

**Rhode Island
Coastal Resources Management Council**

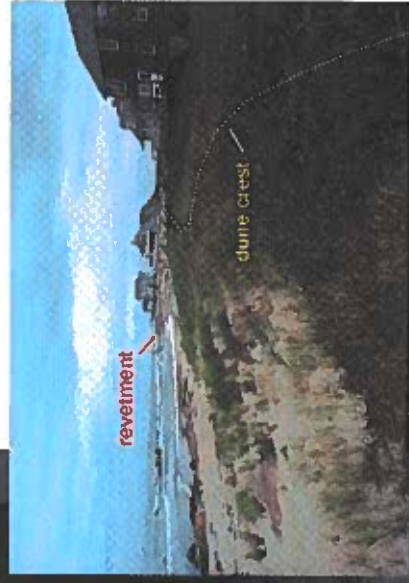


Fiscal Year 2026

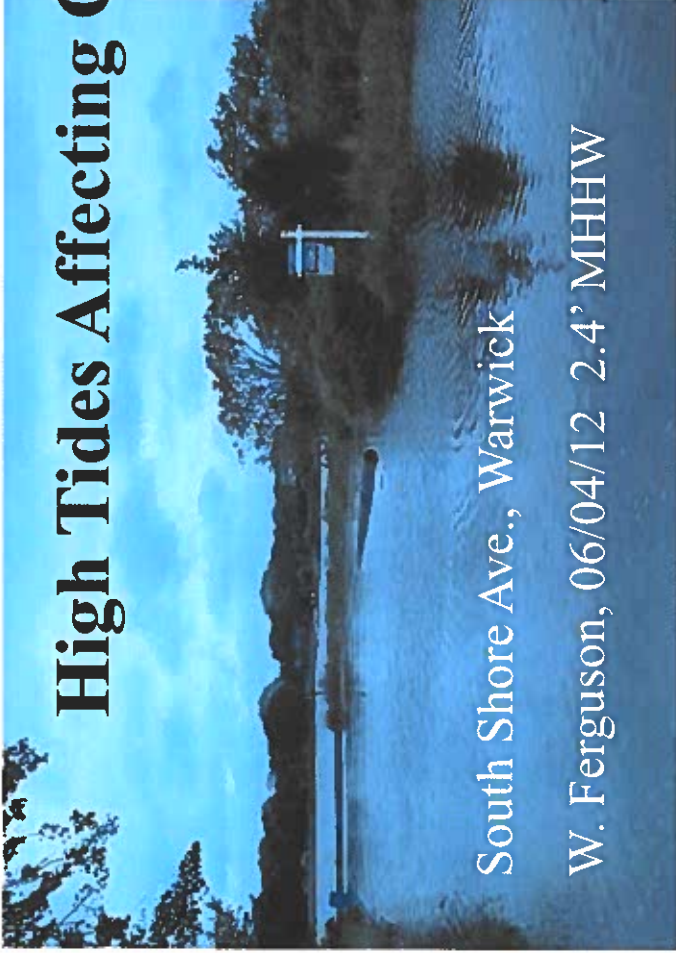
CRMC Jurisdiction

EXPLANATION	
	Primary dune crest
	Escarpment
	Revetment
	Salt Pond SAMP boundary
	CRMC Wetland Jurisdiction
	Stream
	Freshwater wetland
	Coastal Wetland
	Rocky Shore

