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## **New Jersey Coastal Management Program**

Office of Coastal and Land Use Planning

National Fish & Wildlife Foundation Grant:
Building Ecological Solutions to Coastal Hazards



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# Why focus on this in NJ?

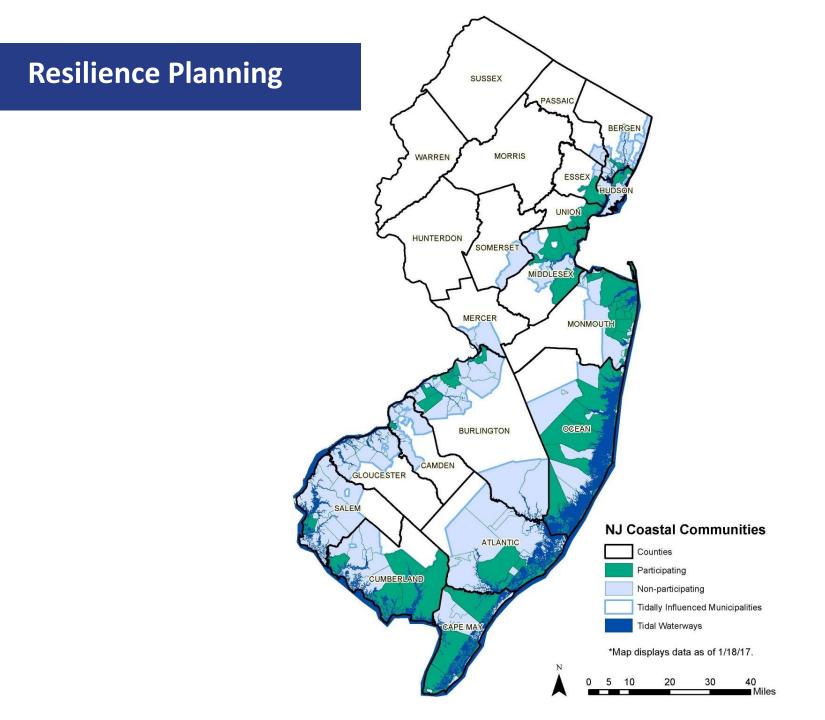
Hundreds of thousands of people live in areas vulnerable to coastal hazards

- Almost 70% socially vulnerable census tracts are in flood hazard areas
- Over 65% of our shorelines are at high risk to coastal erosion and SLR
- Statewide Hazard Mitigation Plan shows \$145 billion in building stock and 1700 critical facilities (hospitals, schools, dams, bridges...)are exposed to the 1% annual chance storm
- Based on the Toms River HMP, this could be 20%, 35% and 80% worse in 2030, 2050 and 2100
- Sandy, Irene and other storms show significant coastal storm damage has and can happen here
- Every dollar spent in prevention equals 4 in recovery



- 2014 NOAA, Resilient Coastal Communities Initiative grant, \$425,221 Federal funds,
   \$150,000 State match
- 2. 2014 EPA, Living Shorelines Program Development, Wetlands Program Development fund, \$110,000 Federal, \$37,000 State match
- 3. 2015 DOI/NFWF Building Ecological Solutions to Coastal Community Hazards, \$3,440,000 Federal, \$782,210 Local Match, \$112,678 State Match
- 4. 2016 NOAA, FRAMES, Regional Resiliency Grant \$898,656 Federal, \$450,333 State and Local Match
- 5. 2016/2017 HUD, NDRC Regional Resiliency Planning grant \$10,000,000 Federal
- 6. 2017 EPA, Monitoring and Policy Recommendations for shoreline and marsh restoration and enhancement projects





### **Ecological Solutions to Coastal Community Hazards**

- \$3.4 million grant award funded by the Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grant Program through the Department of the Interior (DOI), administered by NFWF
- Over 20 partners from NPOs, NEPs and universities to local governments
- Grant tasks include:
  - Assist 30 communities with GTR, CVA and technical advice
  - Develop guide for municipalities and promote ecological solutions on a local, regional and national level
  - Funding for 10 local government projects that address coastal hazards with ecological solutions
  - Marsh and project monitoring and new citizens monitoring program
  - Development of high school curriculum module with over 700 students participating in ecological projects

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#### Partners and Awards

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NJ Society of Municipal Engineers' 2017 Project of the Year:
Category G - Municipal Projects Involving Intergovernmental Cooperation
Brigantine Beach Living Shoreline Project

























**Atlantic City** 

**Brigantine Beach** 

**Downe Township** 

**Margate City** 

**Somers Point** 

**Secaucus Town** 

Spring Lake Township

**Lower Township** 

**Upper Township** 

**Cape May Count** 

## Thank you!

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