



Douglas County, WI Coastal Hazard Analysis Flood Risk Review Meeting

June 5, 2018



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Agenda

- ▶ Introductions
- ▶ Coastal Flood Risk Study and Mapping Program
- ▶ Current Status
- ▶ Technical Overview of Study and Mapping
- ▶ Floodplain Management
- ▶ Next Steps
- ▶ Q&A
- ▶ Work map Review



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COASTAL FLOOD RISK STUDY AND MAPPING PROGRAM

Great Lakes Flood Study

- ▶ Comprehensive study of the Coastal Great Lakes flood hazards
- ▶ Latest technology, data, and models – including response based modelling concepts

Partners involved:



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FEMA's Risk MAP Program

Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning ...

- ▶ Will deliver quality data to **increase public awareness** and **lead to action that reduces risk to life and property**
- ▶ New non-regulatory products and datasets



Mapping Assessment Planning



Mitigation Actions: A Shared Responsibility



STRUCTURE AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Acquisition
Elevation
Revetments and
Seawalls
Breakwater



LOCAL PLAN AND REGULATIONS

Zoning
Building Codes
Open Space Plan
Lake Front
Development
Master Plan



CITIZEN AND BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT

Firewise
StormReady
NFIP and CRS



NATURAL SYSTEM PROTECTION

Vegetation
management
Wetland
restoration
Erosion control



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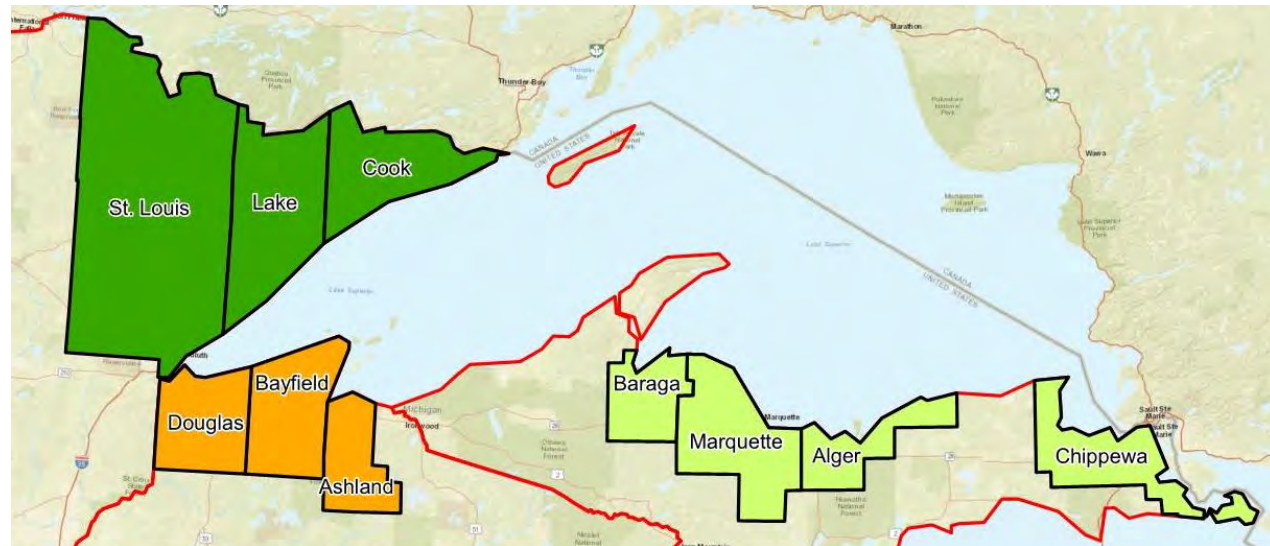
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CURRENT STATUS REVIEW

Analyses/Mapping: Grouping

Wisconsin

- Douglas
 - Bayfield
 - Ashland
- ▶ FRR Meetings fall at the end of a multi-year study including sophisticated modeling
 - ▶ Next, coastal work maps and data would need to tie into riverine studies before proceeding to develop official regulatory Flood Insurance Rate Maps



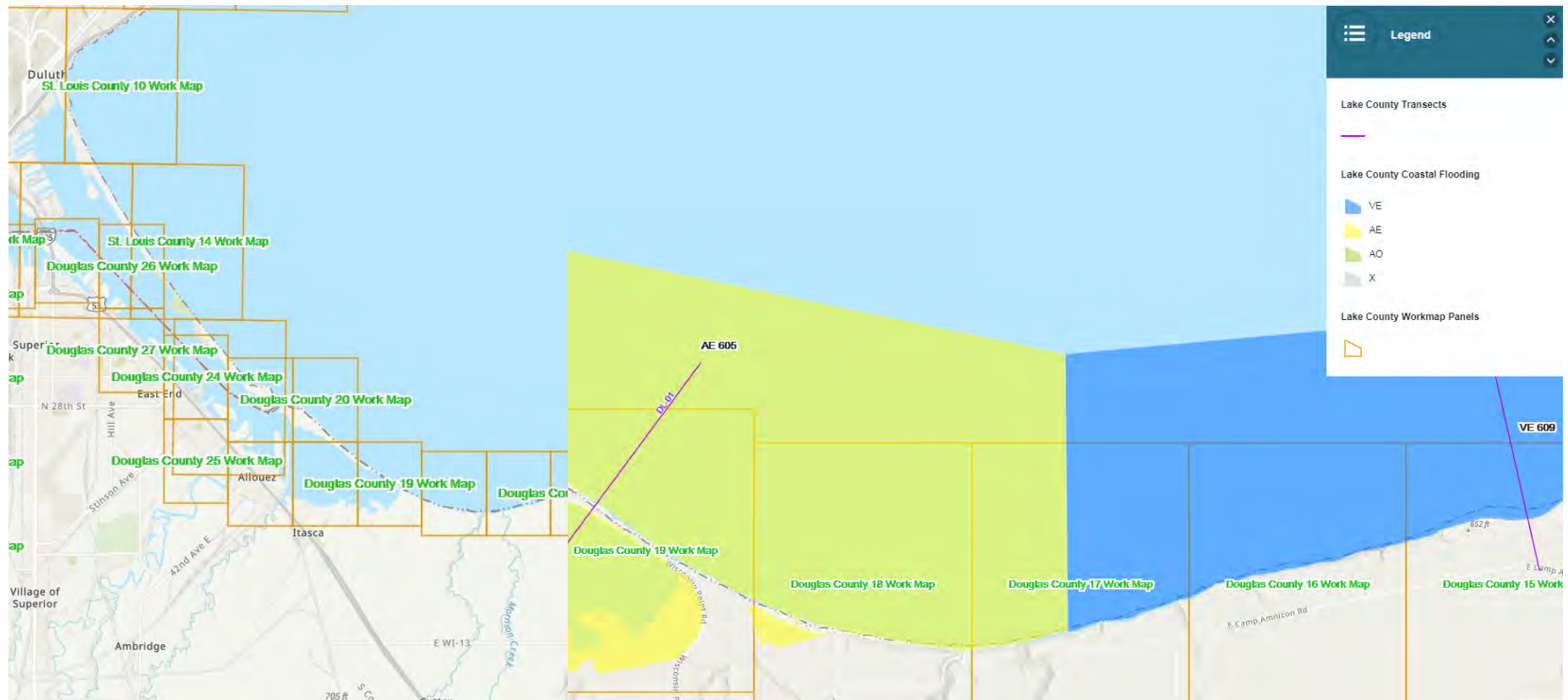
Current Study Status

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Work Map Data Viewer: Online GIS Data

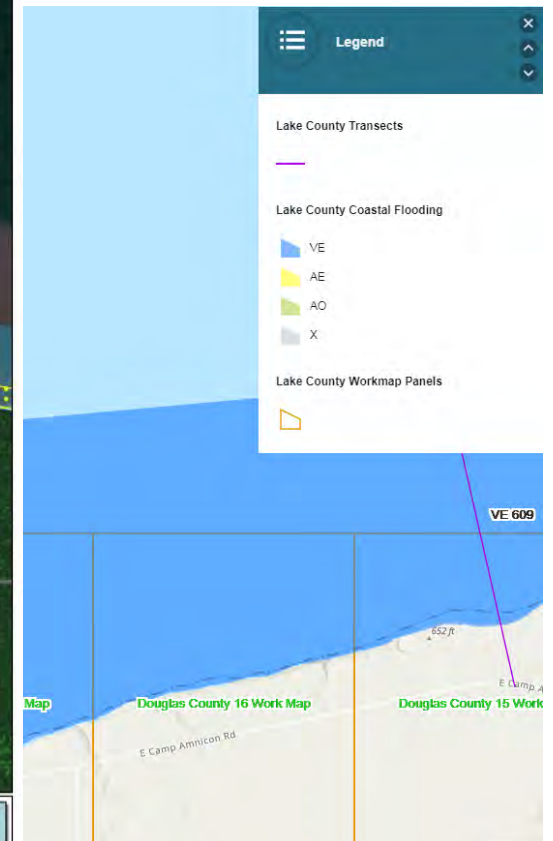
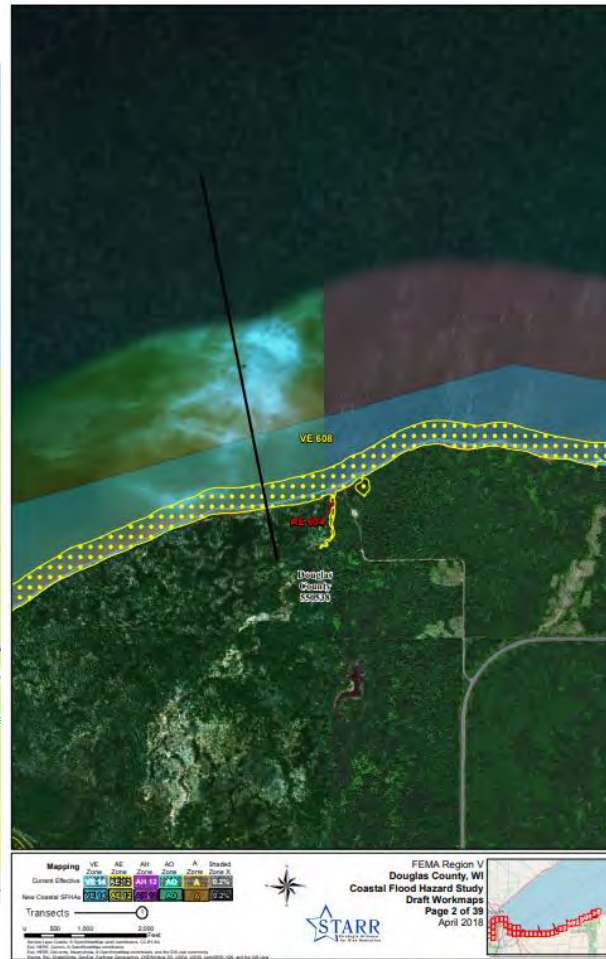


