

# COASTAL SCIENCE FUELING COASTAL ECONOMIES

Using Geoscience Research to Accelerate Innovation and the Coastal Economy

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# ***Aquaculture Reinvigorates the Coastal Community***

## ***Coastal Science Fueling Coastal Economies***

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# U.S. Economy Depends on a Healthy Coast

- 14% of coastal counties produce 45% of the GDP with 3 million jobs (one in 50)
- In 2011, the ocean economy's 6 economic sectors contributed more than \$282 billion to the GDP and over 2.8 million jobs.
- Examples (major sectors):
  - Tourism and Recreation:
    - 70% of ocean employment
    - 34% of ocean GDP
  - Offshore Mineral Extraction:
    - 37% of ocean GDP





# Key Industry Diagnostics for the San Diego Maritime Industry

September 2011

<b>Total employment</b>	<b>45.8K</b>
Traditional maritime exclusive industries	8.2
Maritime technology industries	18.9
Other maritime	18.6
<b>Total estimated revenue</b>	<b>\$14 Billion</b>
Traditional maritime exclusive industries	\$1.4
Maritime technology industries	\$6.2
Other maritime	\$6.5

San Diego Maritime Industry Report 2012 (Table 1, p. 19). Report sponsored by: San Diego Workforce Partnership, San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation & The Maritime Alliance. Prepared by ERISS Corporation/[www.eriss.com](http://www.eriss.com)





# The Economic Impact of San Diego's Research Institutions

**The Economic Impact of  
San Diego's Research Institutions**  
Driving San Diego's Innovation Economy



San Diego  
Regional  
Economic  
Development  
Corporation

FALL 2015

**RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS**  
have a **\$4.6B** **ECONOMIC IMPACT** and are at the center of  
**SAN DIEGO'S \$14.4B SCIENTIFIC R&D CLUSTER**





\$4.6 Billion equals the impact of:



33-U.S. Open Golf Championships



6-Aircraft carriers stationed in S.D.



34-Comic-Con Conventions



4-San Diego Convention Centers

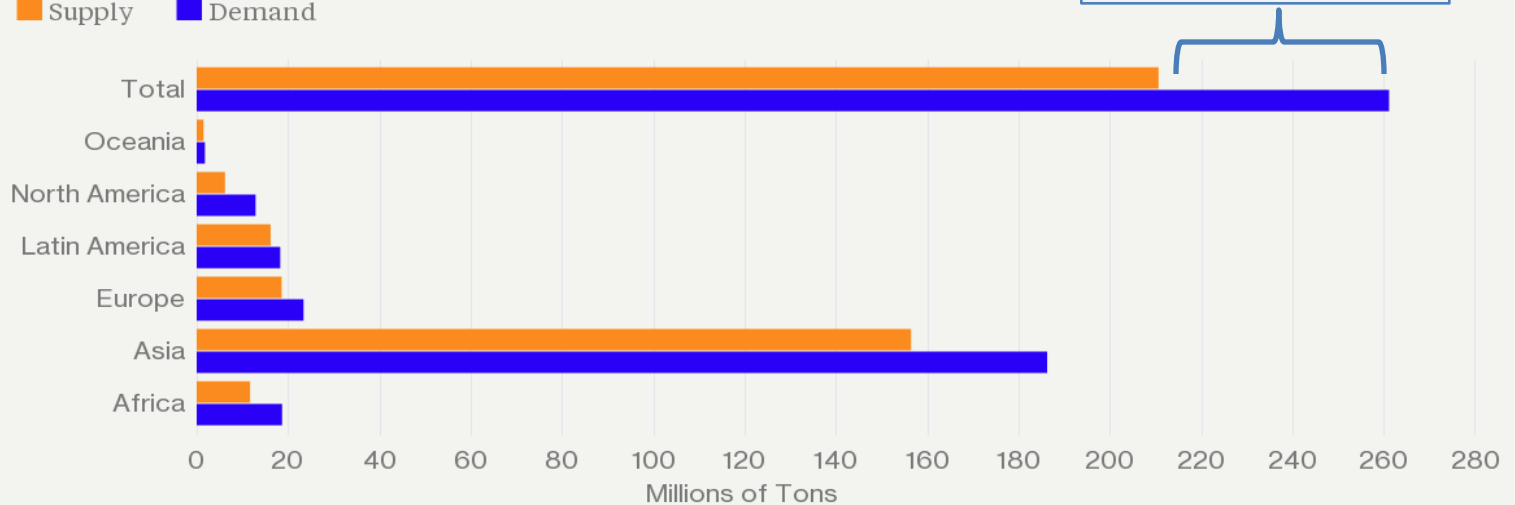


# Worldwide Seafood Supply Shortfall

## Global Fish Shortages by 2030

Demand set to outstrip supplies in all regions

Supply Demand



Source: United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organization.

Bloomberg

U.S. needs increased domestic supply of safe & sustainable seafood

- 91% of U.S. seafood is imported
- Annual seafood imports total over \$16 billion
- 50% of global supply of seafood is farmed (80% in Asia)
- Domestic supply is 6.5% harvest and 2.5% farmed



# For California Agriculture, Seafood Production is a Novelty

- 81,500 farms
- Over 400 commodities
- \$43.5 billion total revenue
- #1 state with 11.3% of U.S. farm cash receipts
  - 11% for crops
  - 7.1% for livestock
- \$12 billion in livestock sales
- <0.5% is aquaculture

Source of Income	Sales
Aquaculture	\$54
Chickens, All	\$720
Cattle and Calves	\$3,299
Eggs, Chicken	\$393
Hogs and Pigs	\$39
Honey	\$23
Milk and Cream	\$6,900
Turkeys	\$311
Wool and Mohair	\$5
Other Livestock	\$412
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,155</b>





# Reinvigorating a Coastal Community

## Southern California's history:

- By 1975 tuna fishing supported 16 canneries and employed 40,000 people.
- Southern California was known as the Tuna Capital of the World.



## More recently:

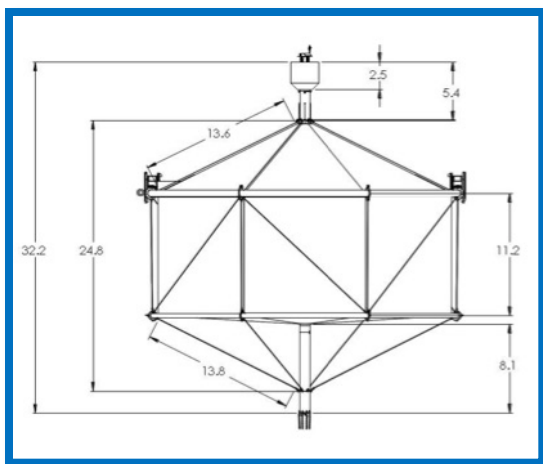
- In 2013, California fisheries caught only 165K MT (worth \$256 million)
- San Diego caught only 1K MT (worth \$6 million)



# Reinvigorating a Coastal Community

Southern California's future?

- Proposed project: Rose Canyon Fisheries
- A commercial, state-of-the-art, aquaculture project off the coast of Southern California
  - Evaluate both economic and environmental sustainability
  - Scale up to 5,000 MT annual production
  - Annual sales in excess of \$50 million with estimated 2:1 economic benefit to the region (Source: San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation)





# Potential Economic Benefits

- **Region**
  - Sales from \$50 million annually
  - Supporting over 300 seafood jobs (wages ~ 2x regional average)
  - New spending in excess of \$100 million annually (2:1 economic benefit)
- **State**
  - Represent a 31% increase in seafood ex-vessel sales
- **Nation**
  - Help to reduce the growing trade deficit in seafood imports





# New Industry Precipitates the Need for Research

*NATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN FOR FEDERAL AQUACULTURE RESEARCH (2014-2019)\**

## **Strategic Research Goals:**

1. Advance Understanding of the Interactions of Aquaculture and the Environment
2. Employ Genetics to Increase Productivity and Protect Natural Populations
3. Counter Disease in Aquatic Organisms and Improve Biosecurity
4. Improve Production Efficiency and Well-being
5. Improve Nutrition and Develop Novel Feeds
6. Increase Supply of Nutritious, Safe, High-quality Seafood and Aquatic Products
7. Improve Performance of Production Systems
8. Create a Skilled Workforce and Enhance Technology Transfer
9. Develop and Use Socioeconomic and Business Research to Advance Domestic Aquaculture

\* National Science and Technology Council Committee on Science;  
Interagency Working Group on Aquaculture, 2014

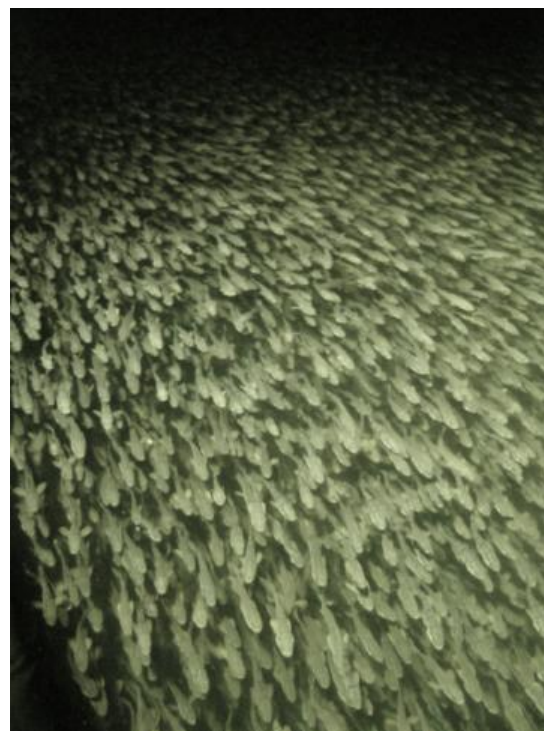
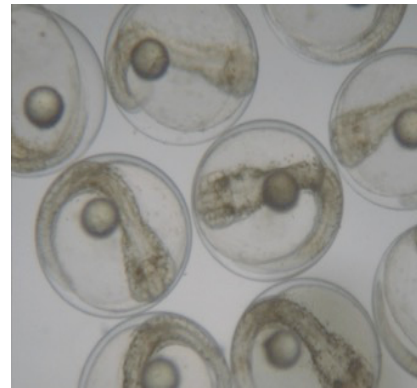




# Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute

50+ years experience in marine research

30+ years in aquaculture research (replenishment of depleted stocks, sustainable seafood)





# Collaborators

Universities and research institutes, industry groups, eNGOs, community organizations

## Fish Health



## Nutrition



## Community



## Production

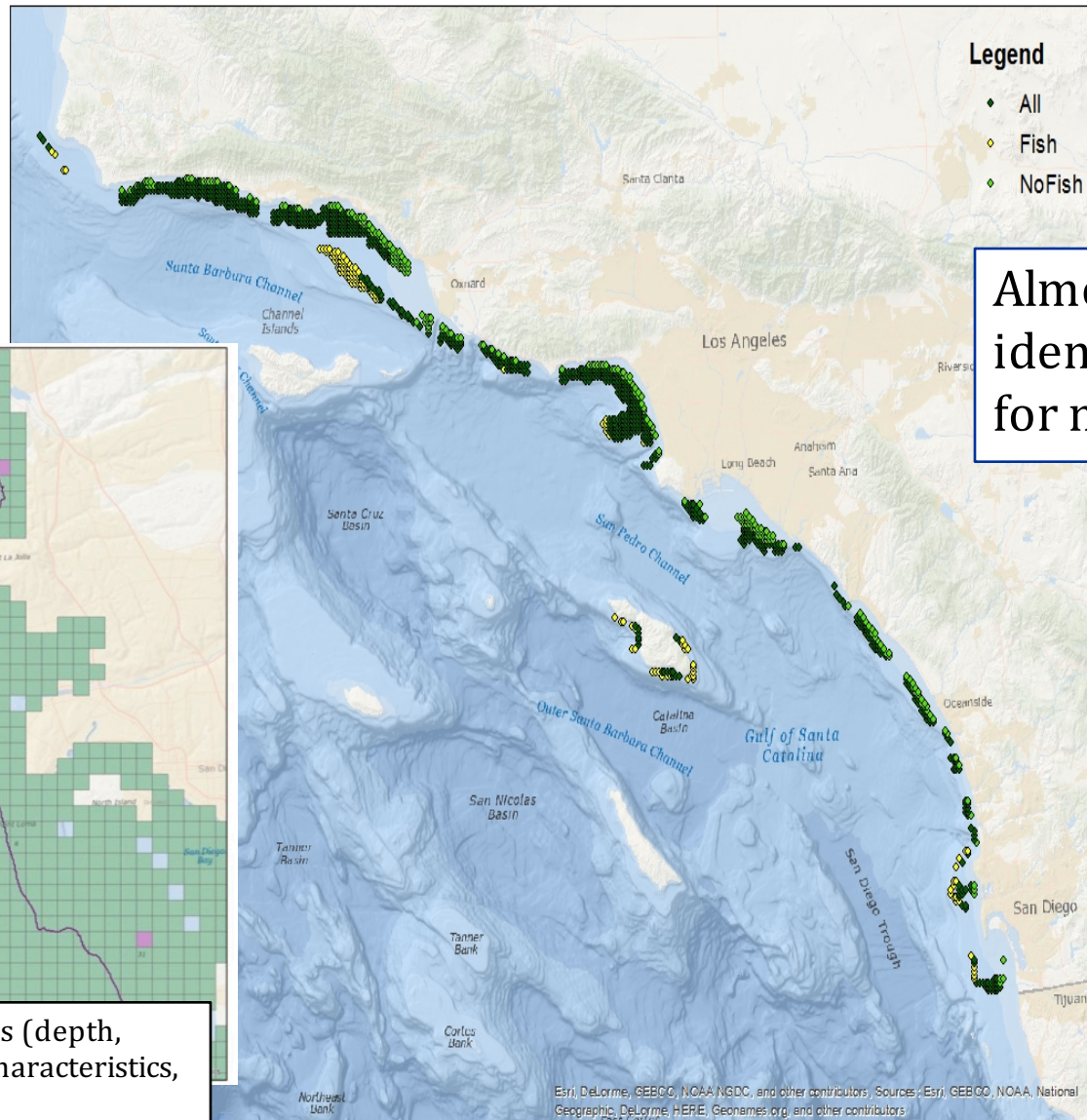


## Environmental Effects





# Sites Potentially Developable for Aquaculture



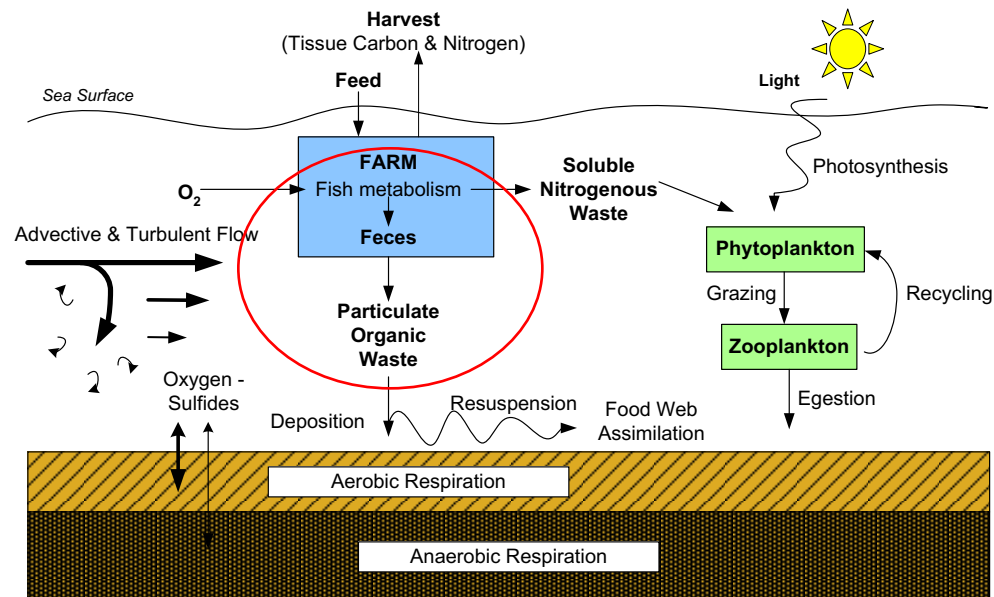
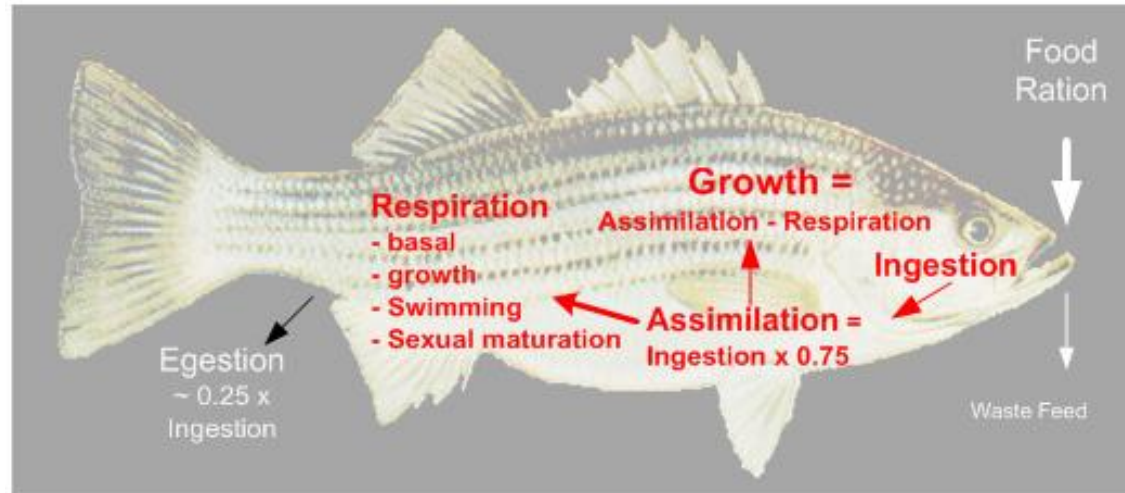
Almost 2K km<sup>2</sup>  
identified as suitable  
for marine farming

**Source:**  
*Bren School of Environmental  
Science & Management, U.C.  
Santa Barbara  
(Funded by Sea Grant)*

Classification of sites (depth,  
sediment/bottom characteristics,  
fishing conflicts)



# Modeling Potential Impacts





# Aquaculture (and Science!)

## Reinvigorate the Coastal Community

*With Earth's burgeoning populations to feed, we must turn to the sea with new understanding and new technology. We must learn to farm the sea as we have farmed the land.*

Capt. Jacques Cousteau



- *Aquaculture **provides year-round, living wage jobs** centered in coastal and rural communities.*
- *Marine aquaculture operations **support working waterfronts** (docks, boat yards, and processing plants).*
- *We export advanced technology, feed, equipment, and other investments to producers around the world.*
- ***Let's start using more of this U.S.-developed technology and expertise here, and stop exporting jobs to other countries.***

**Dr. Kathryn Sullivan, NOAA Administrator**  
**SeaWeb Seafood Summit; New Orleans, LA; February 9, 2015**





# Community Involvement for the Indian River Lagoon Leads to Water Project Investments

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Photo courtesy of Indian River by Air



