

Weymouth Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness

Community Resilience Building Workshop



* Welcome Address

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Presentation agenda

- 1. Your team
- 2. About MVP
- 3. Today's goals & process
- 4. Top natural hazards
- 5. Start small group discussions

Your MVP Team

MVP Project Managers Frank Singleton Bob Luongo Mary Ellen Schloss

MVP Working Group You, the participants

Stantec Consulting Larissa Brown Nels Nelson

Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP)



State and local partnership to build resiliency to climate change

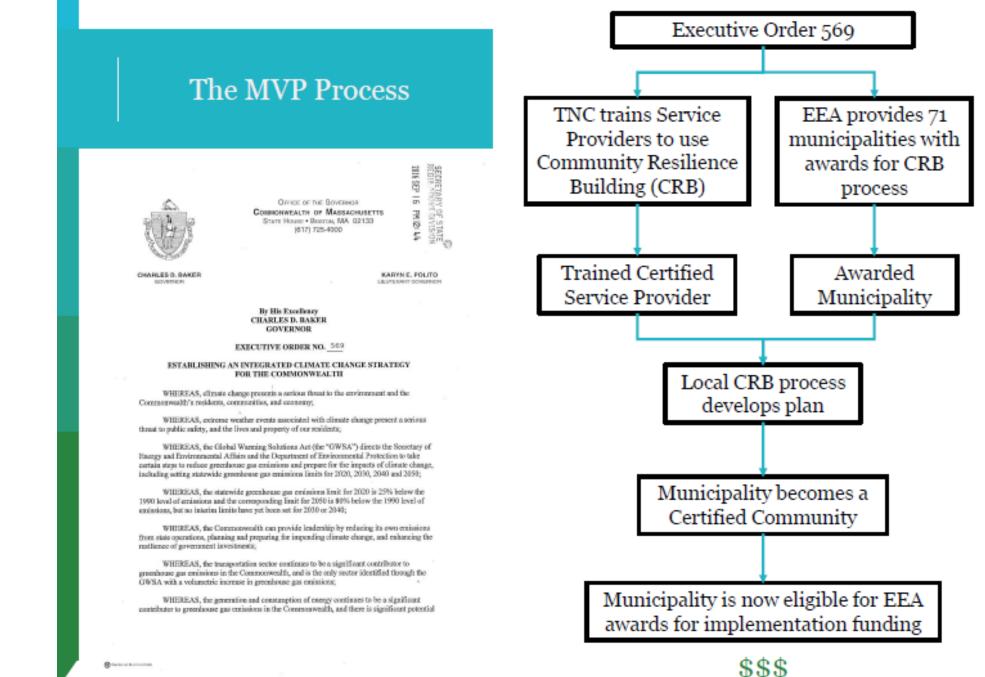


Empowering Communities & Informing Statewide Action

- Community-led process
- Partnerships and leveraging existing efforts
- Communities as local innovators
- Frame coordinated statewide efforts.

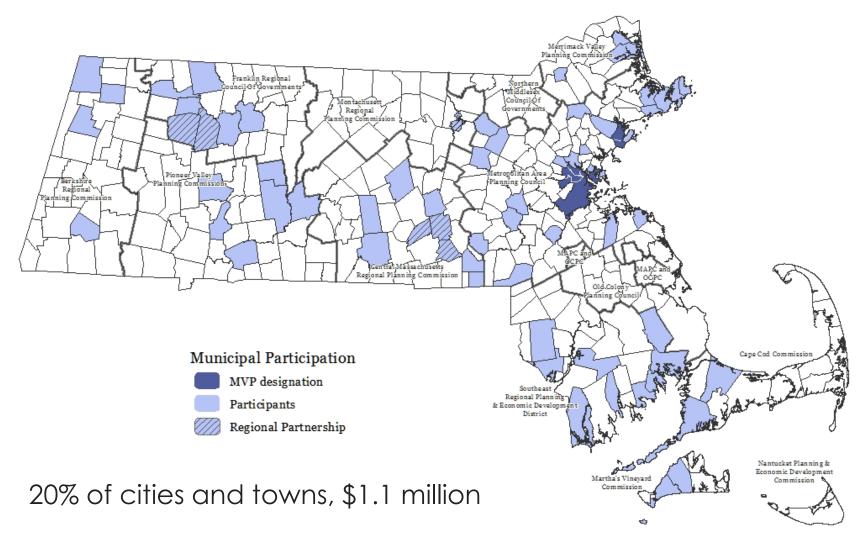


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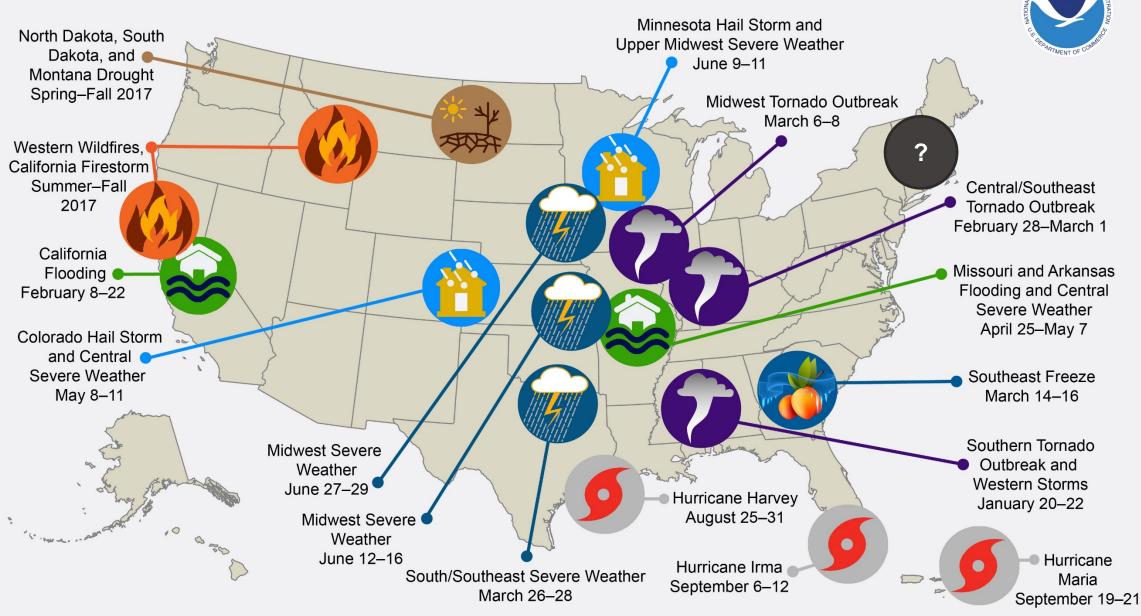


Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Program 2017-2018

IV. MVP Program



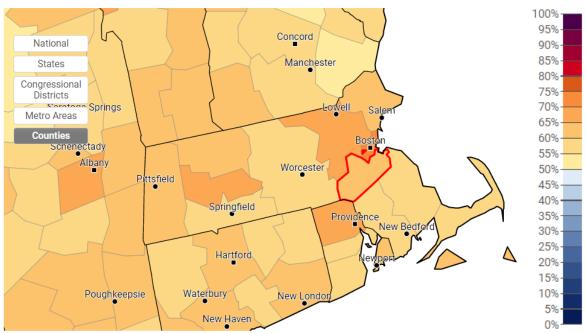
U.S. 2017 Billion-Dollar Weather and Climate Disasters



This map denotes the approximate location for each of the 16 billion-dollar weather and climate disasters that impacted the United States during 2017.

