture depletion</u> remove excess soil water through evapotranspiration.
- <u>Buttressing and Arching</u> anchored & embedded stems/roots counteract downslope shear forces.
- Flexible stems deflect erosive energy





'Ruby' redosier dogwood (Cornus serecia)

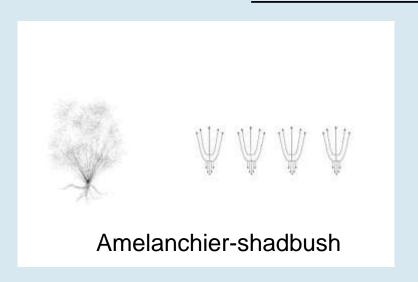
Developed because of it's prolific layering ability.

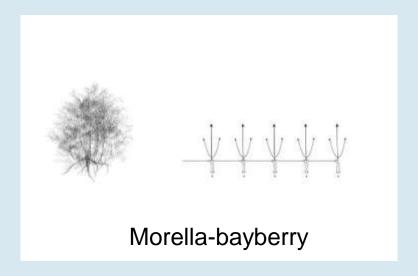




Coastal Resilient Trees and Shrubs

Root Architecture





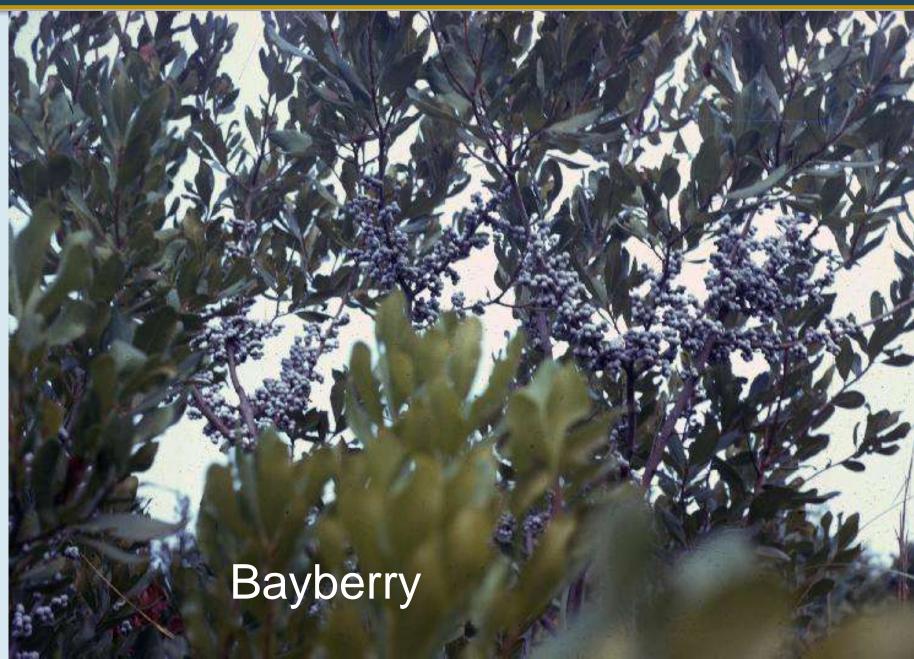
Source: Structures for Coastal Resilience, Harvard School of Design.



Dwarf Sumac (Rhus copallina)









BEACH PLUM: This long-lived native species thrives in environments with salt, drought and frequent disturbances, where their neighbors are often short lived.





Beach Plum fruit





Groundsel Bush





Sweetfern (Comptonia peregrina)





Maritime Forests/Shrublands

Threatened and Fragmented Plant Community

A. Highly recommended and preferred by migratory songbirds:

Common Name	Scientific Name	Nutrient Content ¹		
		Fat	Carbs	Energy
Arrowwood Viburnum	Viburnum dentatum	*High	High	High
Virginia Creeper	Parthenocissus quinquefolia	Med	High	High
Gray Dogwood	Cornus racemosa	High	Med	High
Silky Dogwood	Cornus amomum	Low	High	Med
Red Osier Dogwood	Cornus sericea	*Med	Med	High

Antho.*	Vit Eh	Phenols	TAC
High	High	High	High
Med	Low	High	High
Low	N/A	Med	Low
Med	N/A	Med	Low
Low	N/A	Med	Low

