Water resources planning for Broward county in response to climate change

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ANTICIPATED IMPACTS

- Climate change and sea level rise
- More extreme weather
- Increased flooding

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- More intense wind damage and storm surge
- More severe beach erosion
- Impacts to water supplies Degradation of natural





VULNERABILITIES

- Billions in public and private infrastructure
- Water supply and water management systems
- Critical habitat and natural systems
- Recreational and commercial fisheries
- Communities and aconomies





POLICY & PLANNING INITIATIVES

- 4- County Southeast Florida Regional Compact
- Regional, County Climate Action Plan
 - Commission Goals





A Region Responds to a Changing Climate

Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact Counties

Regional Climate Action Plan October 2012





WATER RESOURCE PLANNING

County Comprehensive Plan Elements Land Use Plan Priority Planning Areas: Unified SLR Projection Adaptation Action Areas Pursue infrastructure improvements Integrated Water Management Plans C-51 Reservoir Project Support Everglades Restoration





Sea Level Rise Inundation and Vulnerability Assessment





Vulnerable Critical Infrastructure

Replacement Costs of Transportation





SLR + Surge Cumulative Impact Socio-Economic Modeling & Survey

MONITORING

- Broward:
 - 3 chloride sites from BC Lab
 - Cooperative agreement with USGS for
 - 5 discrete GW level measurements
 - 17 continuous GW measurements
 - 5 quarterly chloride measurements
 - 4 Electromagnetic induction logs
- Additional GW, SW, and Chloride wells funded by USGS/SFWMD/local municipalities
- Flood complaints kept on file with BC Environmental Licensing and Building Permitting Division





RISK MODELING

Climate Vulnerability Groundwater Modeling/ Surface Water Inundation Modeling (USGS)









Coastal Flood Modeling (Surge + Sea Level Rise)



WATER SUPPLY RELOCATION

- In the event coastal well fields are compromised alternative plans have been discussed:
 - Relocation of wells within municipality (occurred in Deerfield, BC, Pompano, Hallandale, Hollywood)
 - Shared water through expanded municipal interconnects
 - Regional facilities



SURFACE WATER CONTROLS

- Request SFWMD to analyze operational capacity at District salinity control structures with SLR projections
- County exploring expanding/movement of structures through modeling
 - Salinity control structures
 - Pump stations



TIDAL FLOOD MANAGEMENT

- Document king tide flooding
- Environmental Licensing and Building Permitting Division track flood complaints
- Modeling to access future high risk areas & effective adaptation strategies
- Expanding economic risk assessment & cost/benefit analysis





Regional Reuse Master Plan



- Collaborate on ocean outfall compliance
- Coordinate with wastewater/water supply providers, municipalities, and regional planning agencies
- SFWMD, FDEP, FDOT, BDOH, MPO

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Investigate the use of right-of-ways, canals, and other corridors



URBAN COMMUNITY: DANIA BEACH





Interconnectivity



MULTI-PURPOSE NATURAL INFRASTRUCTURE



Enhance dune

Underground parking

Reef enhancement

ACTIVE FLOOD CONTROL

Polder

- Isolating areas that require active control
- Raise perimeter roads to act as levees
- Add pump system
- Incorporate canals



Polder

DENSE URBAN COMMUNITY: SOUTH BEACH



- Raise streets
- Garden city
- Increase Water Storage
- Integrate Transit



DESIGN CONCEPTS



Elevate

Densify Buildings



Flood GatesProtectivePromenade

SUBURBAN COMMUNITY: W. MIAMI-DADE

- Engineering Approach
 - Widen Tamiami Canal and build walls
 - Increase pump capacity
 - Increased costs, no real fix

Incremental Approach



RESILIENT REDESIGN APPROACH











DESIGN CONCEPT SUMMARY

- Interconnect resources.
 Densify in naturally resilient areas.
 Enhance and use natural infrastructure for multiple purposes.
 Active flood control using polders.
- Incremental adaptation.
- Living with water. Increase water storage.
- Elevate infrastructure.



LESSONS LEARNED

Build a solid foundation through policy, planning and assessment to gain administrative and stakeholder support for implementation



- Develop tools that aid in communication and decision making
 - Align your agency's goals with state and federal efforts
- Leverage funds through community collaborations and partnerships



Opportunities to get involved

Climate Change Action Plan Update
 Built Environment: March 18th
 Natural Systems: March 23rd

Next Resilient Redesign in July 2015

www.broward.org/natural resources