**Chesapeake Bay**



Many of the world's largest cities are on the estuaries

**Boston Harbor**



**Hudson River**



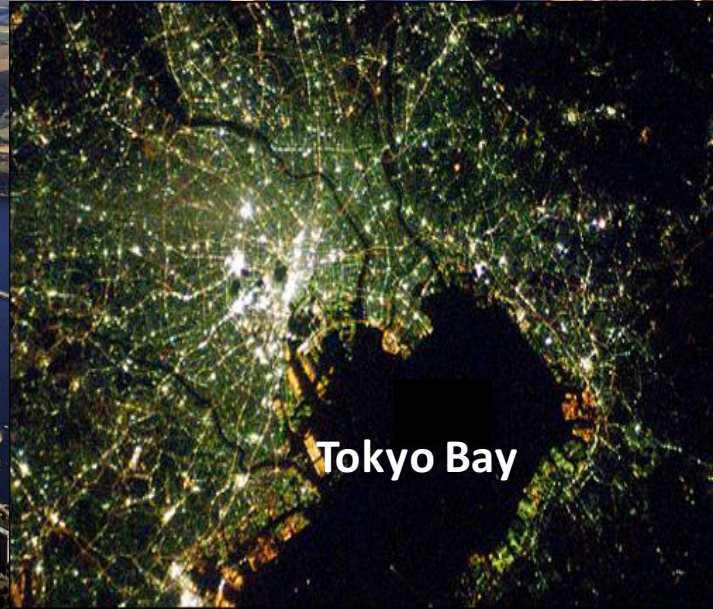
**Plymouth Harbor**



**San Francisco Bay**



**Tokyo Bay**





# Land Connections to the Ocean

What percentage of the Earth's land surface is connected to the ocean by rivers?

- a. 35%
- b. 73%
- c. 87%
- d. 100%





# Mississippi River Drainage Basin






# Estuaries are.....

# .....where rivers meet the sea





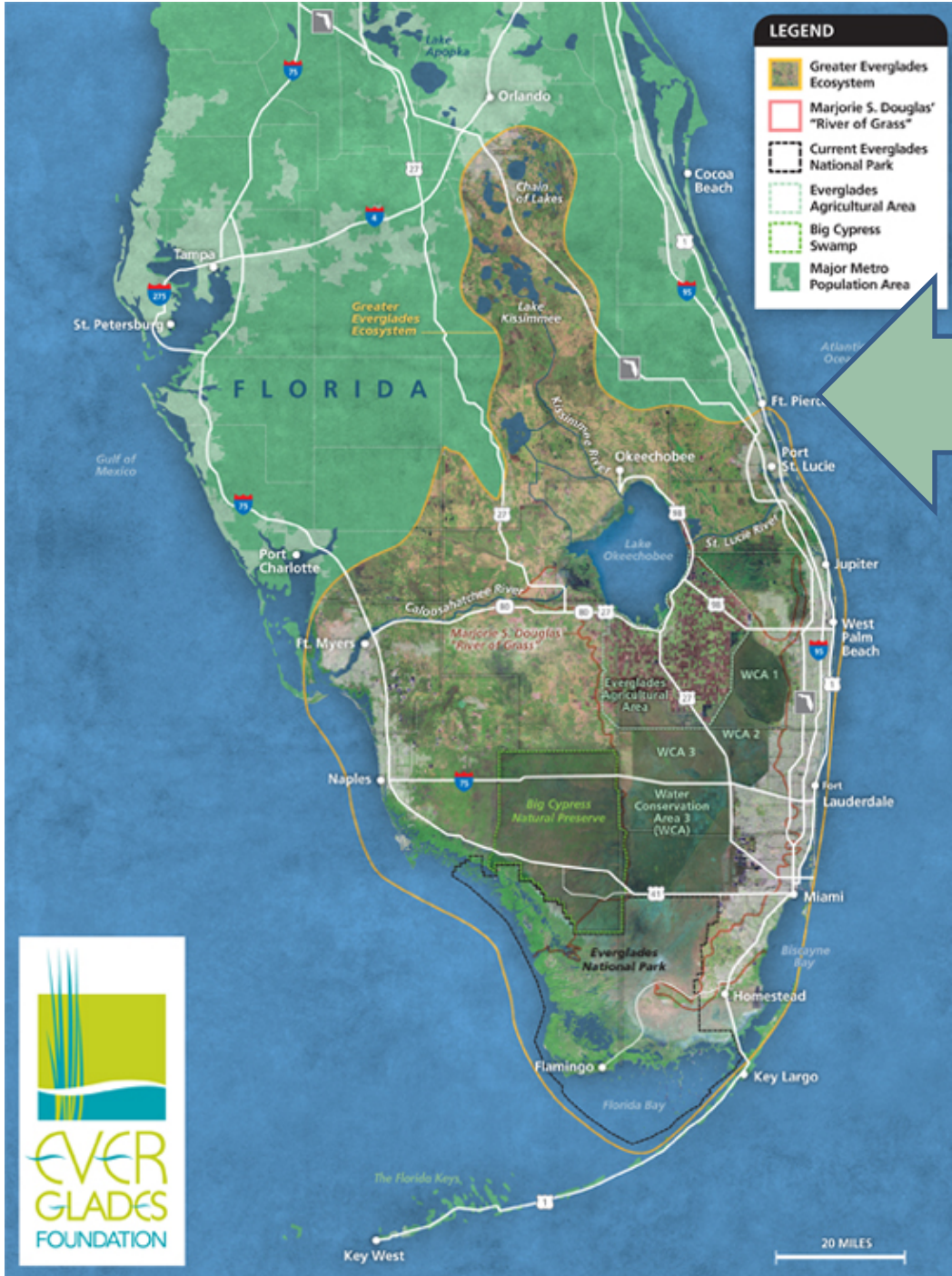


Enormous filter –  
most fertile ecosystems on earth

Fisheries nurseries and migration corridors

Stabilize shorelines & protect coastal areas









The image consists of two side-by-side maps of Florida, each illustrating water flow patterns. The left map, labeled 'HISTORIC FLOW', shows a large, dark blue area representing the Kissimmee River basin, with several arrows pointing outwards towards the south and west, indicating a natural, broad dispersal of water. The right map, labeled 'CURRENT FLOW', shows a similar basin but with a more restricted, narrow channel of water flowing southwards, and a large, dark blue area representing the Okeechobee basin, with arrows pointing outwards towards the east and south, indicating a more controlled, engineered flow pattern. The maps are set against a light blue background representing the ocean and a tan background representing the land.

HISTORIC  
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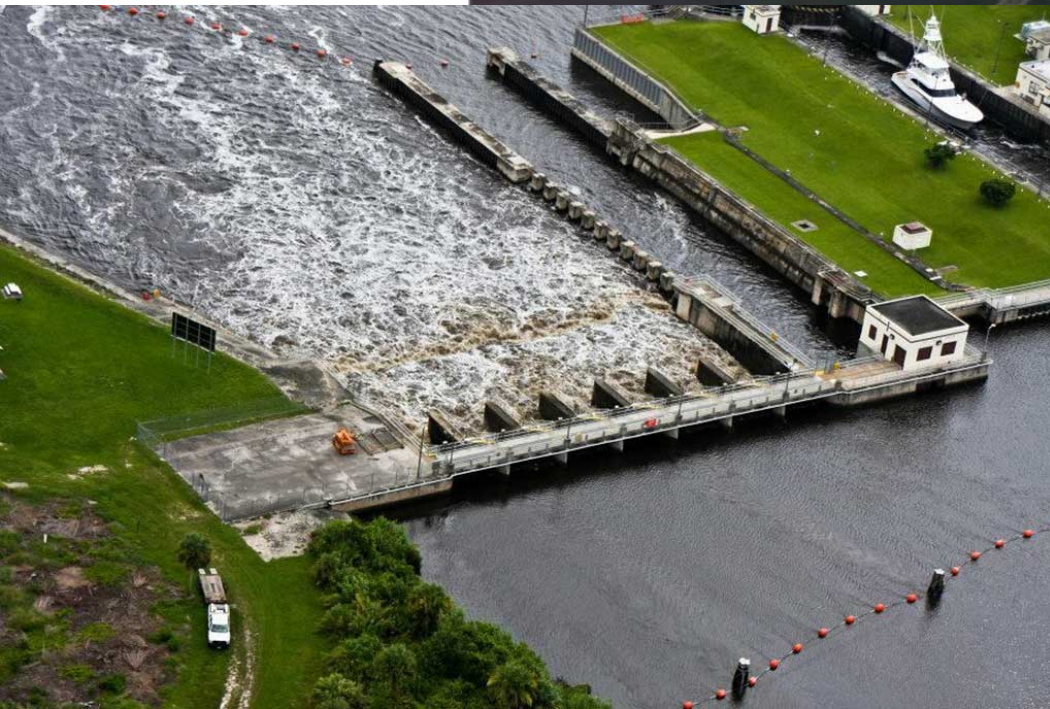
CURRENT  
FLOW

*Historic and current flow of the Kissimmee, Okeechobee, Everglades watershed.*

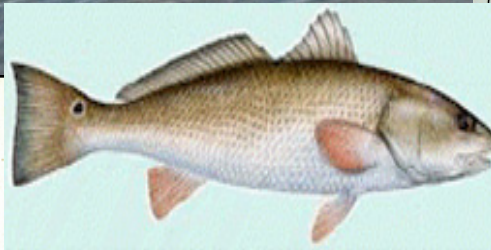
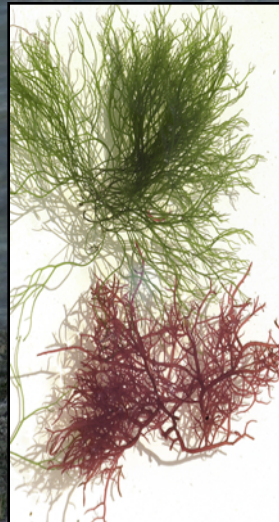
*Graphic: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District*



**In the summer, 2013**













# “The Lost Summer”

## Treasure Coast Photos



PHOTO BY ERIC HASERT

ERIC HASERT/TREASURE COAST NEWSPAPERS

The Derrenbacker family (from left) Stacey, Kyle, 9, Jenna, 14, Dave and Emily, 12, stand on their empty dock on the St. Lucie River behind their home on North Carolina Drive in Stuart. "If you can't go in the water, then there's no reason to have a boat. We look at this as a lost summer," Dave Derrenbacker said.