B. Recommended and eaten by many migratory songbirds:

Serviceberry	Amelanchier spp.	*Low	High	Med
Common Elderberry	Sambucus canadensis	Low	High	Med
Spicebush	Lindera benzoin	High	Low	High
Pokeweed	Phytolaccaanericana	Low	High	Low
Flowering Dogwood	Cornus florida	Med	Med	High
Chokecherry	Prunus virginiana	*Low	High	Low
Highbush Blueberry	Vaccinium corymbosum	*Low	High	Low

Antioxidants and Birds

Birds during migration experience oxidative stress when they burn fats to fuel their flights. Fruits with <u>high</u> <u>antioxidant capacity</u> can help to alleviate these stresses.

Vitamin E and phenols in fruits, especially colored compounds called anthocyanins that give fruits their bright purplemaroon coloration, are good dietary sources of antioxidants for birds.

Suggested citation: Smith, S. B. and S. R. McWilliams. 2015. Recommended plantings for migratory songbird habitat management. Rochester, NY: Rochester Institute of Technology and University of Rhode Island. 2 p.



Additional Desirable Shrub Species

C. Recommended and eaten by a few migratory songbirds and overwintering birds:

Northern Bayberry Myrica pennsylvanica
Winterberry Ilex verticillata
Black Chokeberry Aronia melanocarpa
Mapleleaf Viburnum Viburnum acerifolium
Viburnum lentago

*High High High

*Low High Med

Low High Med

*Low Low Med

*Low Med Low





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BMPs for Coastal Resilience

- Select plant species that are tolerant to salinity changes and increased temperature.
- Planting flood and salt tolerant plants inland from wetland systems to prolong viability to rising waters and increased flood frequency (in tidal systems).
- Maintain and enhance diversity of plantings to help with changing salinity and flooding conditions.

• Source: Maryland's Adaptation Website: www.dnr.state.md.us/climatechange



Questions?



Nature Based Solutions for Coastal Resiliency









Addition By Subtraction

- Invasive plants crowd out natives and destroy ecosystems
- Connection to impaired watersheds and eroding hillsides

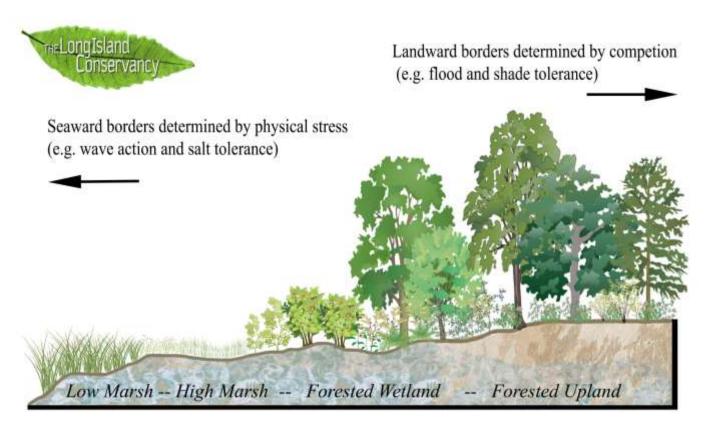


Wildlife Sweeps and Selective Editing

- Identify and remove invasive species of concern—not "clearing of overgrowth"
- Spread out in a grid formation and search for wildlife signs
- Nests, burrows, coarse woody debris
- Spot the machines



Planting Native Plant Communities



- Choosing the Best Plants for the Site
- NY Natural Heritage Program Ecological Communities of NYS

Controlled Wild

- Making a planting look purposeful
- Competition to prevent flopping
 - 9 inches on center
- Layering



Stewarding Wild Areas

- Dense plantings of coassociated species
- A garden is never done
 - Sleep, creep, leap!





- 4'-6' on center planting
 - Community development vs. individual plant health
- Encouraging the development of the mycorrhizal network





Managing Your Stormwater

- Plants over precast
- Aboveground storage vs. belowground storage
- Defining the contributing area
- Runoff coefficients
- Trees as the powerhouse



The Fallacy of the Toe Wall

Building sandcastles





Preserving the View (of an eroding shoreline...)

- Unintentional self-sabotage
- Framing the view as a compromise



Redundancy is Key

Bringing Nature Home

- A neat garden is a lifeless garden
 - Leave the leaves and don't deadhead!
- If you have room for one, you have room for three
- Many of your neighbors would actually be into this...