Public Opinion Estimates, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, 2016

Global warming is happening 5	D%		
Yes	76%		10% No
Trust climate scientists about global warming			
Somewhat/Strongly trust	77%	22% Somewhat	/Strongly distrust
Regulate CO2 as a pollutant			
Support		80% 20%	Oppose
Set strict CO2 limits on existing coal-fired power plants			
Support	75%	24%	Oppose



Estimated % of adults who are worried about global warming, 2016

http://environment.yale.edu/ycom/factsheets/MapPage/2017Rev/?est=worried&type=value&geo=county&id=25021



Evaluation of June 9, 2014 Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance Study for Town of Weymouth, Norfolk, Co, MA

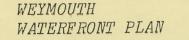


TOWN OF WEYMOUTH HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 2014 UPDATE





Revised Draft Plan Update for MEMA and FEMA Review May 15, 2015





AUGUST, 1988

TOWN OF WEYMOUTH OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION PLAN TABLE OF CONTENTS ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS SECTION 1: PLAN SUMMARY SECTION 2: INTRODUCTION Statement of Purpose Planning Proces Enhanced Outreach SECTION 3: COMMUNITY SETTING Regional Context History of the Comm Population Characteristics Growth and Development Patterns SECTION 4: ENVIRONMENTAL INVENTORY AND ANALYSIS Geology, Topography, and Soils... Landscape Character Water Resources Vegetation___ Fisheries and Wildlife 4-10 Scenic Resources and Unique Environments Environmental Challenges & Problems SECTION 5: INVENTORY OF LANDS OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION 5-Overview Protected Private Parcel B - 2. Unprotected Private Parcels Protected Public and Nonprofit Parcels (Except Town-Owned Propert Table 5-4: Town-Owned Recreation Property Table 5-5: Town-Owned Conservation Property SECTION 6: COMMUNITY VISION Description of Process Statement of Open Space and Recreation Goa SECTION 7: ANALYSIS OF NEEDS Summary of Resource Protection Needs

Weymouth Regulatory Assessment for Healthy Community Design

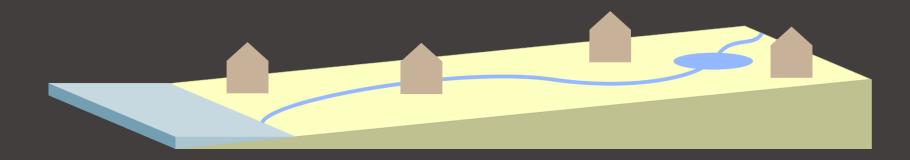
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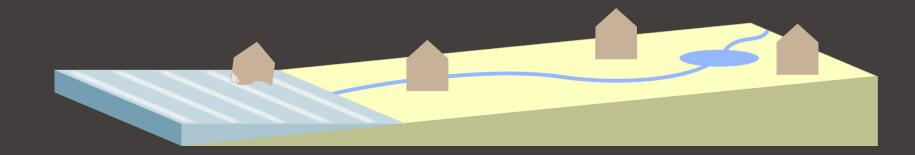
FIRM Analysis for Weymouth, Massachusetts



June 16, 2015 7:00pm Woodard & Curran Woods Hole Group

What are the top four natural hazards for Weymouth?





Coastal flooding and sea level rise
3 feet of sea level rise by 2100

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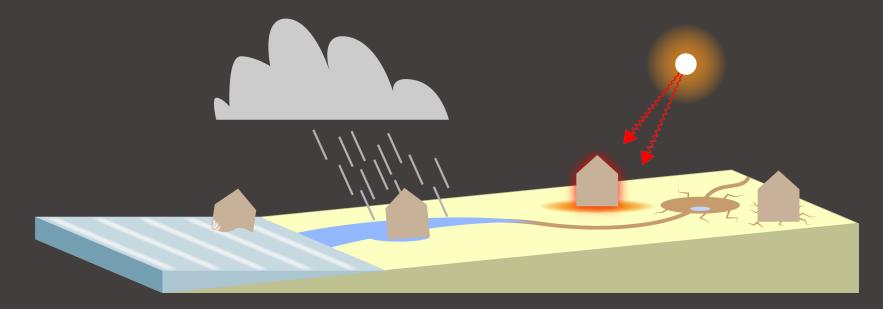
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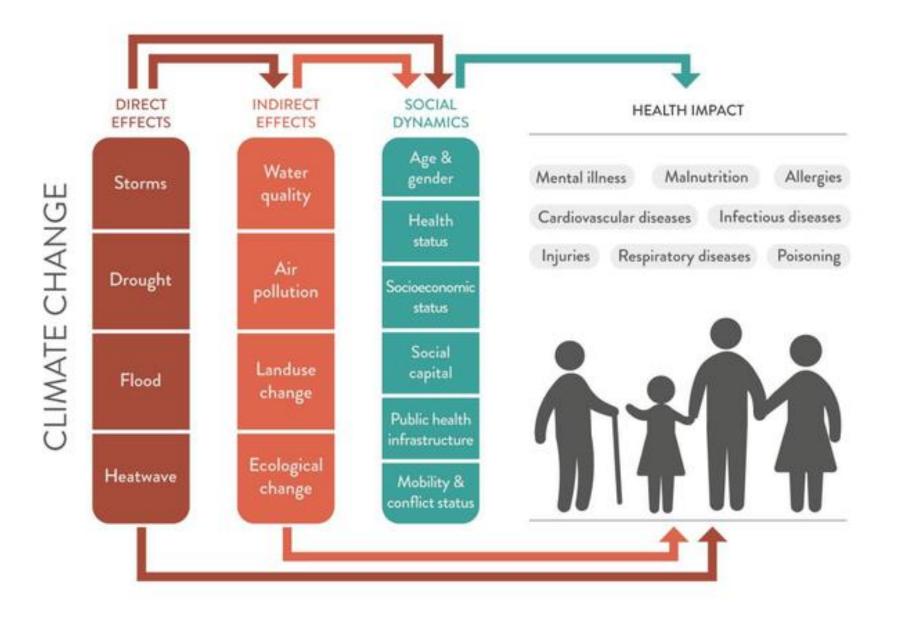
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Societal Features

