

# Ocean Park Civic League

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A photograph of a street during a flood. Several cars are driving through water that has covered the asphalt. The water is up to the bottom of the car doors. The street is lined with trees and houses. The water reflects the surrounding environment.

# Agenda

- 01 Stormwater Background Information
- 02 City GIS Maps
- 03 Recurrent Flooding Indicator Maps
- 04 Flood Protection Program
- 05 Future Flood Protection

# Stormwater Background Information

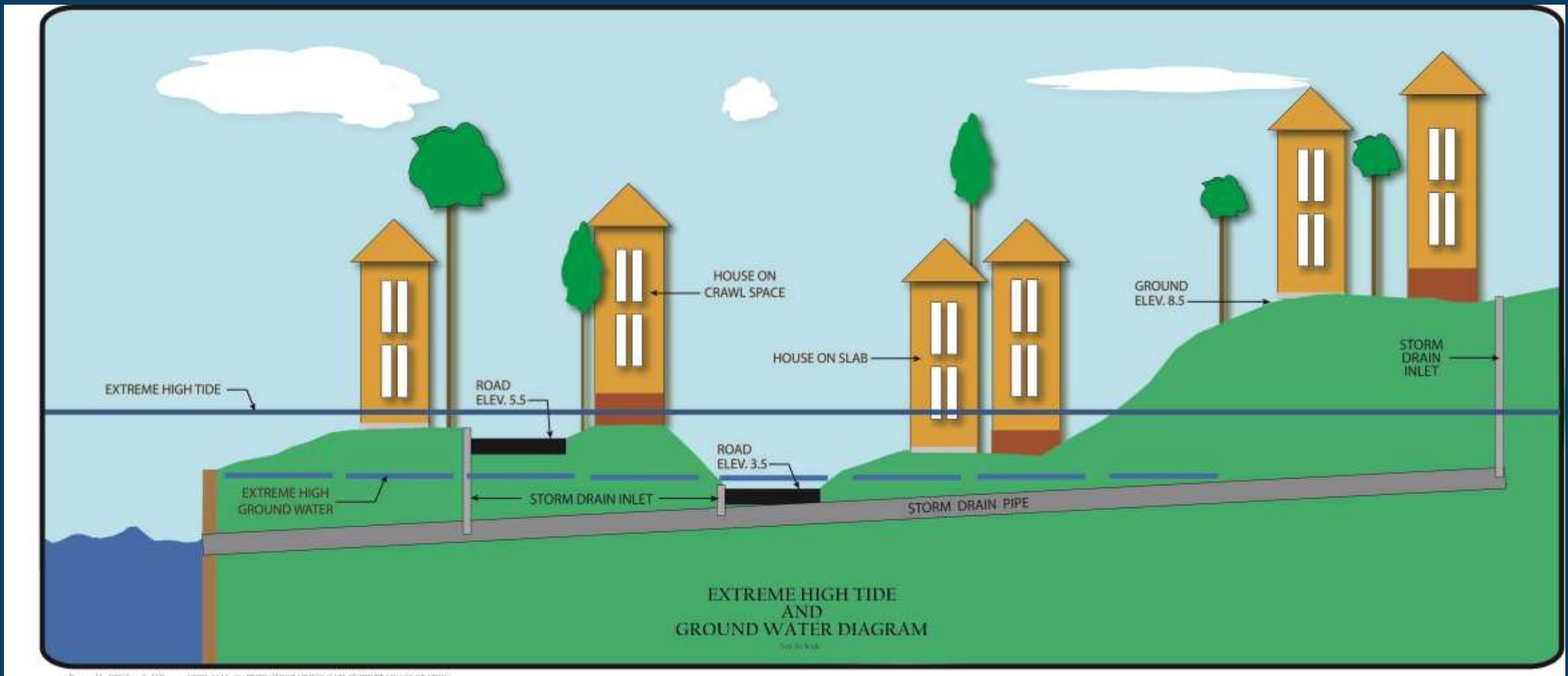
# Understanding Water



[photo of bathroom sink overflowing with water - Bing images](#)



# High Tide Impacts



# Coastal Flood Pathways and Extreme Tidal Elevations

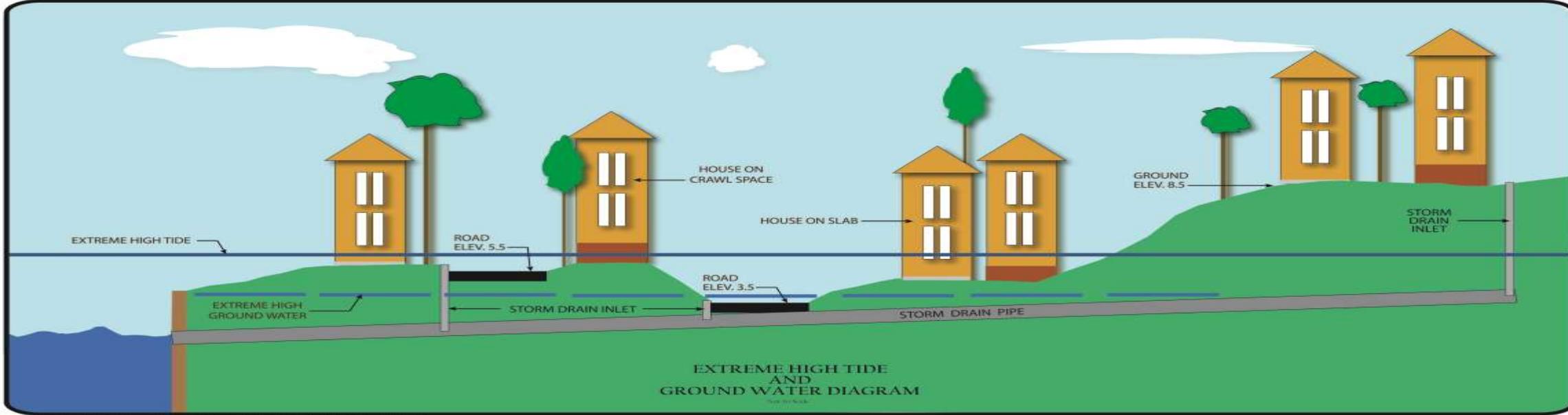
## Coastal Storms 1998 - 2018

STORM	DATE	WS ELEV (Ft.) (Lynnhaven Inlet)
Nor’Ida	11/09	6.90
Hurricane Isabel	9/03	6.20*
Thanksgiving N’easter	11/06	6.00*
Twin N’easter #2	1/98	5.85*
Hurricane Sandy	10/12	5.70
Hurricane Irene	8/11	5.50
Columbus Day N’easter	10/06	5.30*
Twin N’easter #1	2/98	5.20*
Tropical Storm Hermine	9/16	4.53
Hurricane Joaquin	10/15	4.40
Hurricane Floyd	9/99	4.25
Hurricane Matthew	10/16	4.24