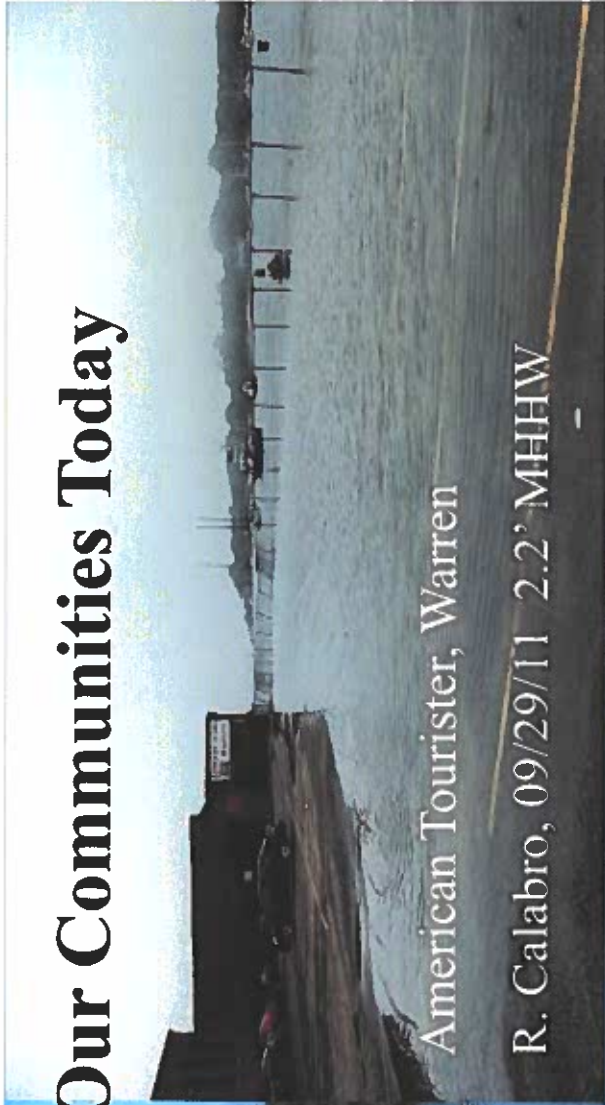
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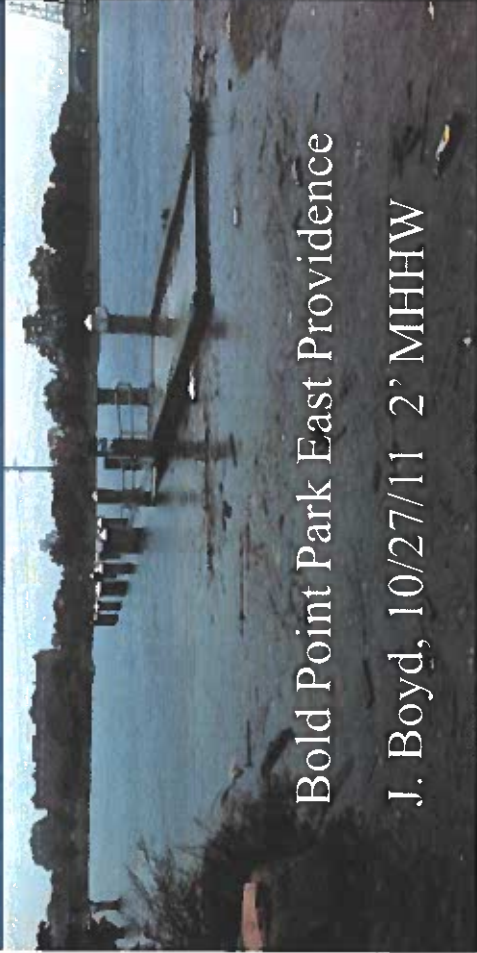
High Tides Affecting Our Communities Today



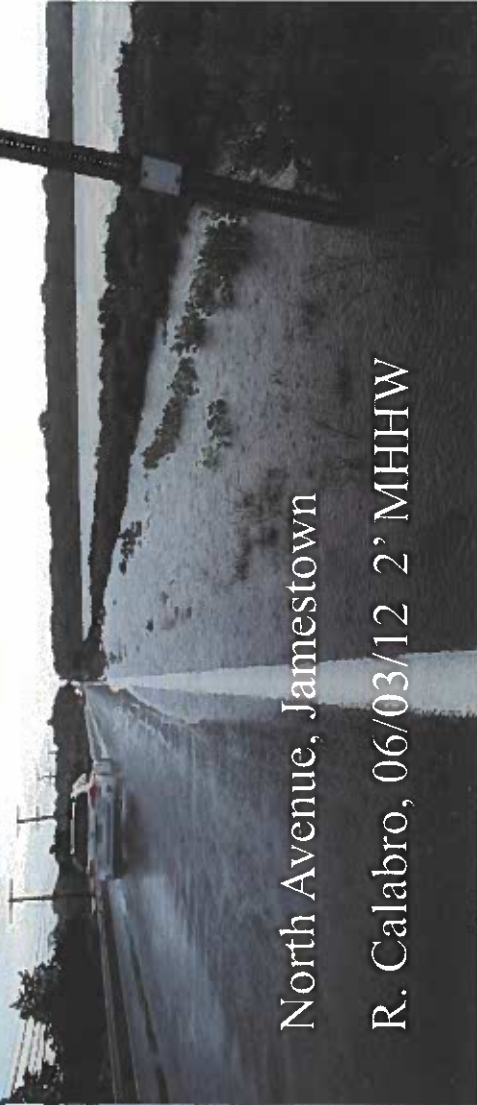
South Shore Ave., Warwick
W. Ferguson, 06/04/12 2.4' MHHW