ENBIORGANIC:

SANDS POINT PRESERVE (STARTED 8/1/24)

Within a month of discharging into the pond, we measured a startling 50%-60% reduction of polluting nutrients in the water and pond sediment

Spadefoot is the exclusive licensee of Enbiorganic in NY State



Sands Pt-September 19, 2024



Sands Pt-September 23, 2024

Thank you!

Contact us: Frank@Spadefootny.com

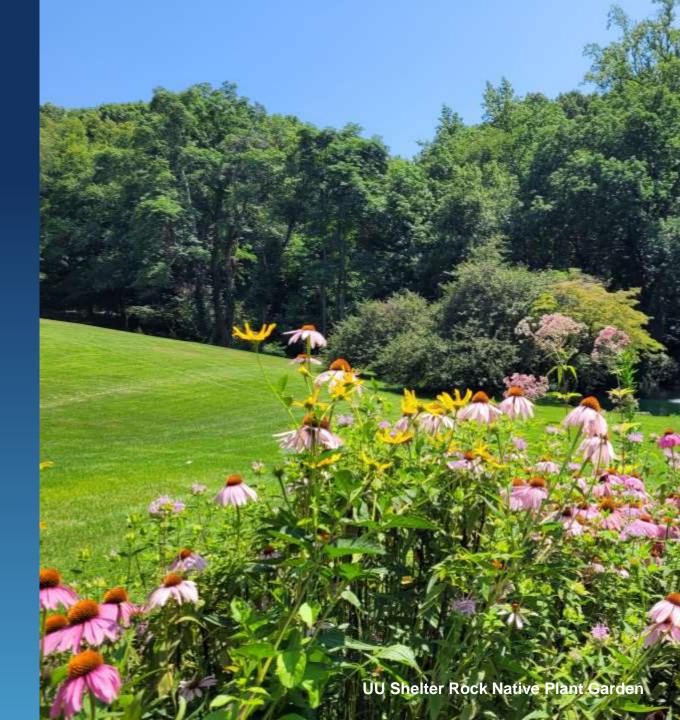
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Questions?



Long Island Sound

Nassau Coastal

Resilience Forum

2024 Update



SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT



Agenda

District Overview

Nassau County S.E.P.T.I.C.

Part C funding Opportunity

Questions

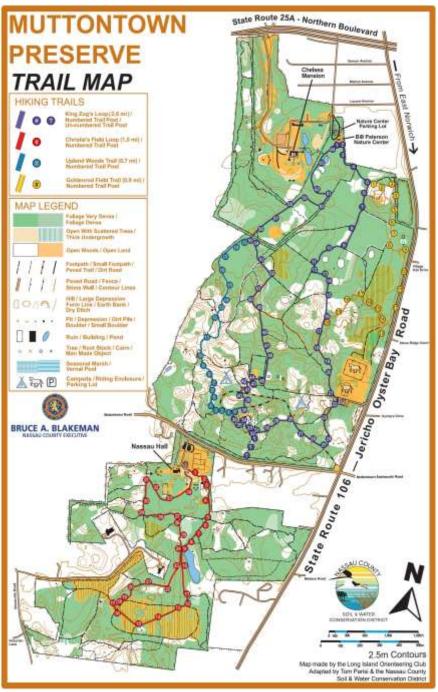


Nassau County Soil & Water Conservation District

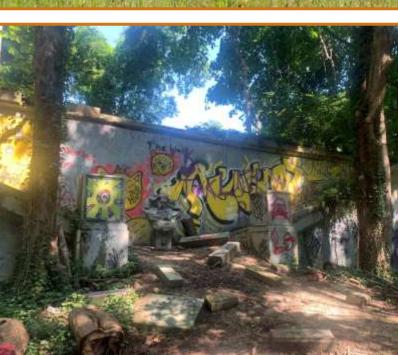
WHO WE ARE

- Soil and Water Conservation districts are local units of government that develop, manage, and direct natural resource programs at the community level. The Nassau County Soil and Water Conservation District has been in existence since 1977, providing county residents with assistance, educational programs and services for over 45 years.
- Our purpose is to protect, preserve, restore, and enhance natural resources through education and technical assistance, and provide programs and technical services to all Nassau County residents and municipalities.
- Located at Nassau Hall in Muttontown Preserve, but provide County-wide conservation services













