



MyCoast: New Jersey

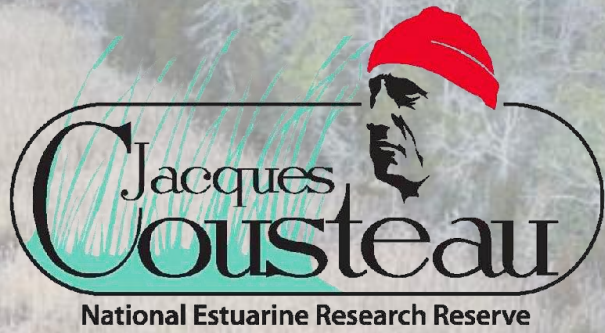
LBIF Science Saturday 2/24/24

Amanda Archer, Jacques Cousteau National Estuarine Research Reserve - Rutgers University

Hi, I'm Amanda!

and here's my **why**:





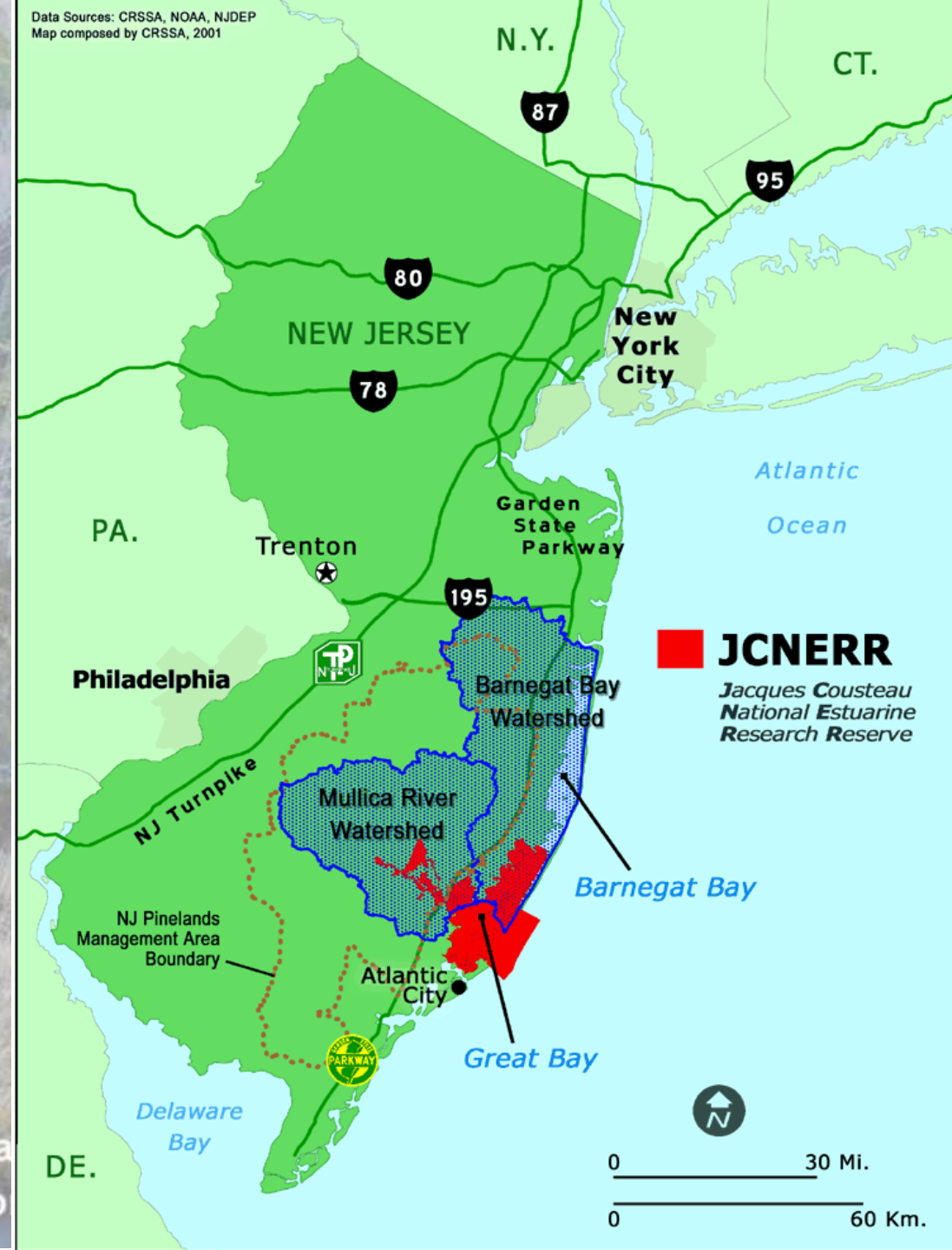
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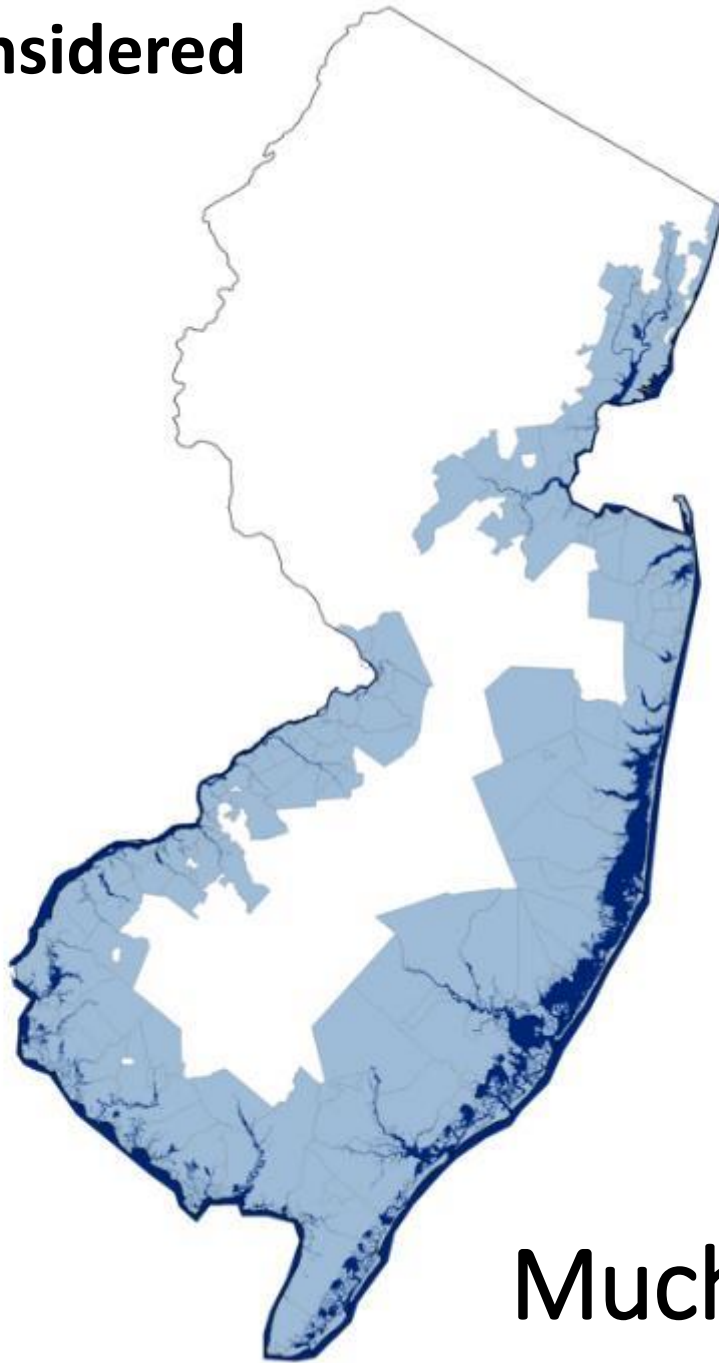