Link to the Douglas County, WI Work Map Data Viewer: <http://arcg.is/0SKnie>

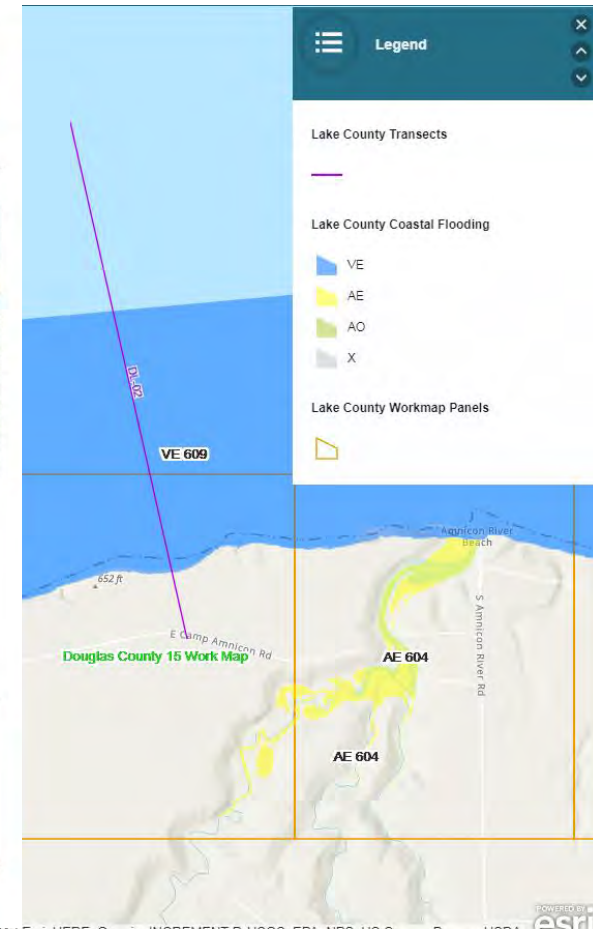
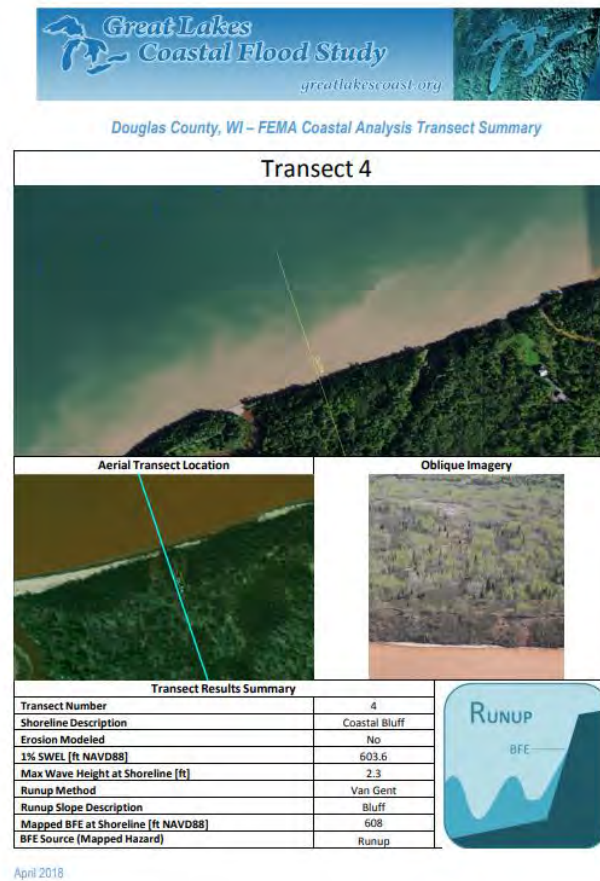


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Work Map Data Viewer: Maps



Work Map Data Viewer: Transect Summary Sheets



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TECHNICAL OVERVIEW OF STUDY AND MAPPING

Coastal Flood Hazard Modeling Overview

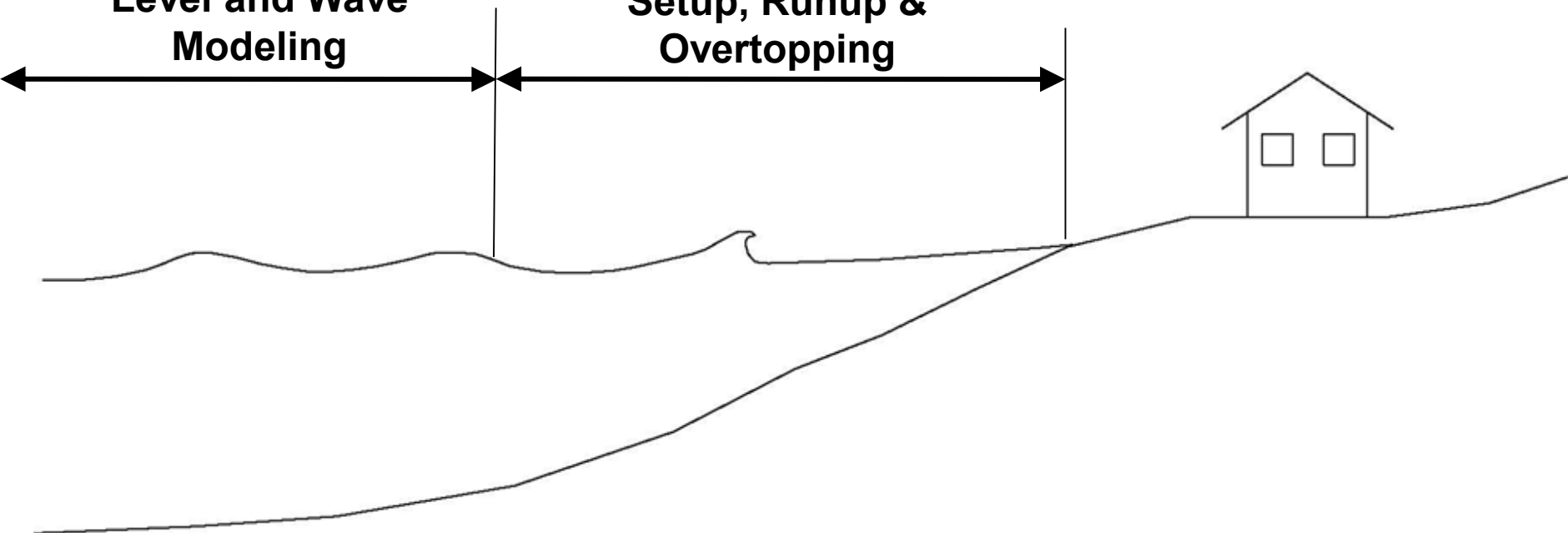
Lake-Wide Variation

Local Variation

Step 1: Offshore Water Level and Wave Modeling

Step 2: Nearshore Wave Setup, Runup & Overtopping

Step 3: Floodplain Mapping



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Step 1: ADCIRC+SWAN Mesh



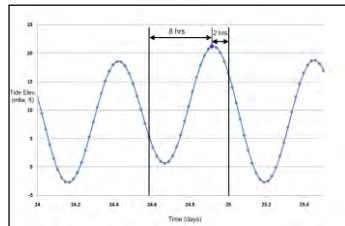
- ▶ Resolution as Fine as 10 m Along Complex Shoreline Features including Jetties, Breakwaters, Inlets, and Natural Shoals



Step 1: Run the Models

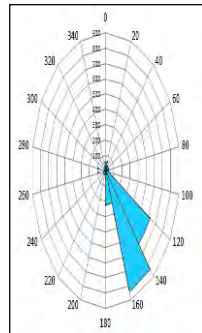
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Water Level

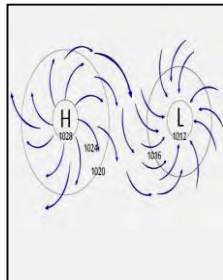


Meteorological Forcing

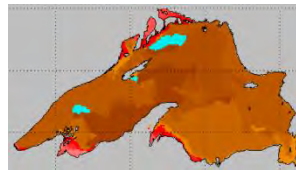
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Pressure

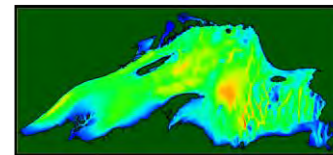


Ice

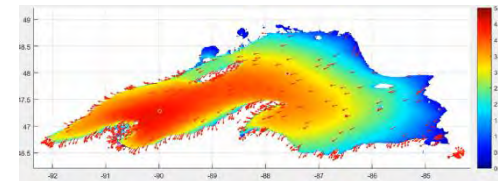


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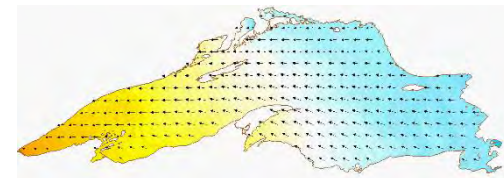
Bathymetry



