

Opportunities for Enhancing Community Resilience

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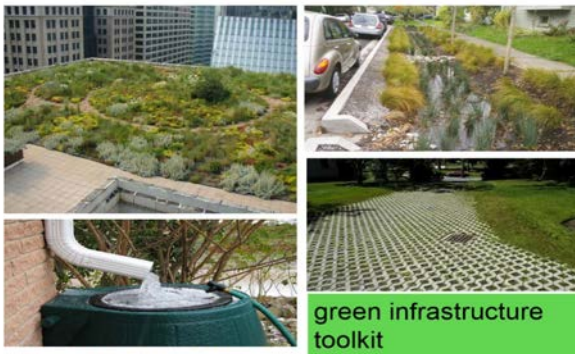
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- Connect with other professionals

Green Infrastructure Toolkit



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State and Local Adaptation Plans

Select a State

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States and communities around the country have begun to prepare for the climate changes that are already underway. This planning process typically results in a document called an adaptation plan.

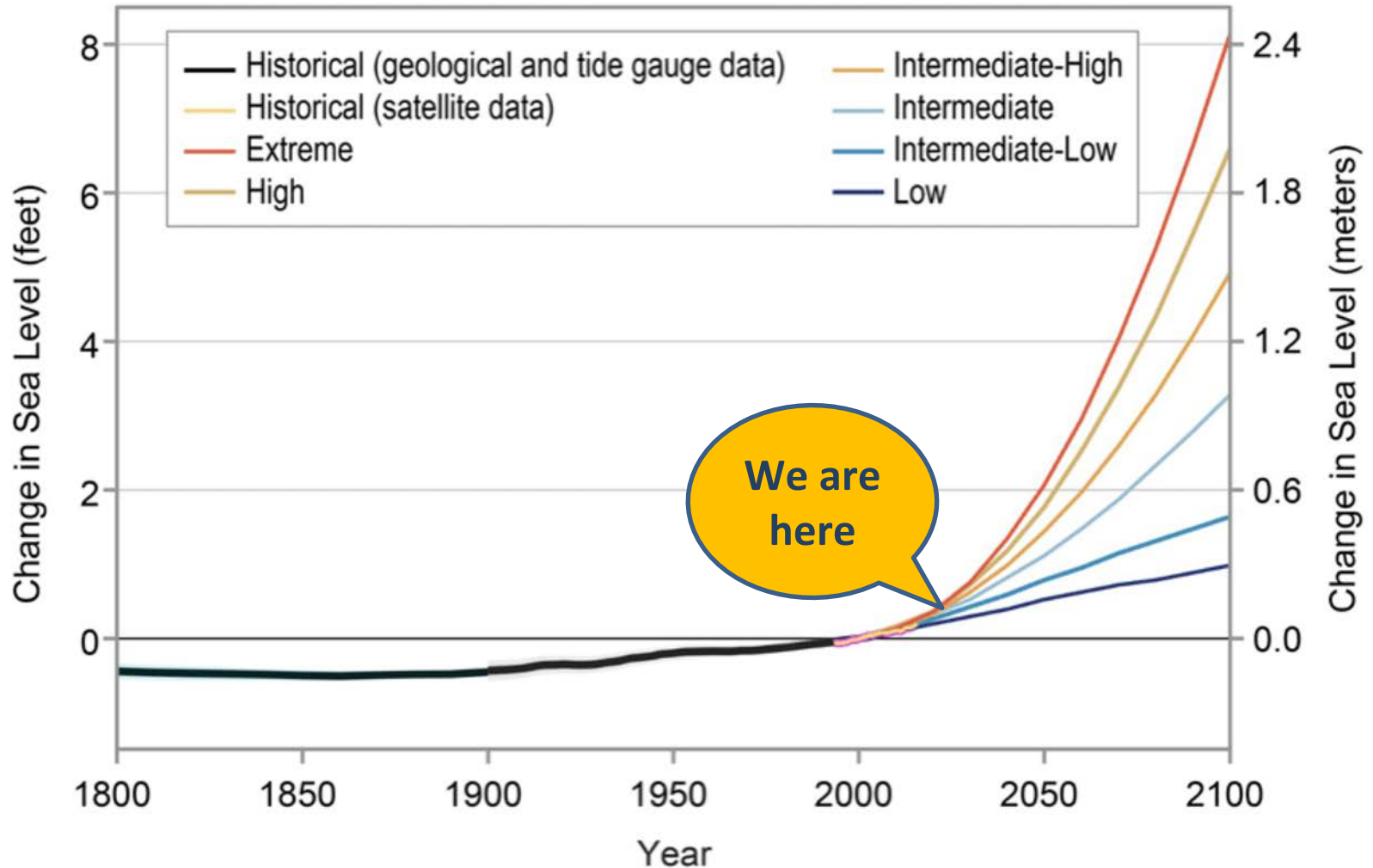
Below is a map that highlights the status of state adaptation efforts. Click on a state to view a summary of its progress to date and to access its full profile page. State profile pages include a detailed breakdown of each state's adaptation work and links to local adaptation plans and resources. Please move the map to view Alaska and Hawaii.