JC NERR Coastal Center and Grassle Marsh
PC: Life on the Edge Documentary

Data Sources: CRSSA, NOAA, NJDEP
Map composed by CRSSA, 2001

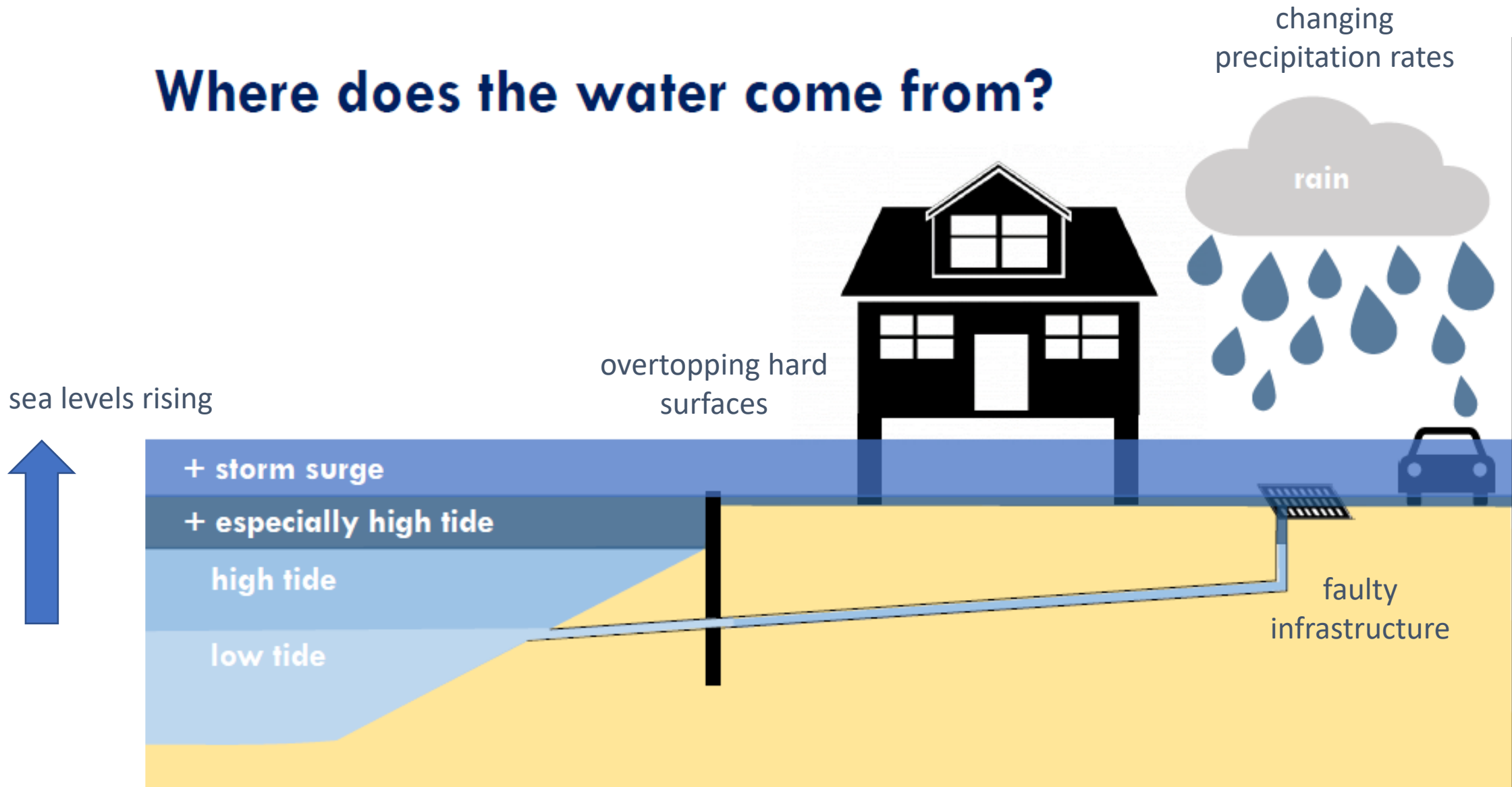


**What parts of NJ are considered
the “coast”?**



Coastal New Jersey
Much more than the Shore!

Where does the water come from?



"The Perfect Storm" isn't always a storm

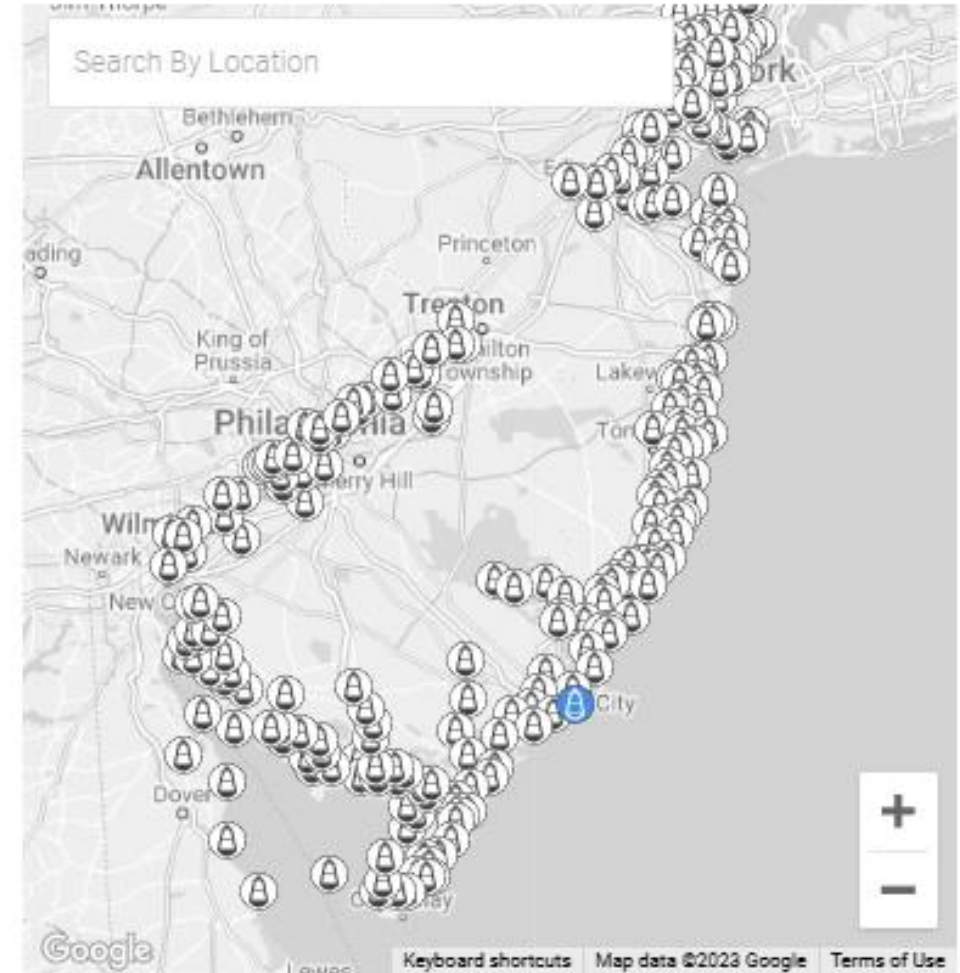
Sunny Day Flooding

Flooding doesn't only happen during storms.
It can occur during very high tides.