Waves



Still Water Elevations

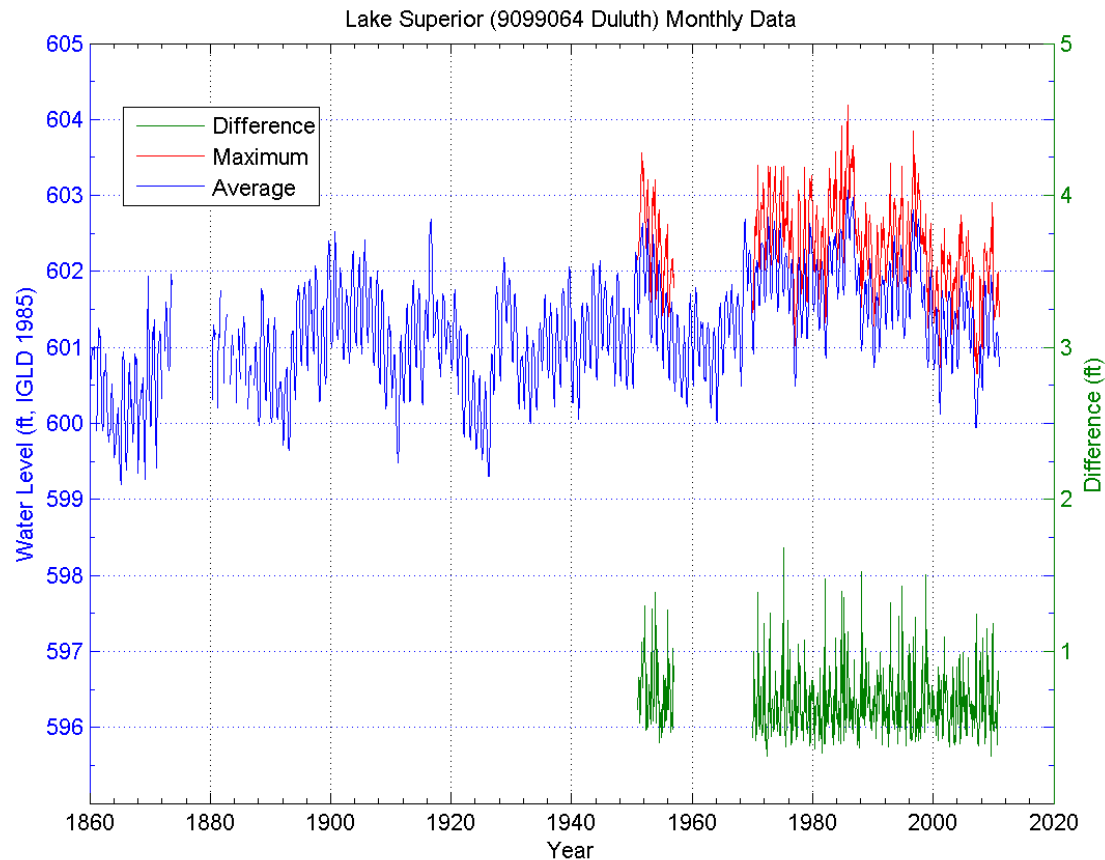


Total of 150 events between 1960-2009



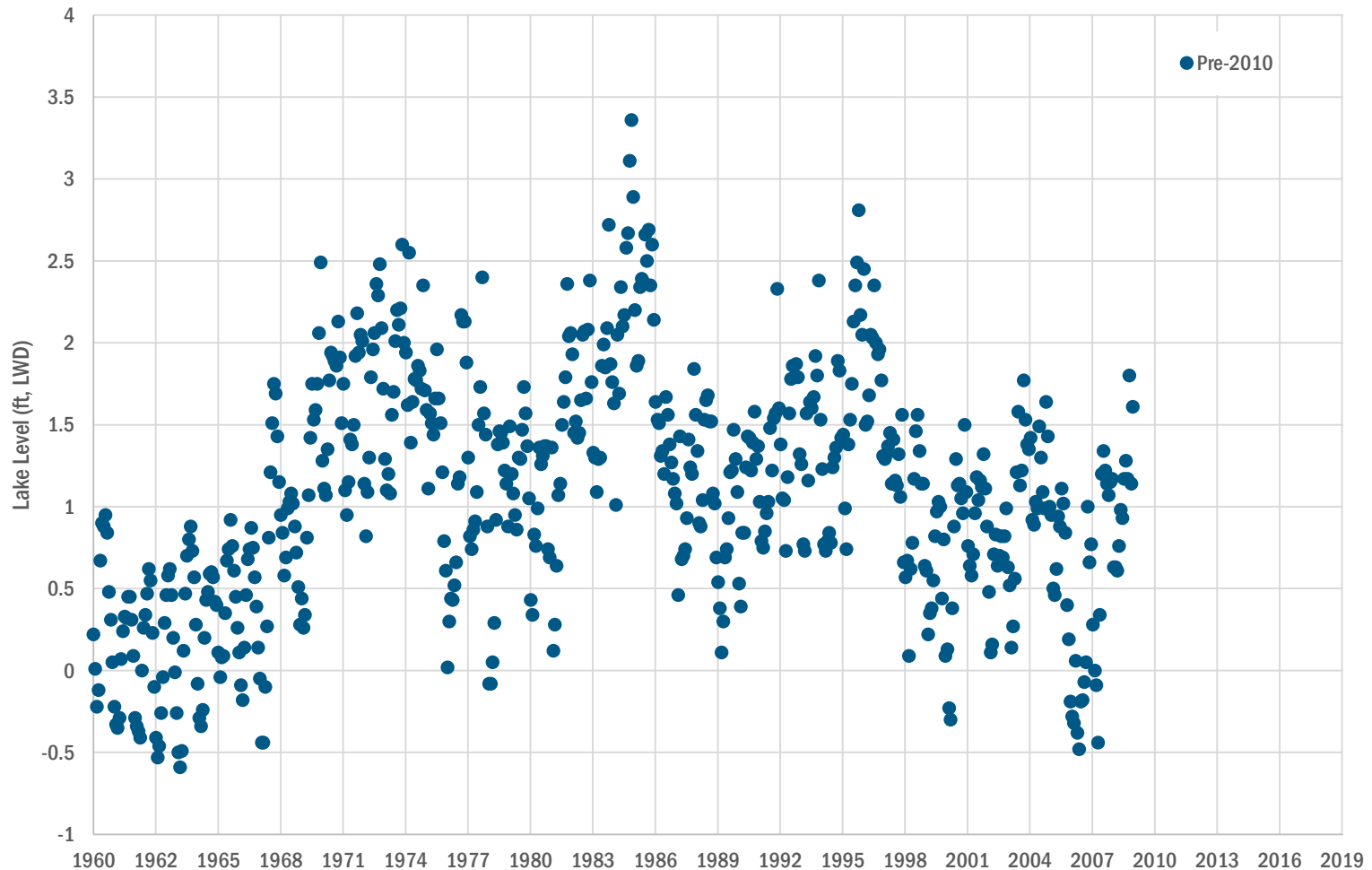
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Step 1: Lake Levels



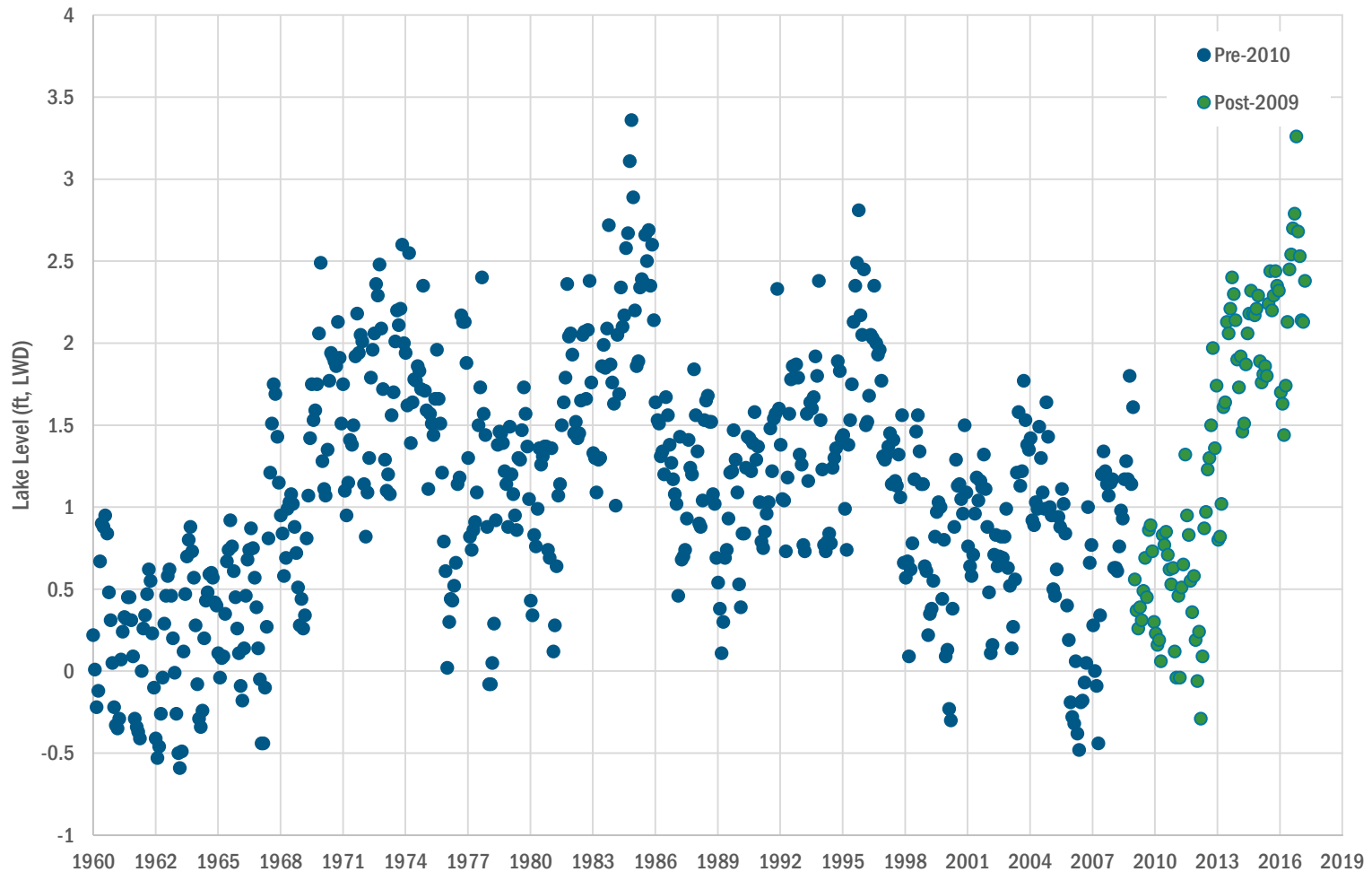
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Step 1: Lake Levels