Elevations are referenced to land survey datum NAVD88

\* indicates estimated elevation

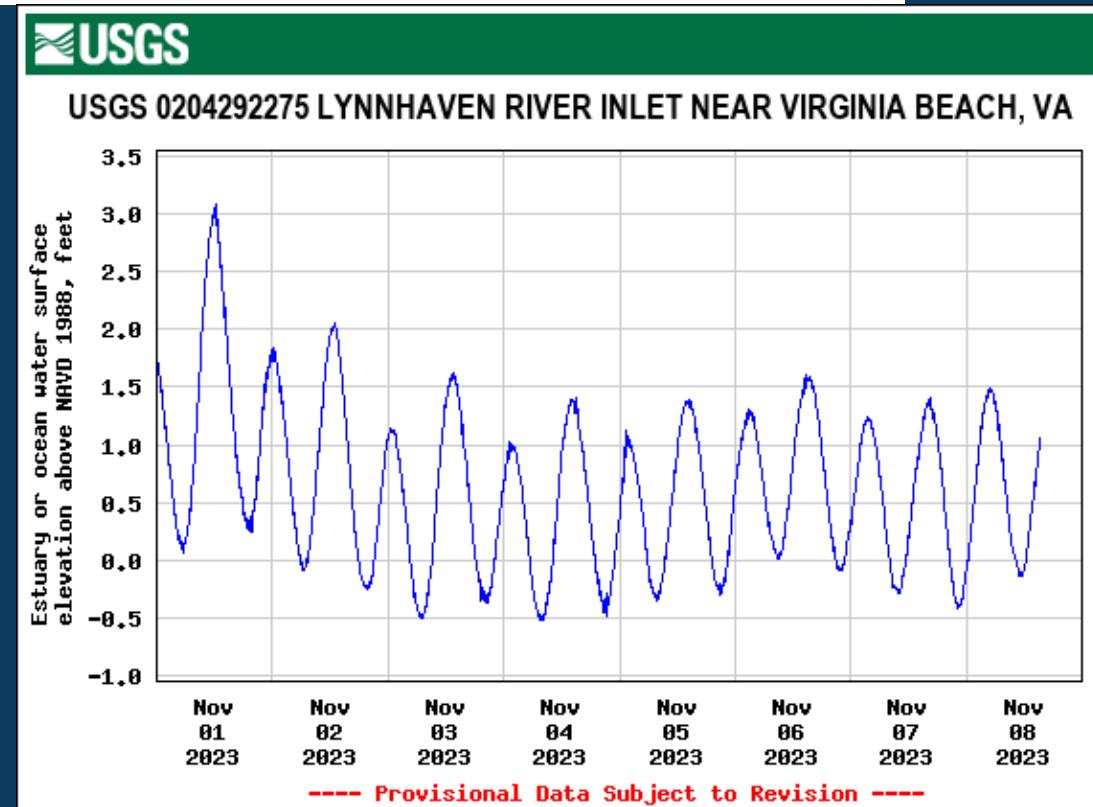


Prepared by DAWSON, Carl (Dawson, C) 2001-06-15. NCP00037441.LYNNHAVEN-CAPE STONEY INLET AND CREEK

# United States Geological Survey (USGS)

<https://waterdata.usgs.gov/va/nwis/current/?type=flow>

USGS Tide Gauges Virginia



# POINT PRECIPITATION FREQUENCY ESTIMATES FROM NOAA ATLAS 14

NORFOLK WSO AIRPORT, VIRGINIA (44-6139) 36.9033 N 76.1922 W 0 feet

from "Precipitation-Frequency Atlas of the United States" NOAA Atlas 14, Volume 2, Version 3

G.M. Bonnin, D. Martin, B. Lin, T. Parzybok, M. Yekta, and D. Riley

NOAA, National Weather Service, Silver Spring, Maryland, 2004

Extracted: Mon Feb 21 2011

## Precipitation Frequency Estimates (inches)

ARI* (years)	5 min	10 min	15 min	30 min	60 min	120 min	3 hr	6 hr	12 hr	24 hr	48 hr	4 day	7 day	10 day	20 day	30 day	45 day	60 day
1	0.41	0.65	0.82	1.12	1.40	1.66	1.78	2.17	2.57	2.93	3.39	3.77	4.39	4.97	6.71	8.30	10.27	12.24
2	0.48	0.77	0.97	1.34	1.68	1.99	2.15	2.60	3.08	3.57	4.10	4.57	5.30	5.97	8.00	9.86	12.15	14.44
5	0.55	0.88	1.12	1.59	2.03	2.47	2.66	3.24	3.85	4.62	5.28	5.82	6.66	7.40	9.71	11.84	14.48	17.00
10	0.63	1.00	1.27	1.84	2.39	2.95	3.21	3.90	4.66	5.51	6.29	6.87	7.79	8.58	11.12	13.42	16.37	19.03
25	0.71	1.13	1.43	2.12	2.82	3.55	3.90	4.76	5.74	6.82	7.81	8.39	9.43	10.28	13.10	15.60	19.01	21.77
50	0.78	1.24	1.56	2.36	3.19	4.09	4.54	5.57	6.76	7.96	9.14	9.68	10.80	11.69	14.72	17.33	21.14	23.92
100	0.84	1.33	1.69	2.58	3.56	4.63	5.20	6.40	7.83	9.21	10.61	11.08	12.27	13.19	16.42	19.11	23.32	26.07
200	0.90	1.43	1.80	2.81	3.94	5.21	5.91	7.32	9.02	10.59	12.25	12.60	13.87	14.80	18.21	20.93	25.59	28.25
500	0.98	1.55	1.95	3.10	4.45	6.01	6.91	8.61	10.73	12.66	14.73	14.86	16.16	17.10	20.72	23.41	28.72	31.16
1000	1.05	1.65	2.08	3.36	4.91	6.73	7.83	9.82	12.34	14.42	16.87	16.97	18.05	19.02	22.73	25.35	31.20	33.39

\* These precipitation frequency estimates are based on a partial duration series. ARI is the Average Recurrence Interval.

Please refer to [NOAA Atlas 14 Document](#) for more information. NOTE: Formatting forces estimates near zero to appear as zero.



# Inundation Areas

Elevation: **10** ft NAVD 88

Buildings: **1400**

Elevation	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Buildings	9	73	307	582	872	1186	1343	1400

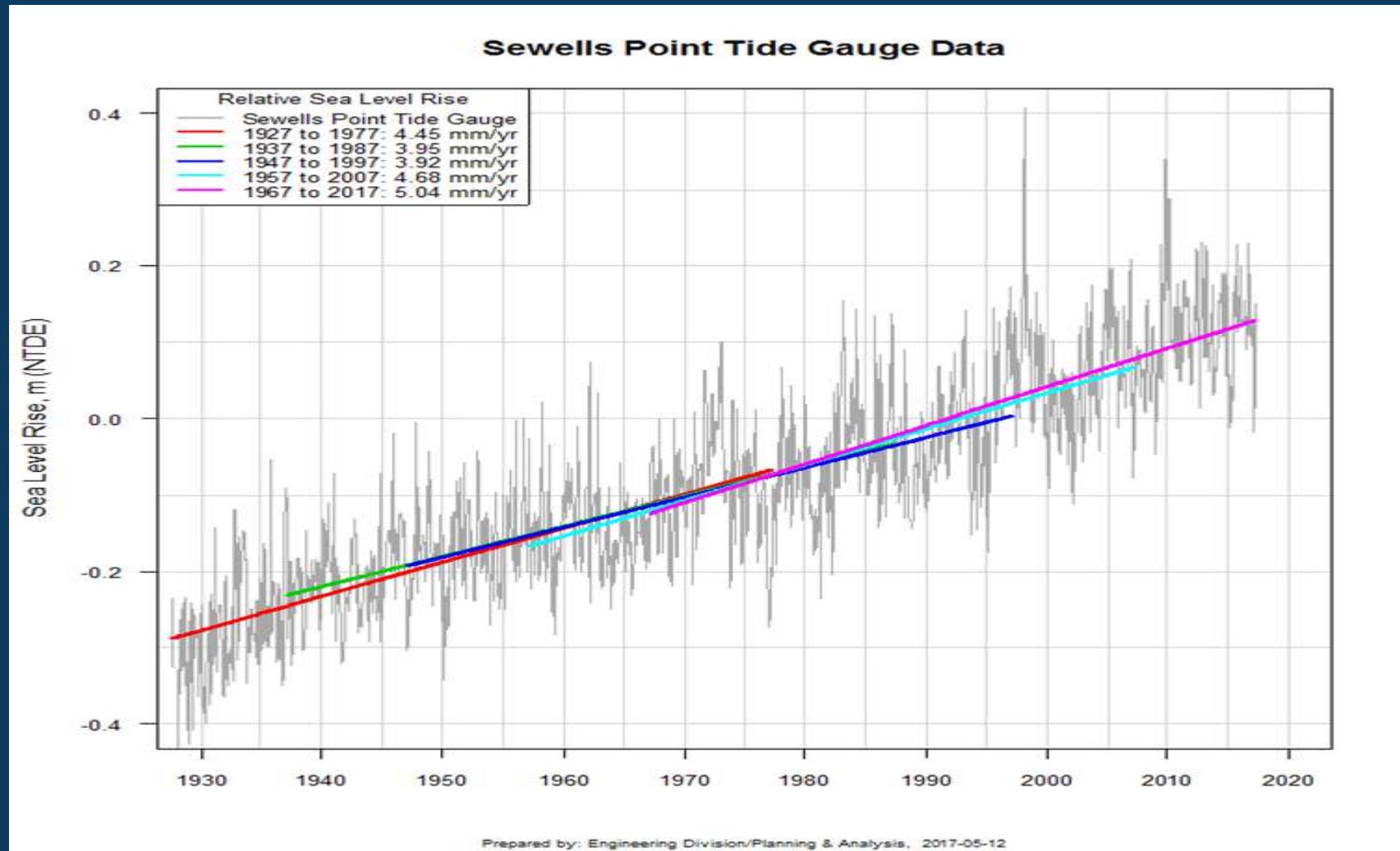


# Pump Station Watershed Boundaries



# Sewells Point Tide Gauge Data

Sewells Point, VA  $4.44 \pm 0.27 \text{ mm/yr}$



# Future Tidal Elevations

The Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) is predicting

- In 20 to 40 years anticipate 1.5-foot increase in tidal elevations
- In 40 to 80 years anticipate 3.0-foot increase in tidal elevations

This means:

Current tidal range is High Tide (1.5 to 1.8 feet) and Low Tide (-0.8 to -1.2 feet).