- Availability of services
- Vulnerable populations, elderly, disabled, low income, etc.
- Response personnel
- Community networks
- Civic groups



Infrastructural Features

- Housing
- Schools
- Roads
- Bridges
- Utilities
- Shoreline protection
- Docks



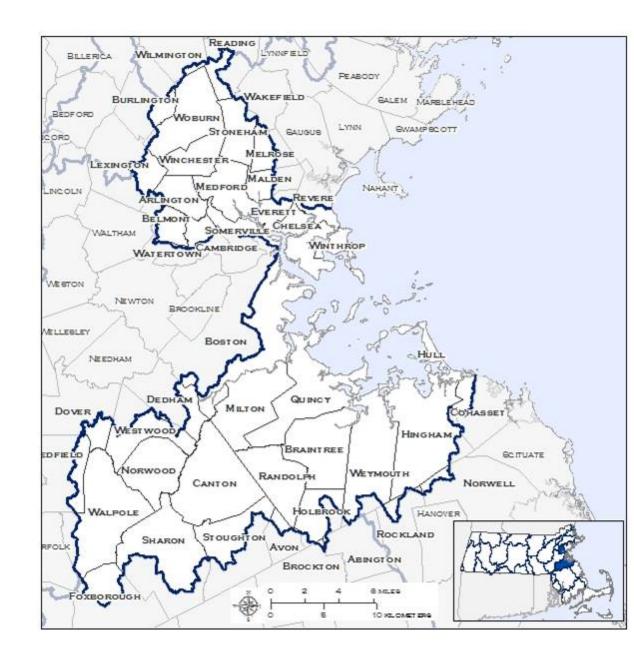
Environmental Features

- Wetlands
- Reservoirs
- Rivers
- Salt marshes
- Fish runs
- Aquifers
- Conservation areas
- Dunes



Standardized State Climate Projections

Researchers from the Northeast Climate Science Center at the UMass Amherst developed projections for changes in temperature, precipitation, and sea level rise for each basin in the state.



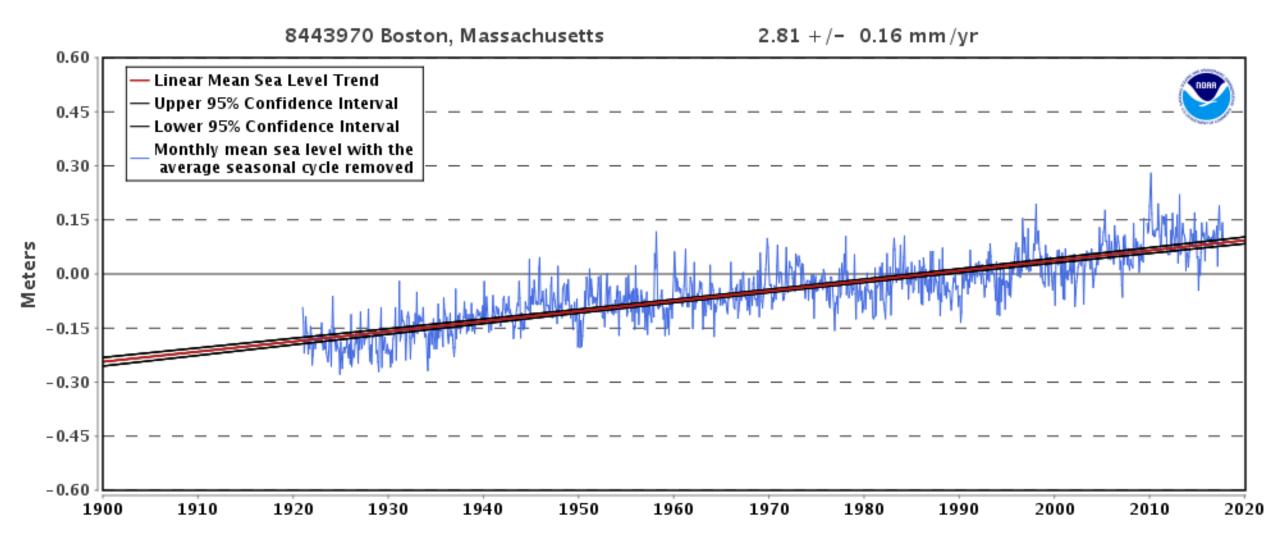
1. Coastal flooding and sea level rise

Residents being carried by firefighters through icy flood waters to safety in Weymouth during the height of January 4's storm

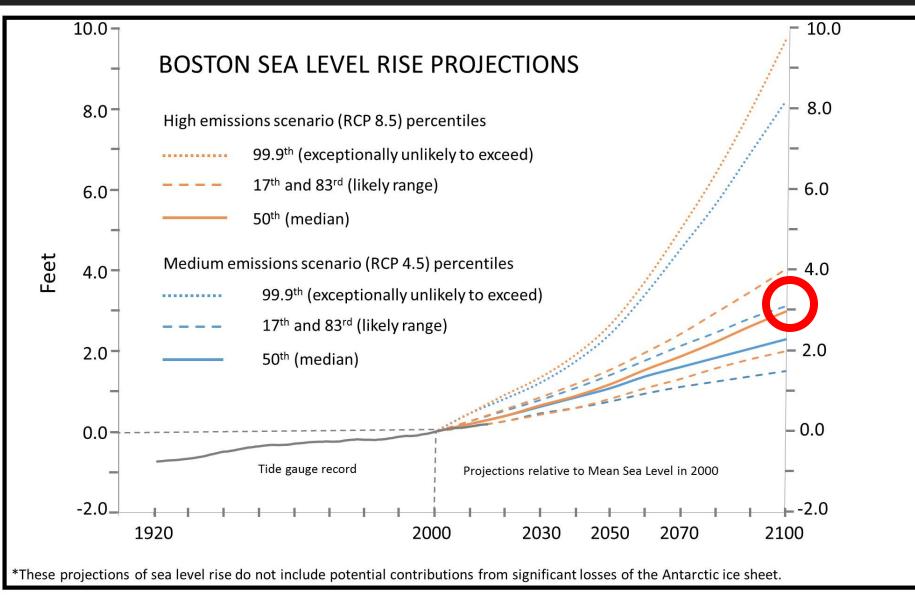
> Waves crashing over Fort Point Road (7)

http://boston.cbslocal.com/2018/01/04/weymouth-flood-rescue-blizzard-2018-firefighters-wessagusset-beach/ http://weymouth.wickedlocal.com/news/20180105/flooding-leaves-its-mark-in-north-weymouth-neighborhood

Average sea level rise in Boston for the last century



State's estimate of likely SLR between 2000 and 2100 is 3 feet





Dont'a Hightower



Brandon Browner

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Malcolm Butler

2nd & Goal

On the 1-yard line in Super Bowl XLIX with a game-clinching interception by then-rookie cornerback Malcolm Butler with 26 seconds remaining in the game.