American Tourister, Warren
R. Calabro, 09/29/11 2.2' MHHW



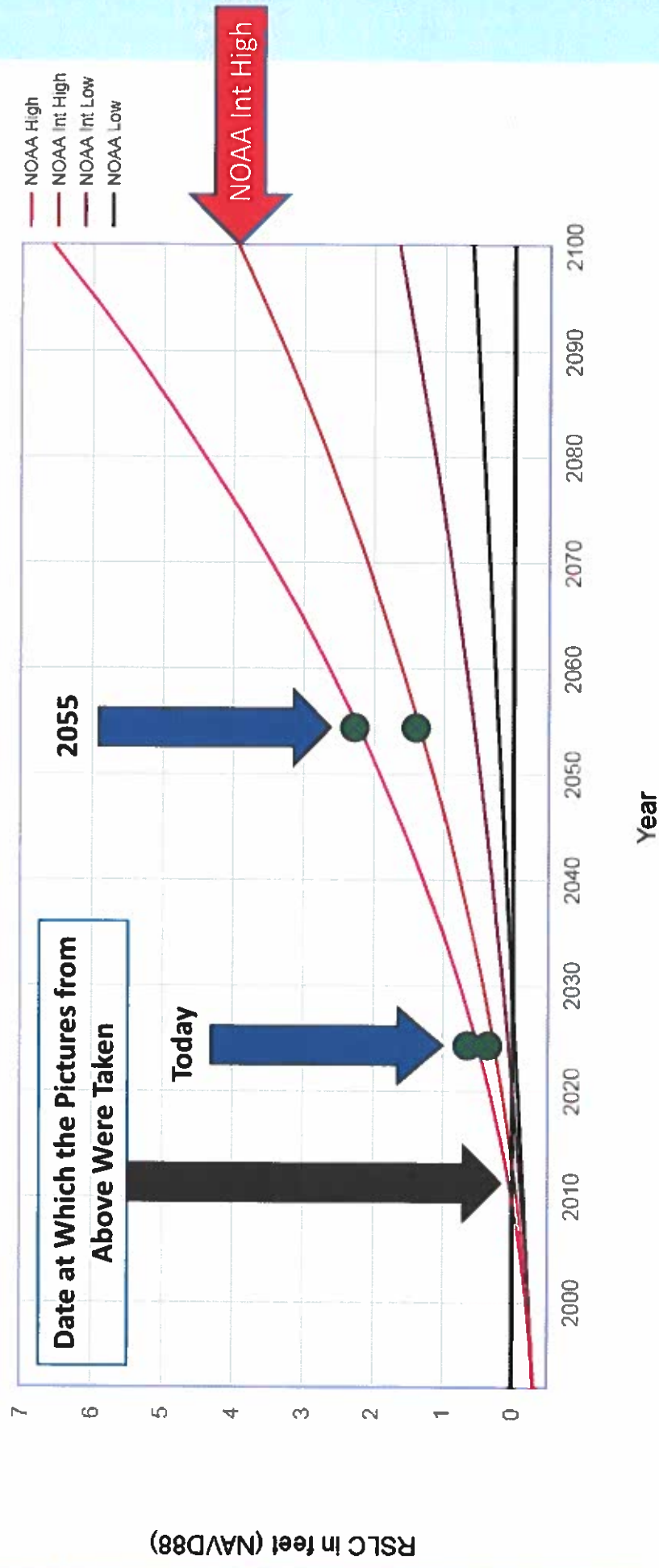
Bold Point Park East Providence
J. Boyd, 10/27/11 2' MHHW



North Avenue, Jamestown
R. Calabro, 06/03/12 2' MHHW

Sea Level Rise Projections Have Changed Dramatically

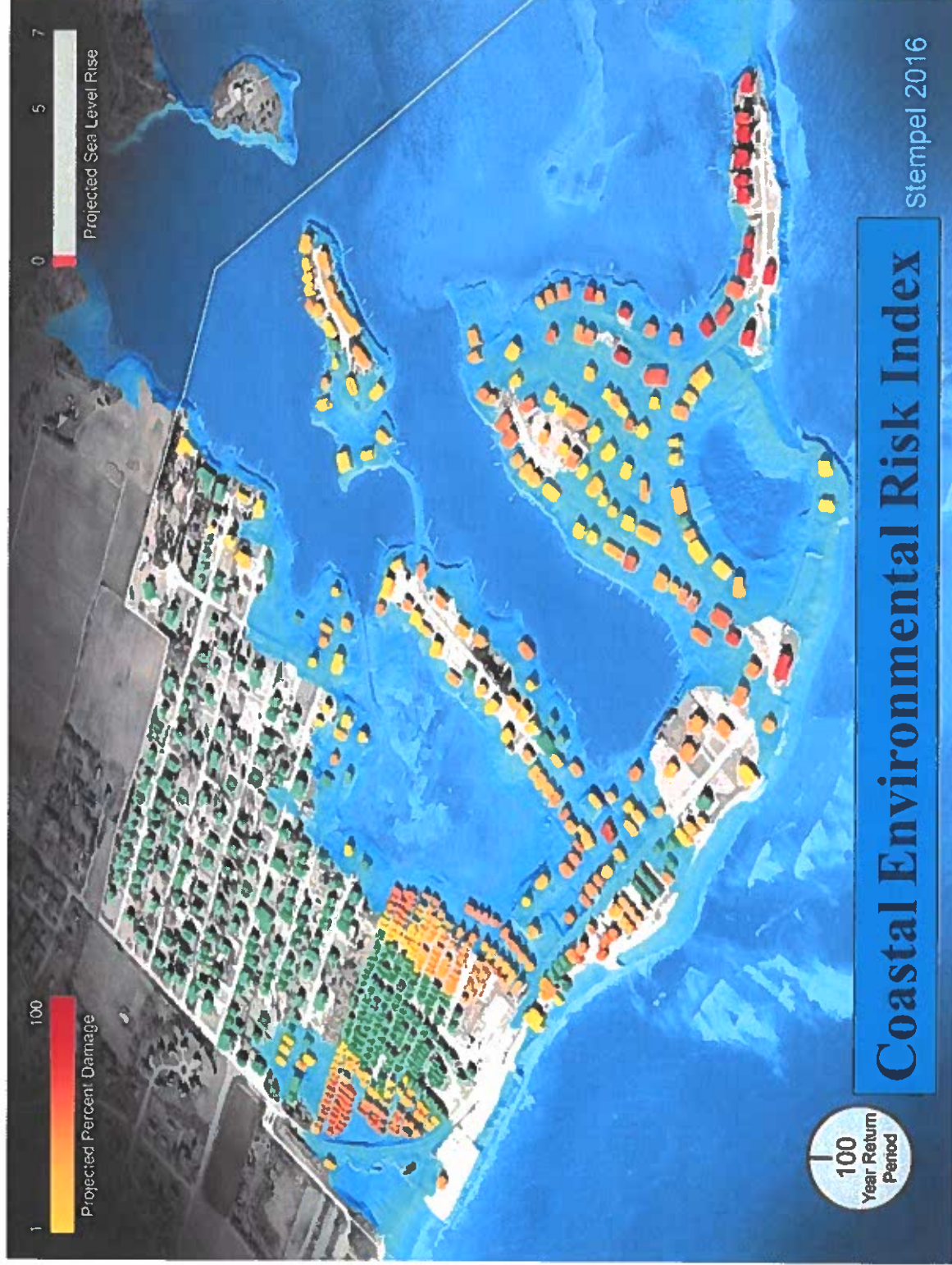
Estimated Relative Sea Level Change Projections - Gauge: 8452660, Newport, RI



