



Responding to Climate
Change Through
Adaptation & Mitigation

Develop Nova Scotia's approach to project delivery

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PUBLIC LAND +
INFRASTRUCTURE
DEPARTMENTS +
AGENCIES

Property & infrastructure to support transportation & government services

Build places for with people onle

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PRIVATE LAND DEVELOPERS

Grow shareholder value – ROI: highest &* best use drives development decisions

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS + AGENCIES

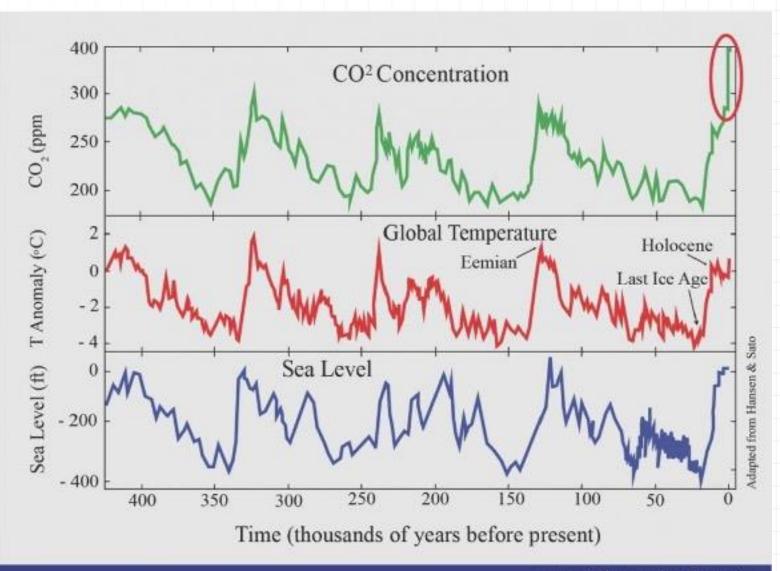
Grow economy using variety of strategies & tools

How We Fit in

Hurricane Dorian | Halifax Waterfront 2019



Awareness & Urgency - Making the Case for Action



Global Sea Level Rise

- 16cms since 1950
- 7cms since ~2000







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Building sector emissions hit record high, but low-carbon pandemic recovery can help transform sector

—UN report

Construction GHG Emissions

 CO2 emissions increased by 9.95GtCO2 in 2019; 38% when adding building construction industry emissions

 Direct building CO2 emissions need to be 50% lower to be on track by 2050

 Need to prioritize low-carbon buildings in pandemics and updated climate pledges





Climate Change in Canada



Risks in Atlantic Canada's Coastal Communities

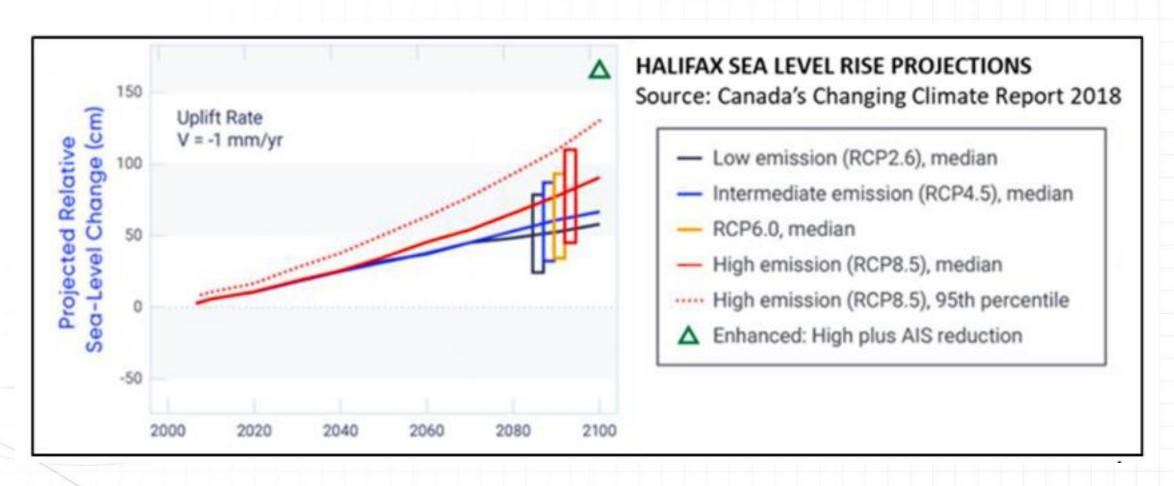
- Sea level rise worsened by subsidence
- Tides influenced by moon wobble₁
- Increased frequency of storms and hurricanes
- Increased erosion
- Forest fires
- Flooding