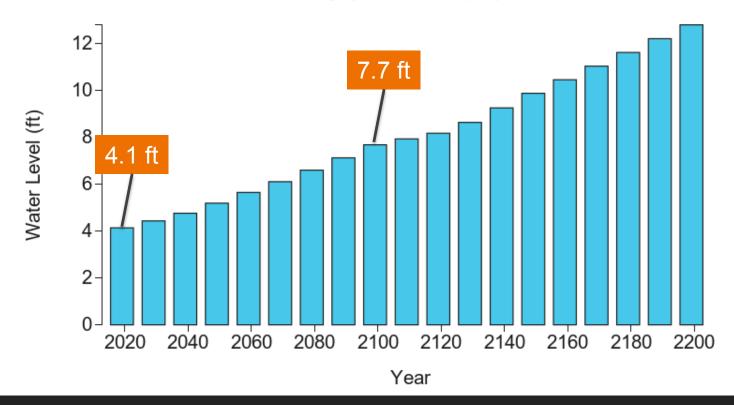
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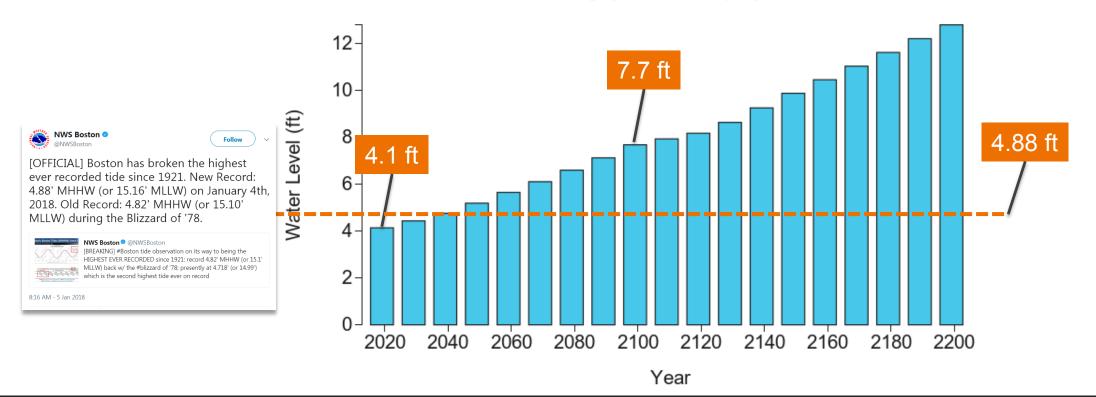
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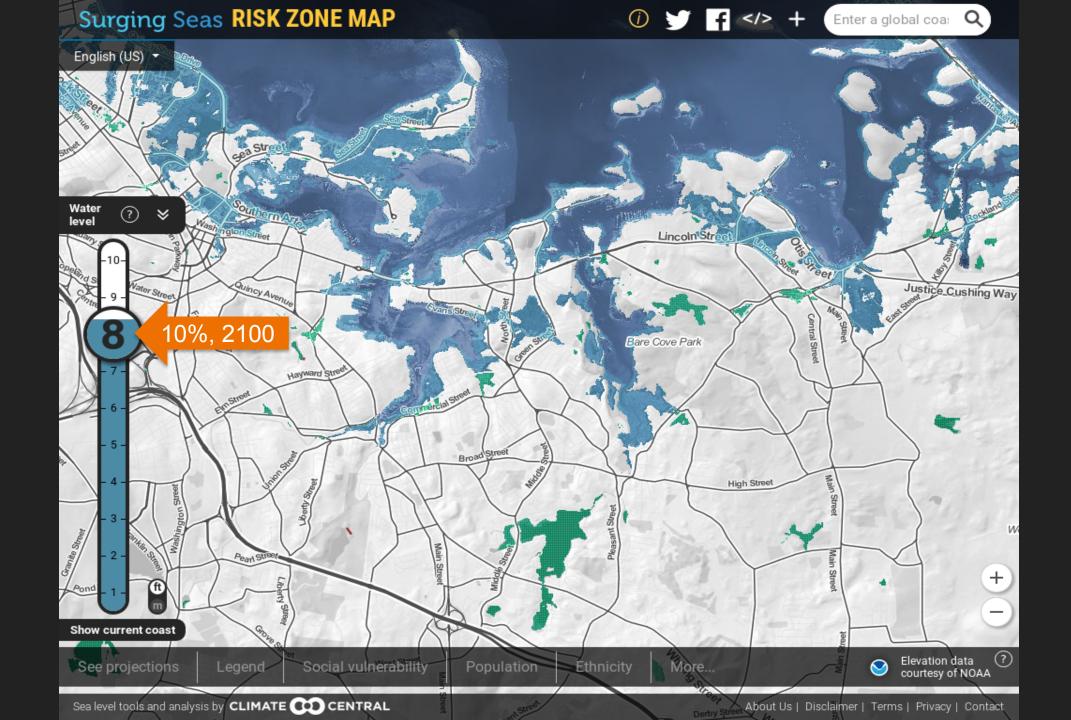
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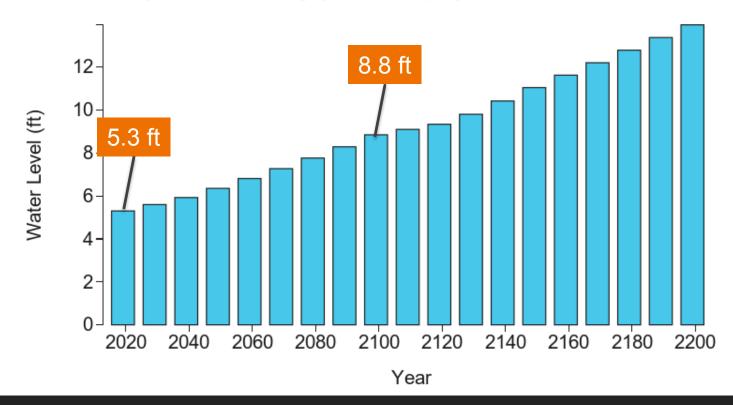






