

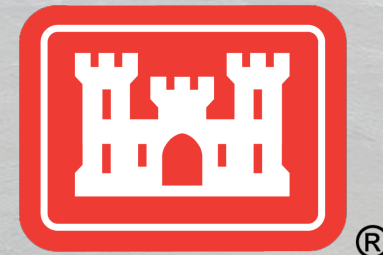
# St. Augustine, Florida Back Bay Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM) Feasibility Study

## USACE PLANNING TEAM PRESENTATION

### ***JUNE 2023***

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# AGENDA



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- Opening Remarks
- Study Overview/Local Considerations
- Alternatives Overview
- G2CRM Model Setup
- Discipline Specific Study Updates
- Schedule Updates (90-Day Window)
- Upcoming Public Engagements
- Sponsor Remarks
- Agency Questions/Comments
- Public Comments
- Closing Remarks



## House Resolution 2646 (June 21, 2000): St. Johns County, Florida

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the United States House of Representatives, That in accordance with Section 110 of the River and Harbor Act of 1962, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is **requested to survey the shores of St. Johns County, Florida**, with particular reference to the advisability of providing beach erosion control works in the area north of St. Augustine Inlet, the shoreline in the vicinity of Matanzas Inlet, and adjacent shorelines, as may be necessary in the interest of **hurricane protection, storm damage reduction, beach erosion control, and other related purposes.**

## Non-Federal Sponsor: City of St. Augustine (COSA)

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## Study Area

- Entire COSA Municipal Boundary
- 17 Distinct Neighborhoods
- 3 Separate Land Masses
- Interconnected Water Bodies

**Objectives** to be achieved within the City of St. Augustine over a 50-year period of analysis from 2035-2085 are to...

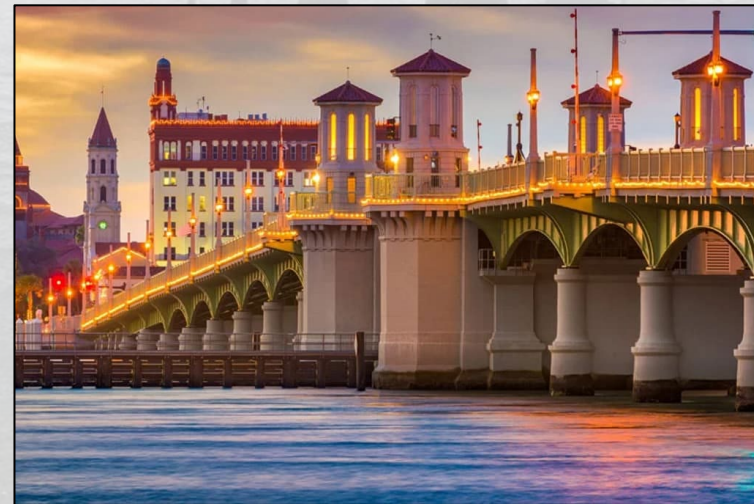
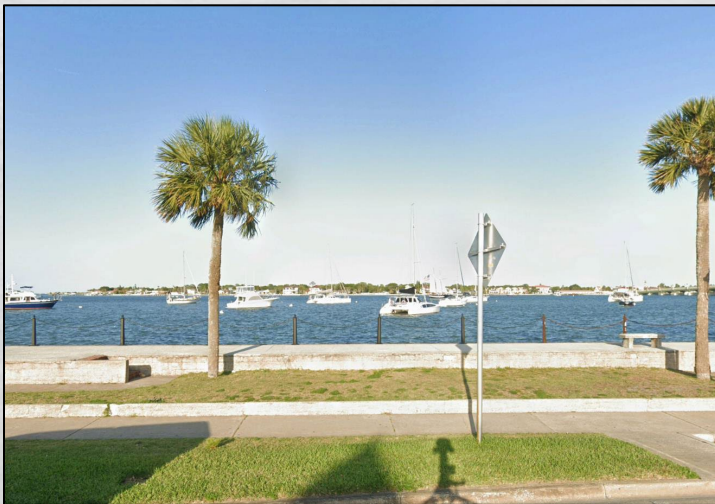
1. Manage risk of coastal flood damages.
2. Manage risk to health and life-safety.
3. Manage risk to cultural and natural resources.
4. Manage flooding impacts to the local economy.