# Community Involvement Caught the Attention of Lawmakers





# RESULT: State Investment

**\$220+ million awarded**

**17 projects**

- Infrastructure
- Water Quality Monitoring
- Water Studies
- Restoration



# FAU Harbor Branch's Real Time Water Quality Network the Indian River Lagoon & St. Lucie Estuary

[fau.loboviz.com](http://fau.loboviz.com)





**The importance of estuaries to local economies  
is the most effective lever for change**







# Coastal Resilience - Reducing the Cost and Vulnerability for Future Storms and Flooding






**Katrina**  
**2005**  
**\$108 billion**





Ike  
2008  
\$29.5 billion

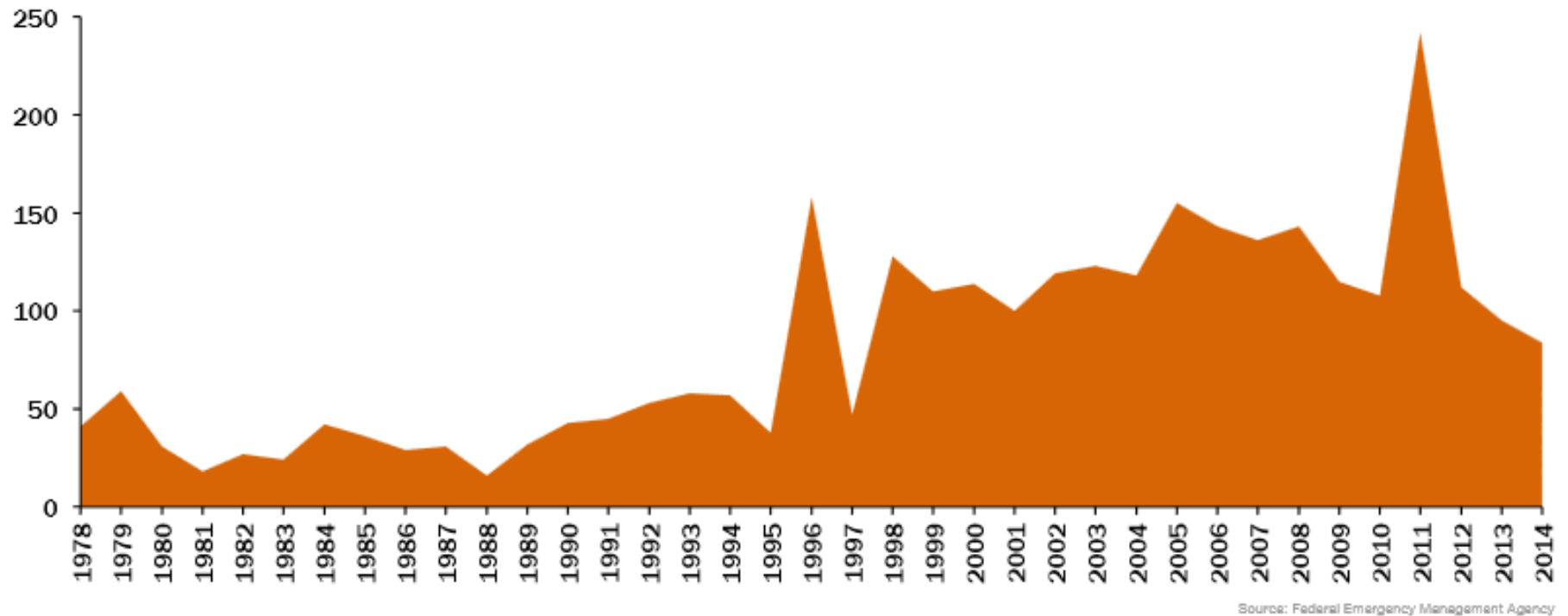


A photograph showing the aftermath of a disaster, likely Hurricane Sandy. In the foreground, there is a large pile of weathered wooden planks and beams, some of which are broken and splintered. In the background, a wooden pier structure with many vertical posts extends into the ocean. The sky is blue with some white clouds, and the ocean is visible in the distance.