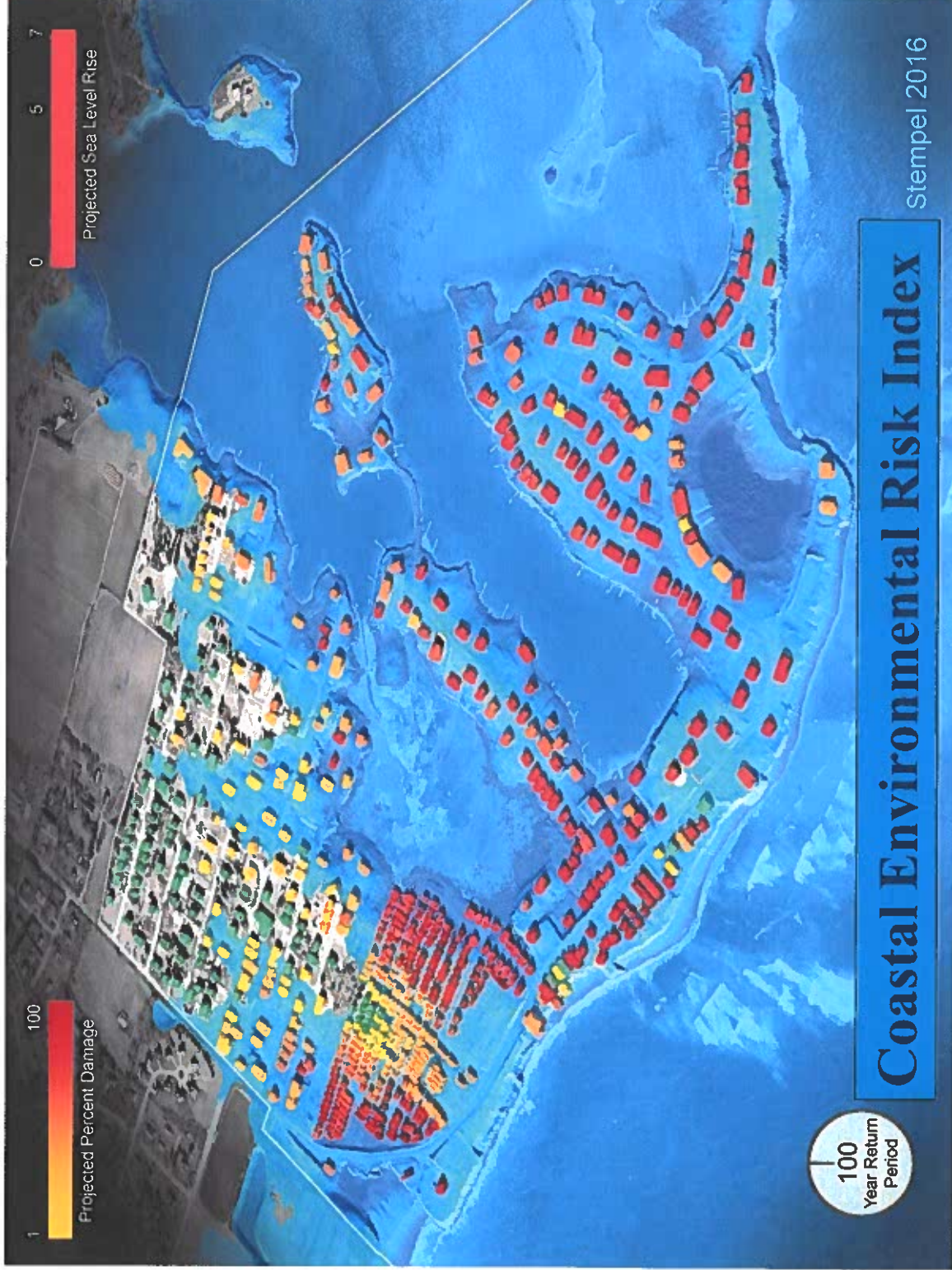
Sea Levels 2012

plus

100 Year Storm



Sea Levels 2100 plus 