1 Nature Climate Change Paper, 2021





Understanding our Specific Climate Hazard





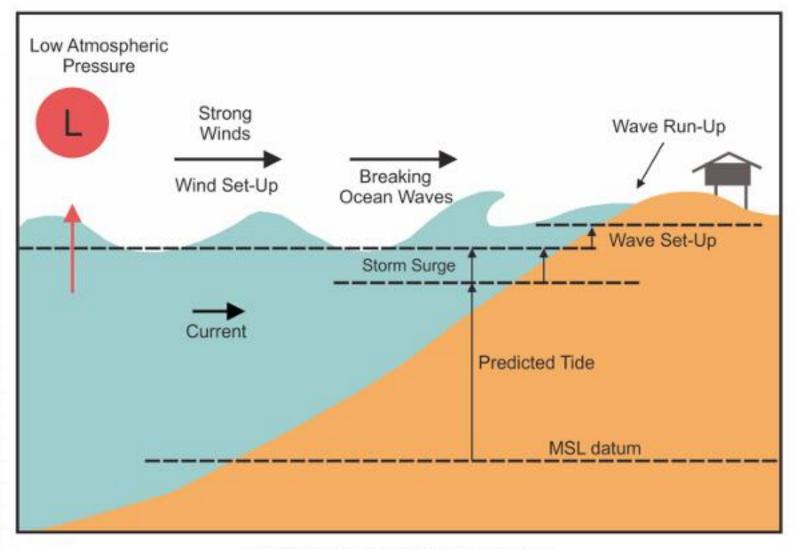
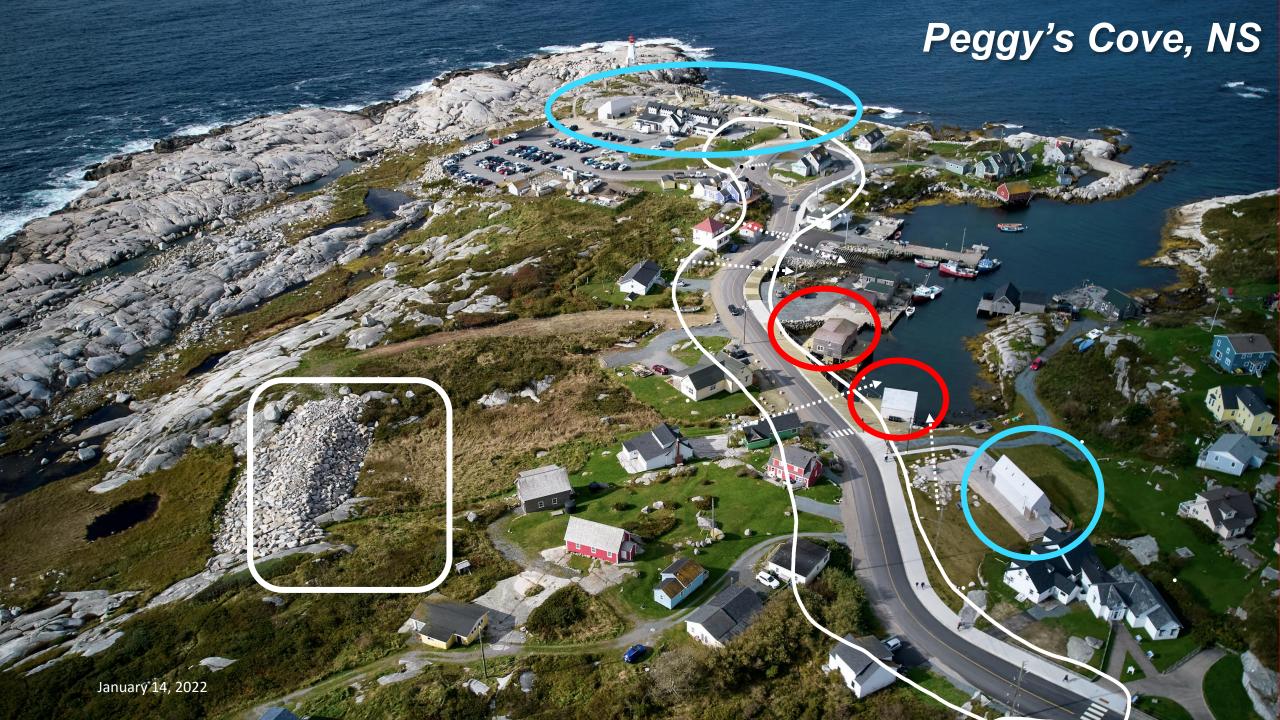
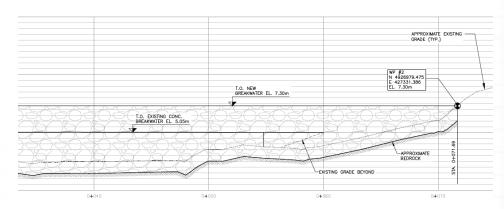