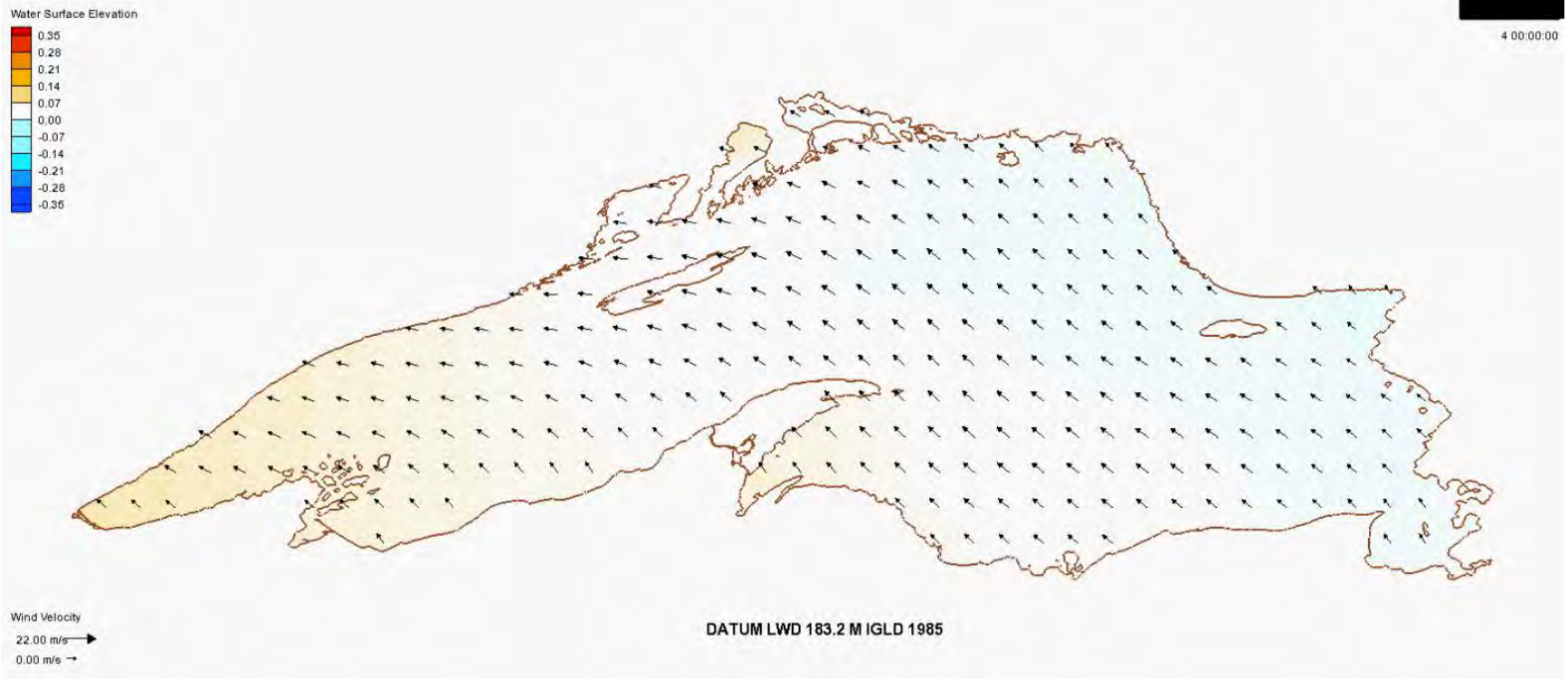
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Step 1: Lake Levels



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Step 1: Example Surge Behavior



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Step 1: Water Level Accuracy Assessment

Location		1-percent-annual chance SWEL (m, IGLD85)	
		Modeled	Observed
9099004	Point Iroquois, MI	183.99	184.24
9099018	Marquette, MI	183.92	184.13
9099044	Ontonagon, MI	183.87	183.95
9099064	Duluth, MN	183.96	184.13
9099090	Grand Marais, MN	183.87	183.98



Step 2: Nearshore Wave-Induced Flood Hazards

- **Nearshore Wave-Induced Flood Hazards Analysis includes:**

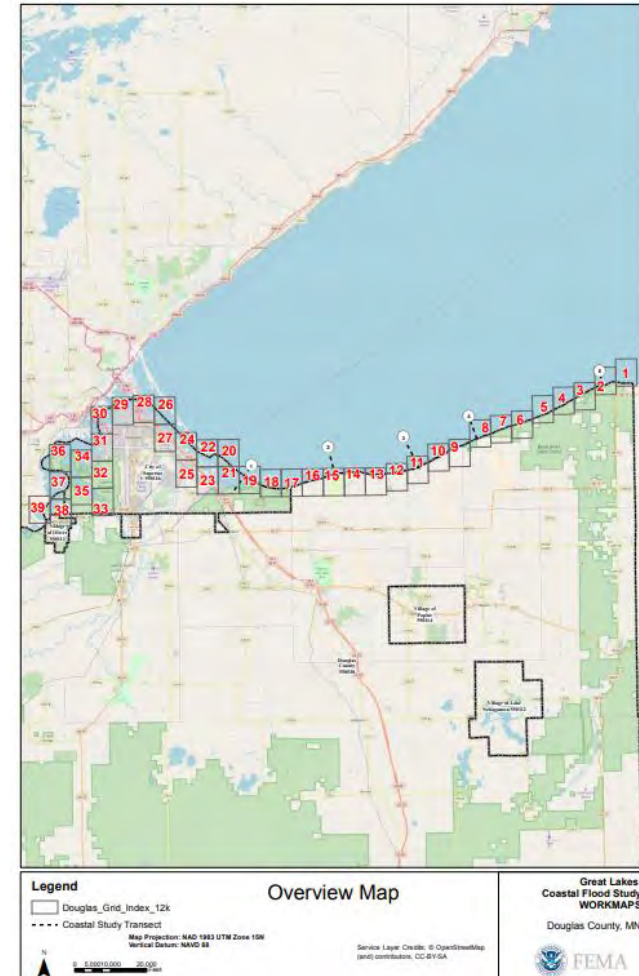
- Shoreline classification
- 2-D Wave and Surge Model data extraction
- Wave setup
- Erosion
- Evaluation of coastal structures
- Wave runup
- Wave overtopping
- Overland wave propagation
- Statistical analysis



Along 1-D Transects

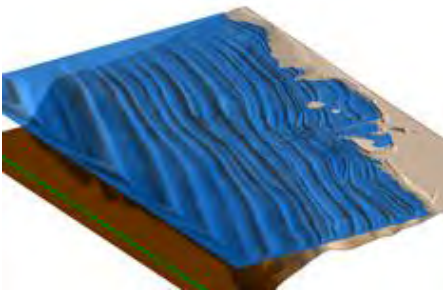
Step 2: Transect Layout

- ▶ Douglas County
- ▶ 5 transects
- ▶ 39 panels

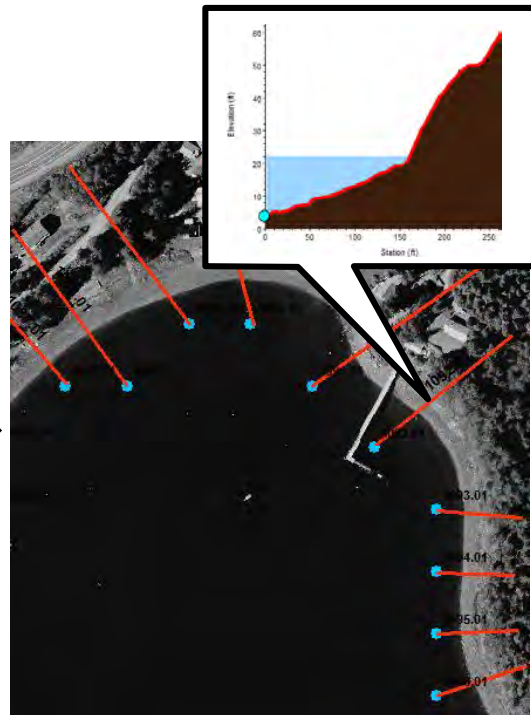


Step 2: Transect Analysis Overview

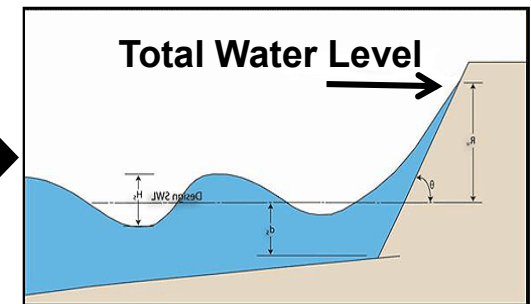
Water Level & Offshore Waves



Transect Analysis



Total Water Level

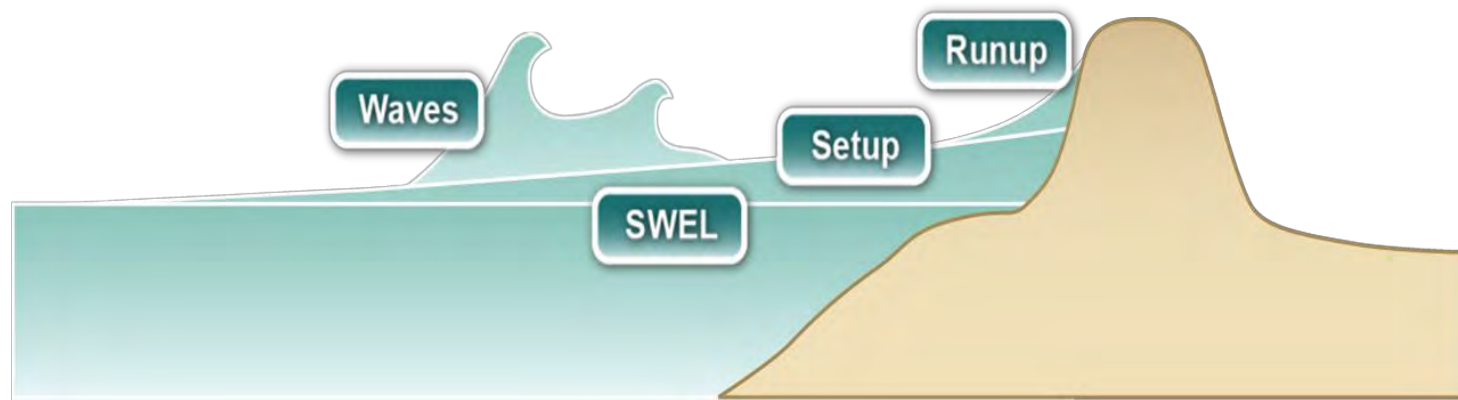


Total Water Level

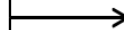
1. Water Level (Surge)
2. Waves
3. Setup, Runup and/or Overtopping