100 Year Storm



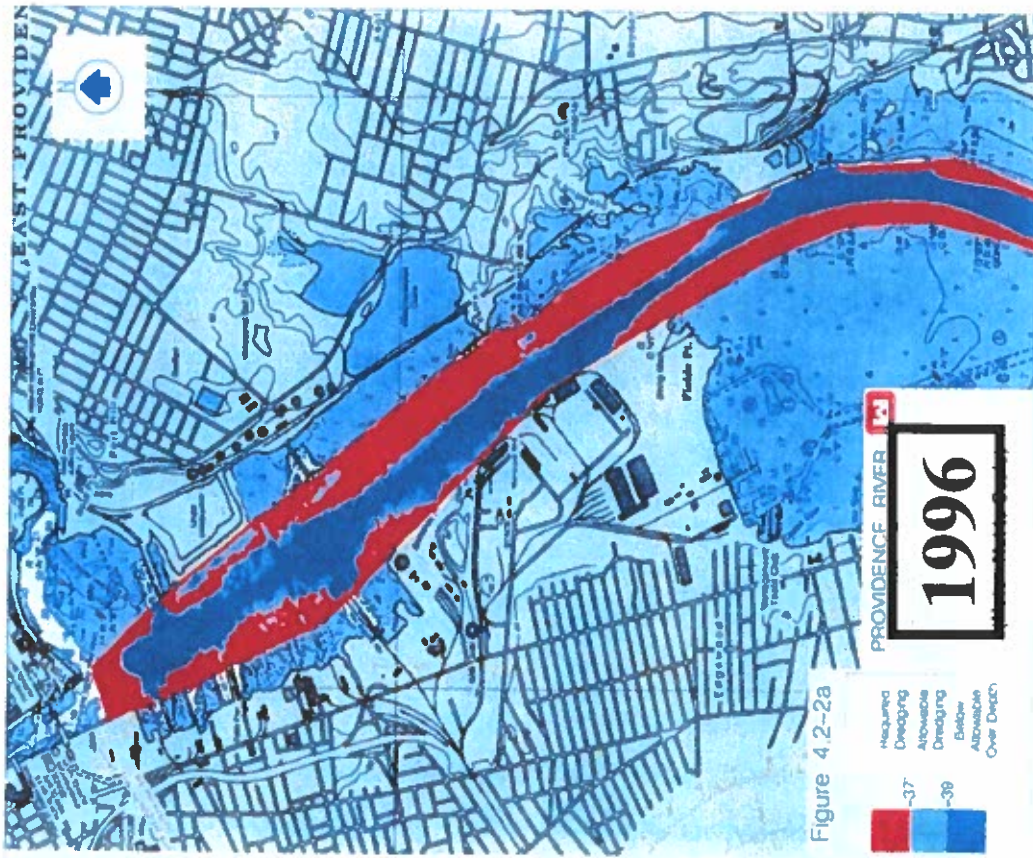
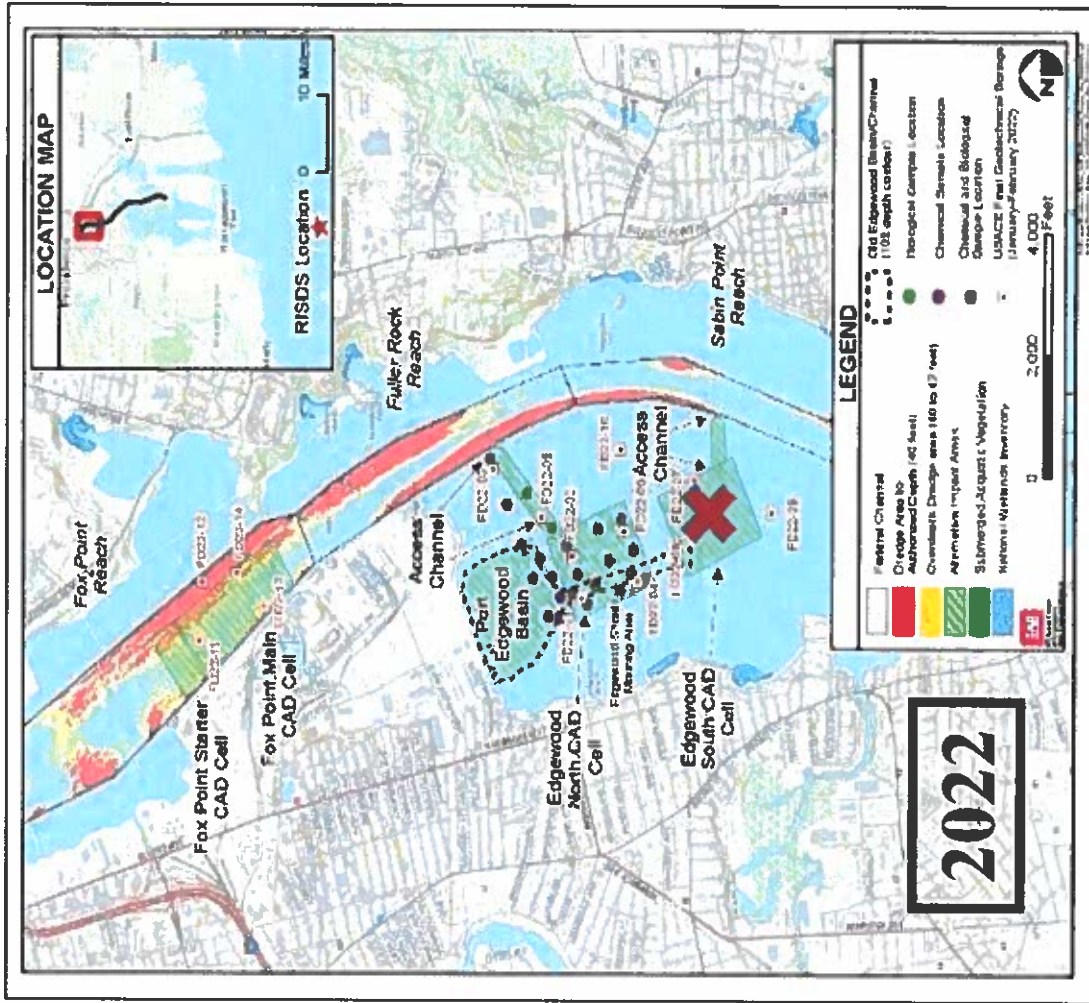


