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New Jersey Back Bays Coastal Storm Risk Management Study

Overview

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, in partnership with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, is conducting a feasibility study for coastal storm risk management problems within the New Jersey Back Bay area, defined as the network of interconnected tidal water bodies located landward of the New Jersey ocean coastline in Monmouth, Ocean, Atlantic, Burlington, and Cape May Counties. The objective of the study is to investigate problems and solutions to reduce damages from coastal flooding that affects population, critical infrastructure, critical facilities, property, and ecosystems. Some of the measures that will be discussed at tonight's meeting include structural solutions such as storm surge barriers and floodwalls; non-structural solutions such as elevating homes; and nature-based features.

Goal for Tonight's Meeting

The meeting is an opportunity for the general public and stakeholders to learn more about the study process and results to date. Participants are invited to interact with project team members at stations and to provide comments and ask questions (during both the open house session and the question and answer session).

Some notes on tonight's meeting:

- The meeting, including the question and answer session, will be videotaped and posted on the study webpage.
- The full presentation and other background materials will be posted to the study webpage: <http://www.nap.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/New-Jersey-Back-Bays-Coastal-Storm-Risk-Management/>

During tonight's meeting, we will be accepting questions and comments. We hope to encourage a productive discussion and will give as many members of the public as possible an opportunity to speak. To help us reach that goal, we ask the following:

- Please hold all comments and questions until the end of the presentation.
- Due to time constraints during the open microphone Q & A session, participants will be limited to **two minutes** for comments and questions.

Team members will be available to answer questions at various stations around the room before tonight's presentation, and comment forms are available at our welcome station. If we do not get the opportunity to address your question this evening, please note this will **not** be the only opportunity for public comment. After tonight's session, please feel free to submit your thoughts:

- Via email to PDPA-NAP@usace.army.mil;
- [In writing to:](#) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Planning Division, 100 Penn Square E., Philadelphia, PA 19107;
- There will also be future public comment opportunities as part of the formal National Environmental Policy Act process.