Projected sea level rise + major flood level

A "major flood" has a roughly 1% chance per year

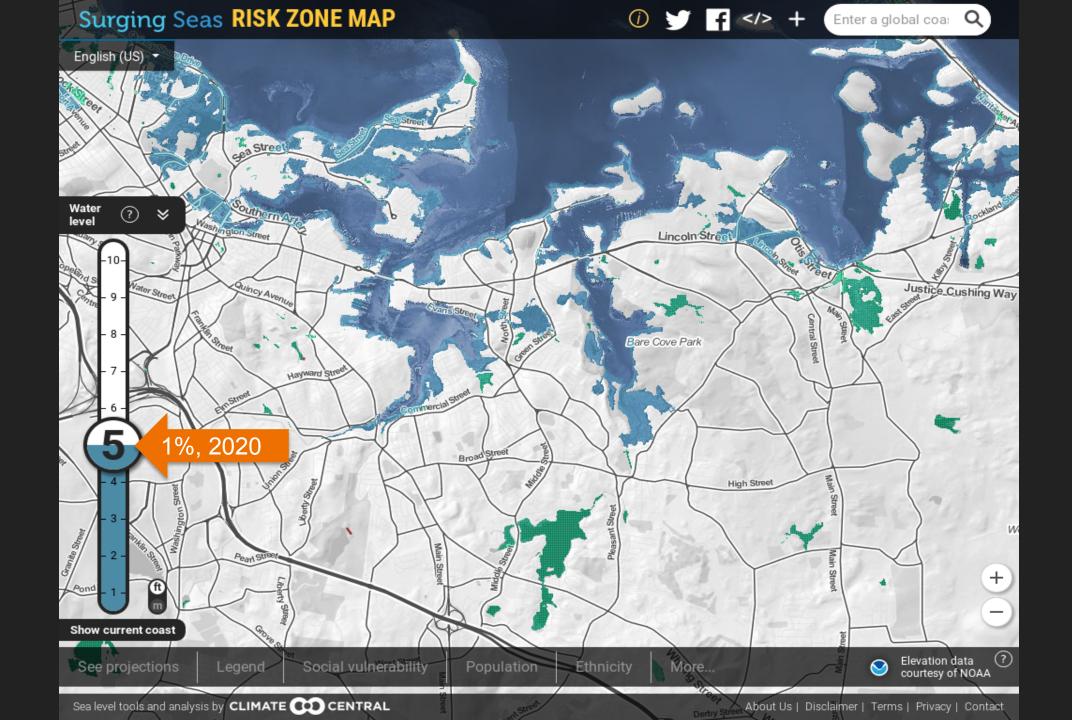


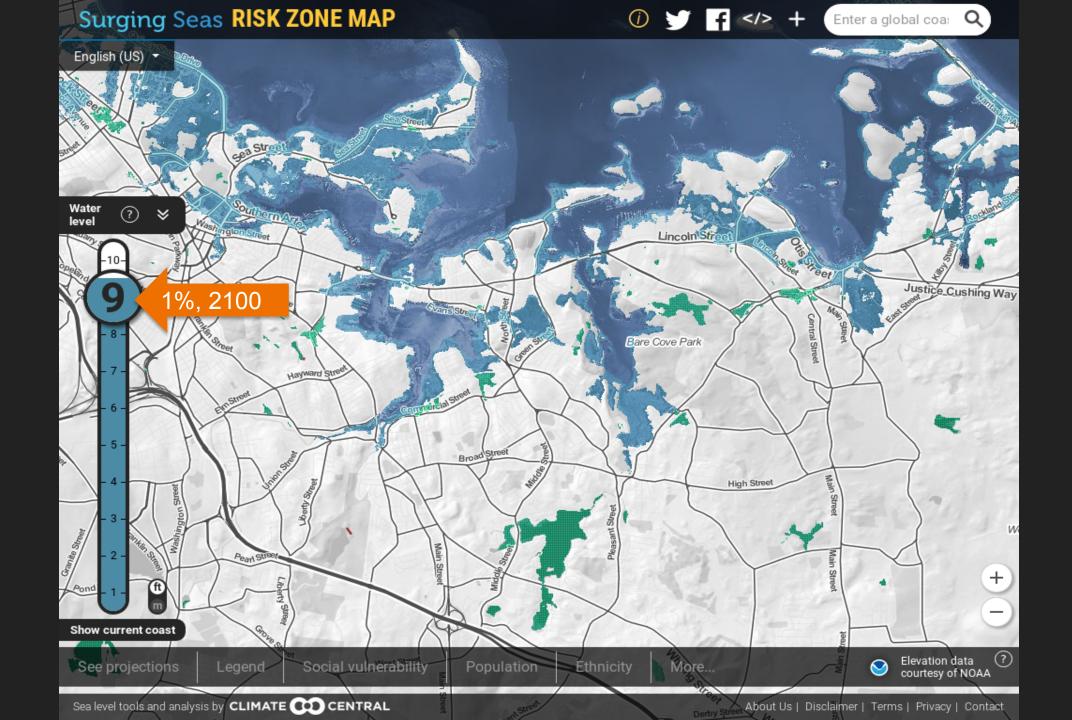
A 5.3' extreme flood today becomes an 8.8' flood in 2100 with sea level rise