## Local Considerations include...

1. Avoid or minimize adverse effects to cultural resources.
2. Consideration of local affordability.
3. Consider local responsibilities for technical operations and maintenance.
4. Avoid or minimize designs that do not conform to the city's historic character.
5. Avoid or minimize encroaching on navigational or recreational features.
6. Avoid environmental impacts.
7. Avoid or minimize impacts to community cohesion.





## Measure Function → Initial Array of Alternatives

Wall/Levee/Dune features stop flooding at the back bay shoreline.

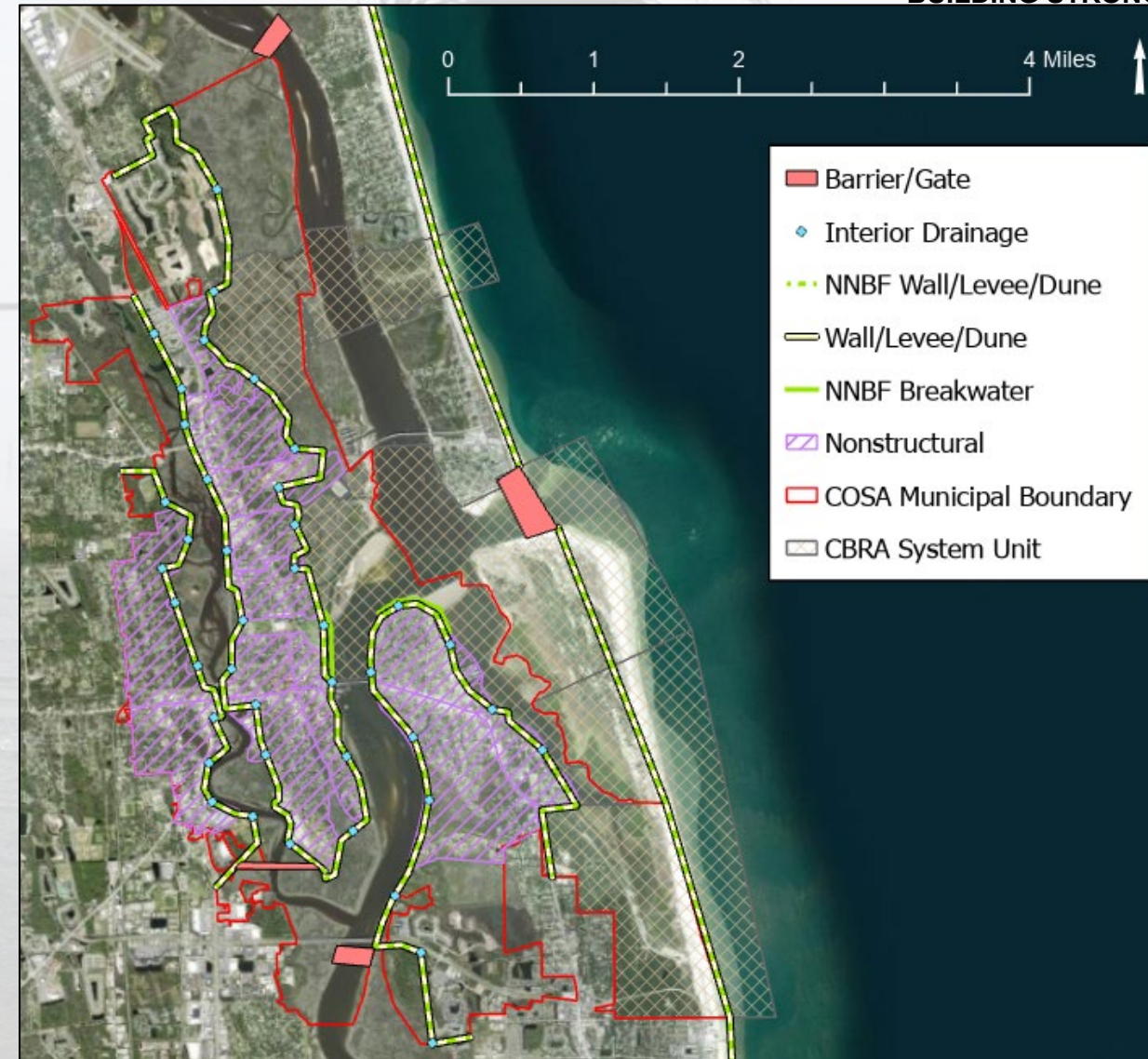
Surge Barrier/Gate features stop flooding before it gets into the back bay waters.