OVERVIEW

- Climate change impacts
- Local tools
- Legal feasibility framework
- Takings analysis and strategies to minimize legal liability
- Managed Retreat Toolkit

HIGHER SEA LEVELS



0.7 to 8 feet by 2100 (NCA 2018)



ADAPTATION OPTIONS

Accommodate

Retreat



Protect

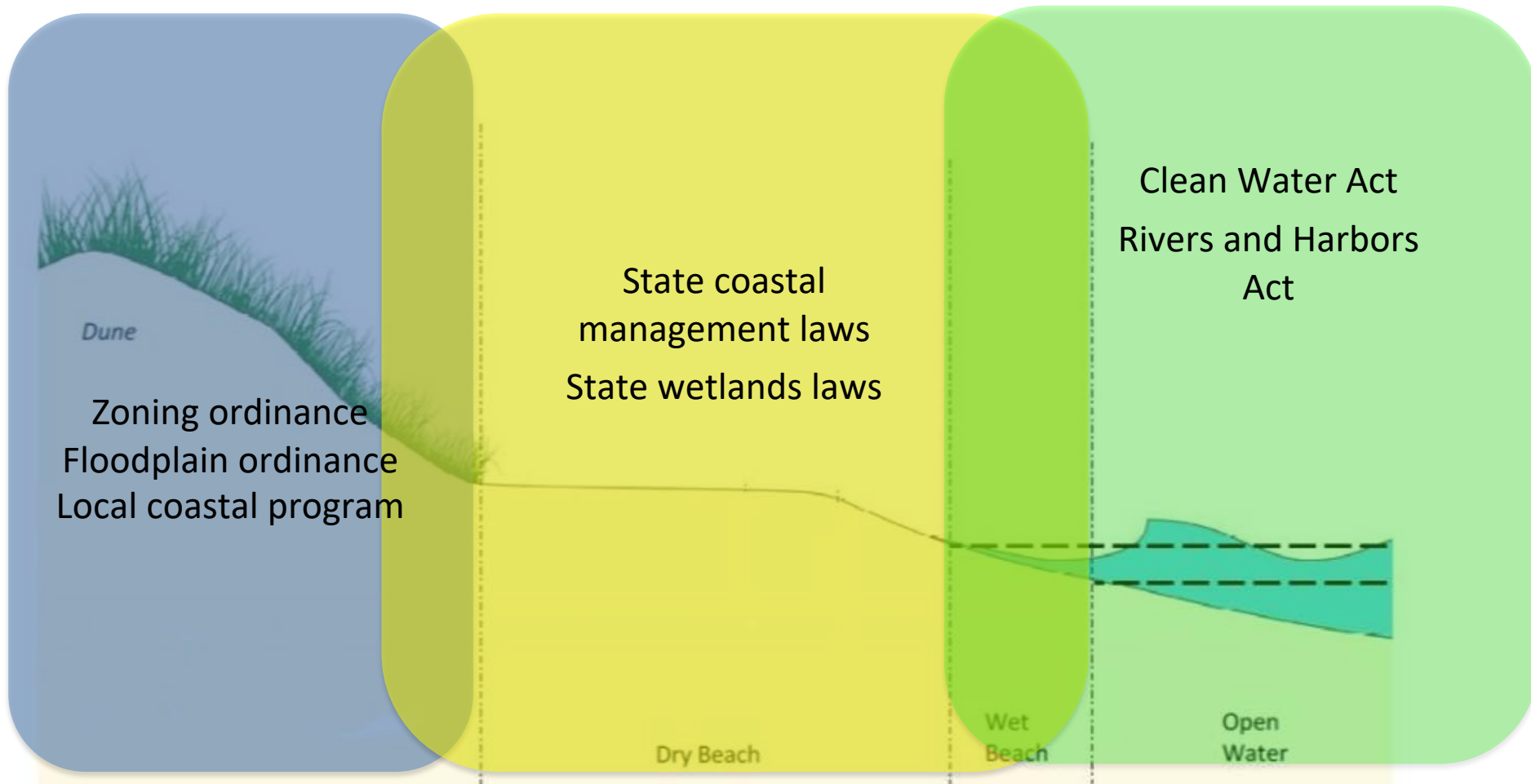
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ROLES AND PLAYERS