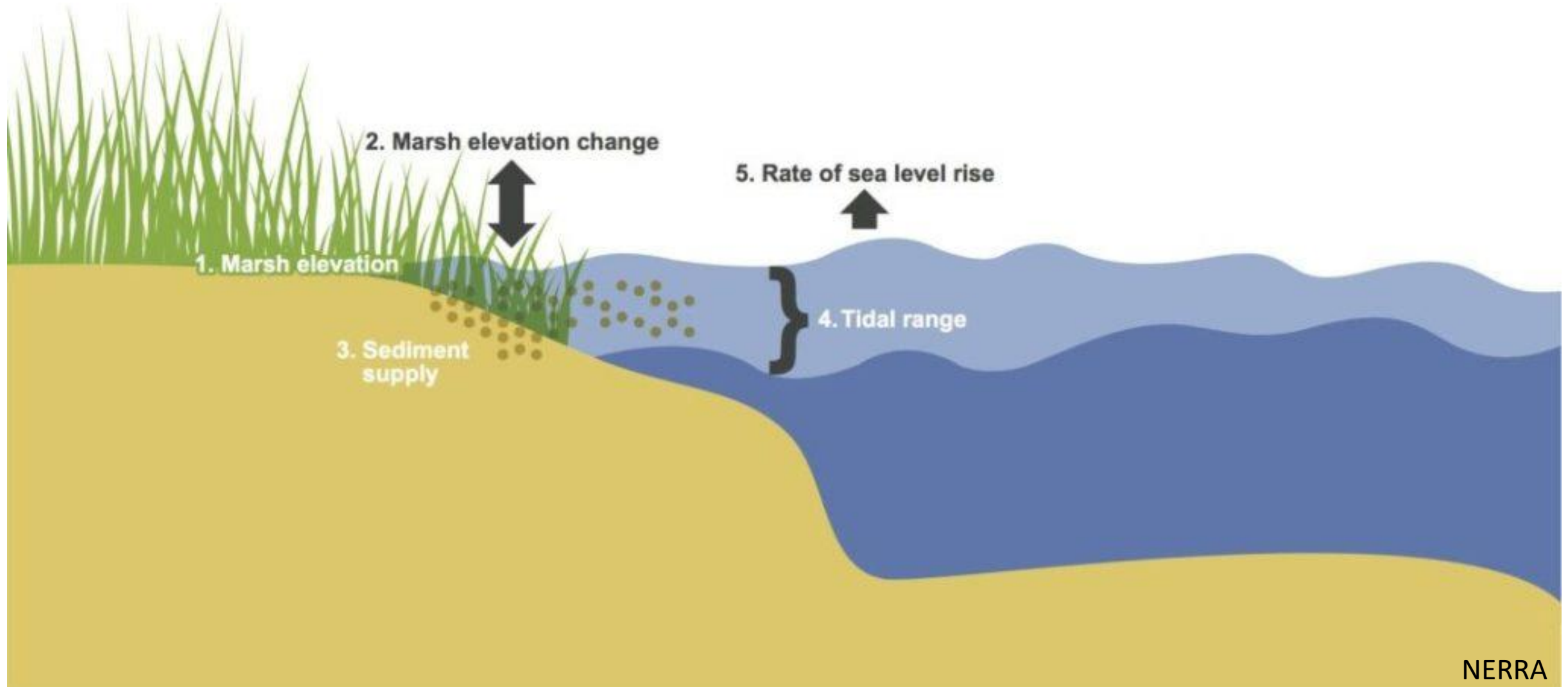


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TIDES 

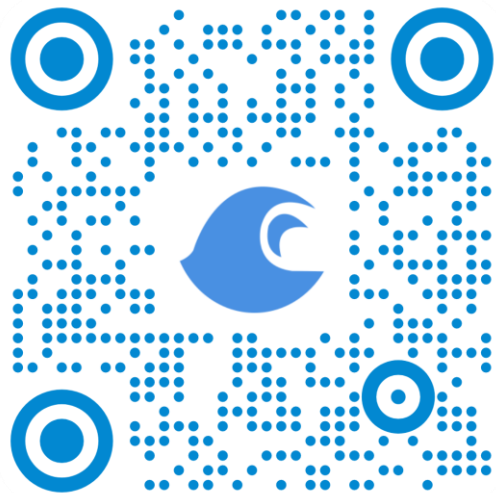
Click on a Station



What happens to natural features, such as marshes?



- Portal used to collect and analyze photos of coastal events and places.
- Photos are linked to data about weather and tides to create reports that help stakeholders like government agencies, business owners, and residents understand coastal change and make informed decisions.



MyCoast

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MyCoast: New Jersey

Help Document our Changing Coast

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**Education &
Outreach**

 **MyCoast: New Jersey**

**Visual Science &
Storytelling**



**Informed Management
Decisions**

New Jersey MyCoast Tools

Use these buttons to view existing photos and submit your own.



High Water

Tracking flooding
across the state



Know Your Tides

Monitoring local tides



Places We Love

Documenting the coastal
places we love



Photo Stations

Community shoreline monitoring



Rising Together NJ

Sharing flood stories

Atlantic City, NJ Atlantic County

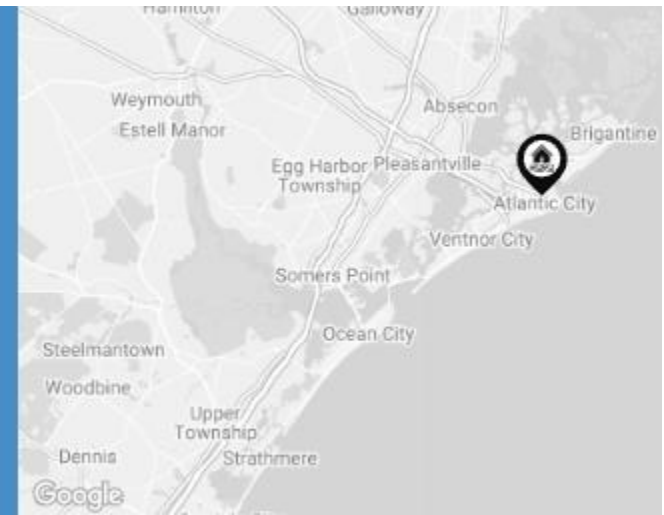
High Water Report
by **Angela Walters**

01/23/2023 | 9:53 am

High Water



[View on NJFloodMapper](#)



01/23/2023 | 9:53 am

Tidal Overview

1 hours 17 minutes after high tide

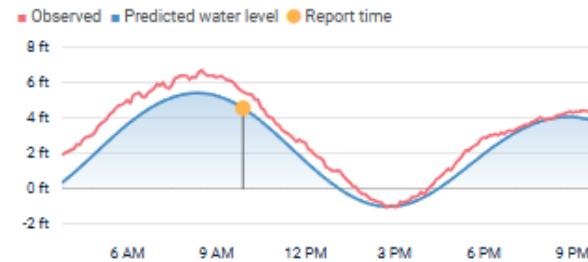
Data from **ATLANTIC CITY, OCEAN** (1 miles away)

All heights shown relative to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW): the daily low tide level averaged over a 19-year period.