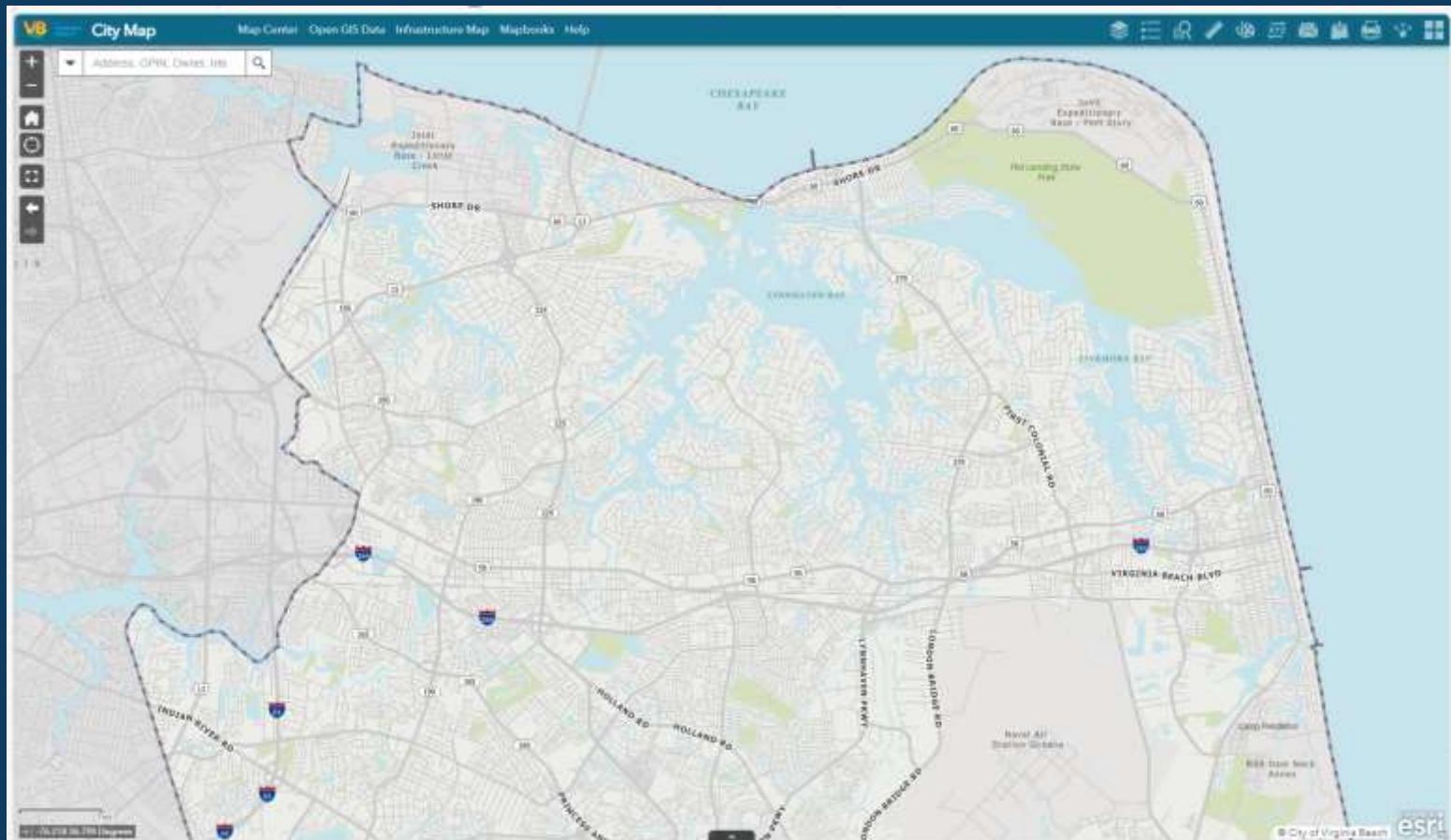
In 20 to 40 years anticipate High Tide (3.0 to 3.3 feet) and Low Tide (0.7 to 0.3 feet)

In 40 to 80 years the anticipate High Tide (4.5 to 4.8 feet) and Low Tide (2.2 to 1.8 feet).

# City GIS Maps

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- City GIS map allows the user to select different layers
  - Property Layers
  - Street Layers
  - Stormwater Layers
  - 2023 Aerial imagery
  - Topographic Elevations



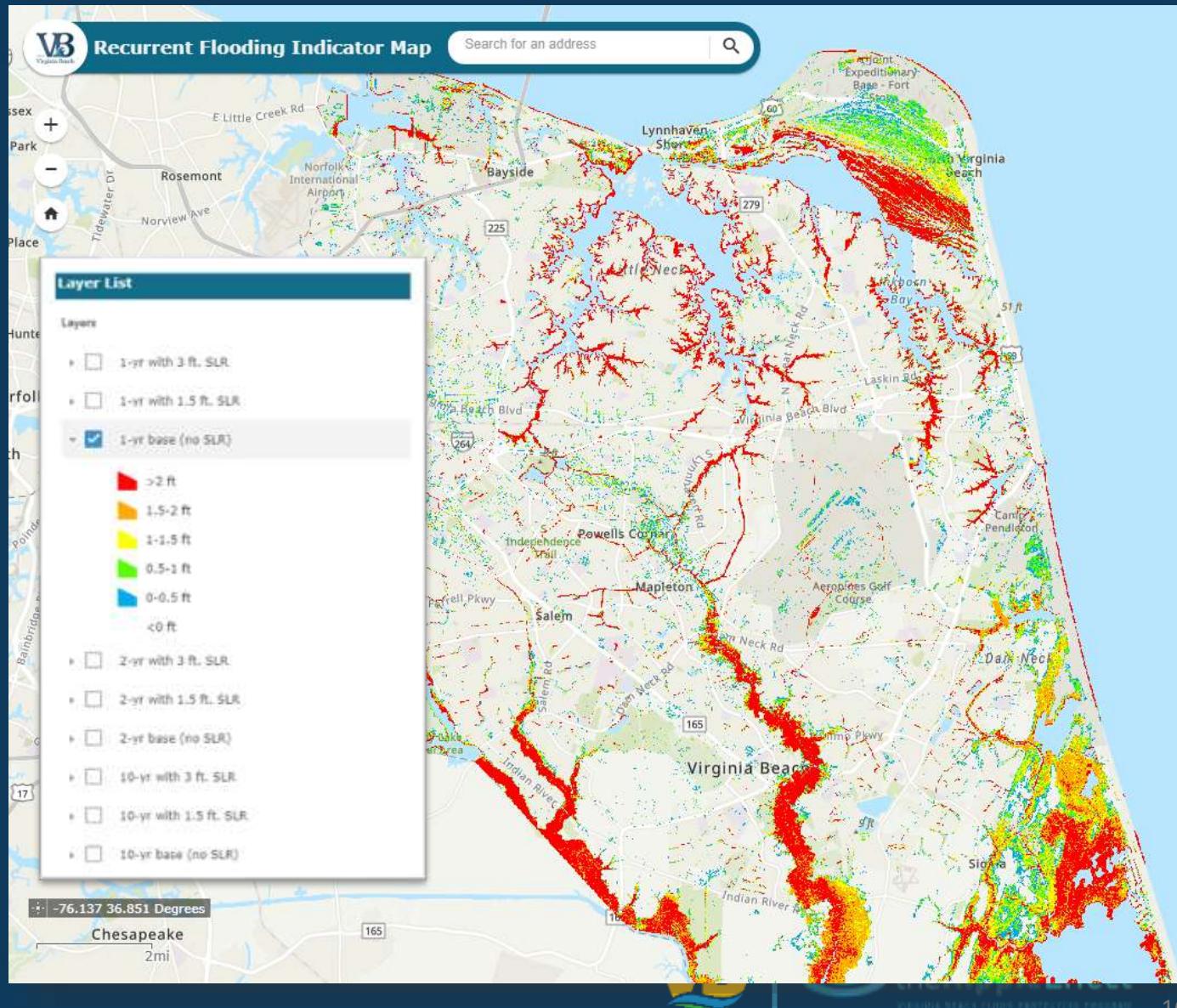
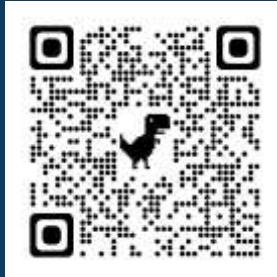
<https://virginiabeach.gov/services/map-center>