Local

State

Federal







PLANNING:

Baltimore, MD Hazard Mitigation Plan

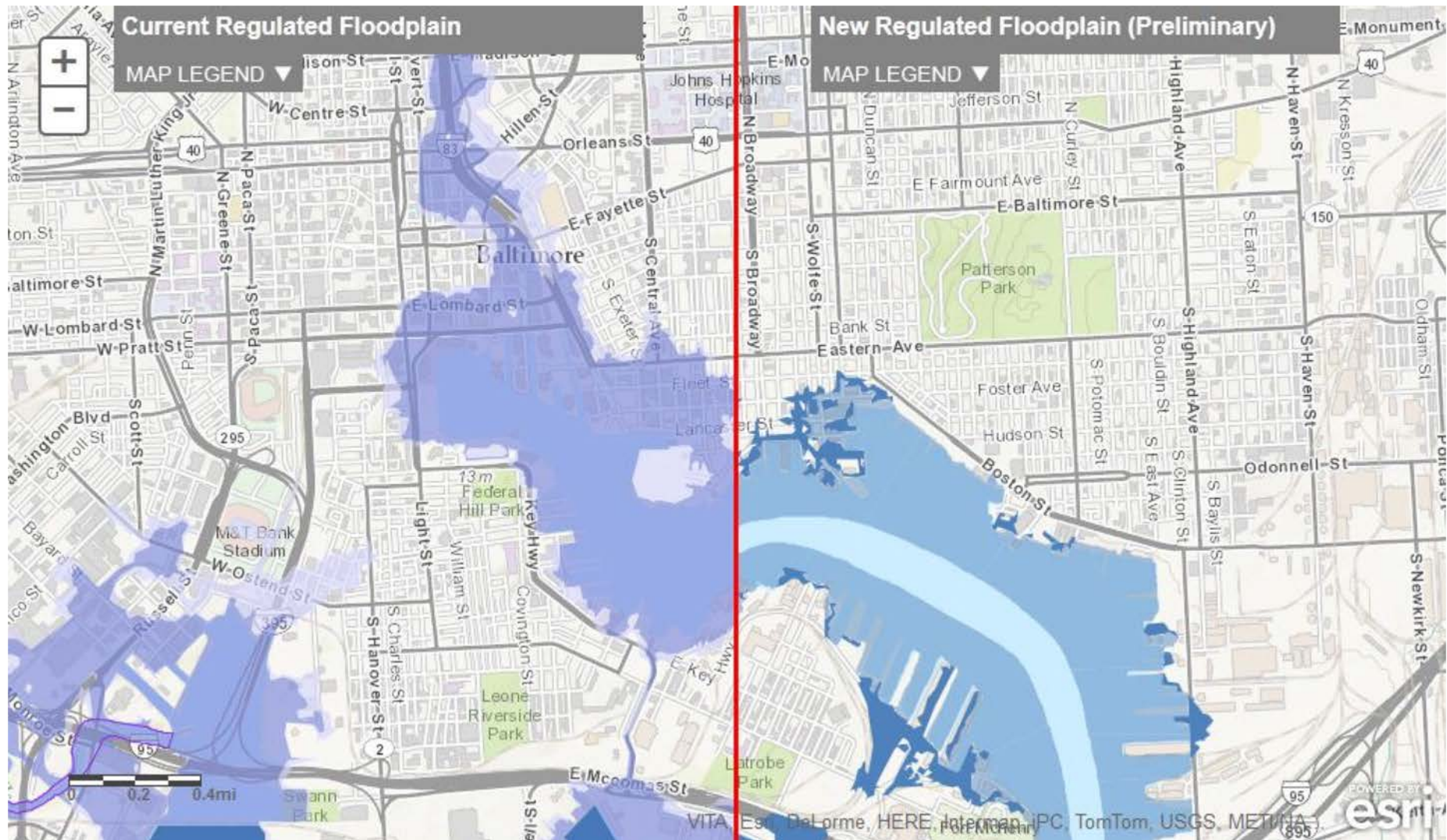