Water Level (at time of report): 9:53 am, 5.7'

High Tide (Predicted): 8:22 am, 5.4'

High Tide (Observed): 8:36 am, 6.4'



The accuracy of the predicted tides at the photo location may vary depending on distance from the nearest tide station and due to wind, rain, and other short-term meteorological events.

[\(Click here for full tide details from NOAA Tides & Currents\)](#)

Weather Overview



Wind Speed: 11.7 MPH

Wind Direction: WSW (255°)

Temperature: 40°F

Rainfall (Calendar Day): 0.27"

Rainfall (Past 24 Hours): 0.63"

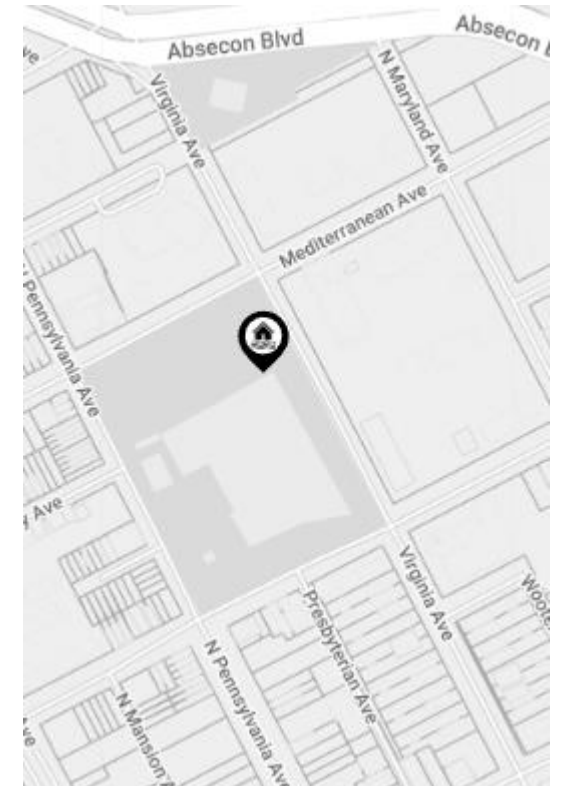
Riverine Overview

Data from **ABSECON CREEK AT ABSECON NJ** (6.9 miles away)

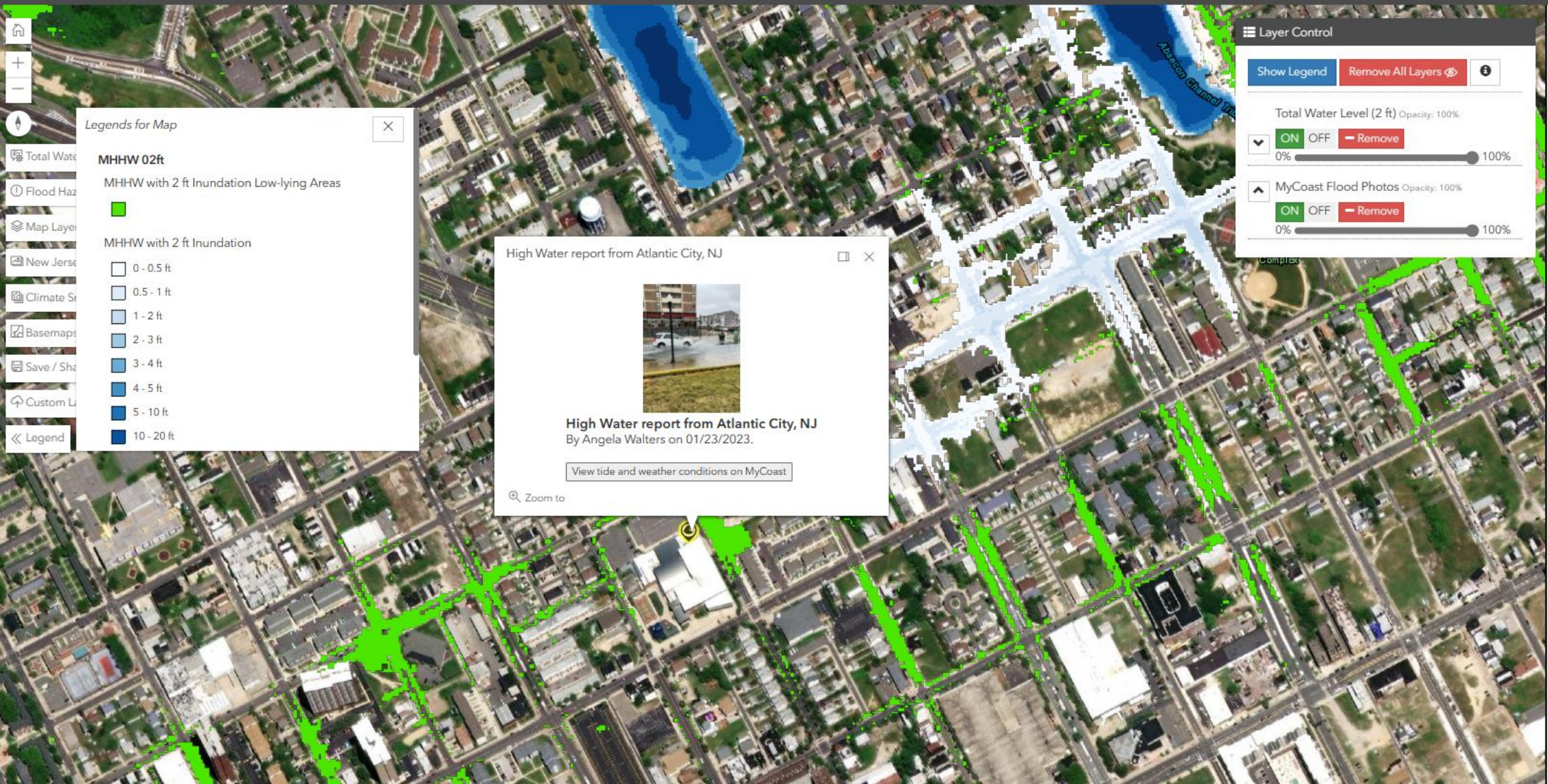
Water level: 3.15' (NWS Flood Status: Not defined)