Step 2: Transect Analysis: Wave Setup and Runup

- Wave Runup is the uprush of water on a barrier
 - Barriers include dune, seawall, revetment, bluff, or other steep shoreline feature



Wave Height
Wave Period
SWEL
Profile Slope



Wave Setup
Wave Runup



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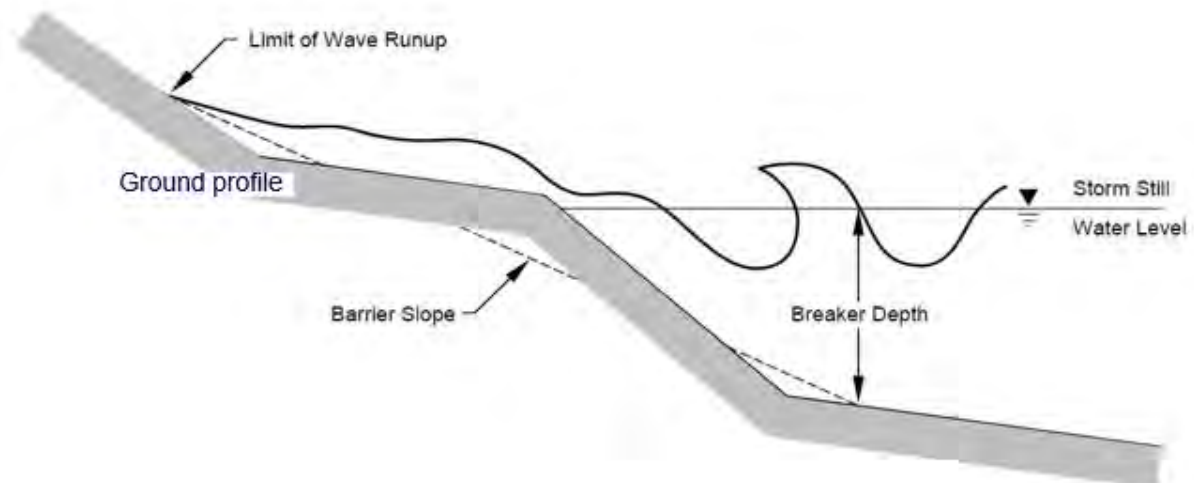
Step 2: Transect Analysis: Wave Overtopping

- If the wave runup exceeds the elevation of the barrier, overtopping will occur



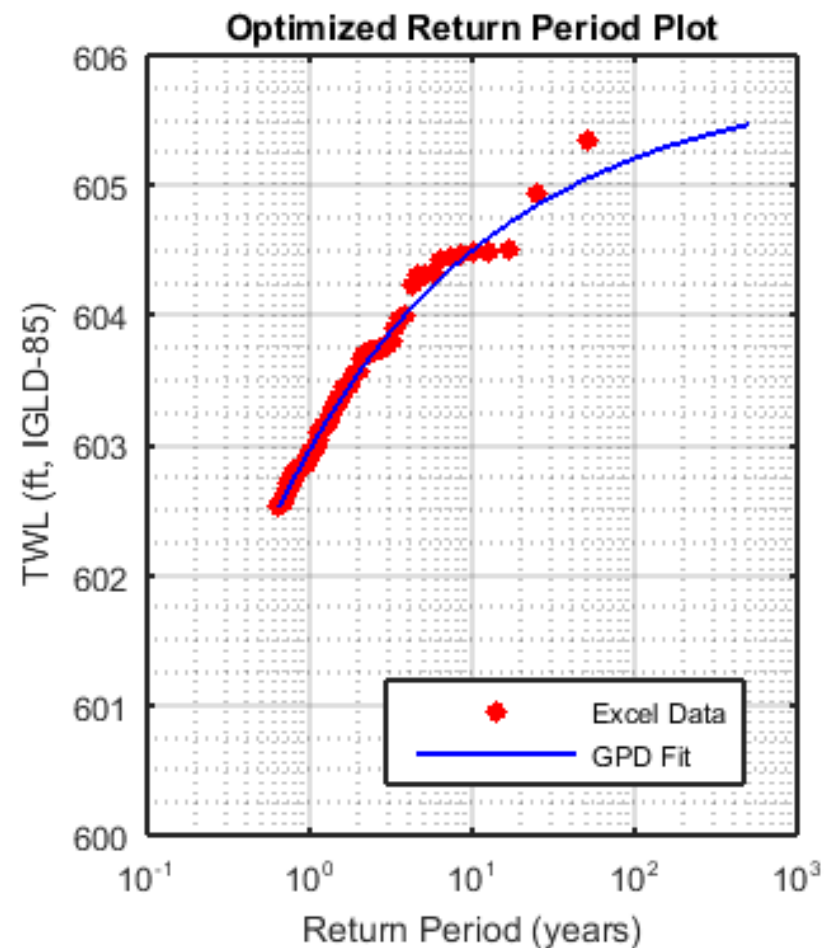
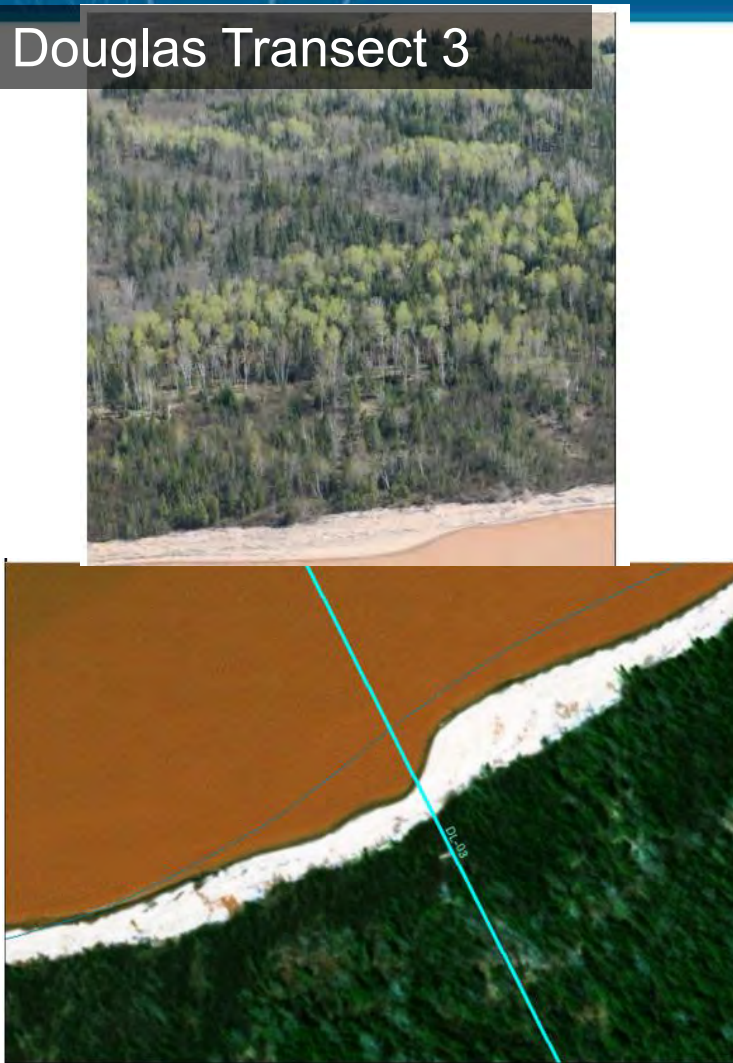
Step 2: Response-Based Wave Runup

- ▶ Wave runup is the uprush of water from wave action on a beach, steep bluff or coastal structure.
- ▶ Calculated at each transect using appropriate hydrodynamic equations that simulate events for every time step captured for selected storms using lake-wide gridded record (ADCIRC-SWAN)
- ▶ Statistical analysis is performed on the maximum runup results at each transect to obtain the 1-percent-annual-chance runup elevation.