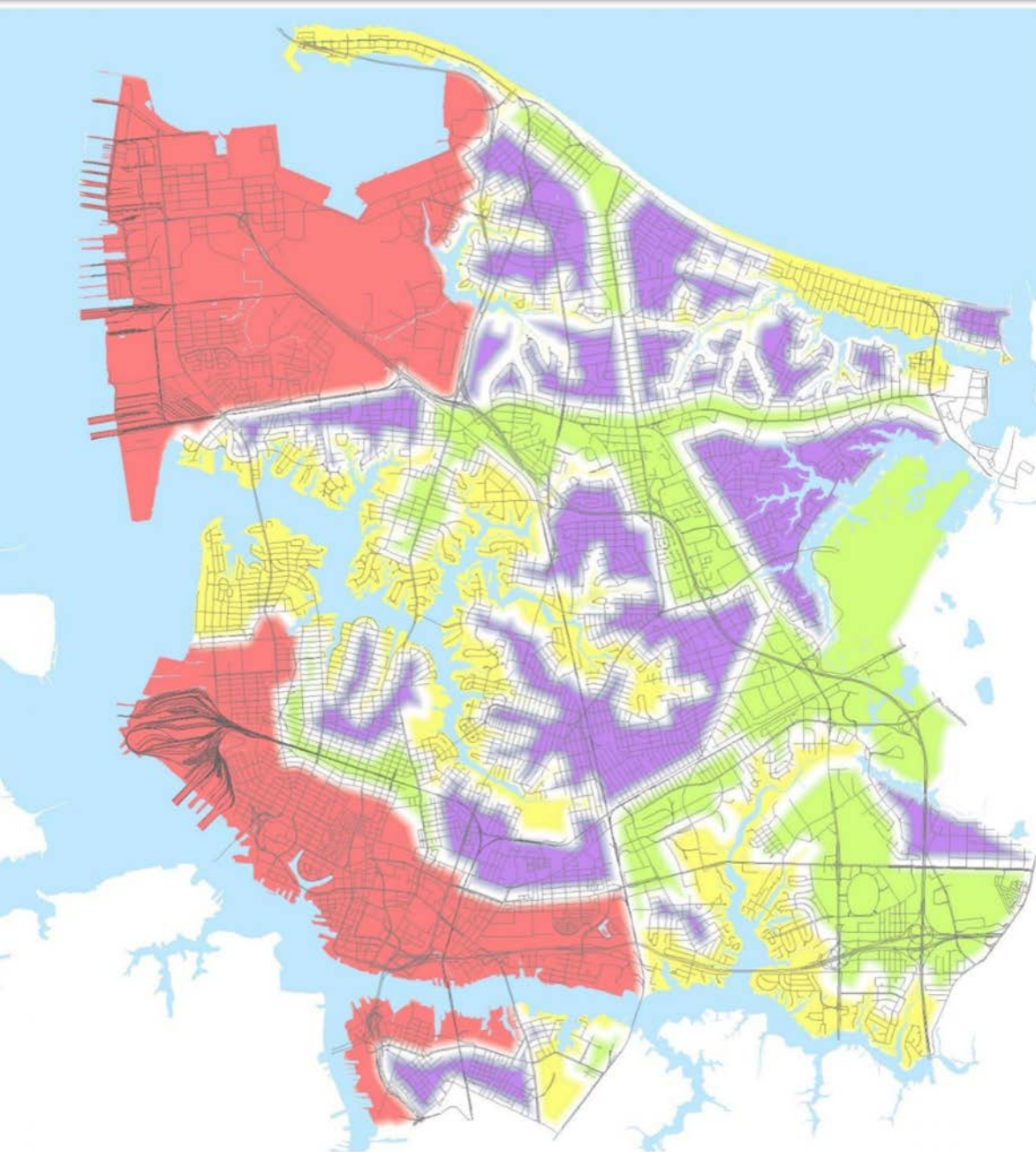
IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES

Lead Agency	MOEM
Stakeholders	BCRP (Forestry), BGE, Building Owners, DGS, DOT, DPW, Exelon, PSC, Utility customers, Veolia, Wheelabrator
Alignment with Goals	Goals 2 and 3
Connection with Existing Efforts	   Building Standards and Zoning Codes; CAP; ESF-12; MDNR
Timeframe	

FLOODPLAIN REGULATIONS:

Baltimore, MD





PLANNING:

*Norfolk, VA
Vision 2100 Plan*

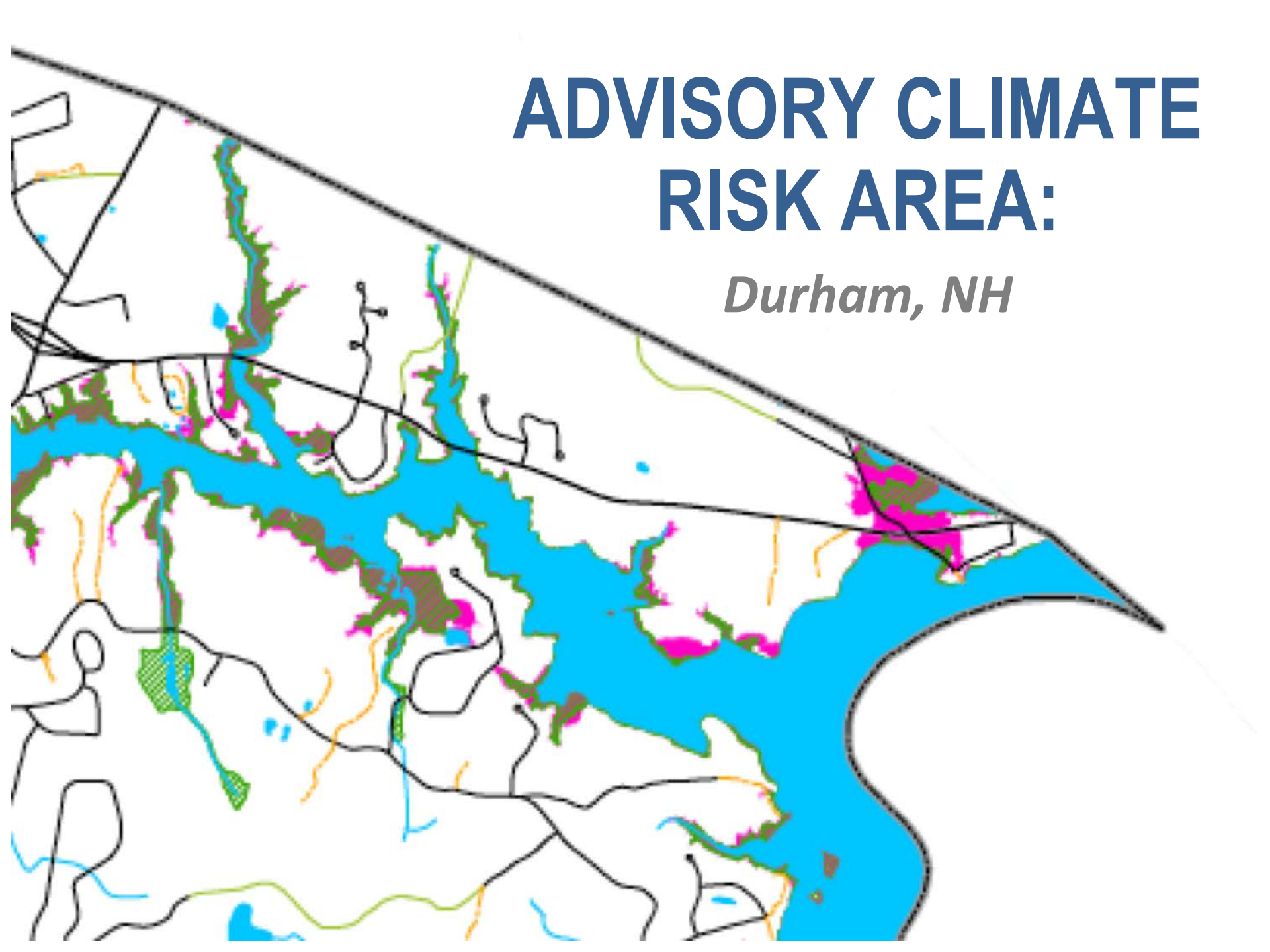
RESILIENCE QUOTIENT SYSTEM:

