

<b>Coastal/Infrastructure PAWG - Prioritization</b>				
	<b>Objective: Enhance ability of state and coastal communities and ecosystems to prepare/adapt to impacts of SLR and other CC influences</b>	Sequencing: (1 = Impl now; 2 = start now for results later 3 = Impl later	Is this a priority for PAWG recommendation? (yes/no)	Comments/linked priority items
<b>I. Priority Recommended Early Action Strategies</b>				
<b>Umbrella recommendation: Continue multi-party coordination group</b> on topic; continue to clarify roles of agencies and research entities (UW etc)				
<b>A. Include SLR/CC in land use and hazard plans</b>				
A-1	<b>Utilize SEPA, GMA and SMA planning statutes to address CC:</b> Agencies should provide guidance re: SLR relevance to existing requirements (ex. CAO Geological Hazard Areas) Critical piece is to make sure that this guidance is clear to local governments.			Specificity of planning will be limited by available technical information.
A-2	<b>Utilize FCAAP and EMD Pre-Disaster multi-hazard planning</b> to address SLR/CC related risks. Build flexibility into emergency response mechanisms to ensure that structures destroyed in disasters are not merely replaced but upgraded or relocated.			Will require Fed changes if FEMA is to be included as SLR risk mgt tool. However, State-level programs are adaptable.
A-3	<b>Pursue pilot projects in vulnerable developed shoreline areas to examine alternatives to reconstructing bulkheads.</b>			
A-4	<b>Revamp SMA and HPA to strictly limit new armoring and reduce impact of reconstructed armoring.</b> For example, create an impact fee for armoring under the GMA that would contribute to a habitat restoration fund or require impact assessments for armoring projects.			
<b>B. Consider SLR/CC in construction and maintenance projects in coastal areas</b>				
B-1	<b>Include best available data on SLR in design of coastal facility construction/major repair projects .</b> A. Include SLR in State government coastal infrastructure design. B. Include SLR in State infrastructure funding program eligibility and requirements.			

B-2	<b>Cleanup sites: Consider future SLR in design and prioritization of shoreline cleanup sites.</b>			
B-3	<b>SLR consideration in retrofitting/maint. existing nearshore utility infrastructure:</b> Provide general assessment of vulnerability; encourage SLR inclusion in CFP and project design.			
	<b>C. Consider SLR/CC in Habitat Restoration and Acquisition Projects</b>			
C-1	<b>Consider SLR in habitat restoration, large-scale mitigation and acquisition proposals.</b> Add to SRFG, PSNERP and other funding program eligibility and planning req.			
C-2	<b>Consider nearshore areas adjacent to vulnerable coastal habitats for preservation/conservation easement/purchase.</b> Add to criteria for future funding.			
C-3	<b>Consider reclamation/habitat improvement opportunities in long-term management of armored/diked shorelines:</b> Potentially includes agricultural dikes, RR armoring.			
	<b>II. Priority Recommendations for Research</b>			
1	<b>Improve mapping and characterization of SLR vulnerability.</b> Create general characterization of SLR vulnerability by shoreline type. Add maps to ECY Coastal Atlas; identify home for non-GIS data to ensure accessibility.			Avoid over-reliance on SLR mapping; this misses important SLR implications for narrow "strips", ex. bluffs.
2	<b>Improve nearshore elevation data control points to support SLR assessment.</b>			
3	<b>Legal and policy analysis:</b> SLR and ownership/regulation/public access issues, where we are headed under existing law/regs; rec changes. CIG/UW ?			
4	<b>Forecast future population and development (urbanization) of SLR vulnerable coastal areas,</b> in order to assess future potential socioeconomic impacts.			

5	<p><b>SLR benchmarks and risk reduction guidelines</b> for public facility planning. Encourage eng community to develop guidance/methods. Identify tiers of recommendations based on level of risk over time to various types of facilities.</p>			<p>Disparity in capacity of large ports/cities vs smaller ports and local governments.</p>
6	<p><b>Education:</b> Public, decision makers, others. Disseminate new LG Guidebook</p>			