[\(Click here for full riverine details from USGS\)](#)

Source of Flooding: Ocean







Legends for Map


MHHW 02ft

MHHW with 2 ft Inundation Low-lying Areas

MHHW with 2 ft Inundation

- 0 - 0.5 ft
- 0.5 - 1 ft
- 1 - 2 ft
- 2 - 3 ft
- 3 - 4 ft
- 4 - 5 ft
- 5 - 10 ft
- 10 - 20 ft

High Water report from Atlantic City, NJ



High Water report from Atlantic City, NJ
By Angela Walters on 01/23/2023.

[View tide and weather conditions on MyCoast](#)

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MyCoast Flood Photos Opacity: 100%


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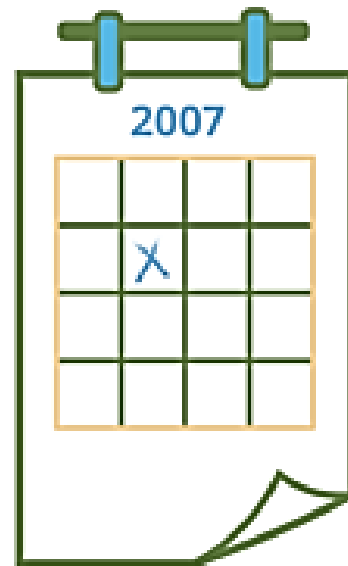
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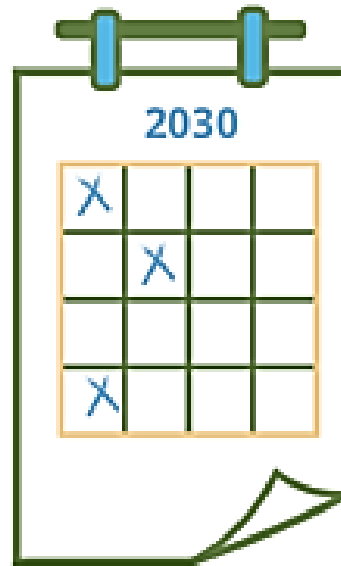
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More Sunny Day Flooding

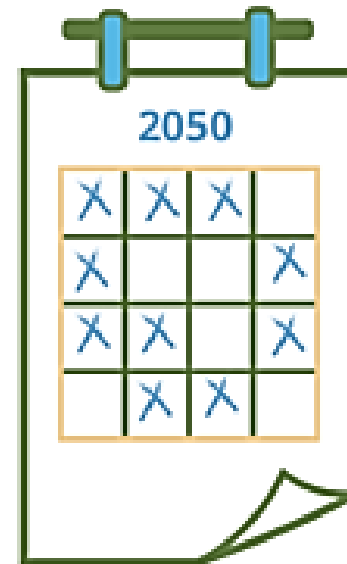
In 2007, Atlantic City experienced 8 tidal (sunny) flooding days.



By 2030, there's a 50% chance that will increase to 34 days.



And by 2050, it could reach 120 days a year.



Submitting Past Reports

- MyCoast allows you to upload pictures from any past flooding event. The date, time, and location of the photo will automatically be linked upon submission.
- If the photo is not embedded with that information, it is important to review when and where the photo was taken to ensure an accurate report.
- We **encourage** submissions of past flooding so that we can compare them to recent reports.

04/26/2021 | 9:25 am

Tidal Overview

2 hours 7 minutes after high tide

Data from ATLANTIC CITY, OCEAN (5.8 miles away)

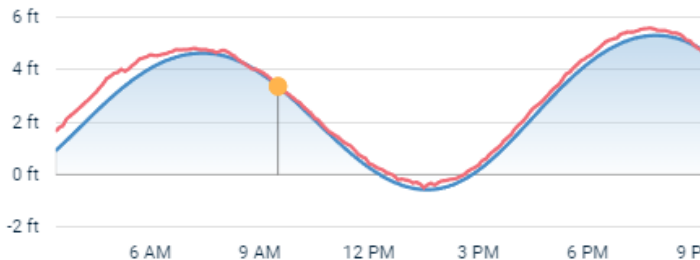
All heights shown relative to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW): the daily low tide level averaged over a 19-year period.

Water Level (at time of report): 9:25 am, 3.7'

High Tide (Predicted): 7:23 am, 4.7'

High Tide (Observed): 7:18 am, 4.8'

■ Observed ■ Predicted water level ● Report time



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(Click here for full tide details from NOAA Tides)

Weather Overview



Wind Speed: 7.1 MPH

Wind Direction: NW (320°)

Temperature: 48°F

Rainfall (Calendar Day): 0"

Rainfall (Past 24 Hours): 0"

(Click here for full weather details)



Places We Love

BE TIDE SMART

1

Check your tides

Use mycoast.org/nj/tides for local tide information.