# Recurrent Flooding Indicator Maps

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- City GIS flood map allows the user to select the flooding layer
  - Different recurrence interval storms and sea level rise conditions
- Link to the GIS map is posted on the City FPP webpage

[www.virginiatech.gov/RippleEffect](http://www.virginiatech.gov/RippleEffect)



# Recurrent Flooding Indicator

**The storm events listed are hypothetical storm events of a given frequency interval and duration.**

**A 1-year storm event has a 100% chance of occurring in a calendar year.**

**A 2-year storm event has a 50% chance. A 10-year storm event has a 10% chance.**

**A 25-year storm event has a 4% chance.**

**A 50-year storm event has a 2% chance.**

**A 100-year storm event has a 1% chance of occurring in a calendar year.**

**It is possible for multiple, larger storm events to occur in a single calendar year. For example, Virginia Beach, in 2016, experienced 100-year, 250-year (0.4% chance of occurrence), and 1000-year (0.1% chance of occurrence) storms within a 6-week period.**



# Recurrent Flooding Indicator

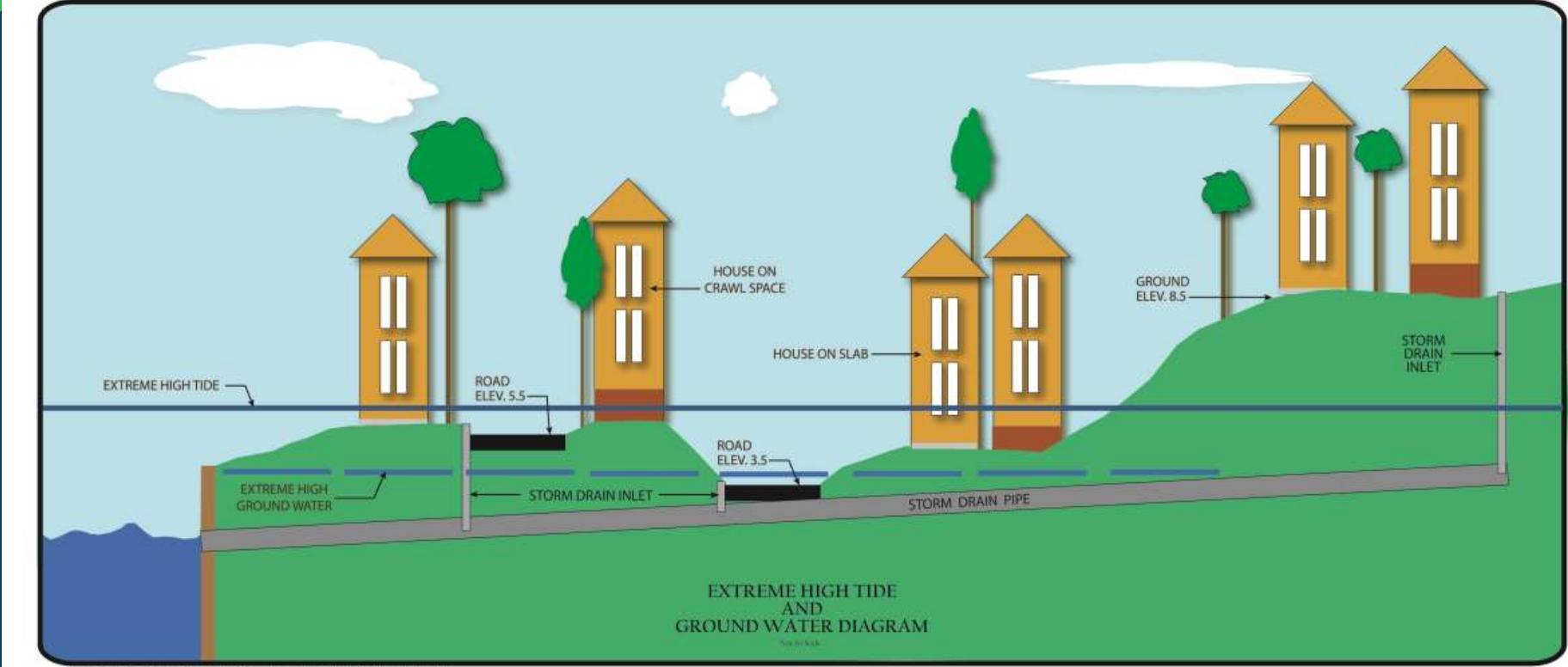
**Boundary conditions listed indicate the elevation of the water (NAVD 88) for the duration of the storm event.**

**Base represents today's conditions,  
1.5-feet sea level rise represents conditions between 2045-2065 and  
3-feet sea level rise represents conditions between 2065-2085.**

**These elevations were generated based on historical analysis and modeling,  
prepared by Dewberry as part of the Sea Level Wise Adaptation Strategy Report.**

# Recurrent Flooding Factors and Probability

Rainfall Event	Starting Tidal Elevation
1 Yr	10 Yr
2 YR	5 YR
10 YR	1 YR
25 YR	2 YR
50 YR	2 YR
100YR	3 YR



**TABLE J-12**  
**Design Tidal Elevations for Virginia Beach**  
**All Elevations in feet relative to the North American Vertical Datum (NAVD) of 1988**

Location	Design Level	1-YR	2-YR	3-YR	5-YR	10-YR	25-YR	50-YR	100-YR	500-YR
Lynnhaven Bay & River, Eastern Branch	Existing Condition	3.1	3.6	4.0	4.4	5.2	5.8	6.2	6.7	8.5
	1.5 ft SLR	4.6	5.1	5.5	5.9	6.7	7.3	7.7	8.2	10.0
	3.0 ft SLR	6.3	6.9	7.3	7.7	8.5	9.2	9.6	10.1	12.0
Lynnhaven Bay & River, Incl. all areas other than Eastern Branch (Western Branch, Broad Bay, Linkhorn Bay, Little Neck Creek)	Existing Condition	3.2	3.9	4.3	4.8	5.5	6.3	6.9	7.4	9.3
	1.5 ft SLR	4.7	5.4	5.8	6.3	7.0	7.8	8.4	8.9	10.8
	3.0 ft SLR	6.4	7.2	7.6	8.1	8.8	9.7	10.3	10.8	12.8

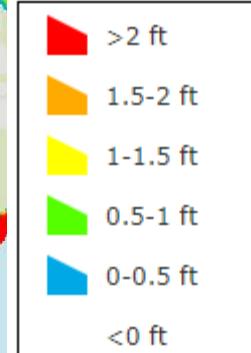


## Layer List

- 1-yr base (no SLR)
- 2-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 2-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 2-yr base (no SLR)
- 10-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 10-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 10-yr base (no SLR)
- 25-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 25-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR

Rainfall Event	Starting Tidal Elevation
10 Yr	1 Yr

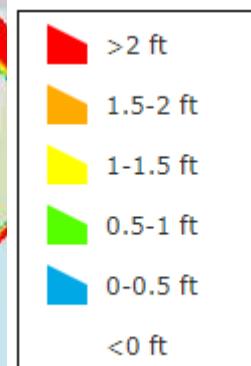
Starting Tidal Elev. = 3.2 Ft



Rainfall Event	Starting Tidal Elevation
10 Yr	1 Yr

Starting Tidal Elev. = 4.7 Ft

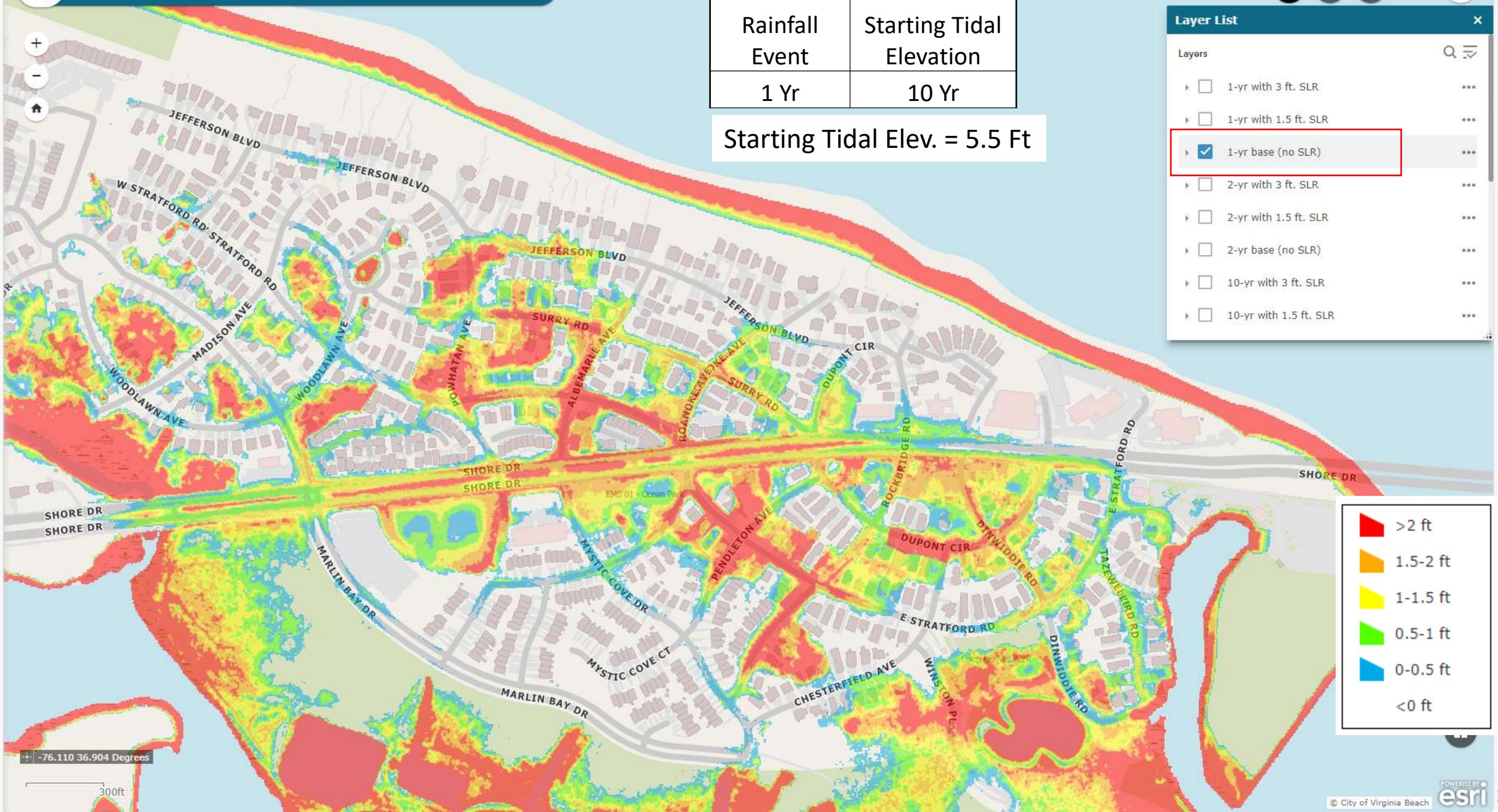
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Rainfall Event	Starting Tidal Elevation
1 Yr	10 Yr

Starting Tidal Elev. = 8.8 Ft







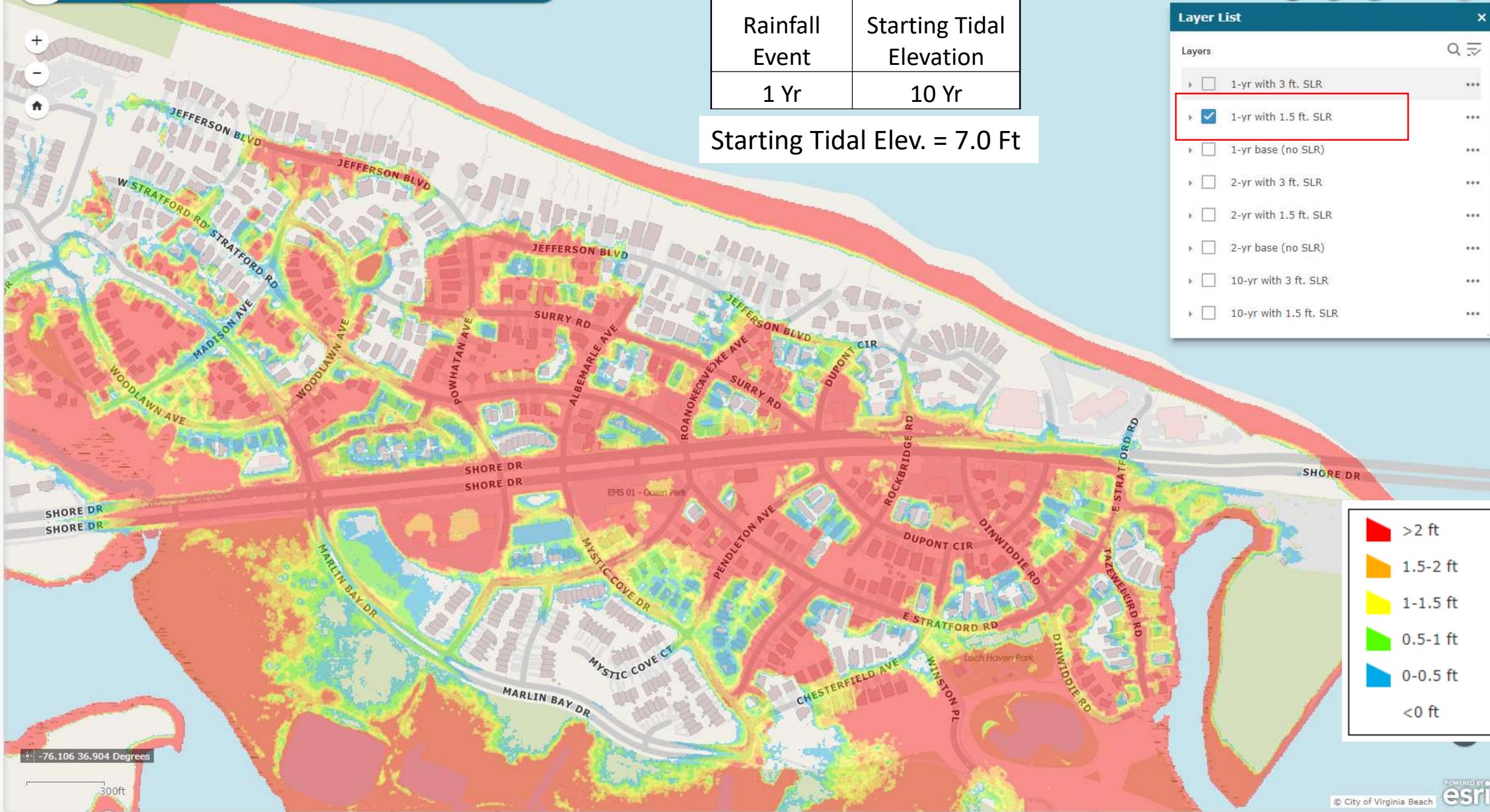
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- 1-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 1-yr base (no SLR)
- 2-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 2-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 2-yr base (no SLR)
- 10-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 10-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR

Rainfall Event	Starting Tidal Elevation
1 Yr	10 Yr

Starting Tidal Elev. = 7.0 Ft



## Layer List

 2-yr base (no SLR) 10-yr with 3 ft. SLR 10-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR 10-yr base (no SLR) 25-yr with 3 ft. SLR 25-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR 25-yr base (no SLR) 50-yr with 3 ft. SLR 50-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR 50-yr base (no SLR)