Nassau's S.E.P.T.I.C. Program - Overview



- Administered by the District on behalf of Nassau County
- Launched in May of 2021
- Provides State and County financial incentives of up to \$20,000 to applicants looking to replace existing septic systems and cesspools with nitrogen-reducing technologies

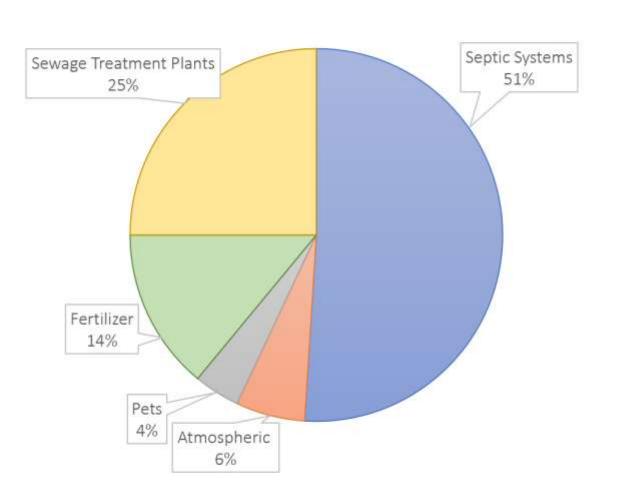
Join the Nassau County Septic Replacement Program

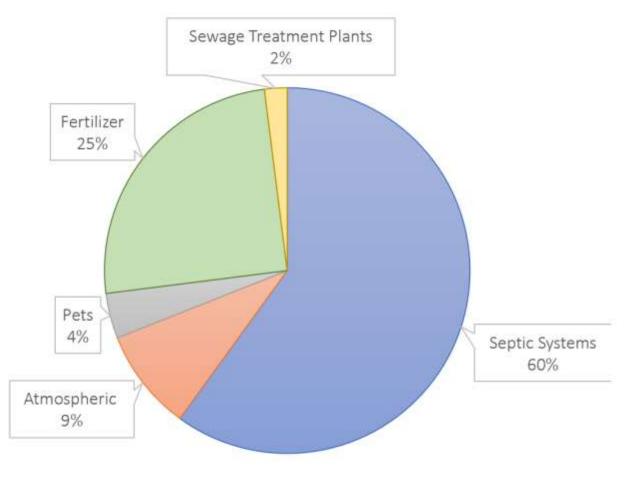
Help keep Long Island waterways clean by replacing your conventional or failing septic system with a new innovative advanced onsite wastewater treatment system. Eligible Applicants will receive a \$20,000 reimbursment for installing a nitrogen reducing septic system on their property.

