SAM Facility Vulnerability Study

Winter 2023 Project Update

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Board of Directors Update





Progress to date

- > Revised model for Dec 2021 storm
- > Post New Years 2022 storm site visit
- Modeled New Years Eve 2022 storm
- > Identified scenarios for model application







Model updates

- > Scaled Kehoe Watercourse by watershed area (2% of Pilarcitos)
- > Previous efforts using Schaff and Wheeler suggested a ~20% ratio.
- > Facility Structure representation



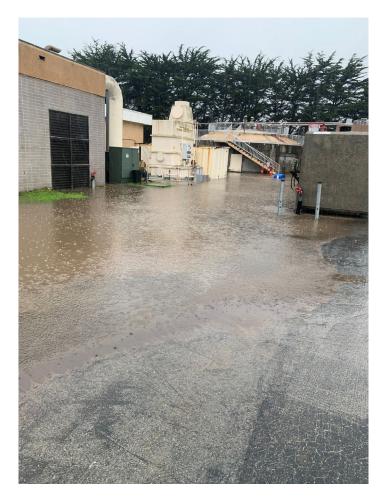




Using Watershed Scaling

New Years Eve Storm 2022



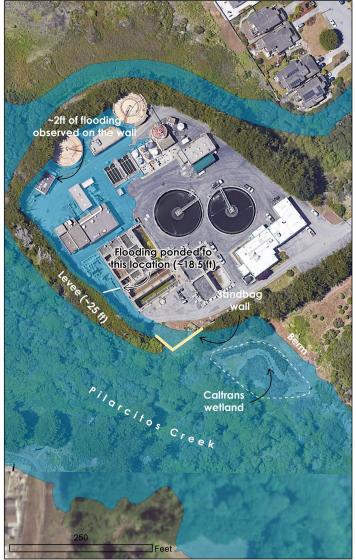


Flood depths up to 2 feet on the facility and 6 feet in the basement



New Years 2022 Storm Observations







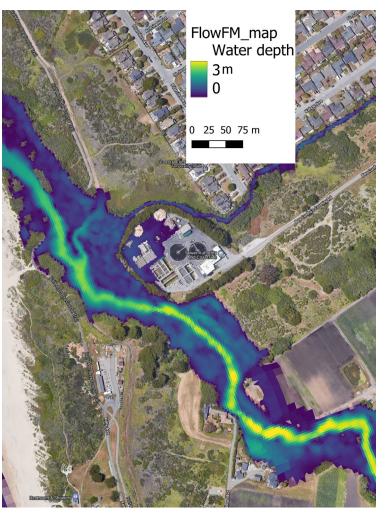
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Area flooding

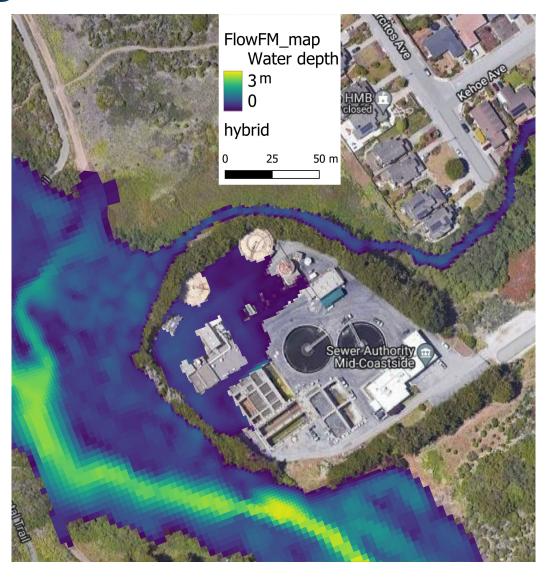






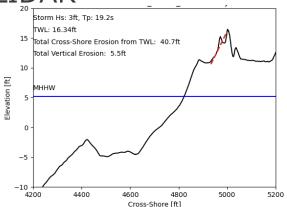
Facility Flooding





Coastal Modeling

- Coastal results feed into compound flooding model
- > Assessing dune erosion for influence on creek outlet
- > FEMA approach includes storm duration
- > Dynamic wave set up on top of king tide
- > Wave data coming from USGS CoSMoS
- > 2018 topographic LIDAR









Environmental Scenarios

Coastal Change

- Present conditions
- •SLR=1,2,4,7 ft
- •FEMA base flood elevations (33ft) (100 year)
- King Tides + wave setup

Discharge

- NYE Storm
- 100 Year Return period
- Discharge Increase via CalADAPT
- •500 year FEMA (grant Support)

Local Precipitation*

- Present conditions
- Based on CalADAPT

Results will identify future areas that will likely require adaptation



Adaptation Scenarios

Now/Short-term

- **>** Emergency preparedness
- > Floodproofing electrical infrastructure
- > Raise critical infrastructure
- > Investigate berm elevation alterations
- > Vegetation management
- > Kehoe connectivity

Medium-term

- > Caltrans wetland realignment
- > Identify inflow volumes and pumping needs

Long-term

- Managed Retreat (Land Ownership?)
 - Based on extents of beach erosion and flood depths

Triggers

- Frequency of impacts
- Cost
- Coastal erosion influence
- Insurability
- Buoyancy forces







Questions?



Additional Considerations

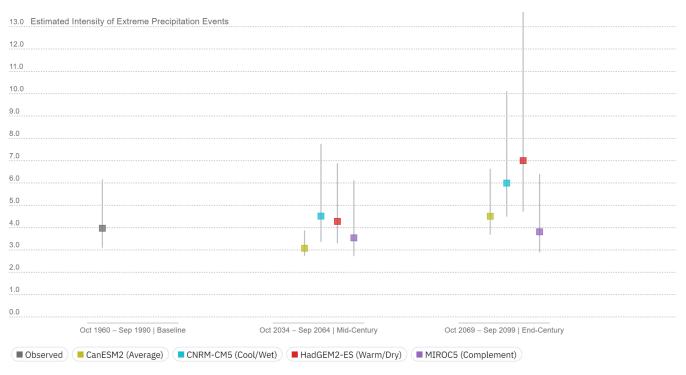
- > Additional model calibration around Kehoe Watercourse
- > Stormwater at the facility
- > Additional in-person meetings
- No instrumentation but 2 site visits to collect measurements



LOCA Grid Cell 38.59375, -121.46875

Projected changes in **Estimated Intensity of Extreme Precipitation Events** which are exceeded on average once every **100** years under a **High Emissions (RCP 8.5) Scenario**.

Extreme Precipitation events are successive days in which the **1-day** rainfall total is above an extreme threshold of **0.62 inch**.



Source: Cal-Adapt. Data: LOCA Downscaled CMIP5 Climate Projections (Scripps Institution of Oceanography), Gridded Observed Meteorological Data (University of Colorado Boulder), LOCA Derived Products (Geospatial Innovation Facility).