Rainfall Event	Starting Tidal Elevation
10 Yr	1 Yr

Starting Tidal Elev. = 6.4 Ft



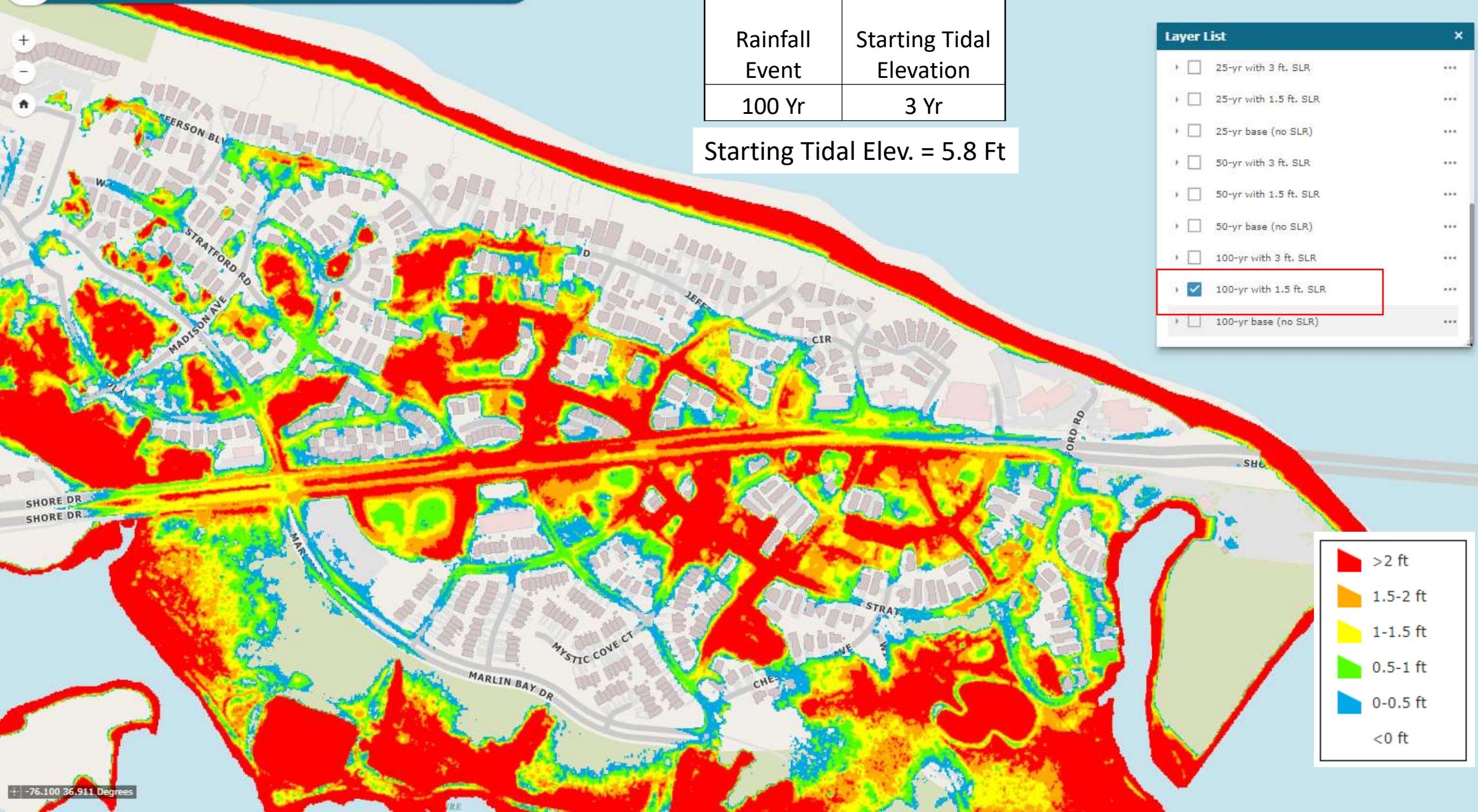
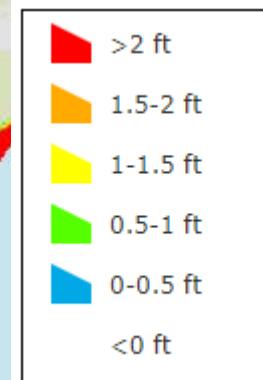


Rainfall Event	Starting Tidal Elevation
100 Yr	3 Yr

Starting Tidal Elev. = 5.8 Ft

#### Layer List

- 25-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 25-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 25-yr base (no SLR)
- 50-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 50-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 50-yr base (no SLR)
- 100-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 100-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 100-yr base (no SLR)