2

Download the MyCoast app

Get tide info and flooding photos on-the-go with the MyCoast app.

3

Sign up for flood alerts

Use nixle.com to receive texts with local flood alerts.

4

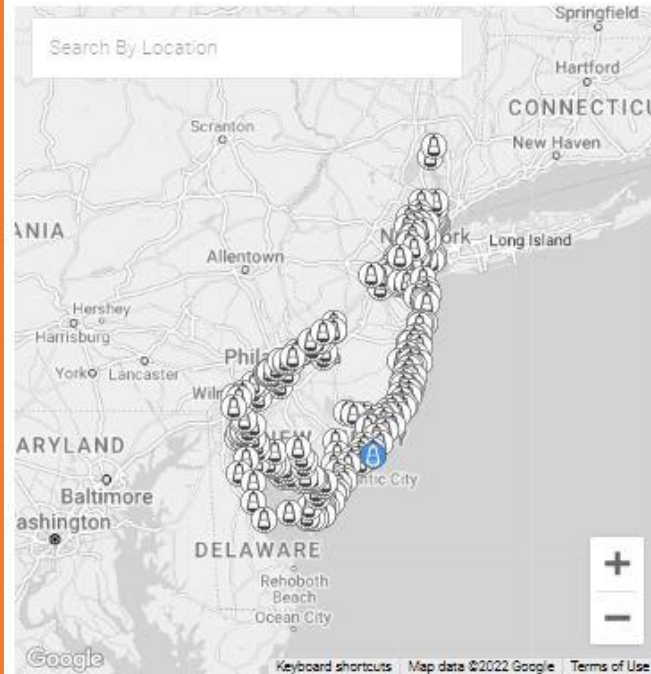
Know your risk

Assess your risk from flooding and storms with njfloodmapper.org.

KNOW YOUR
TIDES



Click on a Station



Selected Station: ATLANTIC CITY, OCEAN

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Tides Today



Upcoming Tides

(Scroll to see future days)

Date	Time	Type	Height
Today	3:45 PM	High	4'1"
	10:24 PM	Low	0'11"
Tomorrow	4:30 AM	High	3'5"
	10:15 AM	Low	1'1"
	4:27 PM	High	4'2"

(Click here for full tide details from NOAA Tides & Currents)

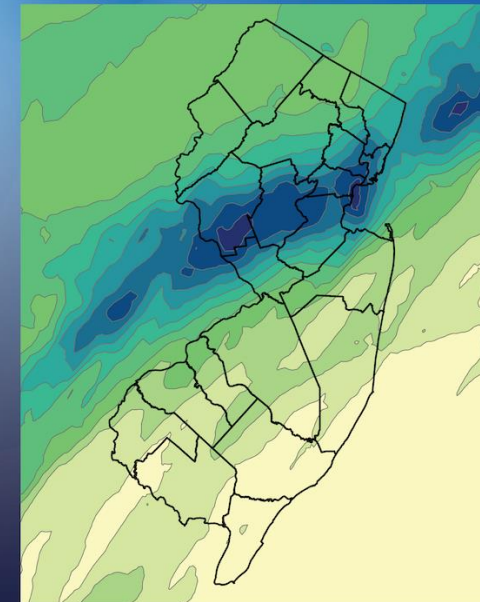
Know Your Tides

RISING TOGETHER NJ

Everyone in New Jersey has a flood story to share. Some stories are about small changes over time, others are about life-changing events. Join us in telling New Jersey's high water story by participating in Rising Together, NJ—a forum for everyone to share their New Jersey flooding experiences. By sharing our stories, we'll be better prepared to rise together in the future.



What was your Ida experience?



11 inches

Rainfall over
48 hours
during Ida

1 inch

RISING TOGETHER NJ

Data courtesy the New Jersey Climate Change Resource Center at Rutgers University.



- Five locations
 - Various coastal lines
- Document climate/coastal changes
- Time-lapse of photos collected
- Installed for climate week launch September 2023

Photo Stations

Photo Station locations

5 Locations | 6 Photo Stations





*Fisherman's Walkway -
Amanda Archer, 2/27/23*



*Margate City Pier- NJ Anonymous,
11/28/23 2:44pm*



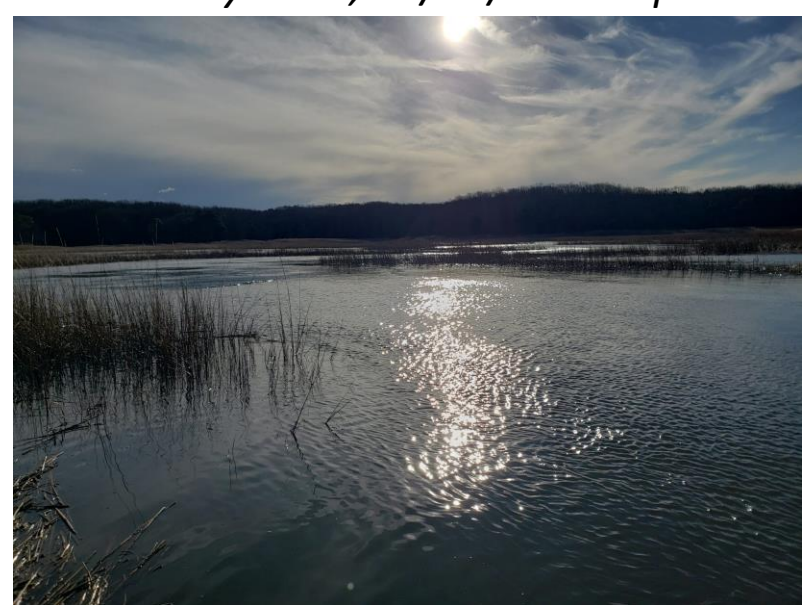
*Cheesecake State Park-
NJ Anonymous, 12/27/23 2:15pm*