**Sandy  
2012  
\$50 billion**



# FEMA Disaster Declarations

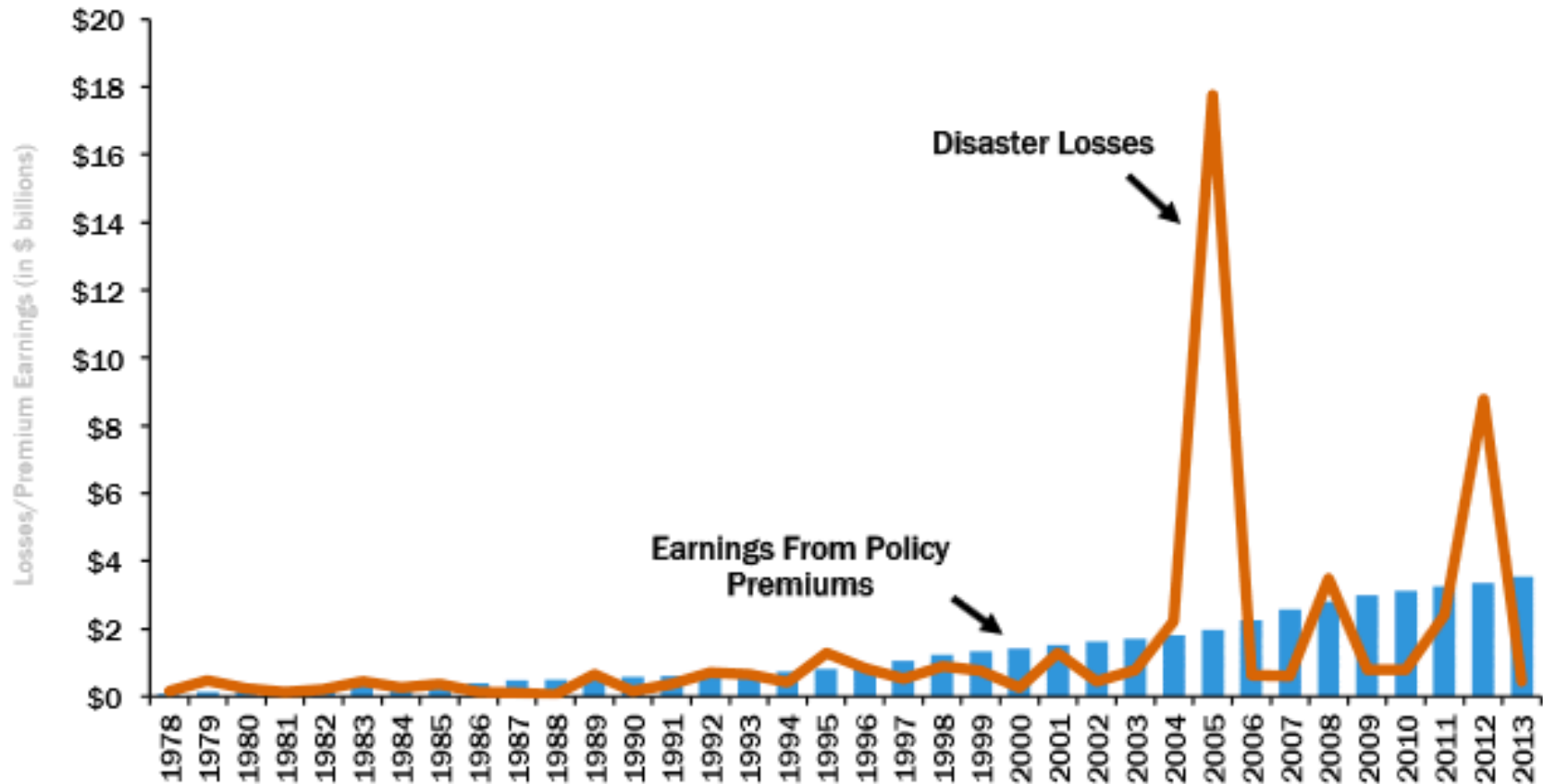


**Source: FEMA**



# National Flood Insurance Program

## Losses Exceed Revenues

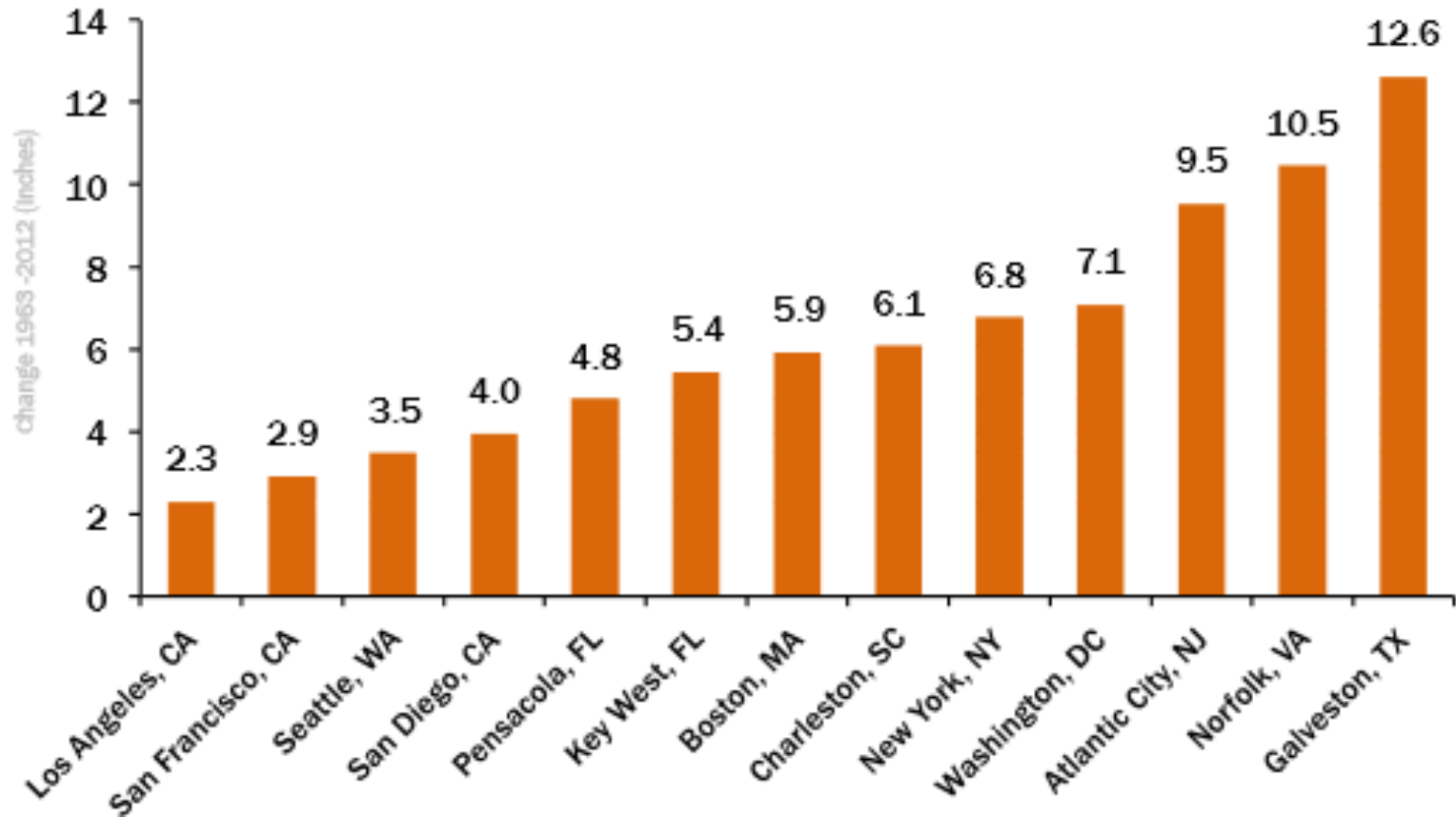


Source: Federal Emergency Management Agency

Source: FEMA



# Highest Increases in Sea Level Rise



Source: Union of Concerned Scientists & NOAA



# Spending on Disaster Recovery vs. Mitigation

(in \$ millions)	FY11	FY12	FY13	Total
Disaster Recovery	\$21,376	\$32,412	\$14,321	\$68,109
Mitigation	\$243	\$197	\$71	\$510

Source: Center for American Progress (excludes supplemental appropriations)

**\$1.00** spent by FEMA on hazard mitigation provides the nation about **\$4.00** in future benefits.





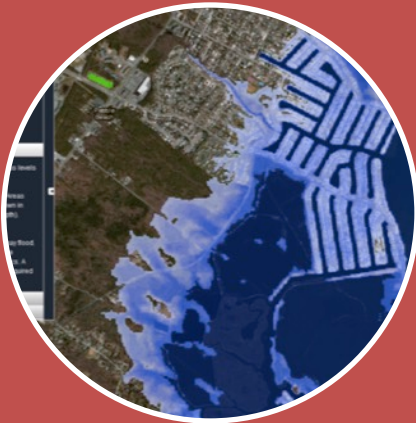
# Resilience.

**Sandy:** The Change in the Coastal Conversation



# Getting to Resilience

[www.PrepareYourCommunityNJ.org](http://www.PrepareYourCommunityNJ.org)



## Assess

Evaluate Your Municipal  
Risks and Vulnerabilities



## Plan

Utilize Getting to  
Resilience to Plan for  
the Future



## Implement

Take Actions to  
Increase Municipal  
Preparedness





#### Overview

Use the slider bar above to see how various levels of sea level rise will impact this area.

Levels represent inundation at high tide. Areas that are hydrologically connected are shown in shades of blue (darker blue = greater depth).

Low-lying areas, displayed in green, are hydrologically "unconnected" areas that may flood. They are determined solely by how well the elevation data captures the area's hydraulics. A more detailed analysis of these areas is required to determine the susceptibility to flooding.

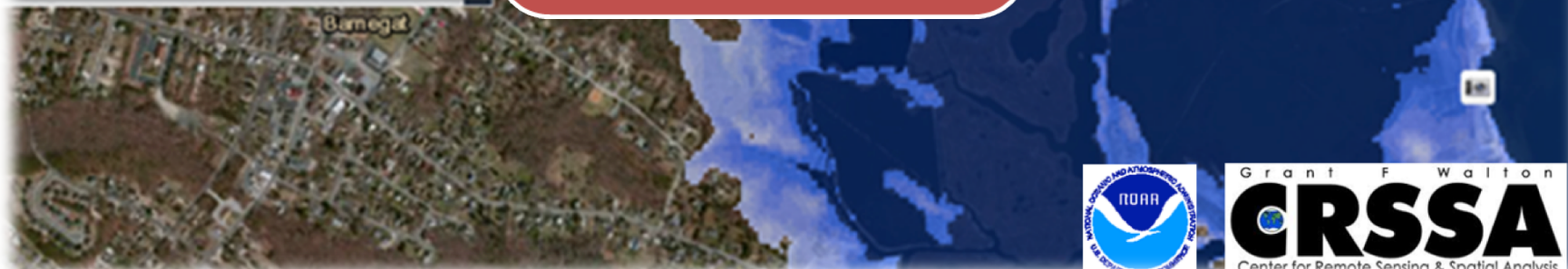
#### Understanding the Map

#### Additional Information



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# Getting to Resilience

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**ASSESS**   
Use the online map to visualize your community's current and future

**PLAN**   
Complete an online municipal preparedness public outreach activity for hazards.

**IMPLEMENT**  
Utilize the resilience plan to prioritize next steps for municipal actions.  
(<http://www.prepareyourcommunitynj.org/linkages/>)

**Plan**  
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# Getting to Resilience

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## Municipal Plans

Master Plan

All-Hazards Mitigation Plan

Floodplain Management Plan

Evacuation Plan

Emergency Response Plan

Continuity of Operations Plan

Disaster Recovery Plan

Open Space Plan

Stormwater Management Plan





## Municipal Members



Land use Planners

Hazard Mitigation Planners

Floodplain Managers

Emergency Managers

Stormwater Managers

Natural Resource Managers

Municipal Engineers

Town Administrators

Construction Code Official

Environmental Commissioners

Clerks



# Risk and Vulnerability Assessments



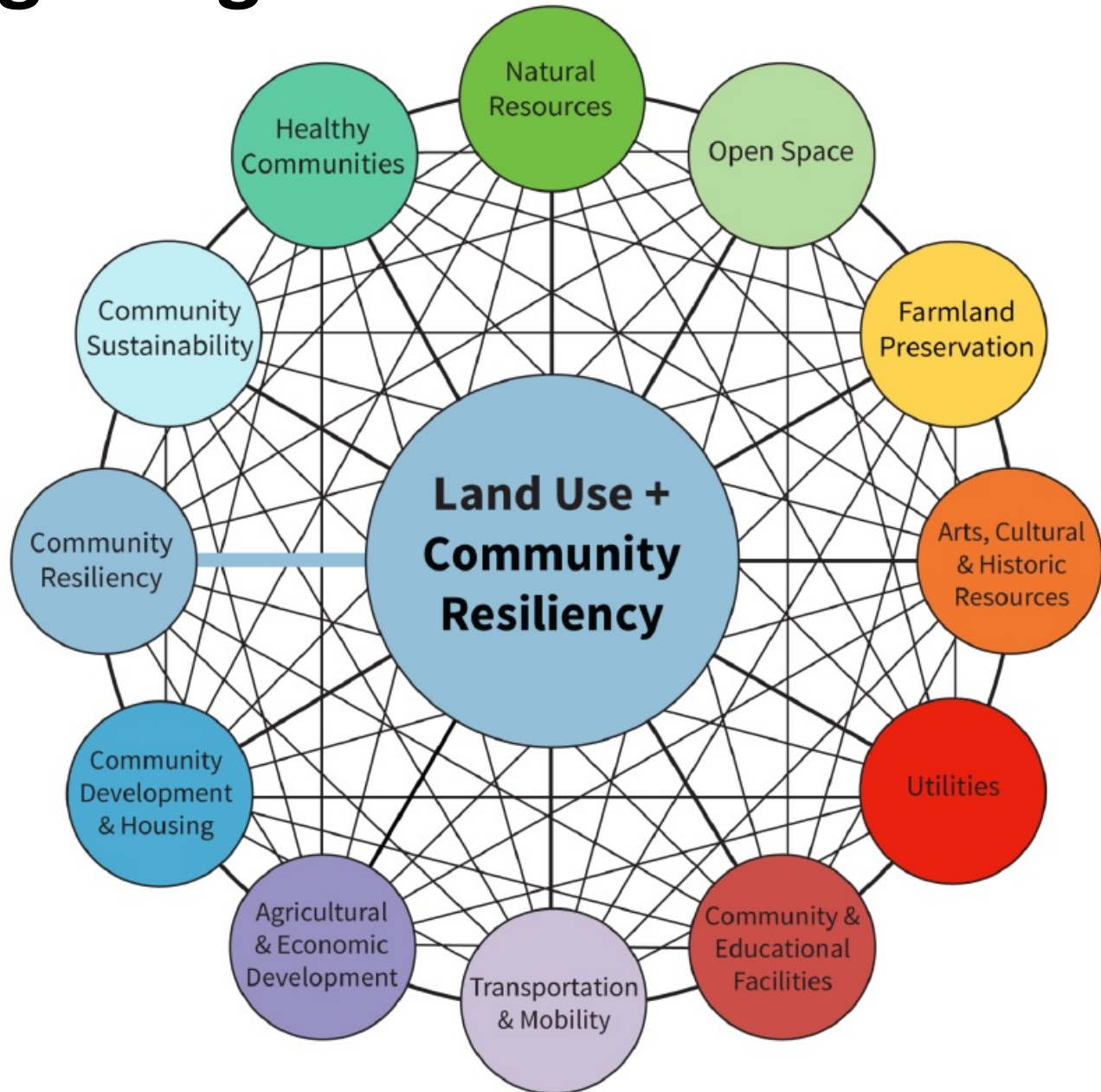


# Public Engagement





# Planning Integration





# Disaster Preparedness and Recovery





# Hazard Mitigation Implementation





# Getting to Resilience

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**Community Rating  
System**