Norfolk, VA



ADVISORY CLIMATE RISK AREA:

Durham, NH



ADAPTATION CHECKLIST:

Spaulding Hospital, Boston, MA


Critical equipment on roof

Elevated to 2085
100-year floodplain

Operable windows





A person is standing in a grassy field, looking out at the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. The bridge is a large steel truss bridge with two main towers. The foreground is a grassy field with some bushes. The background shows the bridge and the bay.

LOCAL TAXATION:

*Measure AA
San Francisco Bay*



GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE:

District of Columbia



PLANNING:

Resilient Edgemere (New York City)

Short-term Vision



Long-term Vision



Credit: Resilient Edgemere Community Plan (p. 22)

LOCAL BUYOUTS:

Charlotte-Mecklenburg County, NC



SETBACKS:

Kauai, HI



Credit: Jonathan Jay, Island Breath

ECOSYSTEMS:

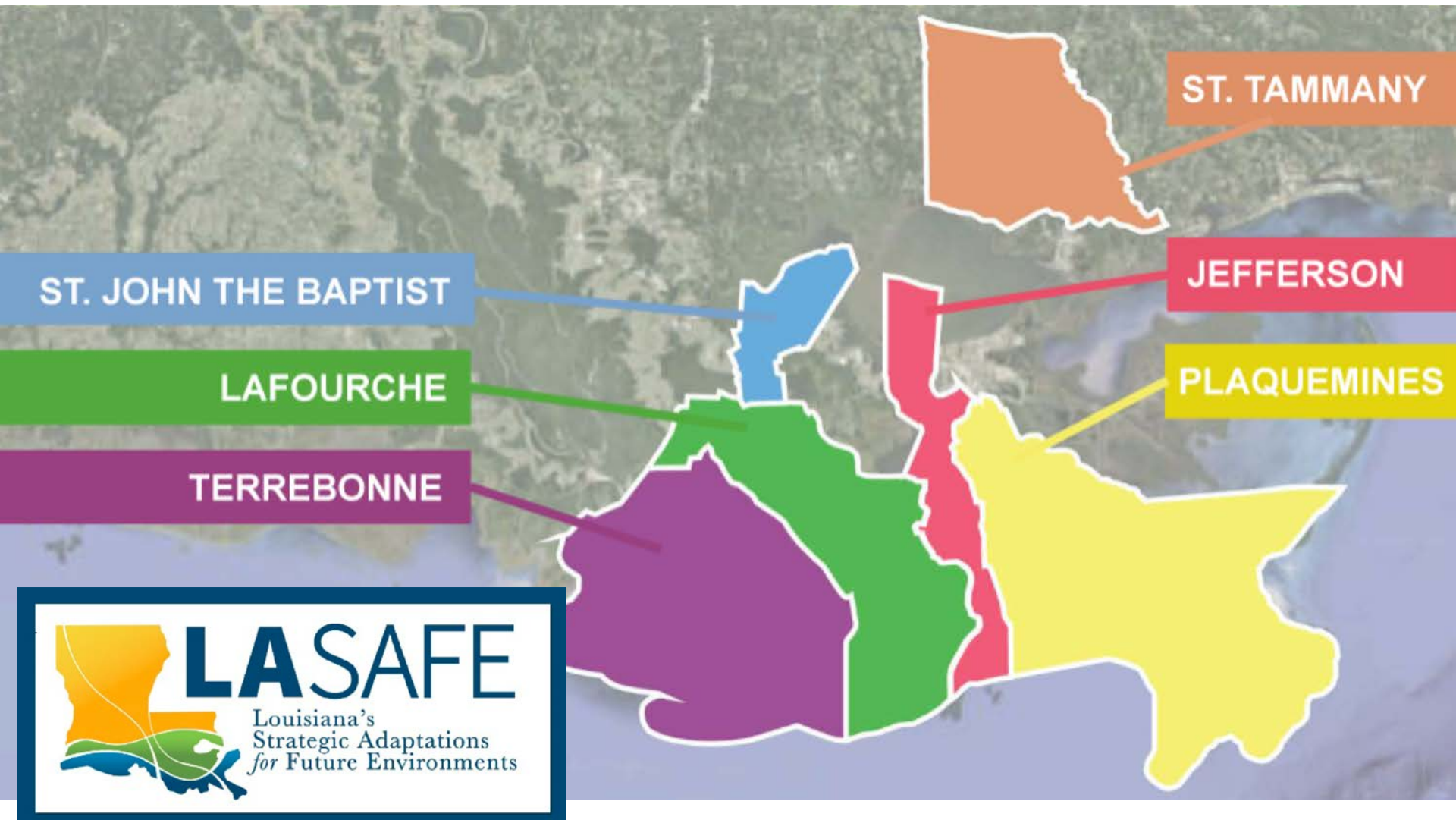
Yankeetown, FL Natural Resource Adaptation Action Area