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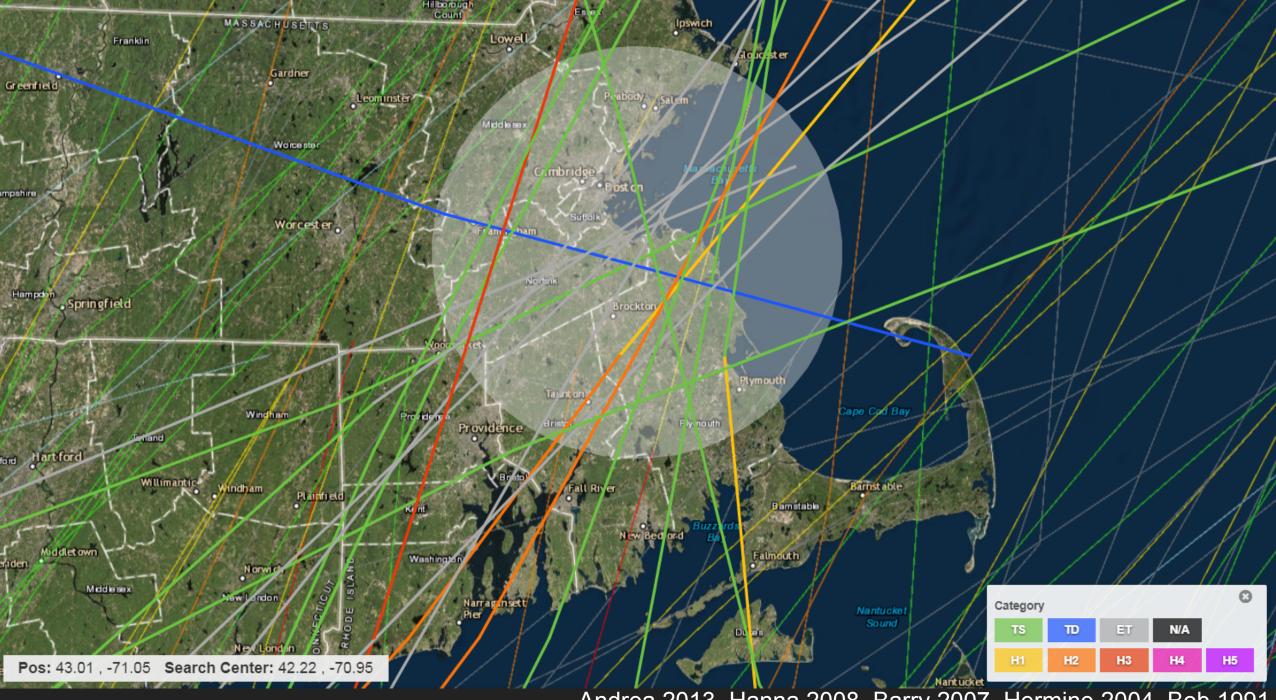
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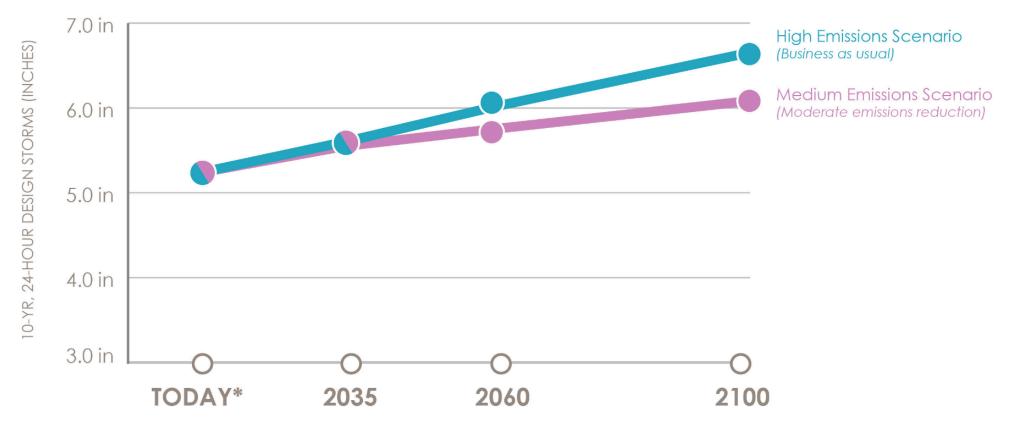




https://coast.noaa.gov/hurricanes/

Andrea 2013, Hanna 2008, Barry 2007, Hermine 2004, Bob 1991

RAINFALL FROM STORMS WILL INCREASE



* "Today" baseline represents historical average from 1948-2012 Confidence intervals are not available for these projections but are likely large, so these numbers should be considered as the middle of a large range

Data Source: Boston Water & Sewer Commission

https://keepcool.mapc.org/info/why-is-it-so-hot

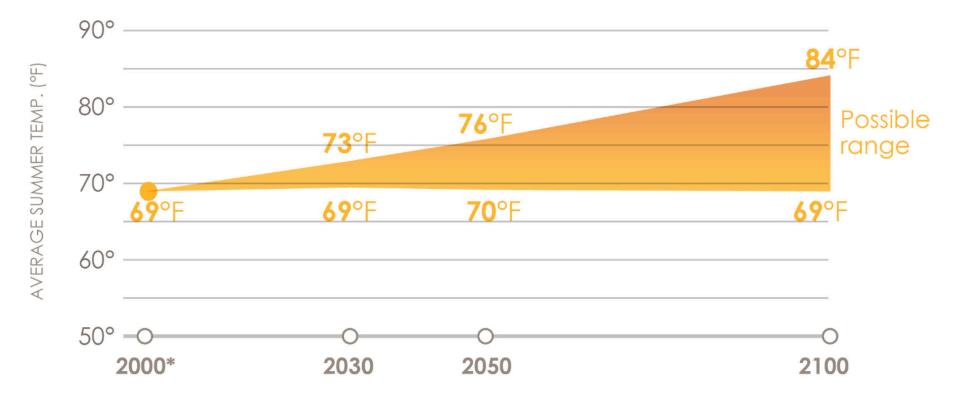
3.46 inches of rain fell in Dorchester, August 2, 2017

Rainy Days in Boston Harbor Basin		Observed Baseline 1971-2000 (Days)	End of Century (Range of Change in Days)
	Annual	9.06	+1.28 to 4.43
	Winter	2.4	+0.41 to 2.20
Days with Precipitation Over 1"	Spring	2.04	+0.23 to 1.33
	Summer	1.96	-0.17 to +0.61
	Fall	2.64	-0.33 to +1.01
	Annual	1.27	+0.27 to 1.19
	Winter	0.2	+0.02 to 0.34
Days with Precipitation Over 2"	Spring	0.21	+0.01 to 0.36
	Summer	0.41	-0.07 to +0.13
	Fall	0.44	-0.08 to +0.45
	Annual	0.08	-0.03 to +0.20
Days with Precipitation Over 4"	Winter	0.00	0.00 to 0.00
	Spring	0.00	-0.00 to +0.06
	Summer	0.03	-0.02 to +0.10
	Fall	0.05	-0.02 to +0.12

Rain in Boston	Harbor Basin	Observed Baseline 1971-2000 (Inches)	End of Century (Range of Change in Inches)
	Annual	46.07	+1.09 to 9.03
Total Precipitation	Winter	11.82	+0.37 to 4.07
	Spring	11.59	+0.30 to 2.83
	Summer	10.51	-1.66 to +2.23
	Fall	12.18	-1.64 to +1.78