**Hazard Mitigation  
Planning Actions**



**Municipal Certification**

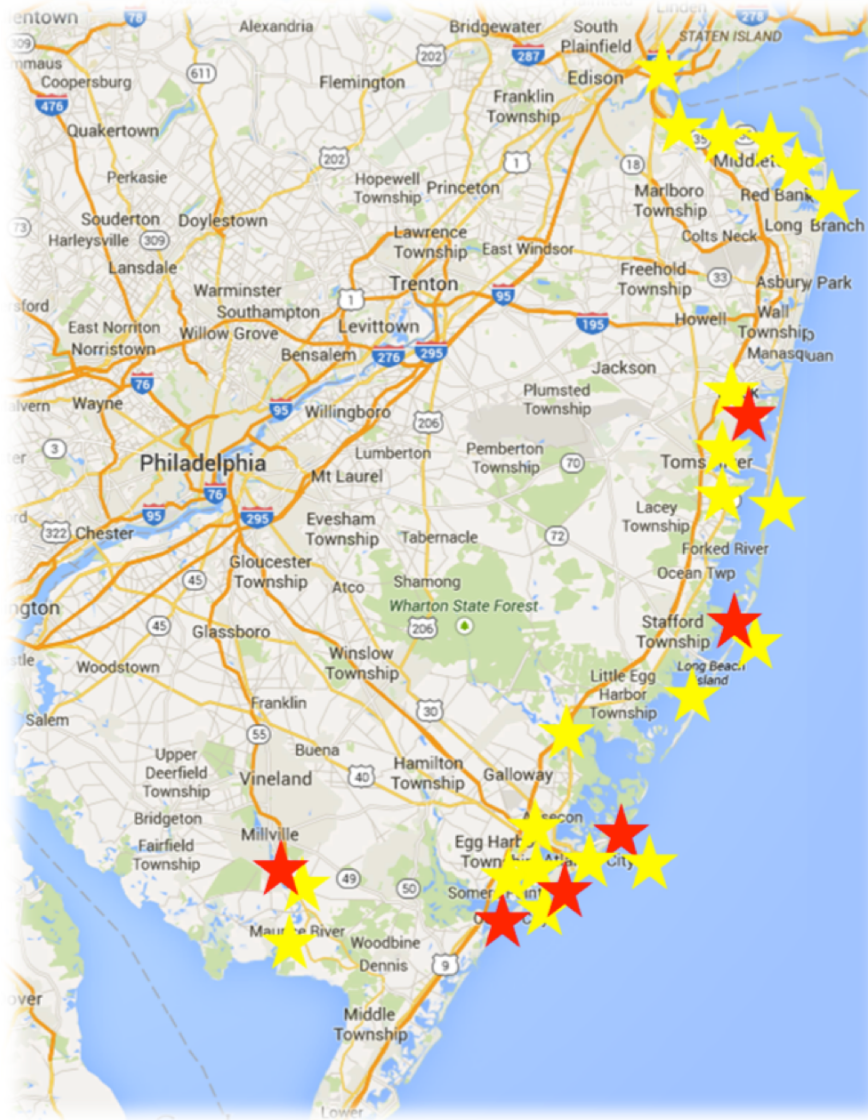




## New Jersey Success Stories



GTR Communities:  
recommendations  
report finalized,  
writing completed  
or in process



Outcomes

**34 Communities have participated  
in “Getting to Resilience”.**





**Brigantine: CRS Class 6 to 5**



# Getting to Resilience

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Preparedness

# Where are we going...



[illegible]

**\$1.00 spent to prevent damages provides the nation about \$4.00 in future benefits.**



# Ecosystem Restoration in the Great Lakes Yields Significant Return on Investment

*Alan Steinman*

Annis Water Resources Institute,  
Grand Valley State University



# Great Lakes

- ~ 90% of US surface fresh water
- ~ 35 million people reside in the Great Lakes basin
- Source of drinking water, transportation, recreation, manufacturing, aesthetics, wildlife habitat





Improvement	Present Value Benefit (relative to baseline)
Increased fish	\$1.2-\$6.0 billion
Reduced water pathogens	\$2-\$3 billion
Improved water clarity	\$4.5 billion
Improved habitat: birds and waterfowl	\$100-\$300 million
Clean up AOCs	\$12-\$19 billion
Housing Values	\$29-41billion
<b>Total Specific Benefits</b>	<b>\$69-\$81 billion</b>



# Great Lakes





# Muskegon Lake



- 17 km<sup>2</sup> drowned river mouth lake
- Direct connection to Lake Michigan
- Historical industrial activities caused habitat degradation
- 315 ha of nearshore habitat filled

