Nature-Based Solutions in Planning and Practice

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Green Infrastructure as a Near-Term & Flexible Adaptation Strategy

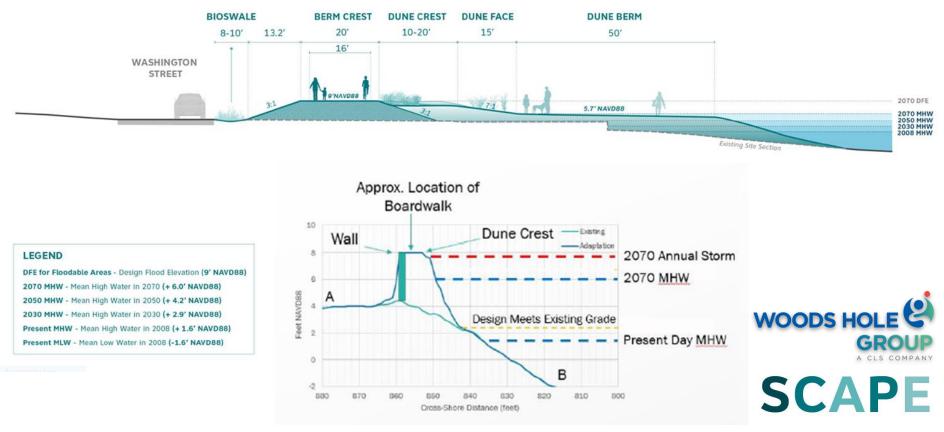




Floodable, Public, Open Spaces

A Resilient Washington Street









What do we know? Probabilities from the MC-FRM

Table 1. Peak water levels utilized for the performance modeling.

Event Case (Annual Exceedance)	Year	Peak Water Level (ft, NAVD88)
10% (10 year) storm	Present Day	6.0
10% (10 year) storm	2030	6.9
50% (2 year) storm	Present Day	3.9
50% (2 year) storm	2030	4.9
Spring Tide	2030	4.3
Spring Tide	2050	6.5

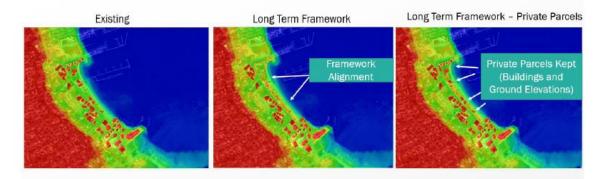
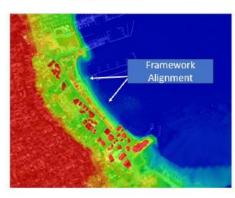


Figure 1: Proposed design contours applied to the modeling grid. The left panel presents the existing contours, while the middle and right panels present the implementation of the Framework Plan, and partial implementation of the Framework Plan.



Long Term Framework

Long Term Framework Commercial Street Blocked

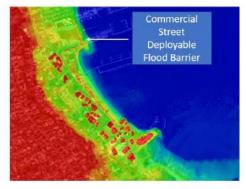


Figure 2: Proposed design contours applied to the modeling grid – Long Term Framework with Deployable Flood Barrier on Commercial Street

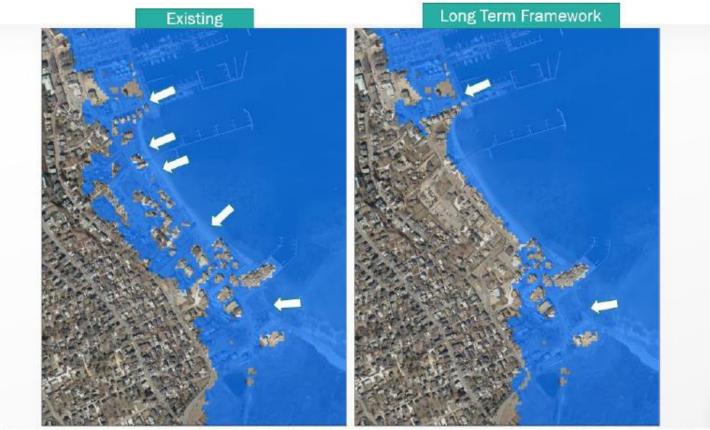


Figure 3: Flood extents during a 10% storm in Present Day, for existing (left panel) and with the proposed design (right panel)