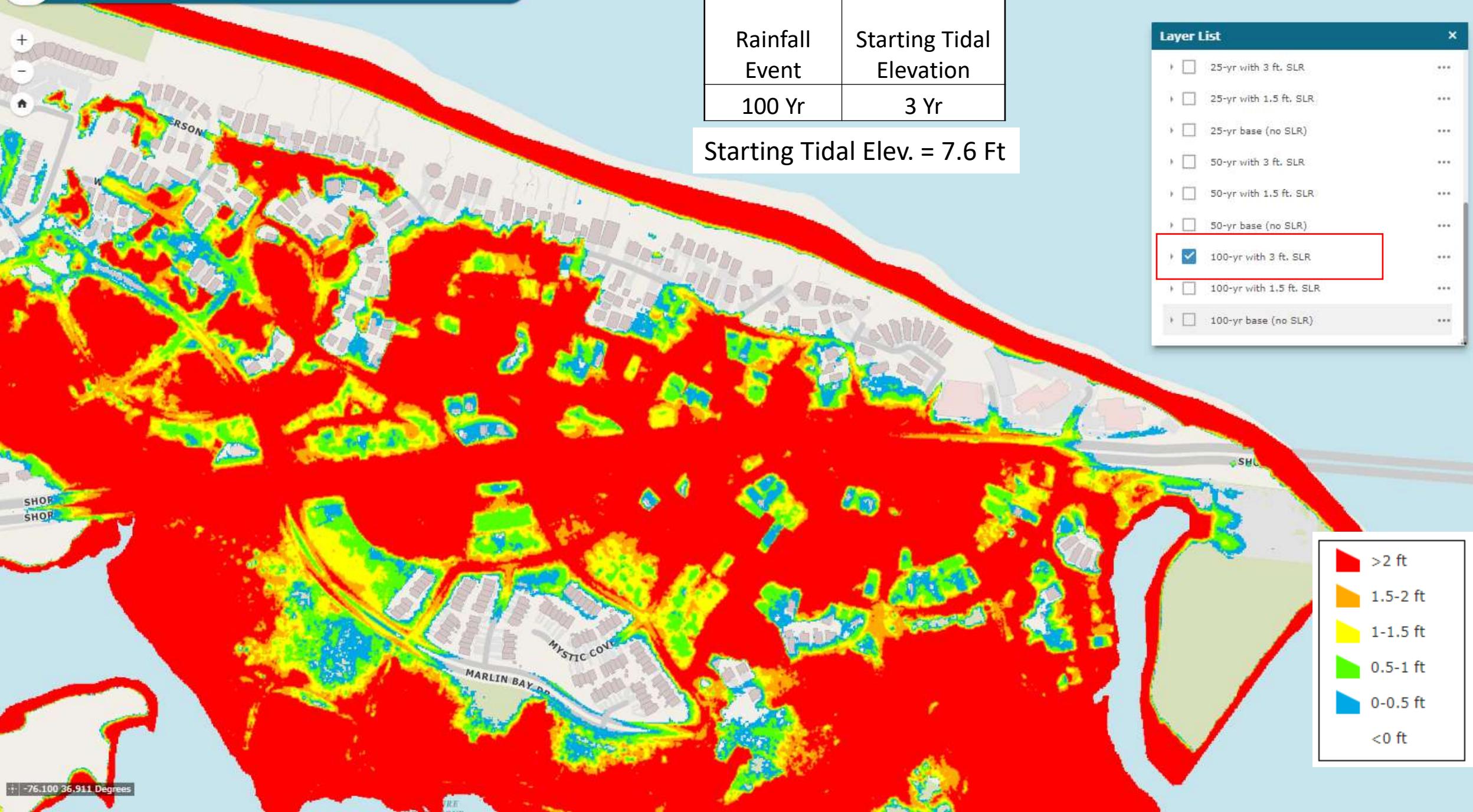


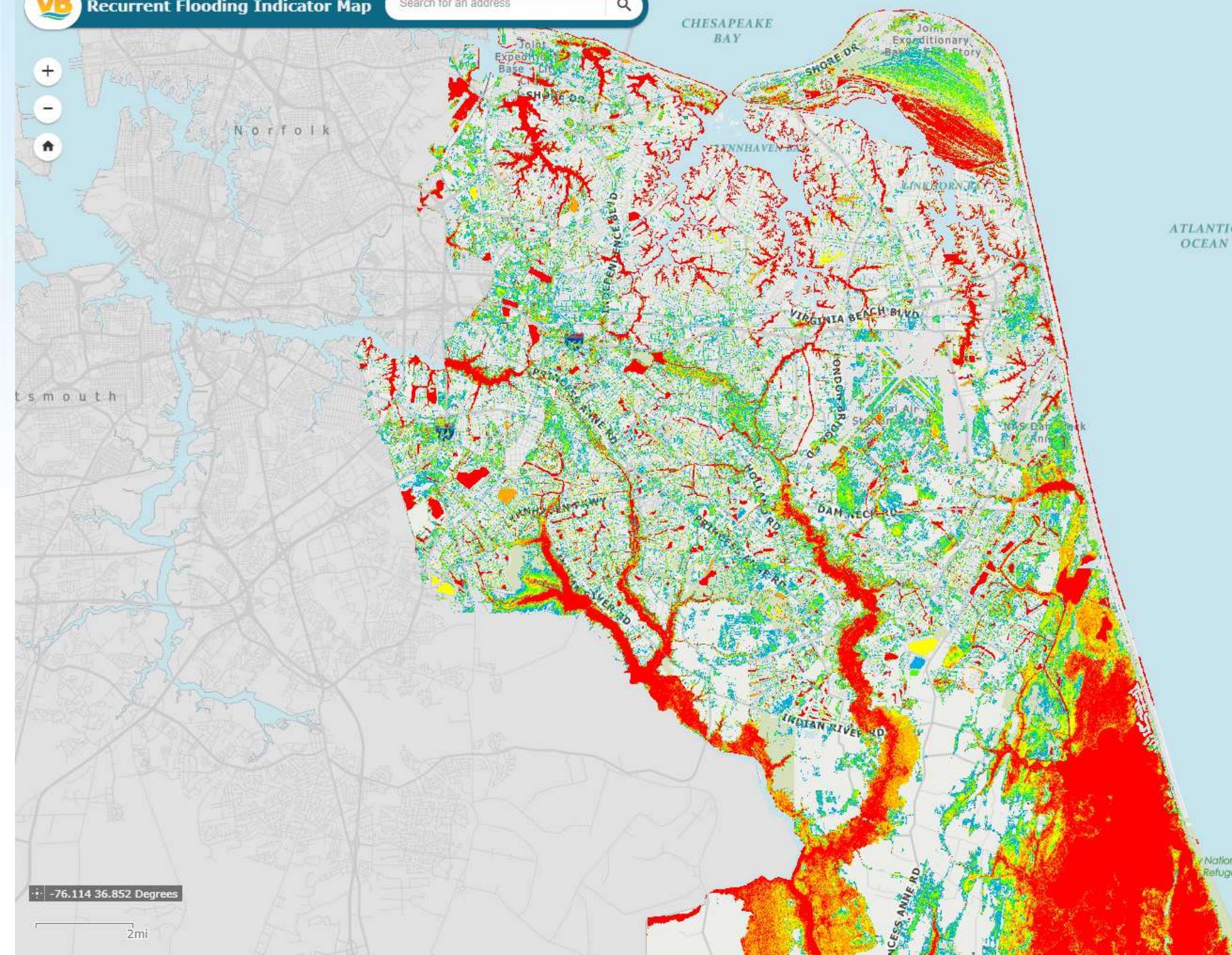
Rainfall Event	Starting Tidal Elevation
100 Yr	3 Yr

Starting Tidal Elev. = 7.6 Ft

Layer List

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- 25-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 25-yr base (no SLR)
- 50-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 50-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 50-yr base (no SLR)
- 100-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 100-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 100-yr base (no SLR)