Step 2: Response-Based Wave Runup

Douglas Transect 3



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Step 2: Runup

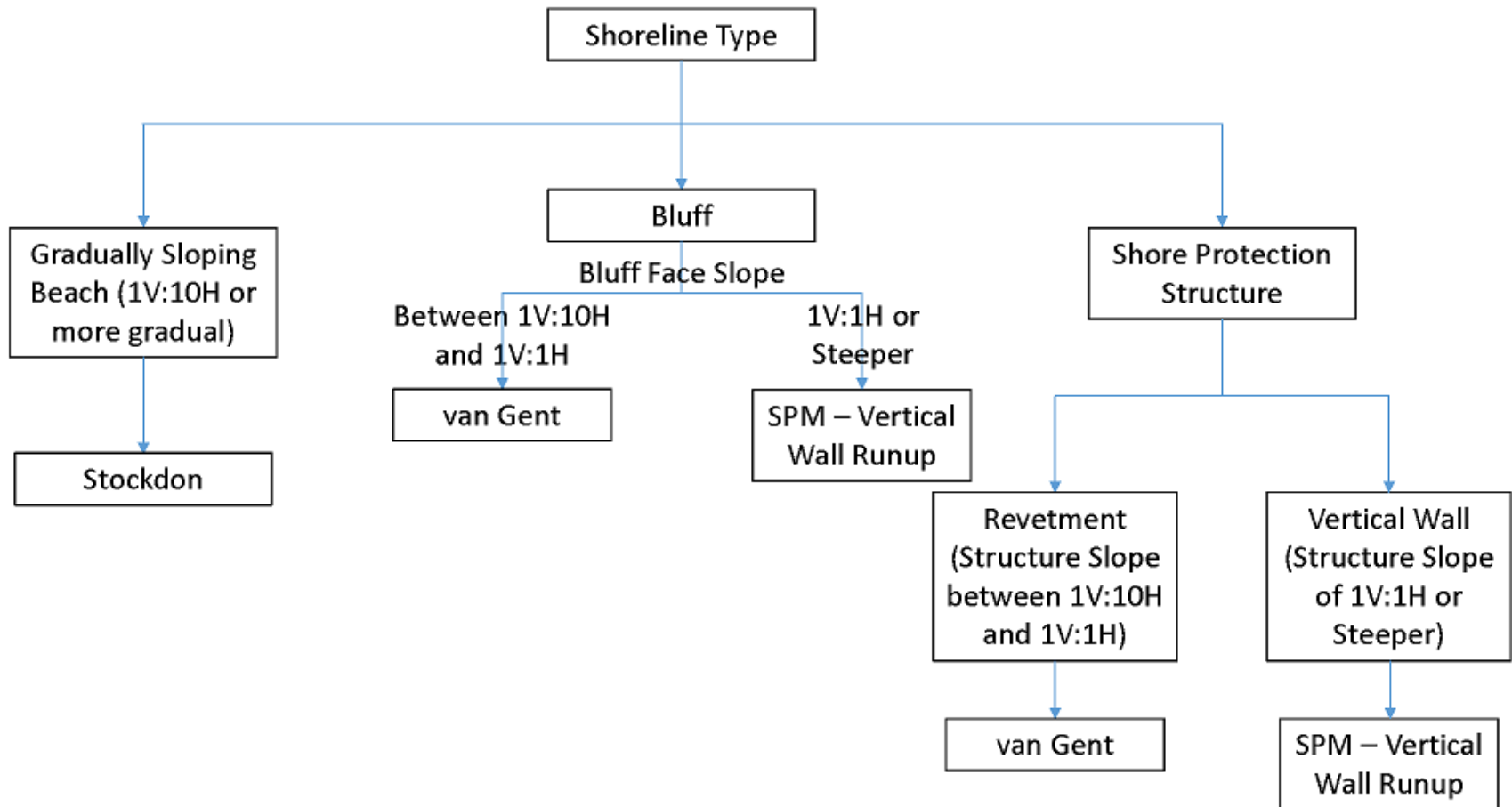


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Run-up Methods

Approach for Upper Lakes numerical modeling

Runup Method Decision Flow Chart



Step 2: Overtopping



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Step 2: Compute Setup, Runup, and Overtopping

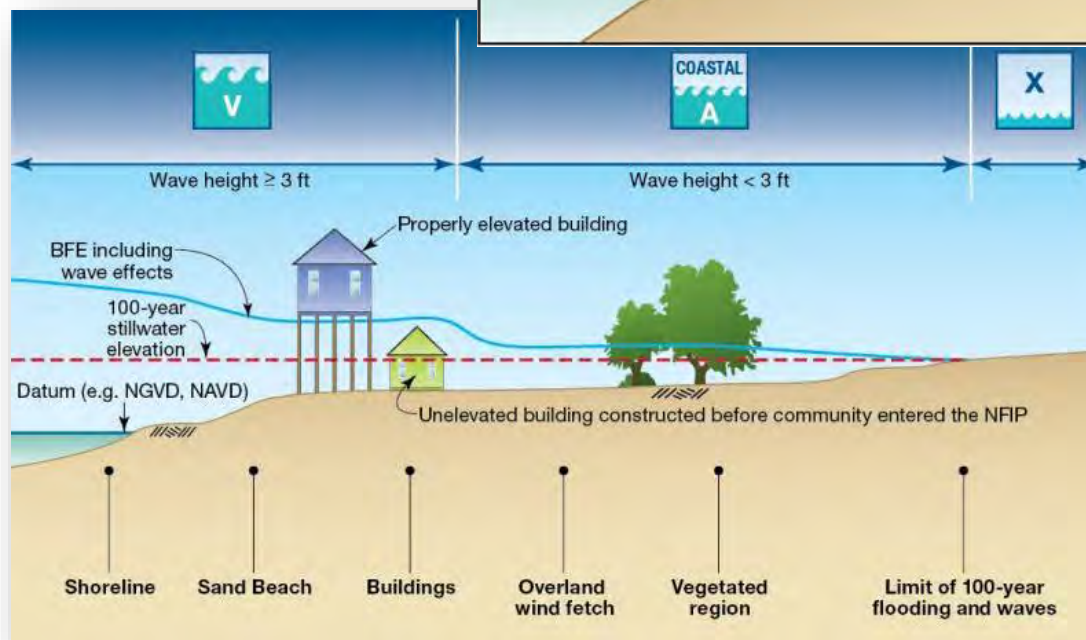
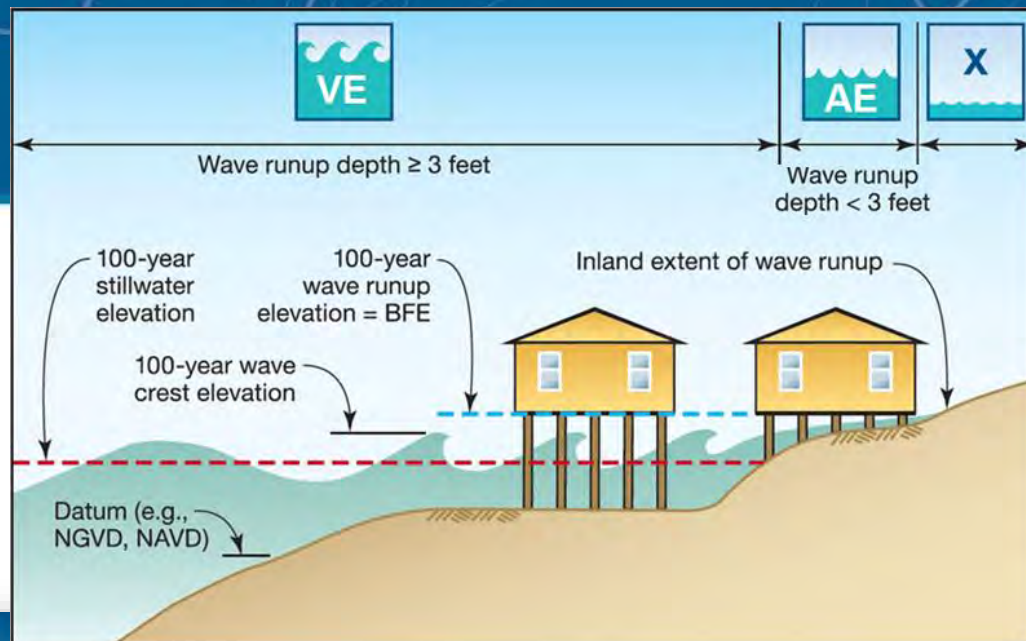
- ▶ 150 storms with hourly waves and water levels yields hourly wave setup, runup and overtopping rates
- ▶ Hourly Stillwater Levels (SWELs)
- ▶ Hourly Setup + Runup = Hourly Total Water Levels (TWLs)
- ▶ Extract the peak SWEL and TWL from each storm
- ▶ Return period analysis performed on TWL and SWEL

Step 2: Overland Wave Propagation

- ▶ Identify 5 pairs of water level and wave height that represent a 1% annual-chance occurrence (Joint Probability Method or JPM)
- ▶ Determine if transect is subject to erosion
 - Develop a theoretical storm event using the 5 pairs
- ▶ Determine wave setup elevations
 - Using the Direct Integration Method (DIM)
 - Wave setup + SWL = Total Stillwater Level (TSWL)
- ▶ Use Wave Height Analysis for Flood Insurance Studies (WHAFIS) to determine interaction of waves with the backshore

Step 3: Mapping

- Identification of
- VE
- AE
- AO
- X



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Step 3: Runup VE Zones

- ▶ Intact transects
 - VE zone mapped to elevation associated with TWL
- ▶ Failed transects (coastal structures)
 - VE zone mapped to station along the profile associated with TWL
 - Elevation will not match topography since failure include profile modification
- ▶ Eroded profiles
 - VE zone mapped to station along the profile associated with TWL
 - Elevation will not match topography since profile is eroded

Step 3: Other Overtopping Zones

► AO Zones

- Applied in areas of shallow flooding, usually sheet flow on sloping terrain
- BFEs not provided, instead average flood depths of between one and three feet is specified
- Flooding depth associated with overtopping rate

\bar{Q} Order of Magnitude	Flood insurance risk zone Behind Barrier
<0.0001 cfs/ft	Zone X
0.0001-0.01 cfs/ft	Zone AO (1 foot depth) or Zone AE with BFE
0.01-0.1 cfs/ft	Zone AO (2 foot depth) or Zone AE with BFE
0.1-1.0 cfs/ft	Zone AO (3 foot depth) or Zone AE with BFE
>1.0 cfs/ft*	30-foot width ⁺ of Zone VE (elevation 3 feet above barrier crest), landward Zone AO (3 foot depth) or Zone AE with BFE

Step 3: Overland Wave Propagation VE Zones

- ▶ VE zone associated with the location of the 3 foot breaking wave
- ▶ AE zones can exist with BFEs higher than TSWL as wave action is considered
- ▶ Most conservative of the 5 WHAFIS runs selected for mapping
- ▶ Most conservative is associated with largest extend of flooding and highest VE zone