Interior Drainage features get flooding out of upland areas.

Nonstructural features reduce flood risk without directly effecting flooding processes.

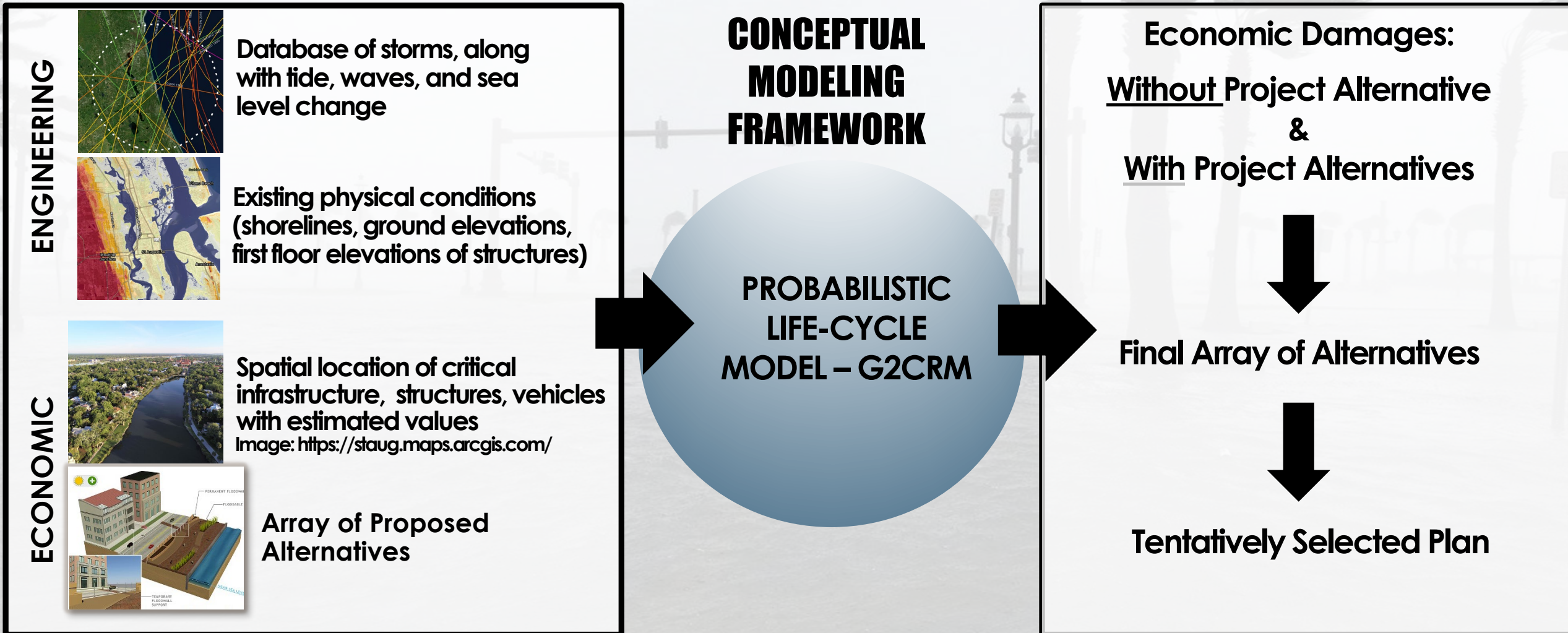
Breakwaters/NNBFs can reduce wave energy before it gets to the back bay shoreline.