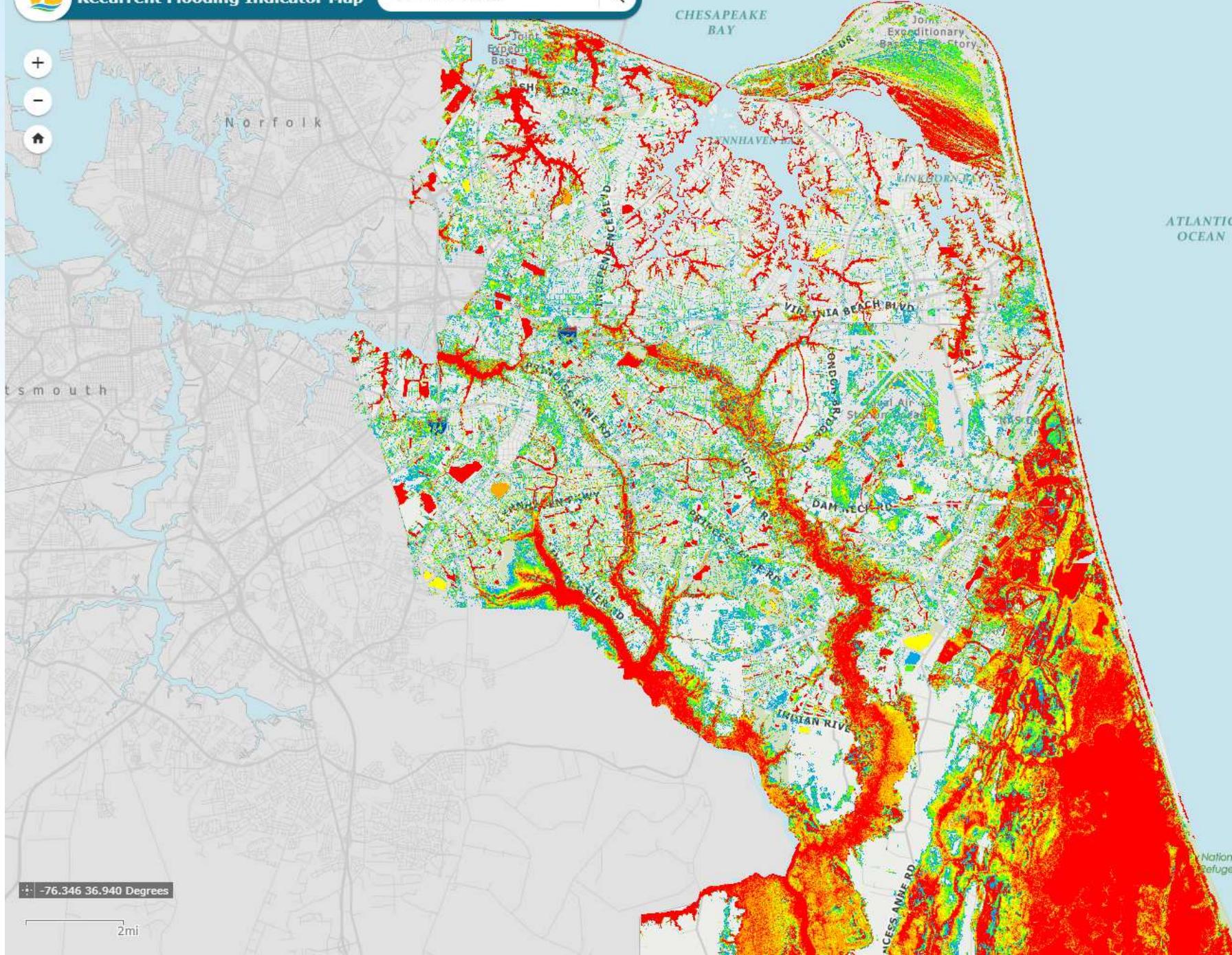


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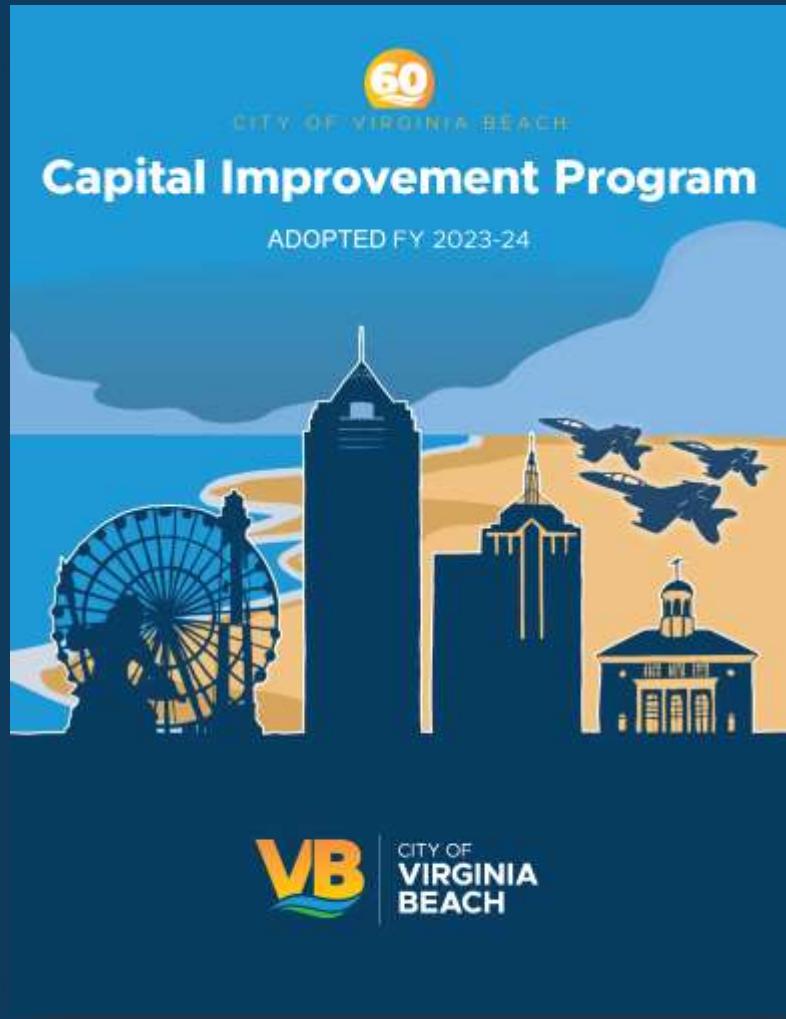
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- 50-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 50-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 50-yr base (no SLR)
- 100-yr with 3 ft. SLR
- 100-yr with 1.5 ft. SLR
- 100-yr base (no SLR)



# Flood Protection Program

Master Projects

# Flood Protection Capital Improvement Program



## FY 2023–2024 Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Adopted on July 1, 2023

**\$743.8 M** 6-year total  
appropriated funding

Includes \$567.5M from  
Stormwater Bond  
Referendum

## 45 projects and programs

**7**

master projects  
containing 35 of the 45  
projects and programs:

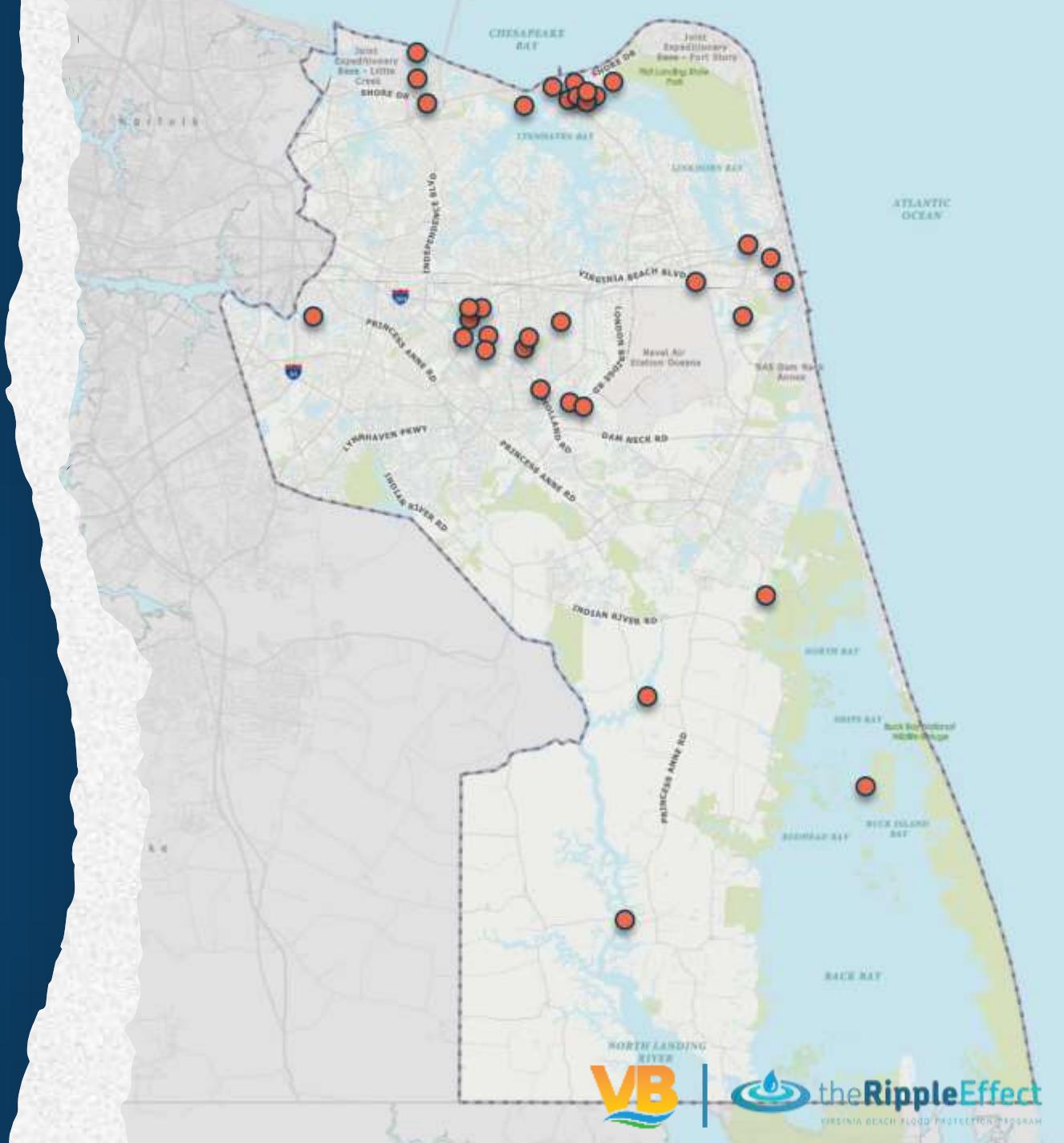
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stand-alone projects  
and programs

- Central Resort District
- Eastern Shore Drive Phase I
- Lake Bradford/Chubb Lake
- Linkhorn Bay Drainage Basin
- Southern Rivers Watershed
- Stormwater Green Infrastructure
- Windsor Woods,
- Princess Anne Plaza & The Lakes



# Project Locations



# Future Flood Protection

# Watershed Approach

- Each watershed has distinct flooding challenges and opportunities
- 4 Watersheds – 15 Drainage Basins
- Master Plans are underway to identify projects to mitigate flooding in the 15 drainage basins



# Multiple Layers of Adaptation



- **Natural Mitigations**

- Land Conservation
- Beach and Dune Nourishment
- Marsh Restoration
- Living Shorelines
- Maritime Forests
- Aquatic Vegetation
- Shellfish Reefs
- Seagrass Restoration

- **Engineered Defenses**

- Earthen Levee
- Floodwall
- Seawall
- Gates

- **Adapted Structures**

- Wet/Dry Flood Proofing
- Structure Elevation
- Mitigation-Reconstruction
- Voluntary Acquisition
- Floodplain Regulation
- Responsible Development

- **Prepared Communities**

- Educational Workshops
- Business Outreach
- Community Partnerships
- Military Coordination
- Flood Insurance Expansion



## COMBINATION GATE SOLUTION (ENLARGED)

## LYNNHAVEN INLET

# For More Information

Flood Protection Program –

<https://pw.virginiatech.gov/stormwater/flood-protection-program>

Sea Level Wise –

<https://pw.virginiatech.gov/stormwater/stormwater-planning/sea-level-wise>

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# Thank You!

## Questions?