3. Extreme heat

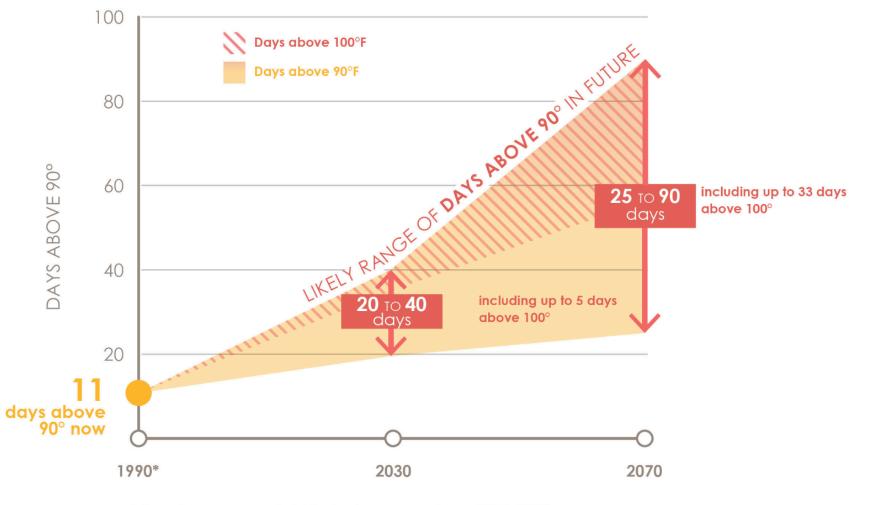
AVERAGE SUMMER TEMPERATURE WILL INCREASE



* Baseline represents historical average from 1981-2010 Upper values from high emissions scenario. Lower values from low emissions scenario.

Data source: Houser et al 2015

THE NUMBER OF VERY HOT DAYS WILL INCREASE

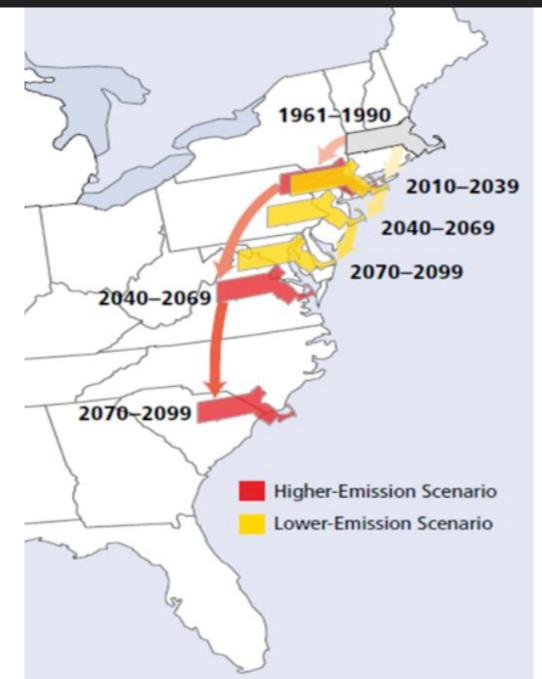


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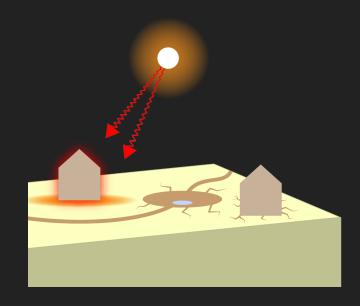
What will it feel like in the future?



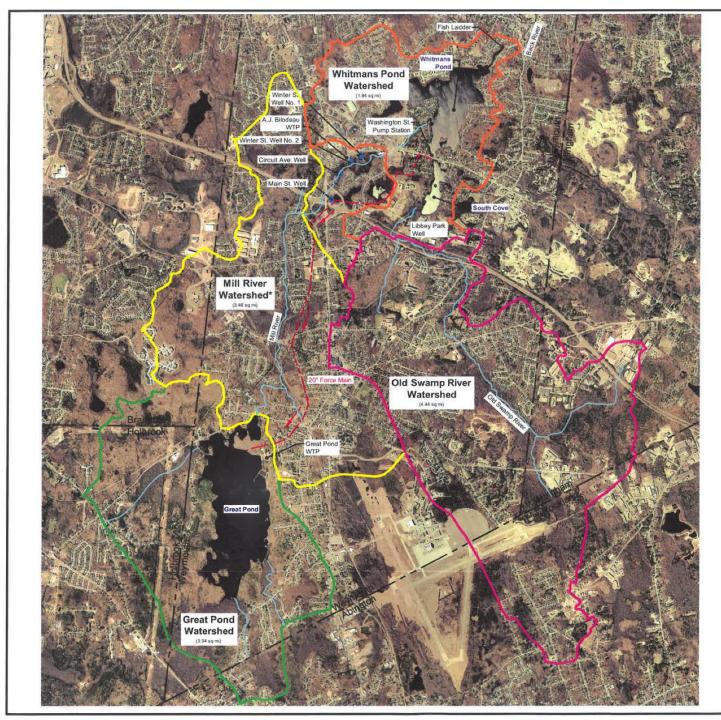
Highs and Lows in Boston Harbor Basin		Observed Baseline 1971-2000 (°F)	End of Century (Range of Change in °F)	
	Annual	50.13	+3.46 to 10.84	
	Winter	29.84	+3.87 to 10.34	
Average Temperature	Spring	47.65	+3.13 to 9.79	
	Summer	70.07	+3.39 to 12.11	
	Fall	52.58	+3.78 to 11.60	
	Annual	59.55	+3.19 to 10.74	
	Winter	38.38	+3.42 to 9.56	
Maximum Temperature	Spring	57.46	+3.08 to 9.66	
	Summer	80.04	+3.22 to 12.21	
	Fall	61.93	+3.63 to 11.78	
	Annual	40.7	+3.75 to 10.95	
Minimum Temperature	Winter	21.31	+4.33 to 10.91	
	Spring	37.84	+3.25 to 9.76	
	Summer	60.11	+3.56 to 12.02	
	Fall	43.22	+3.92 to 11.41	