0. No Action
1. Wall/Levee with Interior Drainage Features & Breakwaters/NNBFs
2. Storm Surge Barrier at Inlet(s)/IWW with Wall/Levee/Dune tiebacks
3. San Sebastian River Flood Gate with Wall/Levee & Interior Drainage Features & Breakwaters/NNBFs
4. All Nonstructural
5. Wall/Levee with Interior Drainage Features & Breakwaters/NNBFs & Nonstructural
6. Storm Surge Barrier at Inlet(s)/IWW with Wall/Levee/Dune tiebacks & Nonstructural





The **Generation II Coastal Risk Model (G2CRM)** is a probabilistic life-cycle model used to evaluate the interaction between the driving forces (storms) and economic assets (infrastructure) over the 50-year period of analysis:





# DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC UPDATES/ACTIONS



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- **Planning Technical Lead:** Marty Durkin
- **Engineering Technical Lead:** Patrick Snyder
- **Environmental Lead:** Darren Pecora
- **Economics Lead:** Vongmony Var
- **Cultural Resources Lead:** Zuzana Chovanec
- **Real Estate Lead:** Chris Bukolt
- **Office of Counsel:** Katie Gwin





TASK	LEAD SECTION(S)	START	END
<b>FCSA Executed</b>		<b>1/9/2023</b>	<b>1/9/2023</b>
Coordination for Collecting and Compiling Data for Inventory	ECON/PDT	3/10/2023	10/27/2023
Refined Existing Data Inventory & Analysis / New Data Collection & Analysis	ECON/PDT	3/10/2023	10/27/2023
GIS & Inventory of Baseline Structure Elevations & Properties Built Prior to 1978 (Cultural, Real Estate, GIS)	CR/GIS/RE	3/13/2023	11/20/2023
Identify Potential Hazardous, Toxic and Radioactive Waste (HTRW) Issues associated with Initial Array of Alternatives	HTRW	3/22/2023	8/8/2025
<b>AMM Milestone Meeting</b>		<b>5/1/2023</b>	<b>5/1/2023</b>
Neighborhood Outreach Meetings	Sponsor /PM/PDT	5/9/2023	2/2/2027
Ongoing Draft Report Writing and Preparation to have complete draft report and appendices by the TSP.	PDT	5/9/2023	2/2/2027
Environmental Surveys	EN	5/9/2023	2/2/2027
GIS Support (Web Mapper, Figures, Story Map, etc) through	EN	5/9/2023	2/2/2027
Future Without-Project (FWOP) Hydrologic Engineering Center's River Analysis System (HEC RAS) Modeling for Generation 2 Coastal Risk Model (G2CRM) Hydrographs	EN	5/17/2023	10/5/2023
Characterize Systems Protective System Elements (PSEs)	EN/ECON	5/17/2023	10/19/2023
Coordinate with H&H as needed to characterize storms and any other H&H data	EN/ECON	5/17/2023	10/27/2023
Delineate Study Area into Model Areas	EN/ECON/PF	5/17/2023	10/27/2023
Develop Modeling Strategy for Comprehensive Benefits	PF/PDT	5/17/2023	10/27/2023
Engineering Inputs for G2CRM (including Coastal Hazards System (CHS) based storm suite from Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC))	EN	5/17/2023	12/5/2023
Characterize Assets	ECON	8/1/2023	11/17/2023
Develop First Floor Elevations	ECON/EN	8/14/2023	11/17/2023





# UPCOMING PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT



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Dates	Events
July 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Monthly Planning Webinar
August 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Monthly Planning Webinar
September 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2023	Monthly Planning Webinar
September 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Public Workshop (Location TBD)
October 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	COSA Old City South (Fall Neighborhood Meeting)
	Monthly Planning Webinar
November 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Monthly Planning Webinar
December 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2023	Monthly Planning Webinar





# CLOSING REMARKS/QUESTIONS



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- Sponsor Remarks
- Federal Agency Questions/Comments
- State Agency Questions/Comments
- Local Agency Questions/Comments
- Public Comments