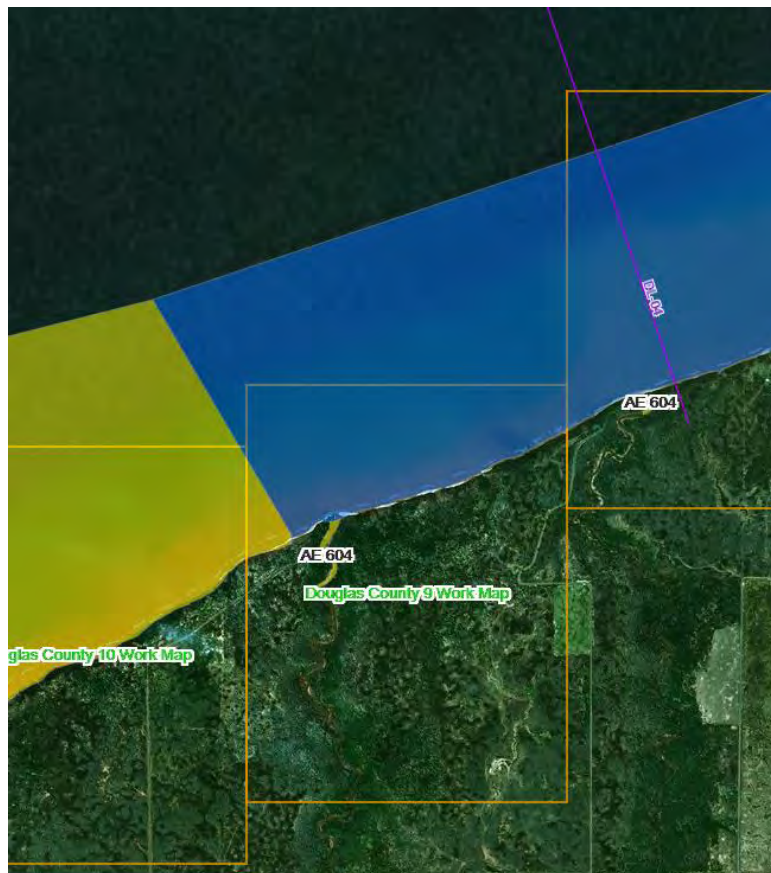
Step 3: SWL or TSWL Inundation



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Step 3: Zone Breaks

Zone Breaks Along the Coast



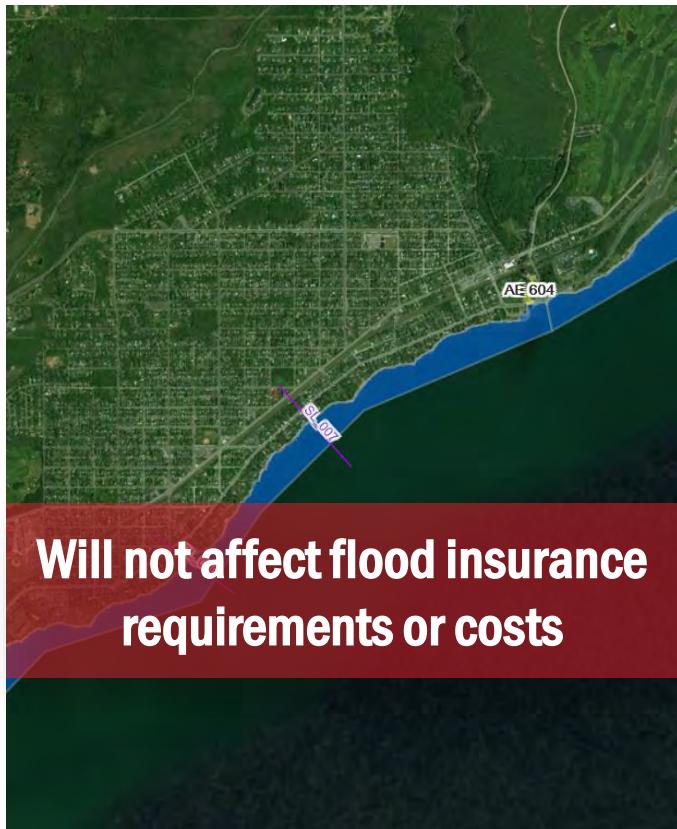
Represent the Extents of Each Unique Coastal Feature



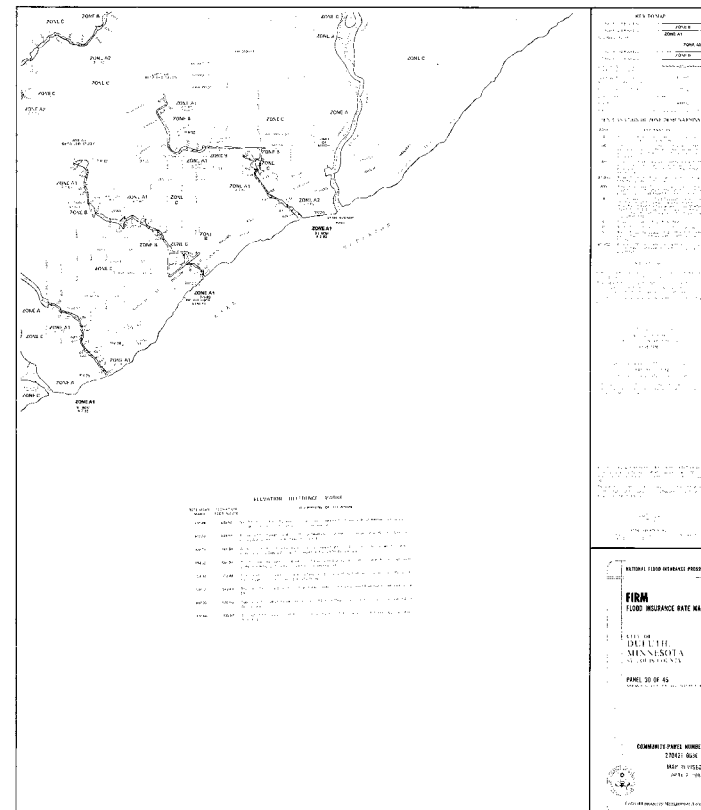
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Draft Work Map vs FIS/FIRM

Douglas County, WI Work Map



Douglas County, WI effective FIRM



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Coastal Risk Awareness

KNOW YOUR RISK

Do your residents know about their flood risk?

KNOW YOUR ROLE

Do your residents know what mitigation actions they should/can take?

**Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan for Douglas County –
Last update February 2016**

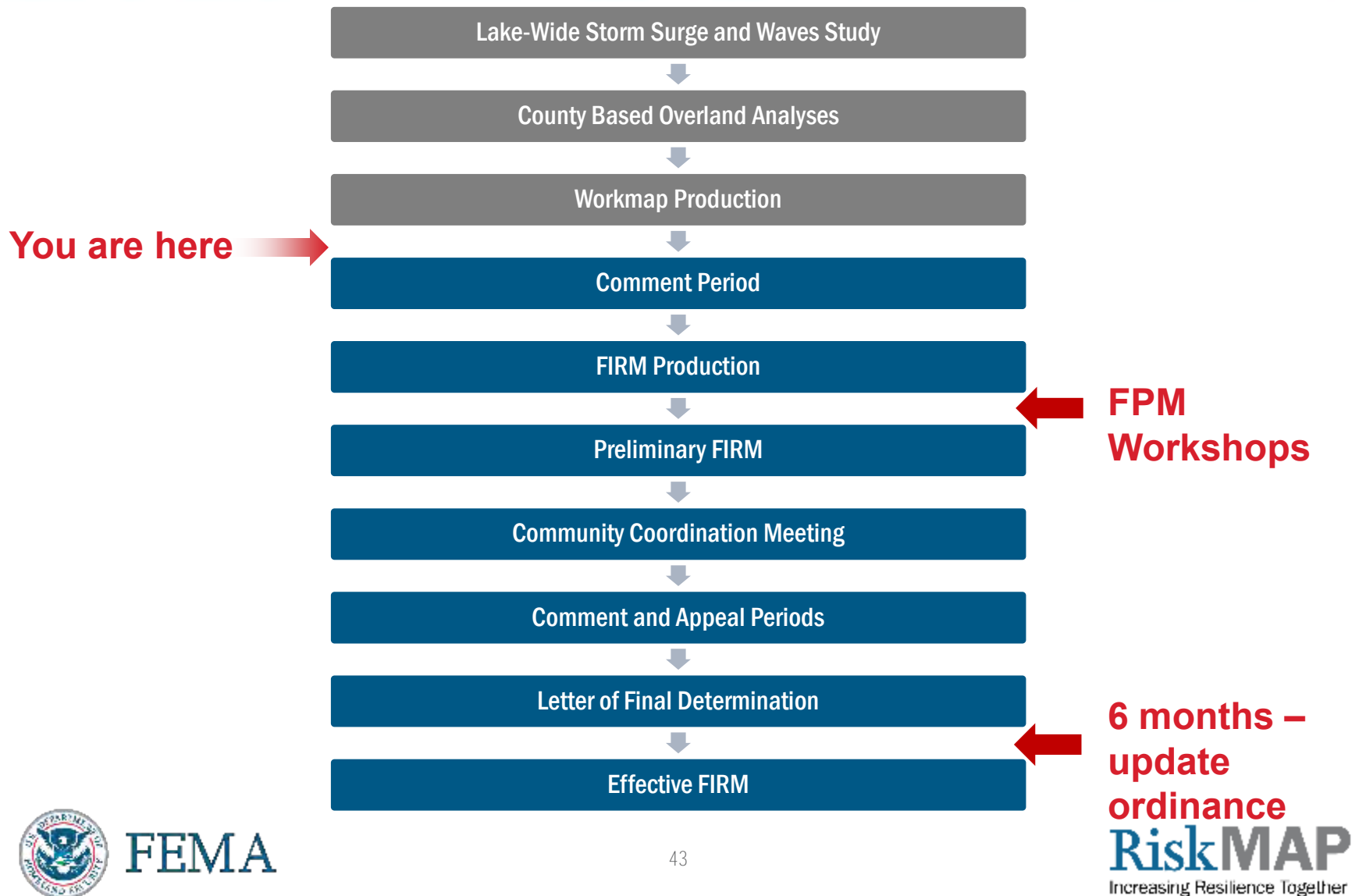
TAKE ACTION

Encourage your residents to take the actions that can build their resiliency to flooding.



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Current Study Status



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Floodplain Management Workshops

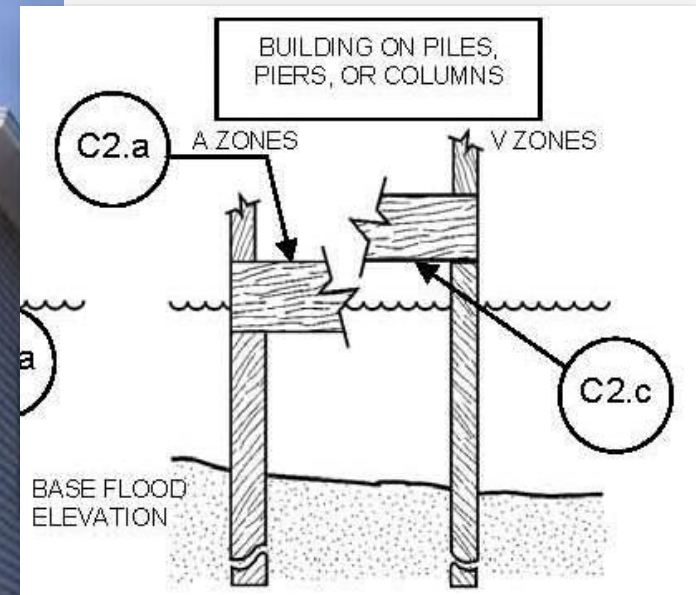
- ▶ Conducted by FEMA/DNR just before preliminary maps are released
- ▶ Workshop details:
 - Approximately 3 – 4 hours
 - Designed for floodplain administrator, zoning official, building inspectors, permit officials, etc.
 - Basics of Coastal Flooding
 - Using the Flood Insurance Study and FIRM for coastal studies
 - Floodplain Management Standards in Coastal High Hazard Areas (in depth)
 - NFIP Insurance in Coastal Zones

Key V Zone minimum standard: 44 CFR 60.3(e)

The community must require that all new construction and substantial improvements have the lowest horizontal structural member of the lowest floor elevated to or above the base flood level,

... with the space below the lowest floor either free of obstruction or constructed with non-supporting breakaway walls ...

