

## The Business Case for Resilience in Southeast Florida

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### **Project History**

- ULI coordinated with the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact to conduct a new regional analysis examining the economic impacts of sea level rise and flooding, and economic opportunities associated with investments in resilient infrastructure.
- Led by the Southeast Florida Business Community in partnership with the four counties.
  - What is the business case for adapting to sea level rise and more frequent flooding?
- Funders & Partners
  - Florida DEP Grant
  - Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Palm Beach Counties
  - Business Community
  - Philanthropy
  - AECOM, Technical & Modeling Consultant









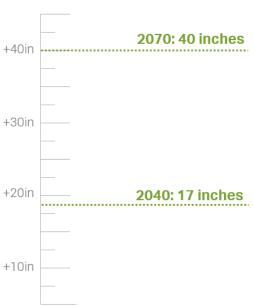
### Project Purpose



### Why Higher Frequency Flooding?

This study examines flooding that occurs often and is not associated with large catastrophic events.

- This study examines events that occur frequently, where the economic implications are not readily understood.
- Adaptation can reduce flooding from higher frequency events.
- These events will get noticeably worse as sea levels rise.





# Calculating Avoided Damages

Impacts were modeled for parcels where

25%

or more of the parcel footprint is exposed to the modeled coastal conditions. Temporary Storm
Damages

Permanent Damages from Rising Sea Levels



#### **Direct Property Impacts**

- Structure and content damages
- Relocation costs

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Property value loss



#### Business and Employment Impacts

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## **2040** Highlight of Avoided Damages

## Temporary Storm Damages

**Permanent Damages from Rising Sea Levels** 



Direct Property Impacts  $\$3.2_{\mathsf{bil}}$ 

In structure and content losses from one **10-year tide** event under 2040 conditions.

**360** jobs

Impacted by a **10-year tide** in 2040.



Business and Employment Impacts



**Fiscal Impacts** 

\$2<sub>mil</sub>

Sales & tourism tax losses from **10-year tide** in 2040.

\$4.2<sub>bil</sub>

In property value exposed to daily tidal inundation in 2040.

**720** jobs

Impacted by daily tidal inundation in 2040.

\$28mil

Fiscal loss from daily tidal inundation in 2040.

<sup>\*</sup>Results shown here are not adjusted to account for financial discounting. Parcels impacted by daily tidal inundation are excluded from the 10-year tide damages. The 10-year tide results account for the impacts of one storm event and are not adjusted for probability of the storm event occurring.



## **2070** Highlight of Avoided Damages

## Temporary Storm Damages

**Permanent Damages from Rising Sea Levels** 



Direct Property Impacts \$16.5<sub>bil</sub>

In structure and content losses from one **10-year tide** event under 2070 conditions.

\$53.6bil

In property value exposed to daily tidal inundation in 2070.



Business and Employment Impacts 1,300 jobs

Impacted by a **10-year tide** in 2070.

17,800 jobs

Impacted by daily tidal inundation in 2070.



**Fiscal Impacts** 

\$8<sub>mil</sub>

Sales & tourism tax losses from **10-year tide** in 2070.

\$384<sub>mil</sub>

Fiscal loss from daily tidal inundation in 2070.

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## Community-wide Adaptation

## **Building-level** Adaptation

A combination of soft and hard engineering investments at the open coast, intracoastal, and inland areas.

A combination of structural improvements to property itself.



### **Building-Level Adaptation**

FOR THE REGION

Benefit-Cost Ratio Benefits Costs \$17.6ы

Job Years Supported

### **Community-Wide Adaptation**

FOR THE REGION

Benefits Costs  $$37.9_{BIL} - $18.2_{BIL} = 2.08$ 

Benefit-Cost Ratio

Job Years Supported

One Job



Ten Years

Ten Job Years

<sup>\*</sup>Results presented in net present value terms using a 5 percent discount rate over the period of analysis from 2020 to 2070

<sup>\*\*</sup>Presented in terms of job years. Job years is equivalent to one year of work for one person; for example, a new construction job that lasts two years will equate to two job years. Estimated job years supported due to direct investment spending in the four counties of analysis

#### Recommendations