Click here to learn more about the program



Distribution of Nitrogen to North Shore of Long Island





Hempstead Harbor, Manhasset Bay, and Little Neck Bay

Cold Spring Harbor, Oyster Bay, and Long Island Sound

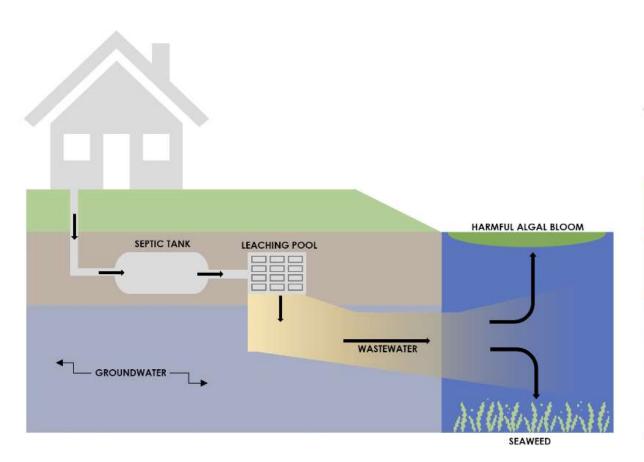


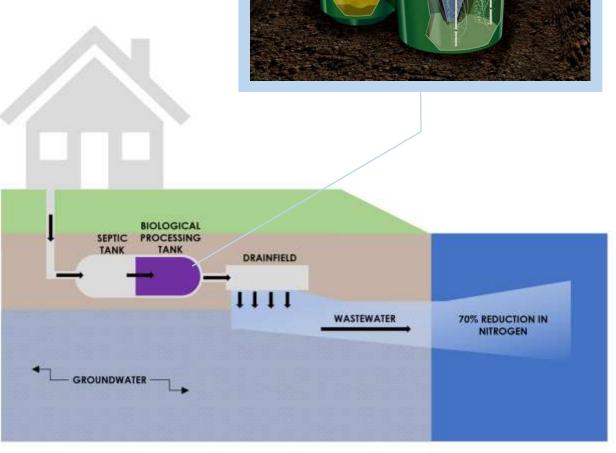
Effects of Excess Nitrogen on the Long Island Sound

- Fish Kills
- Harmful Algae Blooms (HAB)
 - Beach Closures
- Invasive Seaweed
- Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning (PSP)
- Beach Closures
- Reduced Resiliency of coastal wetlands
 - Degradation of coastal habitats
 - Reduction in Stormwater filtration
 - Increased risk of coastal erosion



"Innovative Advanced (I/A) OWTS" can reduce nitrogen outputs into groundwater by up to 70%.





CONVENTIONAL SEPTIC TANK

NITROGEN-REDUCING IA SEPTIC TANK

Nassau's S.E.P.T.I.C. Program – Technologies with General Use Acceptance



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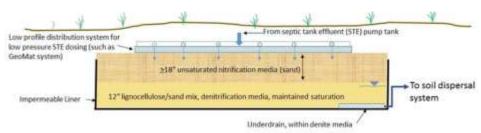


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Nassau's S.E.P.T.I.C. Program – Technologies with General Use Acceptance

Provisional Acceptance (can be installed with no limits or restrictions)



Nitrogen Reducing Biofilter

Frank M. Russo, P.E.

Associate Director for Wastewater Initiatives

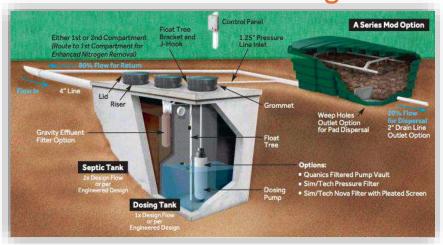
NYS Center for Clean Water Technology at Stony Brook University

https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/cleanwater

Norweco HydroKinetic Norweco of New York norwecony@gmail.com (516) 710-7967



Technologies Piloting Use Acceptance (Limited to 12 Installations)



Anua - BioCoir Coconut Fiber Biofilter (A Series & IM Series)

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Average S.E.P.T.I.C. Installation Costs

