COASTAL STORMS PILOT PROGRAM STAKEHOLDER NEEDS

Linking Stakeholder Decisions & Science Activities



Overview

- Why it mattersSources
- Linkages:
 - Stakeholder Decisions
 - Stakeholder
 Information Needs
 - Science Needs





Why Stakeholder Needs Matter

LCC science activities aim to inform landscape-scale conservation and resource management > 'Start with the end in mind'

Framing for the Conceptual Model Discussion

 Identify potential 'Clientele' for specific Science Activities

 Influence WALCC's prioritization of Science Activities



Sources of Stakeholder Needs

WALCC FY12 RFP

- 'Identify 3 Decision Makers who would use this information'
- For each proposal, WALCC asked up to 3 Decision Makers to identify
 - Their decisions in the next 3-5 years for which the results of the proposed project would be of direct use
 - Their highest priority information needs, and the motivating decisions, related to changes in coastal storms and their impacts



Decision Makers Scientists

Table 1 \Leftrightarrow Table 2 \Leftrightarrow Table 3

Linkages



Table 1: Stakeholder Decisions

| Community Planning; Coastal Infrastructure | Species Management |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Update Borough Comprehensive Plans | Subsistence species management |
| Update Village Comprehensive Plans | Other species management |
| Coastal Infrastructure design, assessment, | Species Recovery planning |
| siting (e.g., northern port) & project planning | |
| Determine barge access routes | Threats analysis in listing decisions |
| Cultural resource planning and mapping | Industry Oversight |
| Land Management | Environmental Assessments (NEPA) |
| Long term planning for Federal conservation | Permitting for development |
| unit land management (Refuges, Parks, etc.) | |
| Revising unit logistics and safety planning | Emergency Warning / Response |
| Access to subsistence resources | Oil spill planning and response |
| Management of federally designated critical habitat | Extreme weather event warning system |



Table 2: Stakeholder Info Needs

| System Component or Process | Stakeholder Information Needs |
|--|---|
| Coastal Flooding: operational now-casting | Identify Resources at risk |
| | Prioritize Areas at risk |
| | Assess mitigation strategies |
| Coastal Flooding: hind-cast, forecast | Assess Changes in Historic frequency, |
| (incl. inundation, deposition, salinization, etc.) | magnitude, extent |
| | Project future frequency, magnitude, extent |
| | Identify Resources at risk |
| | Prioritize Areas at risk |
| | Assess mitigation strategies |



Table 2: Stakeholder Info Needs, cont.

| System Component or Process | Stakeholder Information Needs |
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| Coastal Erosion: operational now-casting | Identify Resources at risk |
| | Prioritize Areas at risk |
| | Assess mitigation strategies |
| Coastal Erosion: hind-cast, forecast | Assess Changes in Historic frequency, magnitude, extent |
| | Project future frequency, magnitude, extent |
| | Identify Resources at risk |
| | Prioritize Areas at risk |
| | Assess mitigation strategies |
| Sea Level Rise & coastal subsidence | Account for in prioritizing Areas & Resources at risk of flooding, erosion, etc. |



Table 3: Science Info Needs

| Coastal Hazard Topic | AOOS 'Information Need' |
|----------------------|--|
| Storm Forecasting | Higher resolution ocean model coupled w/ atmospheric processes to reduce subjective interpretation |
| | Improved information on: tides, water level, winds before & during storm events |
| | Web cams & state of sea walls |
| | Wave/swell & wind observations upstream |
| | Improved bathymetry for model predictions |
| | Improved coastal DEM for better inundation & flooding predictions |
| Sea Ice | Observational platform for tracking ice and thickness through clouds (when MODIS is unavailable) |
| | Info on wave/sea ice interaction and local sheltering effects |
| | Improved sea ice thickness and concentration information |



Table 3: Science Info Needs, cont.

| Coastal Hazard Topic | AOOS 'Information Need' |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Digital Coast | Address gap between bathymetry and topography |
| | Precise beach elevation measurements (vertical control) |
| Erosion & Shoreline Change | Network of monitoring buoys to better understand interaction between land and sea |
| | Onshore and offshore boreholes to measure and monitor permafrost |
| | LIDAR data along coast (for DEM, etc.) |
| Shoreline Observations | Beach characteristics, waves, wind |
| Data Access | ID existing databases and make discoverable |
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Linkages

Decision Makers

Table 1



Table 2

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Scientists

Table 3

Identify Science Activities, Priorities, Collaboration Opportunities, etc.