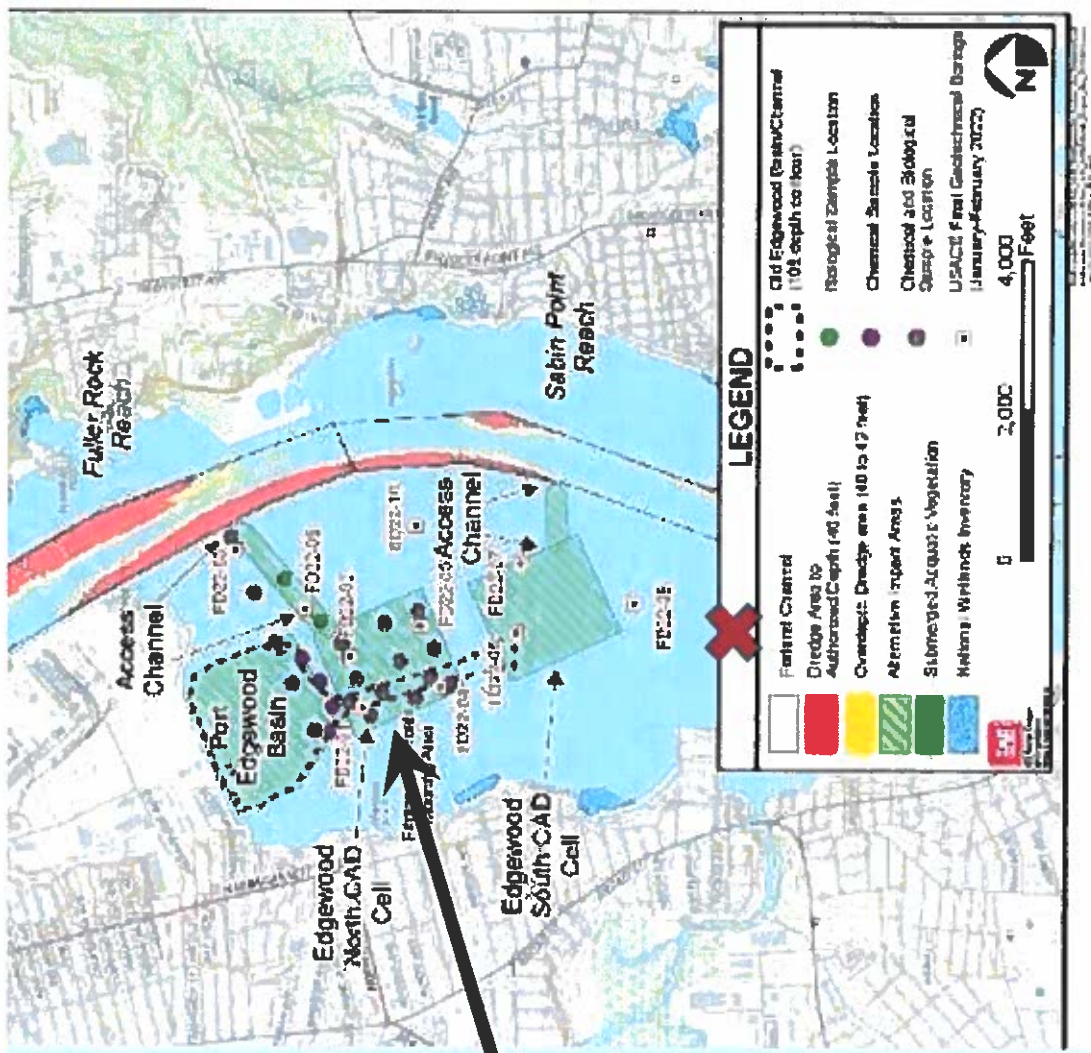
Figure 4.2-2a. Distribution of Shoaling Sediment within the Upper Channel (37 and 39 ft depths)



CAD Cell Alternative Impact Areas Providence DMRGP

Confined Aquatic Disposal (CAD) Cells

Construct
Edgewood
North-CAD
cell for
maintenance
material
placement.