Figure 7.18: Factors contributing to storm surges

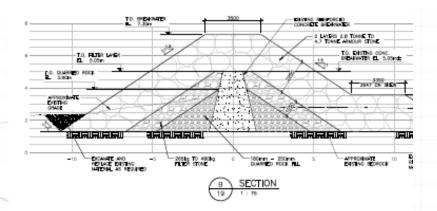




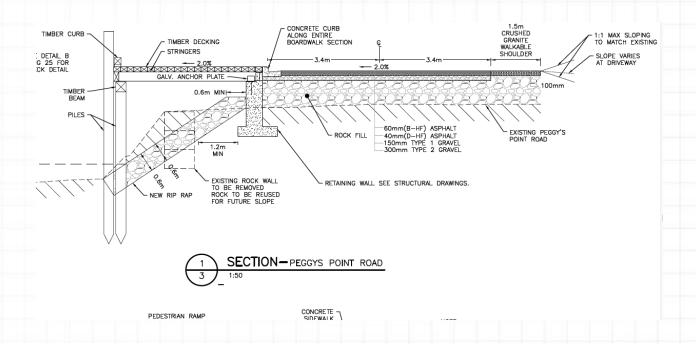
Peggy's Cove Climate Adaptation Improvements



DEVELOPED PROFILE - BREAKWATER

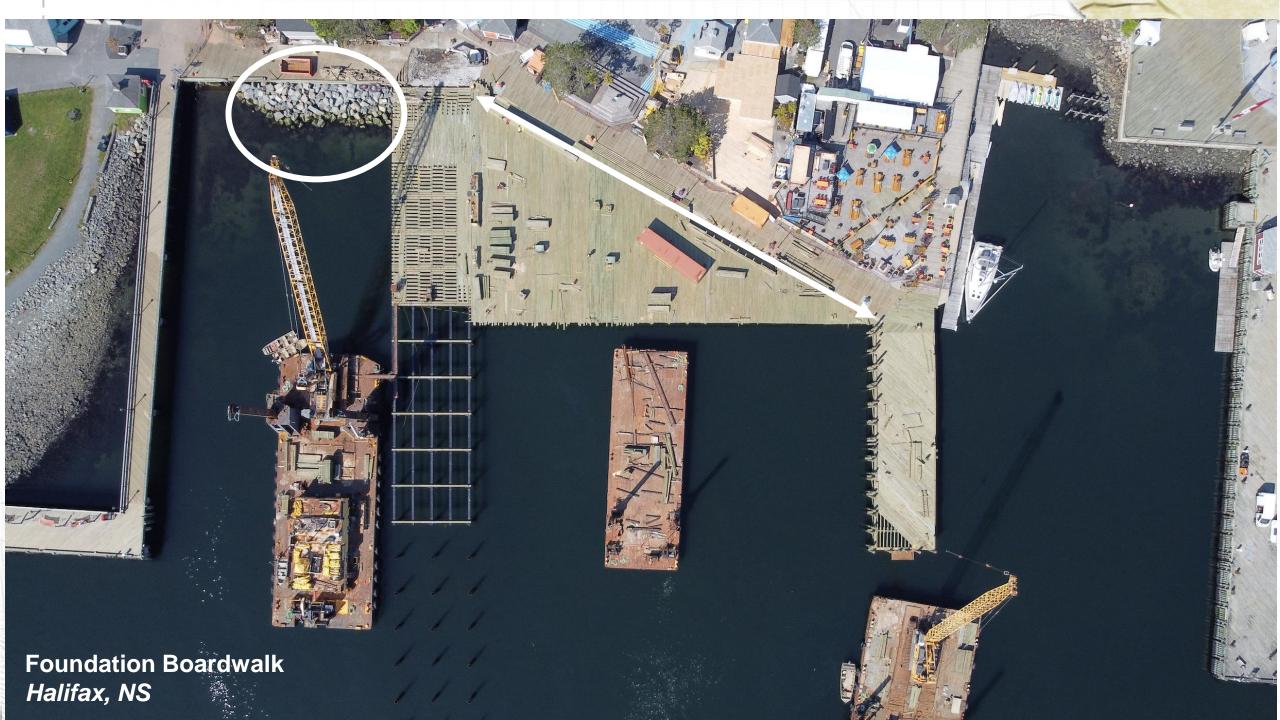


Breakwater Improvements



Peggys Point Cove Road Raising

















Our Approach | Climate Mitigation

- Maintain sustainable practices
- Extend life cycle; rehabilitate if feasible
- Densify as much as possible
- Design to drive less and don't seek new places
- Measure Waste Reduction, GHG Reduction, Toxicity Reduction, and others during construction or operations



Our Approach | Climate Adaptation

- Assess risks based on service life think incrementally
- Nature based systems when possible
- Enhance maintenance controls; asset management strategies
- Think on how the improvement affects accessibility and the socio-economic fabric of communities

RISK ASSESSMENT TOOLS

 Climate Lens Framework: Guidance document and requirement federal funding

https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/pub/other-autre/cl-occ-eng.html#1.1

PIEVC Protocol: Free for any public infrastructure in Canada

https://pievc.ca/protocol/

- ✓ Projections
- ✓ Adaptive capacity infrastructure
- ✓ Estimate of severity of climate impact

Understand climate projections



Assess the risk



Prioritize "high risk"
assets, critical
infrastructure,
operations/maintenance
plans





Funding

- Build relationships
- Let a climate risk assessment dictate the priorities – it can be done incrementally
- Plan to leverage available funding
 - DMAF: 2 billion merit-based program
 - ICIP: 33 billion cost sharing
 - GIBF: 1.5 billion cost sharing



The COVID-19 crisis is a minor dress rehearsal for tackling climate change.