1924



Photo: From the Collection of the Muskegon County Museum

Present-day



Photo: Marge Beaver

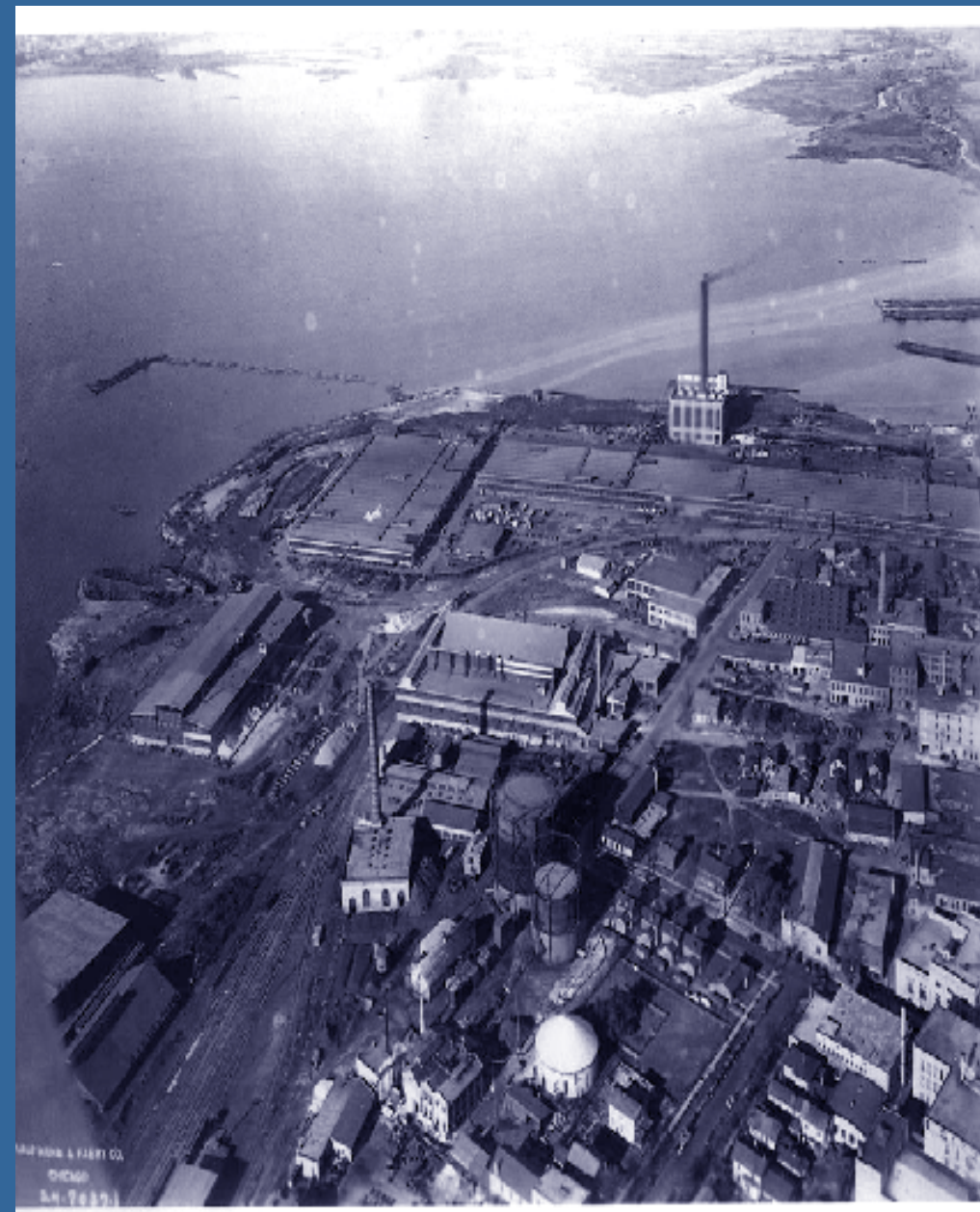


# *Muskegon 1889*





# Muskegon Lake, MI: 1900-1960

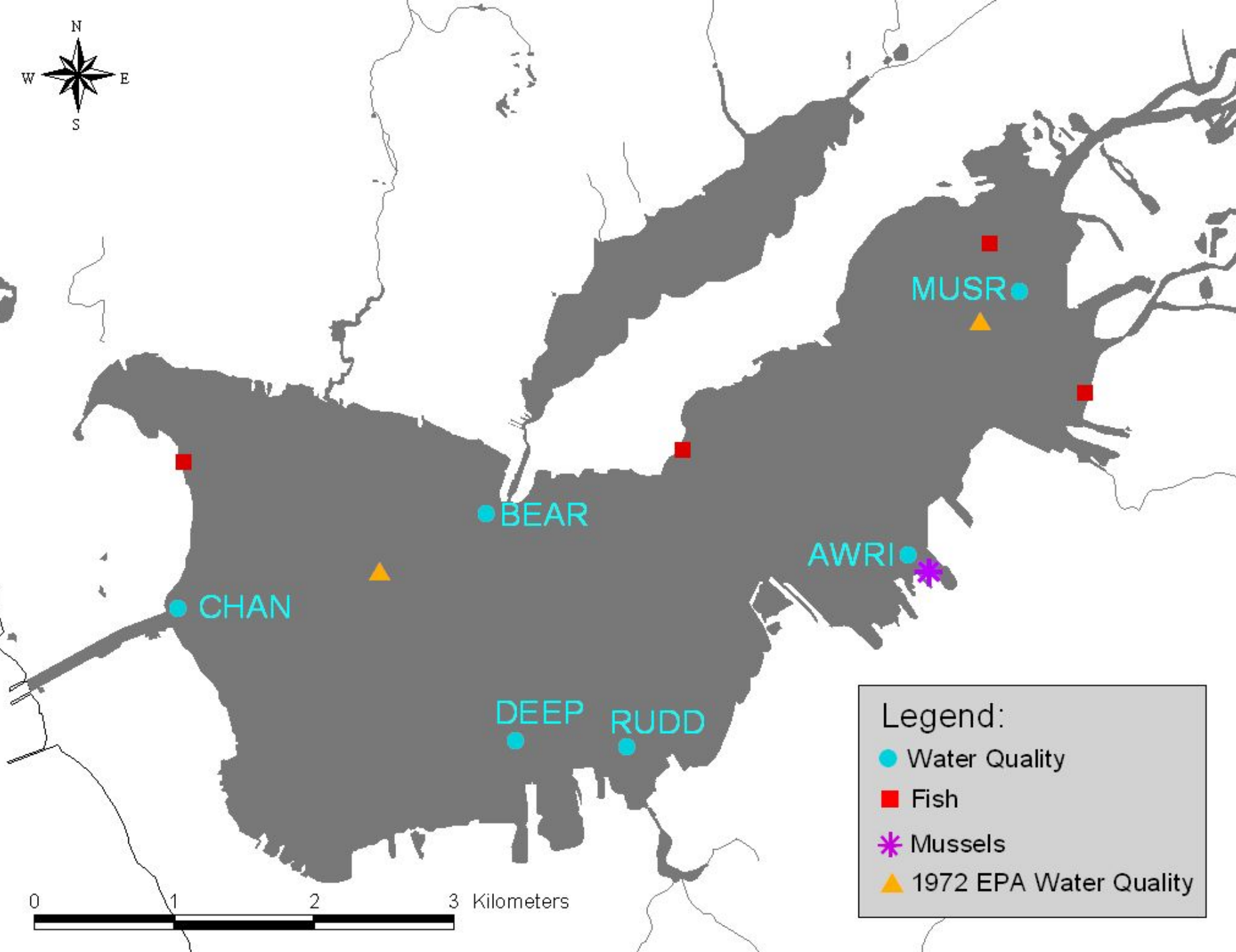
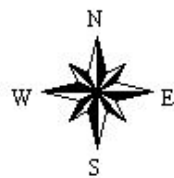




- Over 16% of open water filled in
- 65% of the shoreline had been hardened







Legend:

