



VC Resilient Coastal Adaptation Project Sea Level Rise Information

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Ventura County is proactively planning for sea level rise. Higher tides will lead to more extensive coastal flooding and coastal storms will strengthen. One goal of the County of Ventura Planning Division's VC Resilient Coastal Adaptation Project (VC Resilient) is to inform and involve coastal residents.

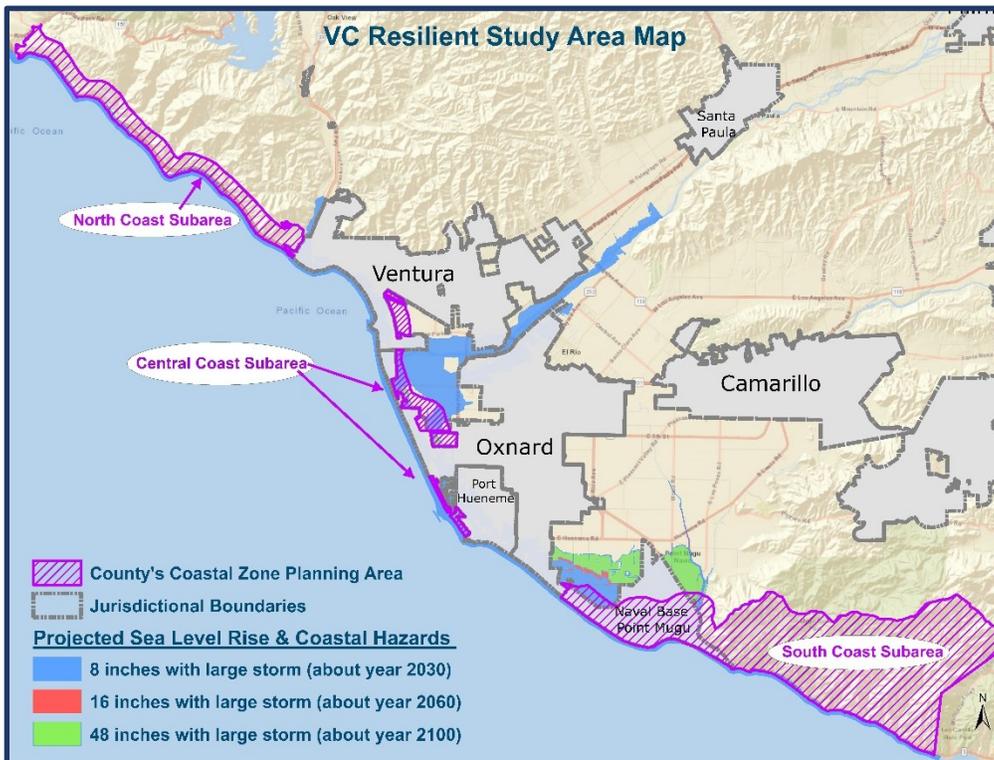
Do you know that by 2030, with only 8 inches of sea level rise in the unincorporated areas of the County, small beaches, about 1,580 acres of prime agricultural land, 1,516 structures, and over 33 miles of roadways are vulnerable to coastal flooding and erosion?

The latest reports, including the finding above from the County's 2019 Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment, tell us the coastline that we know today will change in the not-so-distant future. Residents and tourists who visit popular beaches like Mondo's, Silver Strand, and Sycamore Cove could have less area to recreate due to loss of sand. Residents, property owners, and visitors will need to be prepared for larger waves and higher tides. The Vulnerability Assessment identified farmworkers and the elderly as the most vulnerable populations when sea levels increase. Whereas, sensitive plants and animals could be the most impacted by beach erosion.

Get involved to learn more about sea level rise and what the County is doing to improve safety and increase coastal resilience. You can sign-up for project notifications, participate in public outreach events, and review the latest work products.

Want to Learn More and Get Involved?

Become "sea level wise"! Visit VCRMA.org/VC-Resilient-Coastal-Adaptation-Project to learn more about sea level rise science, vulnerabilities, and adaptation strategies in unincorporated Ventura County. (For Spanish and other languages click on "Choose your Language" at the bottom of the webpage.) On the webpage you can also leave comments about the VC Resilient Project, tell us what you think about sea level rise planning in general, and sign-up to receive project updates and notifications (in English and Spanish).



This map shows the VC Resilient Study Area in cross-hatched purple color, which is the coastal zone in unincorporated Ventura County. It includes over 29 miles of coastline and is home to public beaches, State Parks, residential communities, agricultural fields, and a naval base. As such, coastal hazards associated with sea-level rise could result in significant impacts. Advanced planning and preparation will help reduce these impacts.