Figure 4: Flood extents during a 10% storm in Present Day, for existing (left panel) and with the proposed design (right panel) Alternate Grids

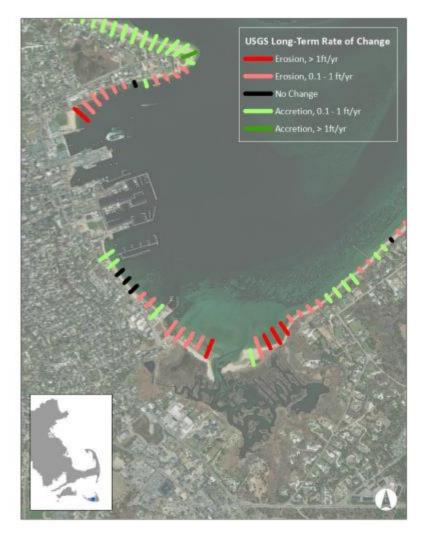


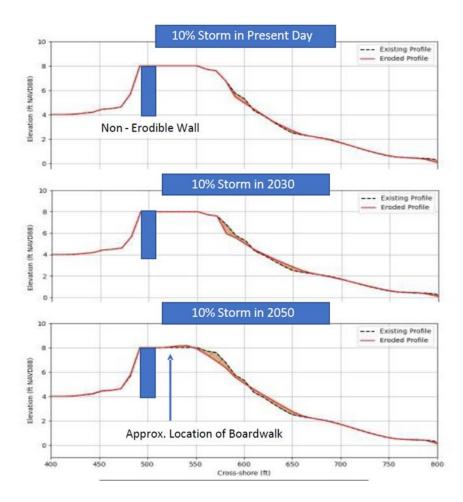
Figure 5: Flood extents during a 50% Storm in 2030, for existing (left panel) and with the proposed design (right panel)



Deployable Flood Barrier on Commercial Street

Figure 7: Flood extents for 2050 tides for proposed design (left panel) and with the proposed design (right panel) adding a flood barrier at Commercial Street





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Scenario	Present	2030	2050	2070	
	Elevation (ft, NAVD88)				
Long-term influence on groundwater level					
Mean Groundwater Level	1.4	2.7	4.0	5.8	

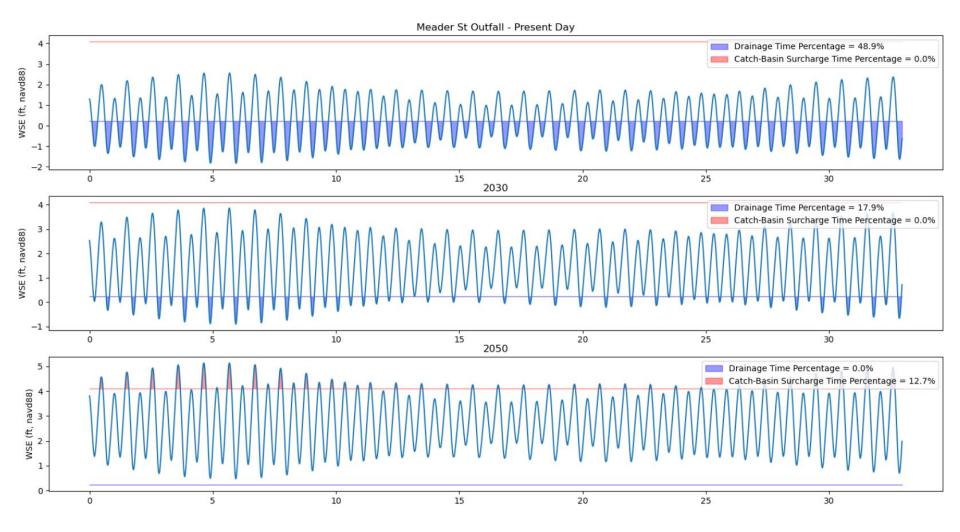
Table 1. Modeled ground water levels under current and future conditions.



Figure 1: 2050 Groundwater breakout areas (blue polygons) and upland limit of short-term episodic tidal forcing of groundwater levels (yellow line).



Figure 5: Map showing location of catch basin and outfall used in Meader Street outfall analysis (Figure 6).



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Coastal Resilience at Work on Nantucket Audubon