*Fisherman's Walkway -
NJ Anonymous, 9/16/23 3:57pm*



*Margate City Pier- Steven Jasiecki,
1/10/24 7:36pm*



*Cheesecake State Park-
NJ Anonymous, 1/10/24 9:32am*

24 Hour King Tides at Cheesequake State Park



02/10/2024 | 11:26 am



02/10/2024 | 3:14 pm



02/11/2024 | 8:44 am



02/11/2024 | 1:44 pm



When Will Tides be Higher?

According to NOAA's monthly high tide flooding outlook, in 2024 New Jersey will see higher than normal tides on:

February 9-12

March 9-12

April 7-10

May 7-8

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KING TIDES ARE COMING!

Did you know that tides are influenced by the moon? This summer, a full moon will be the closest to the earth during its monthly orbit, causing higher than normal tides. Upload high water photos during contest dates for a chance to win prizes!

Wave 1 begins July 31 and closes August 5

King Tide Photo Contest Results

Summer 2023 Winners Gallery

A total of 163 high water reports documenting flooding in NJ communities were submitted during the MyCoast Madness King Tide Photo Contest during the summer of 2023.

King Tide Champion



George Noble
Raritan Bay, Keyport, NJ

[View Report](#)

King Tide Runner-Up



John Pitts
Atlantic Ocean, Margate City, NJ

[View Report](#)

STAY TUNED!

Follow one or more of these accounts on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter to stay up to date on MyCoast happenings!

IG: @jacquescousteaunerr
@njcoastalmanagment
@nj.dep

Twitter: @JCNERR
@NewJerseyDEP



The graphic features a blue background with a white, torn-paper-like shape in the center. Inside this shape is a photograph of a photo station on a wooden pier. The station has a screen displaying a photo of a beach and a sign that reads 'MyCoast: New Jersey Photo Station'. Below the photo station is a sign with the text 'MyCoast: New Jersey Photo Station' and 'HELP DOCUMENT EMPLOYMENT & DOMST'. The sign also includes a QR code and some text about the program.

MyCoast: New Jersey PHOTO STATION CHALLENGE

- ★ Liberty State Park
- ★ Cheesequake State Park
- ★ Island Beach State Park
- ★ Margate City Pier
- ★ Cape May Point State Park



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All Report Types

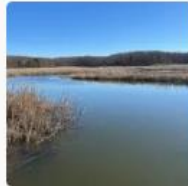
All Counties

All Communities

Start Date

Matawan, NJ

Photo Station | February 5, 2024 at 2:01 pm



Download These Reports

"I love citizen science projects. Seeing changes over time in our coast is so impactful. I would love to find more ways to use it in my classroom."

"Thank you for informing us about the app and ability to inform the community about our changing environment related to storm impacts"

~ 2023 TOTE Workshop

700 users with an account

4,064 reports submitted

15 NJ flood notifications
sent in 2023

User Analytics &
Feedback

What is to come?

Continued use of this platform to go **beyond** coastal flooding



Install more photo stations to document shoreline changes



Use citizen reports to document changes to habitat restoration sites



Engage educators to use MyCoast: New Jersey in classrooms as a local, on-the-ground climate change education tool

You want to take part... but what can YOU do?

- Download the app and sign up for high water alerts
- Post your photos and stories to MyCoast: New Jersey
- Share on social media
- Attend community events and become a MyCoast amplifier
- Visit a photo station
- Keep using MyCoast: New Jersey



We can't do it without you!





Questions?

Contact

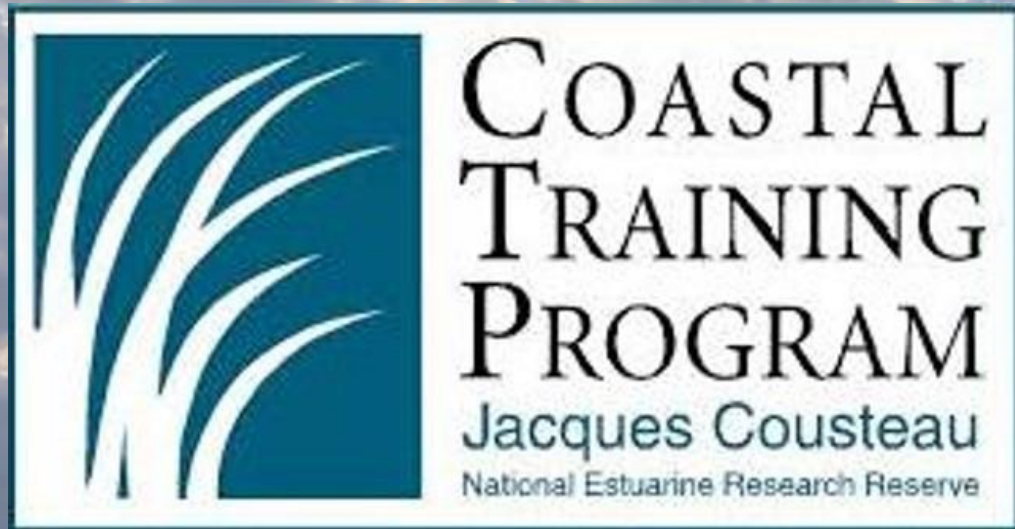
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