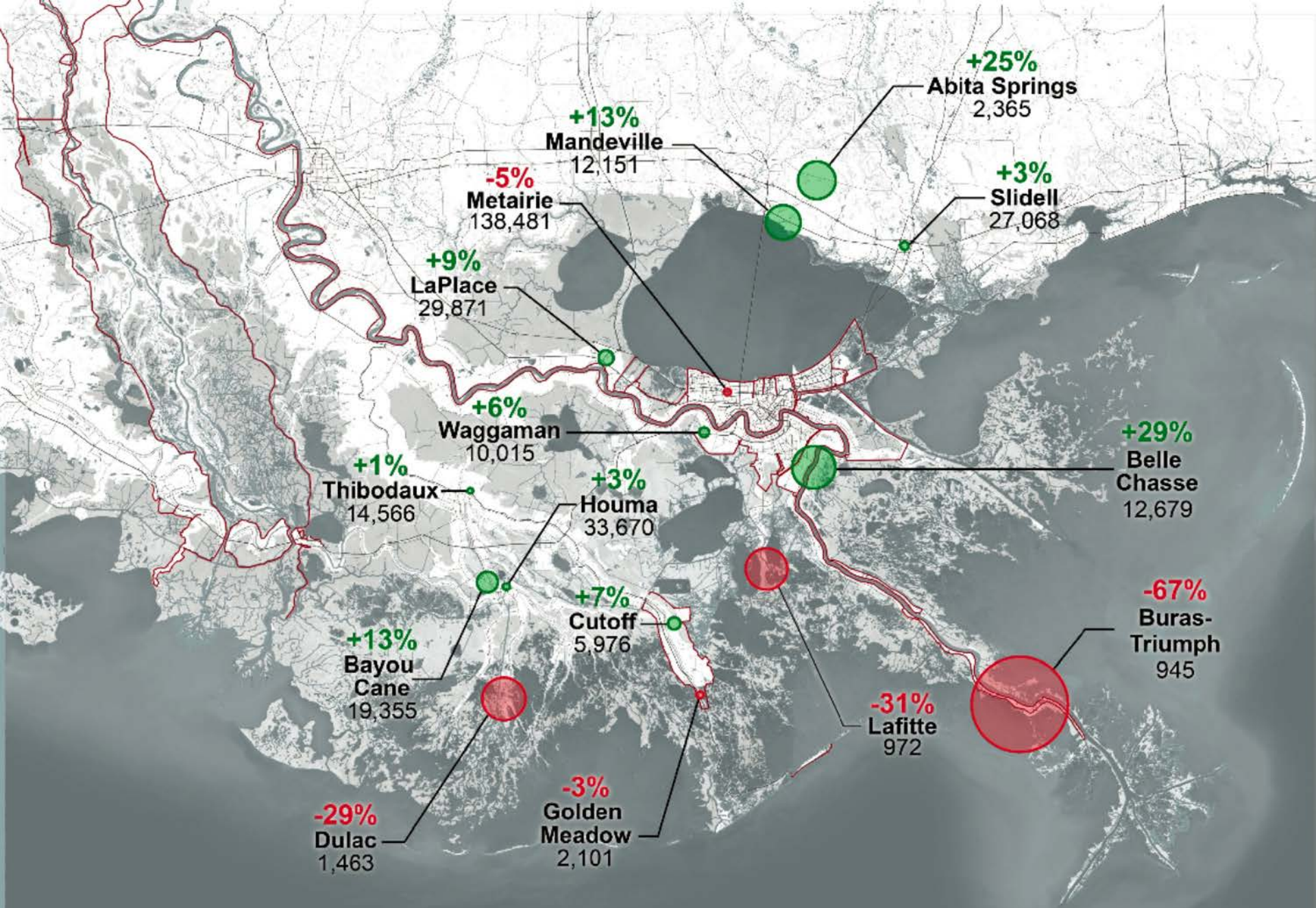


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RECEIVING COMMUNITIES:

Louisiana





LEGAL FEASIBILITY?

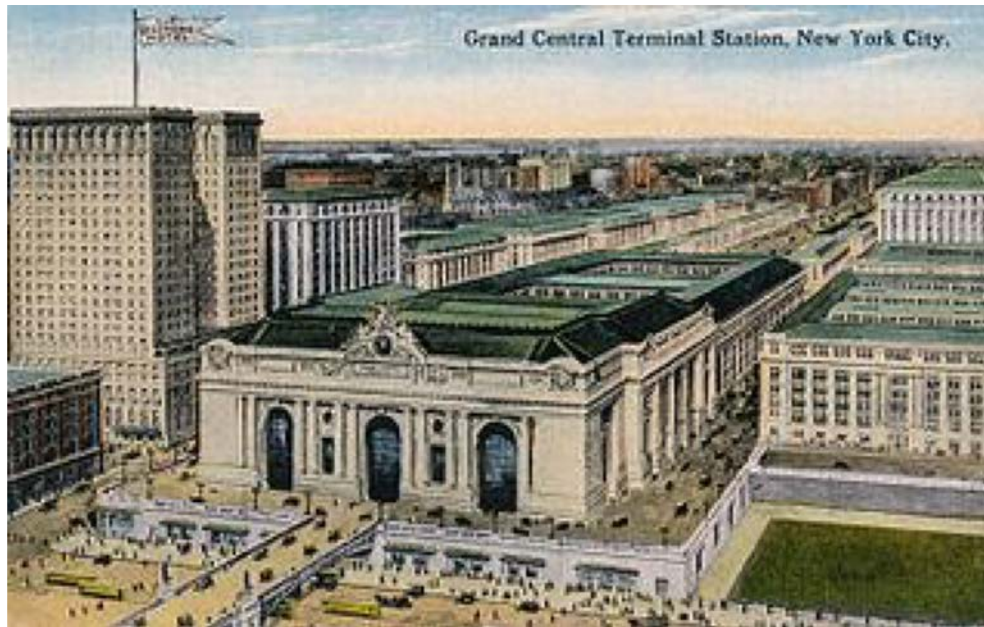
Question	Analysis
Authority?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local authority to zone and plan• State agency roles
Compliance with state laws?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coastal act• Floodplain requirements• Wetlands regulations• Historic preservation
Compliance with federal laws?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• National Flood Insurance Program• Clean Water Act• Americans with Disabilities Act
Constitutional questions?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Takings• Substantive due process

Lucas v. South Carolina Coastal Council



- **Per se takings:** A takings will result if a property owner is deprived of all the economically beneficial uses of his/her property.

Penn Central Transportation Co. v. New York City



- 1) The public purpose served;
- 2) Effect of the regulation on the owner, including the potential decrease in value of the entire property; and
- 3) The property owner's investment-backed expectations in the property.

TAKINGS EXAMPLE:

Chatham, MA



MAIN TAKEAWAYS

A legal challenge that has to be considered.

however . . .

There are ways to minimize legal risk. For example:

- Purpose and findings
- Tailor government actions to perceived or actual risk
- Notice (e.g., real estate disclosures)

GCC's MANAGED RETREAT TOOLKIT

Tentative sections may include:

- Legal and policy considerations
- Planning (e.g., CZM, comprehensive plans)
- Buyouts and acquisitions
- Regulatory tools: Limiting new development and redevelopment in at-risk areas
- Infrastructure
- Ecosystems and migration corridors
- Preparing “receiving” communities
- Funding
- Equity
- Communication strategies

<http://bit.ly/ManagedRetreatToolkit>

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