Lowest horizontal structural member



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Other key standards in Zone VE:

- ▶ Fill for structural support is prohibited
- ▶ Elevated portion of the building and piling/column foundation must be designed to withstand water and wind loads acting simultaneously under base flood conditions
- ▶ Structural design, specifications and plans for construction must be developed or reviewed and certified by a registered professional engineer or architect

Note: The V Zone design certificate is not a substitute for the NFIP Elevation Certificate (see Fact Sheet No. 1.4, Lowest Floor Elevation), which is required to certify as-built elevations needed for flood insurance rating.

V ZONE DESIGN CERTIFICATE

Name _____ Policy Number (Insurance Co./Use) _____
 Building Address or Other Description _____
 Permit No. _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

SECTION I: Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Information

Community No. _____ Panel No. _____ Suffix _____ FIRM Date _____ FIRM Zone(s) _____

SECTION II: Elevation Information Used for Design

(NOTE: This section documents the elevations/depths used or specified in the design - it does not document surveyed elevations and is not equivalent to the as-built elevations required to be submitted during or after construction.)

1. FIRM Base Flood Elevation (BFE) _____ foot*
2. Community's Design Flood Elevation (DFE) _____ foot*
3. Elevation of the Bottom of Lowest Horizontal Structural Member _____ foot*
4. Elevation of Lowest Adjacent Grade _____ foot*
5. Depth of Anticipated Scour/Erosion used for Foundation Design _____ foot
6. Embedment Depth of Piling or Foundation Below Lowest Adjacent Grade _____ foot

* Indicate elevation datum used in 1-4: ☐ NGVD29 ☐ NAVD88 ☐ Other _____

SECTION III: V Zone Design Certification Statement

I certify that: (1) I have developed or reviewed the structural design, plans, and specifications for construction of the above-referenced building and (2) that the design and methods of construction specified to be used are in accordance with accepted standards of practice** for meeting the following provisions:

- The bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member of the lowest floor (excluding piles and columns) is elevated to or above the BFE.
- The pile and column foundation and structure attached thereto is anchored to resist flotation, collapse, and lateral movement due to the effects of the wind and water loads acting simultaneously on all building components. Water loading values used are those associated with the base flood**. Wind loading values used are those required by the applicable State or local building code. The potential for scour and erosion at the foundation has been anticipated for conditions associated with the base flood, including wave action.

SECTION IV: Breakaway Wall Design Certification Statement

NOTE: This section must be certified by a registered engineer or architect when breakaway walls are designed to have a resistance of more than 20 psf (0.96 kN/m²) determined using allowable stress design.

I certify that: (1) I have developed or reviewed the structural design, plans, and specifications for construction of breakaway walls to be constructed under the above-referenced building and (2) that the design and methods of construction specified to be used are in accordance with accepted standards of practice** for meeting the following provisions:

- Breakaway wall collapse shall result from a water load less than that which would occur during the base flood**.
- The elevated portion of the building and supporting foundation system shall not be subject to collapse, displacement, or other structural damage due to the effects of wind and water loads acting simultaneously on all building components (see Section III).

SECTION V: Certification and Seal

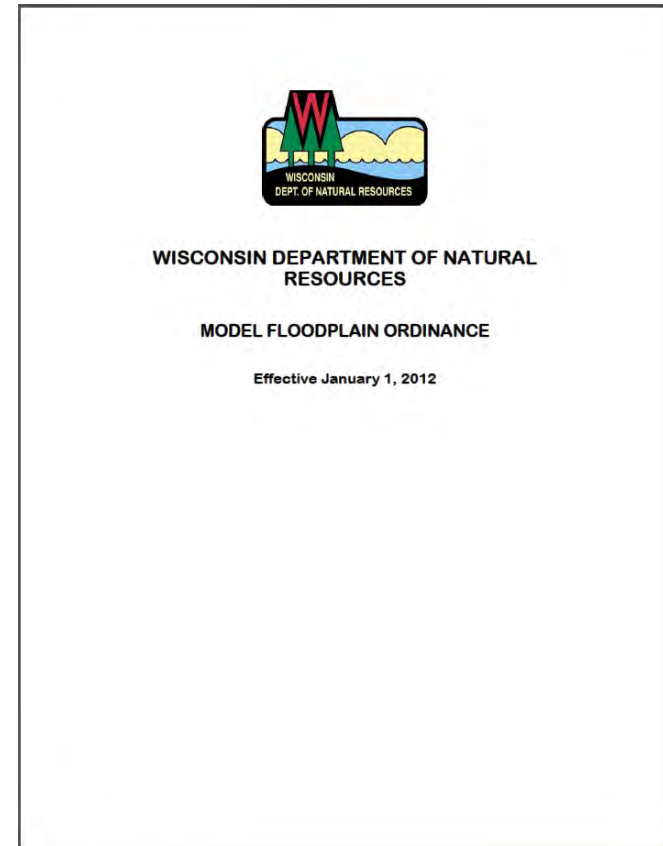
This certification is to be signed and sealed by a registered professional engineer or architect authorized by law to certify structural designs. I certify the V Zone Design Certification Statement (Section II) and _____ the Breakaway Wall Design Certification Statement (Section IV, check if applicable).

Certifier's Name _____ License Number _____
 Title _____ Company Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Signature _____ Date _____ Telephone _____

Place Seal Here: _____

Model Ordinance Development

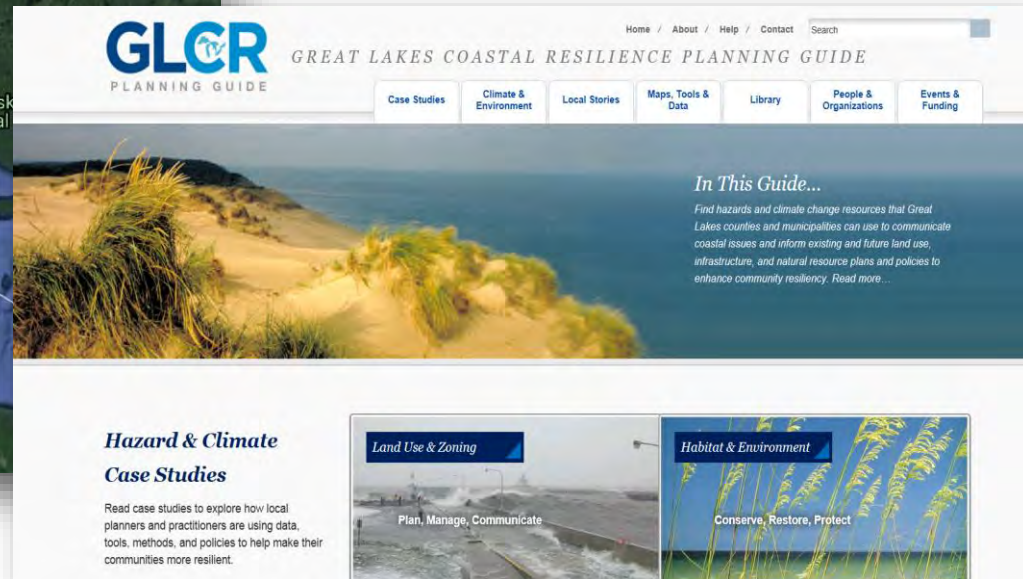
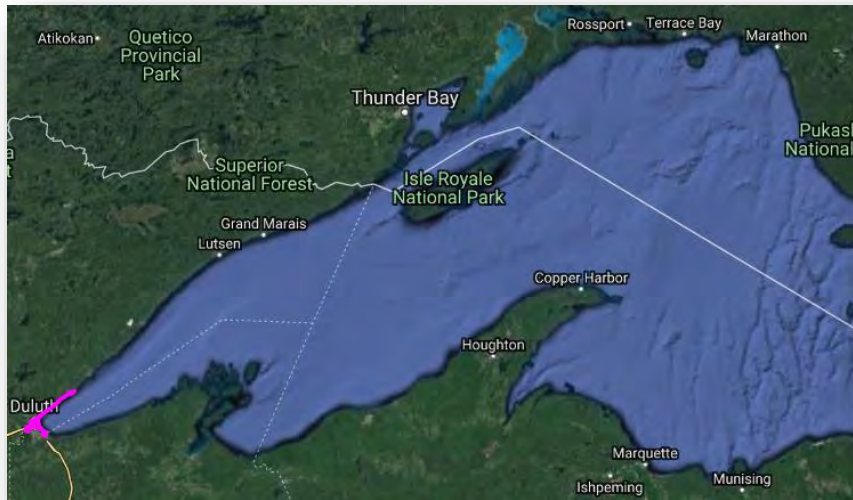
- ▶ FEMA Region V and Wisconsin DNR are working together to prepare a model ordinance to incorporate V zone standards
- ▶ Wisconsin DNR is working through their legal chains to determine the requirements per NR 116
- ▶ Ordinances must be updated/adopted by effective date of maps



Online Resources

High resolution oblique aerial images


<https://greatlakes.erdcdren.mil/>



Great Lakes Coastal Resilience Planning:

<https://coast.noaa.gov/digitalcoast/tools/gl-resilience.html>

Great Lakes Coastal Flood Study



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NEXT STEPS

Next Steps

Review and comment period ends 7/03/2018

FEMA's next steps:

1

Inventory all comments
received

2

Evaluate and
incorporate comments
and data as appropriate

3

Move studies into the
NFIP regulatory process
(developing FIRMs)



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Comments

Send comments via email to williamsjo@cdmsmith.com or mail to:

Great Lakes Coastal Flood Study
Comment Repository
c/o CDM Smith
Attn: Jordan Williams
555 17th Ave, Suite 500
Denver, CO 80202

Include county, community, map panel number, description of area (screenshots or drawings are very helpful), detailed comment, and contact information

- ▶ You will receive acknowledgement of receipt of your comment within 3 business days
- ▶ Within 3 weeks, FEMA's response will indicate if enough technical justification was provided to necessitate a map change
- ▶ If you are not satisfied with a comment response on technical grounds, consider using the appeal process during Preliminary FIRM rollout

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Questions?



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Thank you for your participation!



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Interactive session to review the coastal work maps

COASTAL WORK MAP DEMO