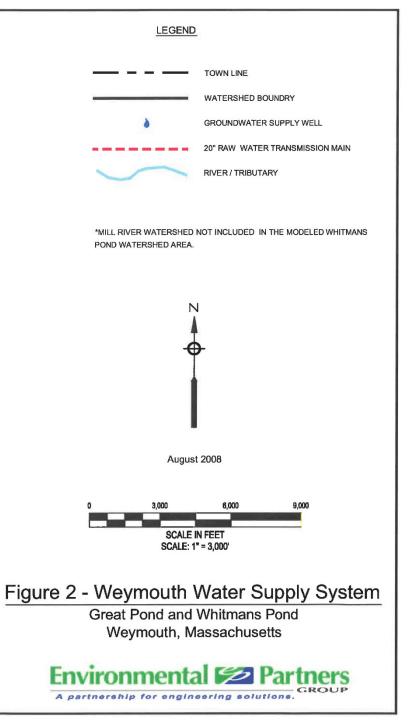
Hot Days in Boston Harbor B	Observed Baseline 1971-2000 (Days)	End of Century (Range of Change in Days)	
	Annual	7.85	+11.54 to 66.93
Days with Maximum Temperature	Winter	0.00	0.00 to 0.00
	Spring	0.5	+0.29 to 3.97
Over 90°F	Summer	7.04	+10.28 to 51.95
	Fall	0.31	+1.19 to 10.97
	Annual	1.08	+4.55 to 40.58
Days with Maximum Temperature	Winter	0.00	0.00 to 0.00
	Spring	0.01	+0.03 to 1.51
Over 95°F	Summer	1.05	+4.34 to 35.56
	Fall	0.02	+0.26 to 4.83
	Annual	0.05	+0.55 to 15.67
Days with Maximum Temperature	Winter	0.00	0.00 to 0.00
	Spring	0.00	0.00 to +0.36
Over 100°F	Summer	0.05	+0.52 to 14.23
	Fall	0.00	+0.01 to 1.21

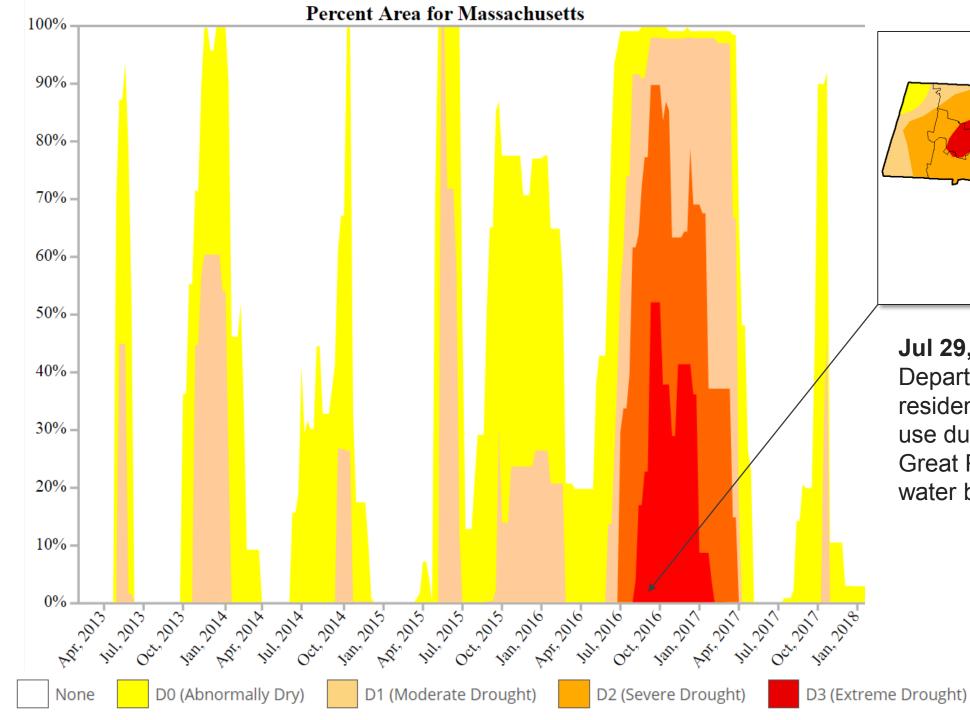
Cold Days in Boston Harbor	Observed Baseline 1971-2000 (Days)	End of Century (Range of Change in Days)	
	Annual	2.58	-0.92 to -2.1
	Winter	2.57	-0.91 to -2.06
Days with Minimum Temperature Below 0°F	Spring	0.01	-0.11 to -0.00
	Summer	0.00	0.00
	Fall	0.00	0.00
	Annual	119.21	-22.54 to -65.69
	Winter	76.48	-8.93 to -34.12
Days with Minimum Temperature Below 32°F	Spring	26.51	-7.95 to -19.54
Delow 32 F	Summer	0.00	-0.03 to -0.00
	Fall	16.19	-5.80 to -14.06

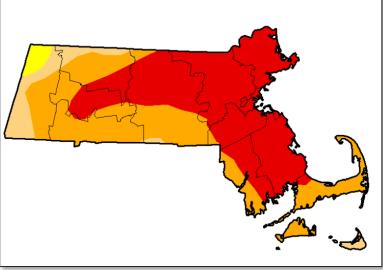


4. Drought







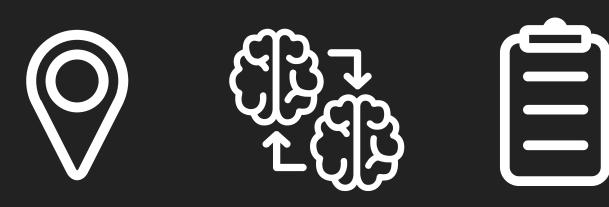


Jul 29, 2016: The Weymouth Department of Public Works asks residents to limit outdoor water use due to a drought watch. Great Pond falls within 1 foot of a water ban.

Dry Days in Boston Harbor Basin		Observed Baseline 1971-2000 (Days)	End of Century (Range of Change in Days)
	Annual	17.46	-0.59 to +3.64
Consecutive Dry Days	Winter	11.09	-1.00 to +2.01
	Spring	11.37	-1.31 to +1.27
	Summer	12.58	-1.44 to +2.41
	Fall	12.78	-0.45 to +3.00

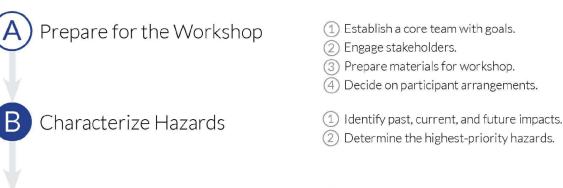
Today's goals





Identify Community Strengths & Vulnerabilities Develop Community Actions Identify Highest Priority Actions

Overview of the Process (Steps & Tasks)



C Identify Community Vulnerabilities and Strengths

Identify and Prioritize Community Actions

Determine the Overall Priority Actions

Put It All Together

Identify societal vulnerabilities and strengths.
Identify environmental vulnerabilities and strengths.

1 Identify infrastructural vulnerabilities and strengths.

Identify and prioritize infrastructural actions.
Identify and prioritize societal actions.
Identify and prioritize environmental actions.

Identify highest-priority actions.
Further define urgency and timing.

Generate final workshop products.

G) Move Forward

Continue community outreach and engagement.
Secure additional data and information.
Inform existing planning and project activities.

Community Components







Environmental

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