● Water Quality

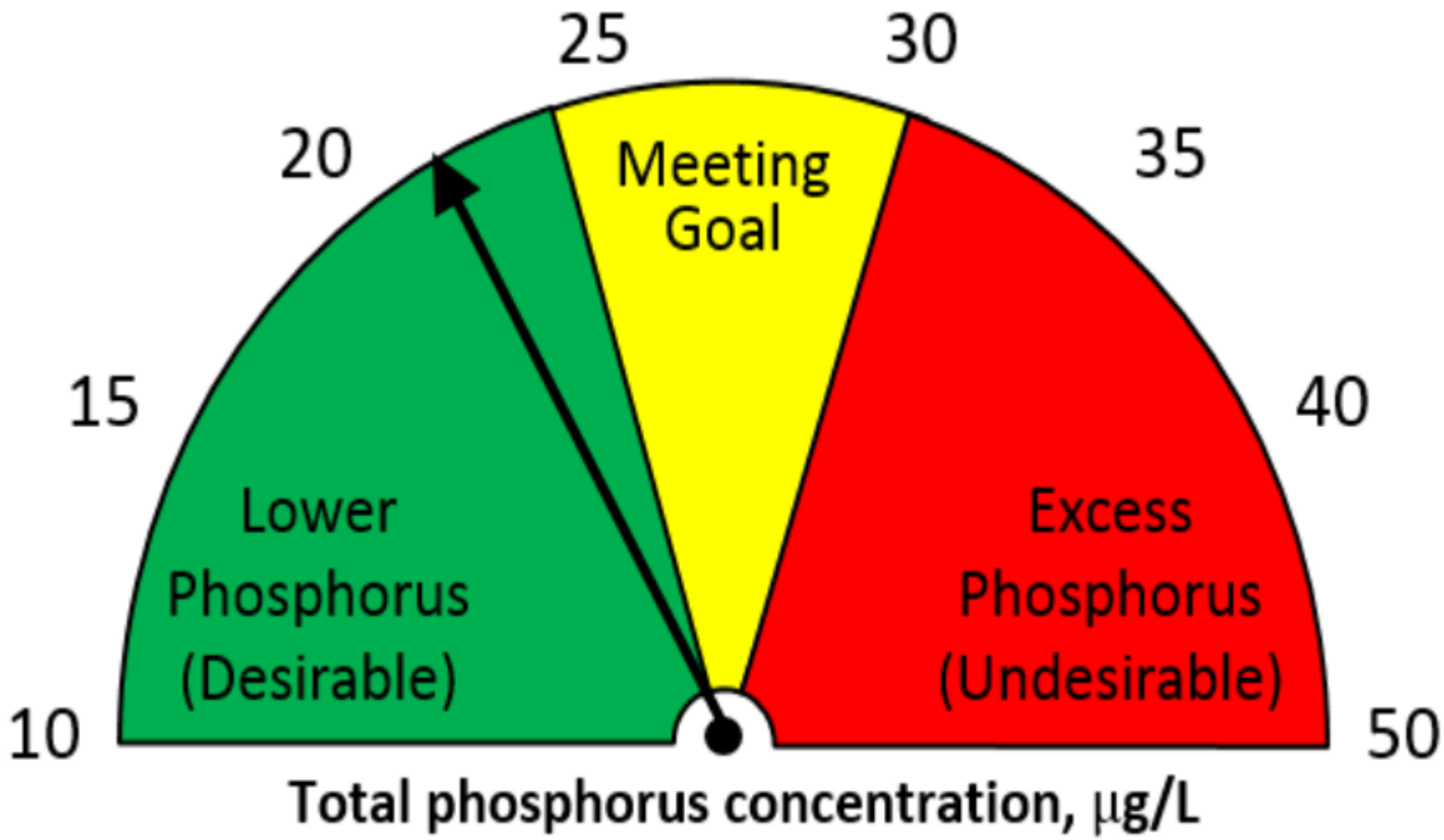
■ Fish

\* Mussels

▲ 1972 EPA Water Quality

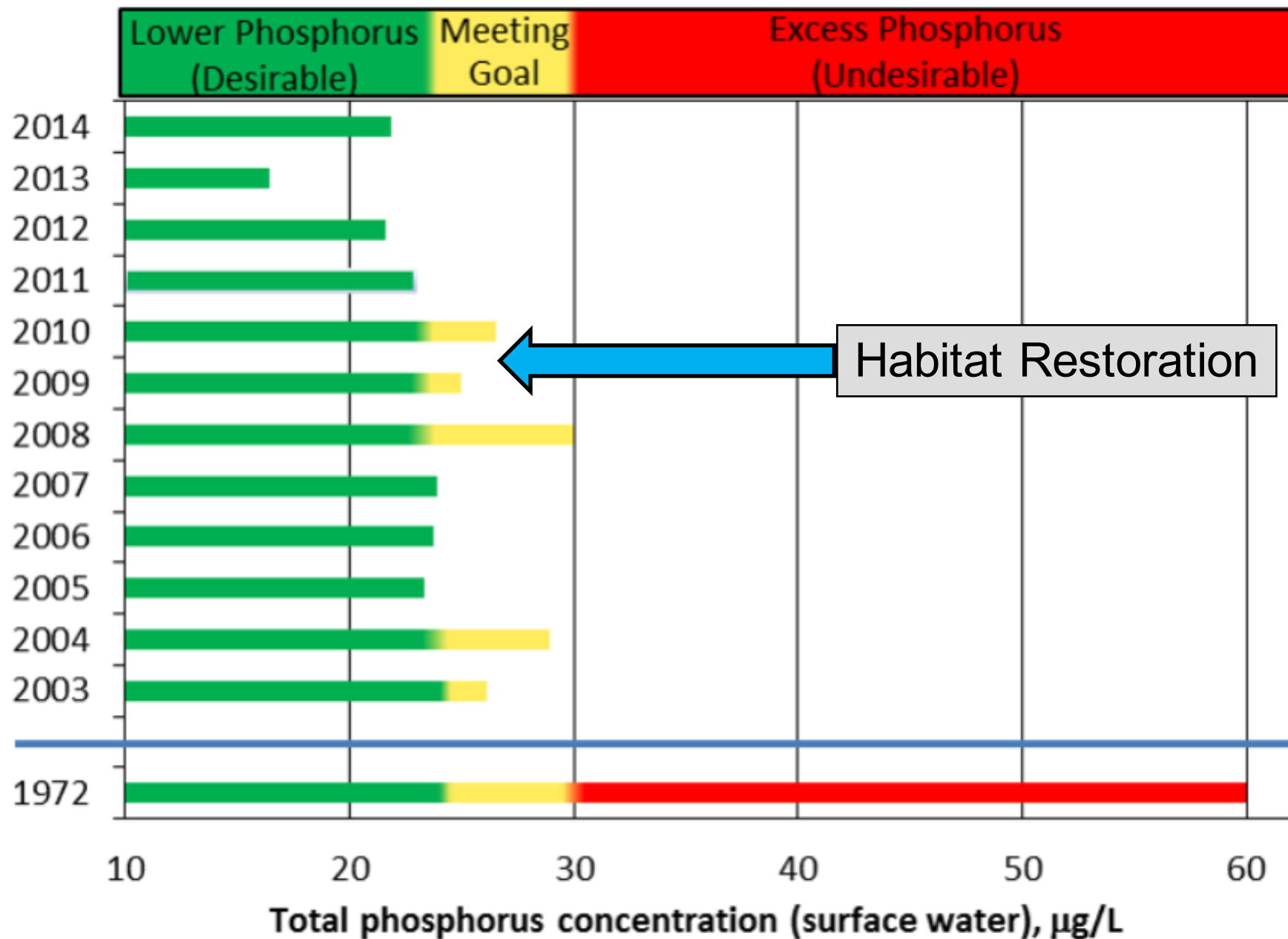


# Muskegon Lake Water Quality Dashboard : 2014



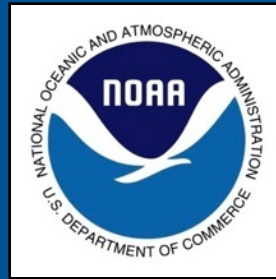


## Historical Status (1972, 2003-2014)





# Muskegon Lake Area of Concern Habitat Restoration Project Partners



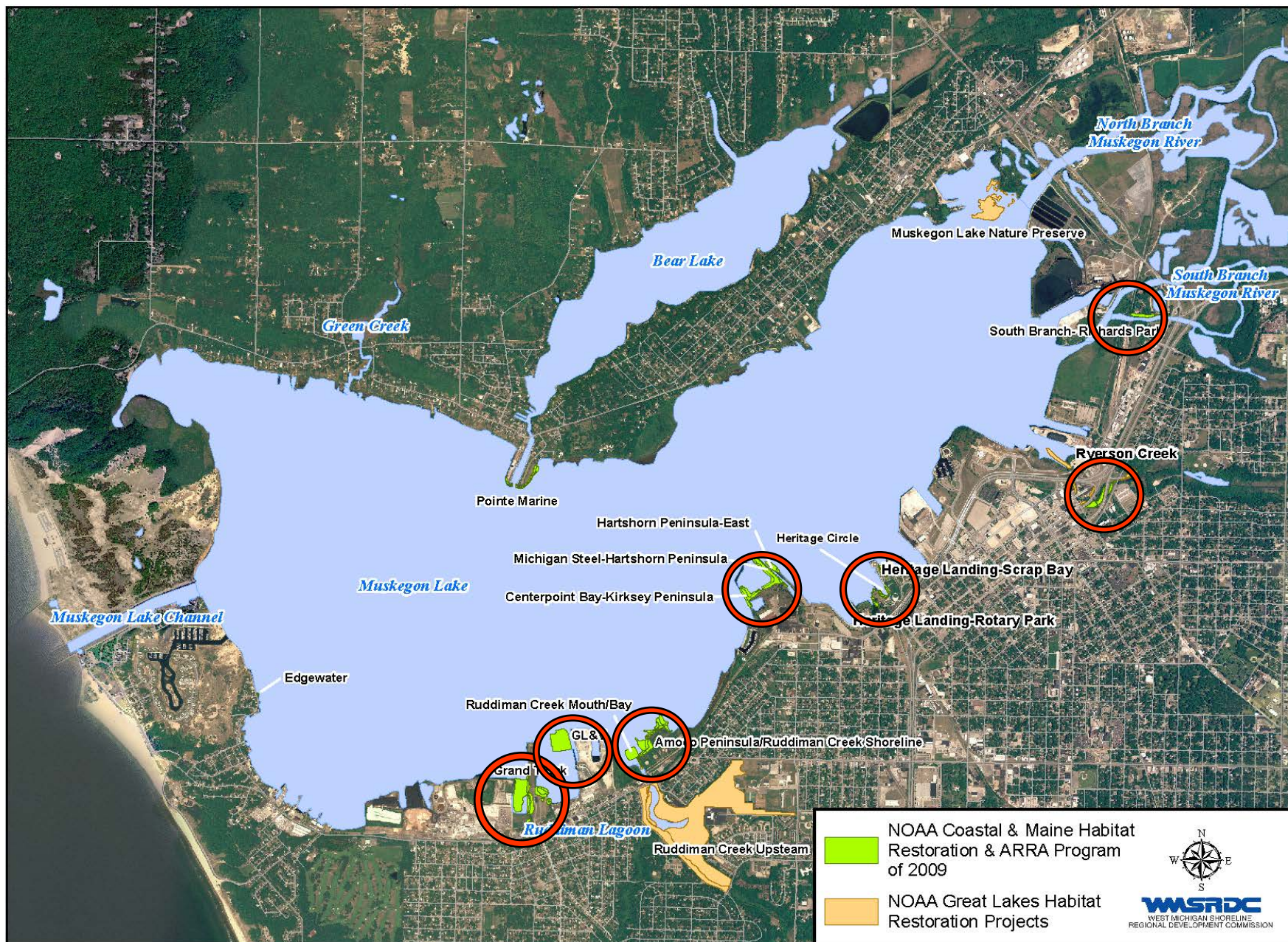
- \$10 million project: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (NOAA)



# Muskegon Lake Habitat Restoration Project

- Restoration goals:
  - Soften ~3,050 m of hardened shoreline
  - Create or restore wetlands (11 ha)
  - Remove unnatural fill (10 ha): 135,000 yd<sup>3</sup>
- Restoration design, construction, and monitoring







# Shoreline Restoration





# Before



# After

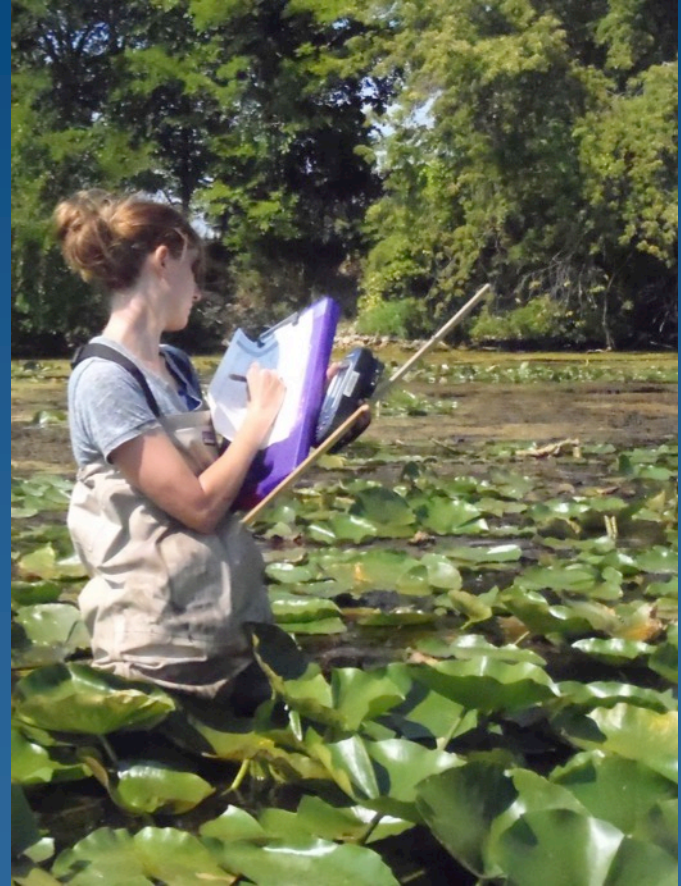


Images: Kathy Evans



# Monitoring

- 3 monitoring elements
  - Macrophytes
  - Fish
  - Socio-economics
- Used science to assess success and inform restoration design





# Valuation of Remediation and Restoration in Muskegon L.

- Housing values
- Recreation values (CV)
- Use and non-use values



# Results

- Housing value prediction: \$11.9 million
- Contingent value prediction: \$3.1 million
- Travel cost prediction: \$6.06 million/yr
- Actual spending in Muskegon: \$9.5 million



# Return on Investment

Add hedonic value (real estate) to actual spending and the present value of travel cost predictions over 10 years:

**\$66.9 Million**  
(\$59.7 – \$81.7 million)

Conservative estimate:

- No health benefits
- No effects counted outside Muskegon
- No multiplier effect
- Accounted for decreasing returns



# Summary

- Created 80 jobs
- Retained 45 jobs
- Equal to 35,933 labor hours
- Economic impact: 6.6 ROI (\$10 million investment resulted in \$66 million)
- Enhanced civic pride



WATCH  
MUSK  
EGON