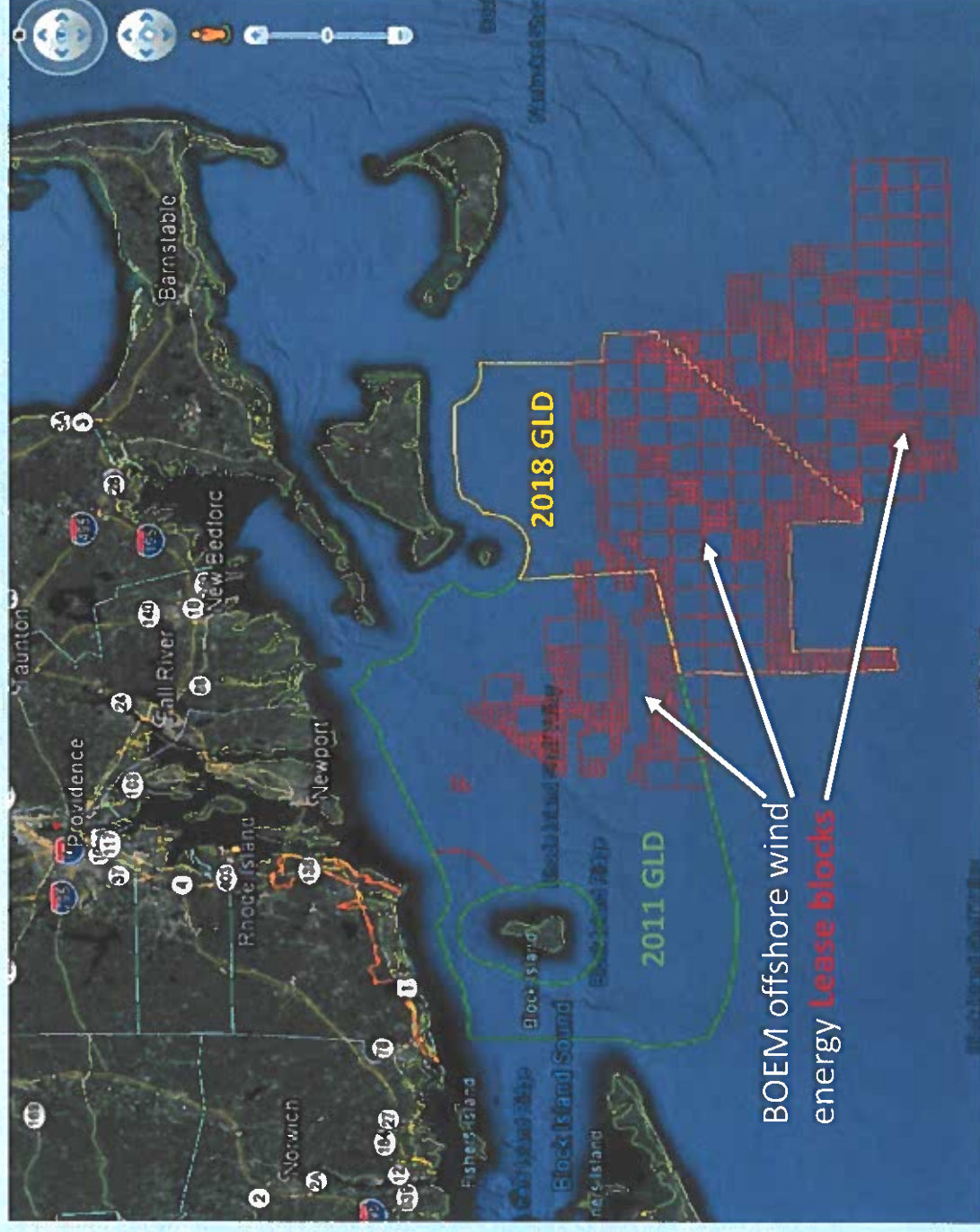
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CRMC Review Authority for OSW

Federal Consistency provisions in
the Coastal Zone Management
Act (16 U.S.C. § 1456)

Geographic Location Descriptions 2011 & 2018

- Any offshore wind facility of a permanent nature, regardless of size
- Underwater cables