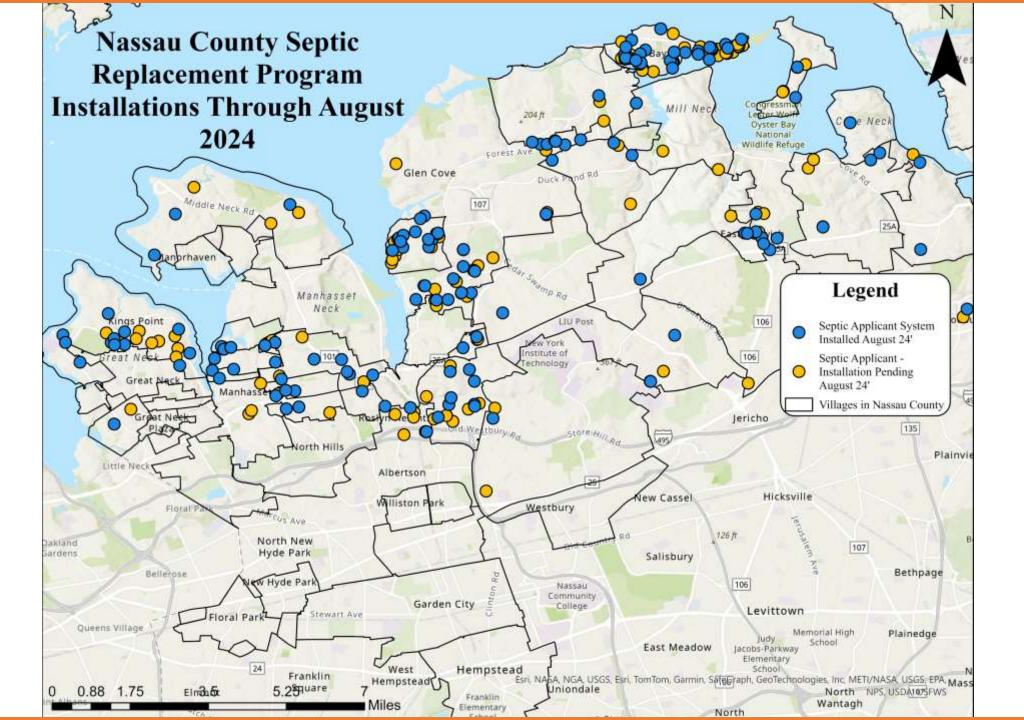
Average Cost - \$29,559.50

NOTE:

- This reflects only eligible reimbursable costs
- Grants are meant to offset and incentivize IA systems over conventional systems and cesspools
- Applicant should expect out-of-pocket expenses







Nassau's S.E.P.T.I.C. Program – Testimonial

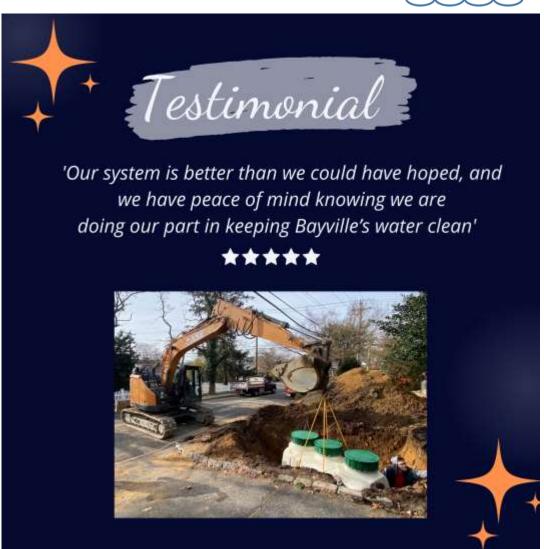


- Conventional septic system would have cost a minimum of \$16,000.00
- The total Design, Material, and Installation costs of the FujiClean CEN Series Clean-Water septic system was \$21,867.31.
- The Property Owner received \$20,000 in combined grants from Nassau County and New York State
- 'out-of-pocket' cost to Property Owner was \$1,867.31









NCSWCD – Part C Funding



- Projects must meet one or more of the follow criteria in Nassau County:
 - Conserve or improve soils
 - Improve water quality of our groundwater and/or surface water
 - Control and prevent soil erosion and/or prevent floodwater and sediment damages
 - Conservation, development, utilization, and disposal of water
 - Preserve, increase, or improve natural resources including trees and plants
 - Control or eliminate invasive plants or wildlife
 - Control and abate NPS water pollution
 - Preserve wildlife

Part C Funding

Partners

- School Groups
- Local Community Organizations
- Towns and Villages
- Local Municipalities

Awards Amounts

- Between \$2K and \$15K per project, depending on the year
- Awards are distributed on a reimbursement basis

Timeline

- RFP released in February, Proposals due in March, Awards announced in April
- Successful Projects have one calendar year for completion
- Quarterly and Final Reports Required





The Reintroduction of Fire at the Hempstead Plains

Long Island's last remaining
Tallgrass Prairie, including over
200 plant species, 14 of which
are considered rare species.

This project covered a 5-acre section of grassland dominated by little blue stem and goldenrods, and a 1-acre plot in which the globally endangered, fire-dependent Sandplain Gerardia grows.

A Day In The Life of an Estuary

This program focuses on environmental education, community engagement, and water-quality monitoring.

Data collected is then shared around NYS

Students will collect water samples, monitor tides, and use a seine net to capture and document native species.





Hydroseeding at Cedarmere Preserve

This Project covered a total area of 20,000 ft sq. Invasive species removal of hundreds of trees such as Norway maple, Tree of heaven, and Japanese maple.

Hydroseeding with native grasses and flowers was used to help control invasive ground cover plants such as English ivy.

Questions?











Thank you!

Please provide feedback to help us plan our events in the future.



Lunch

Joining us for the field trip?

We will begin our walking tour of the Sands Point Preserve resilience projects in the Great Hall (here) at 1:30 pm.