OSW Farms

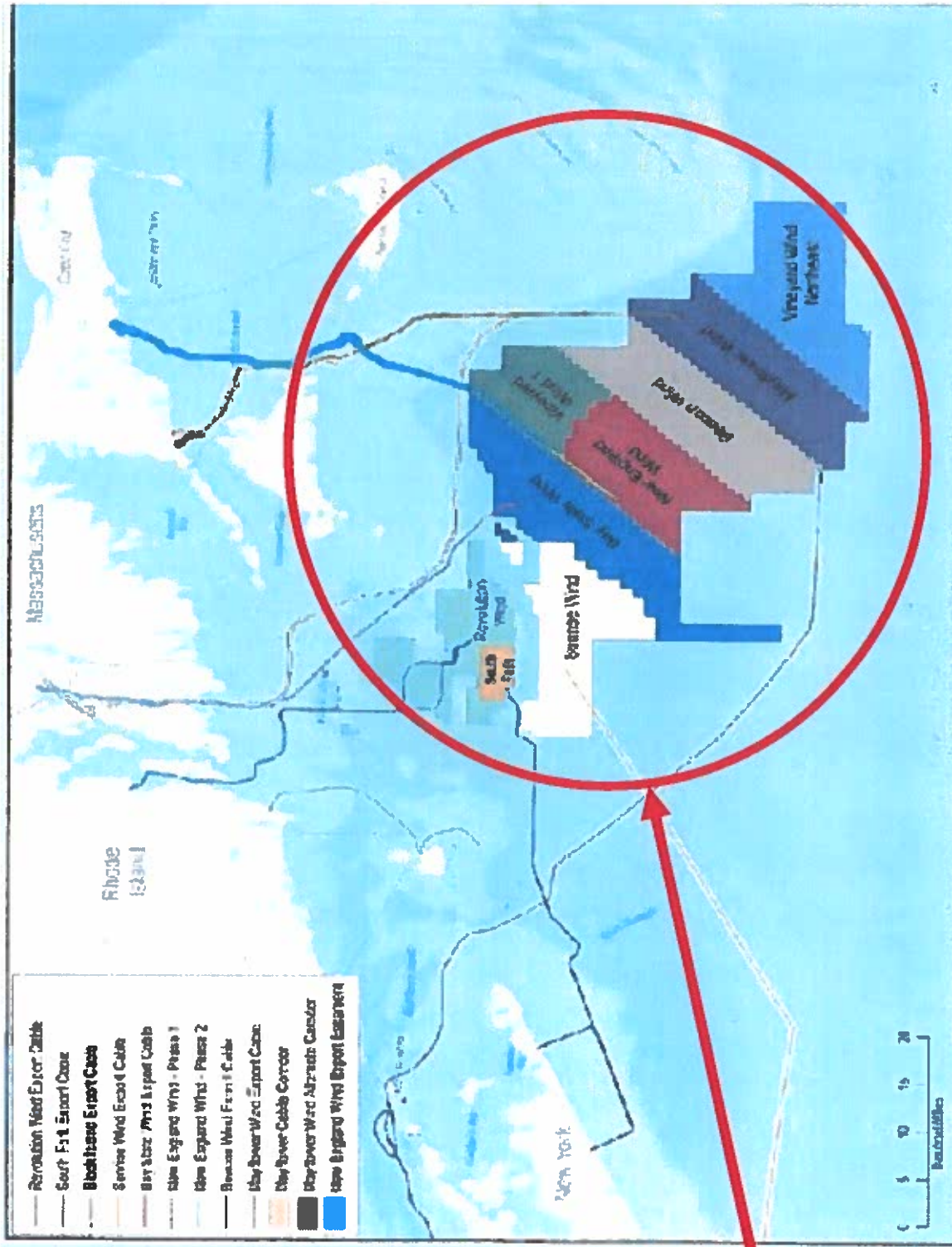
South Fork Wind
Sunrise Wind
Revolution Wind
Starboard Wind
Vineyard Wind (VW1)
New England (2 Projects)

Equinor

SouthCoast Wind
Vineyard Liberty (VW2)

**Current state PPAs:
7,396 MW**

(493 – 672 WTGs)



Rights-of-Way Designations

Subcommittee Process

- Initial Request/Staff Research
 - City and Town Involvement
- Hearings
- Subcommittee Decision
- Full Council Decision

Total Number of Sites Reviewed	360
Sites Designated as Public	234
Sites w/Insufficient Evidence	67
Sites Not Resolved	33
Sites under Review	22



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Please see below

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Cc: 'Sen. Ujifusa, Linda L.' <sen-ujifusa@rilegislature.gov>; Megan Cotter <megan@megancotterri.com>
Subject: S 108. H 5781

To concerned Senate and House Finance committees, My name is Dick Went. I am a forest owner as well as Chair of the Northern RI Conservation District, board member of the RI State Conservation Committee and Vice-Chair of RIFCO.

Last year I served on the wild fire study commission. During our hearings we heard from a number of experts how far behind we are with mitigating and preparing for brush and forest fires. With climate changing, and the introduction of more pests that can kill our trees, we need the manpower to respond to these problems but more importantly to do the work to help mitigate these problems. It has been proven that mitigation is less expensive than having to respond to a problem. Unfortunately, manpower is needed for that.

For a number of years now, Division of Forestry has been losing FTEs. It is time to restore their ability to mitigate and react.

I am in support of both S 108 and H 5781.

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