



# HEALTHY PORT FUTURES

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## Port Network

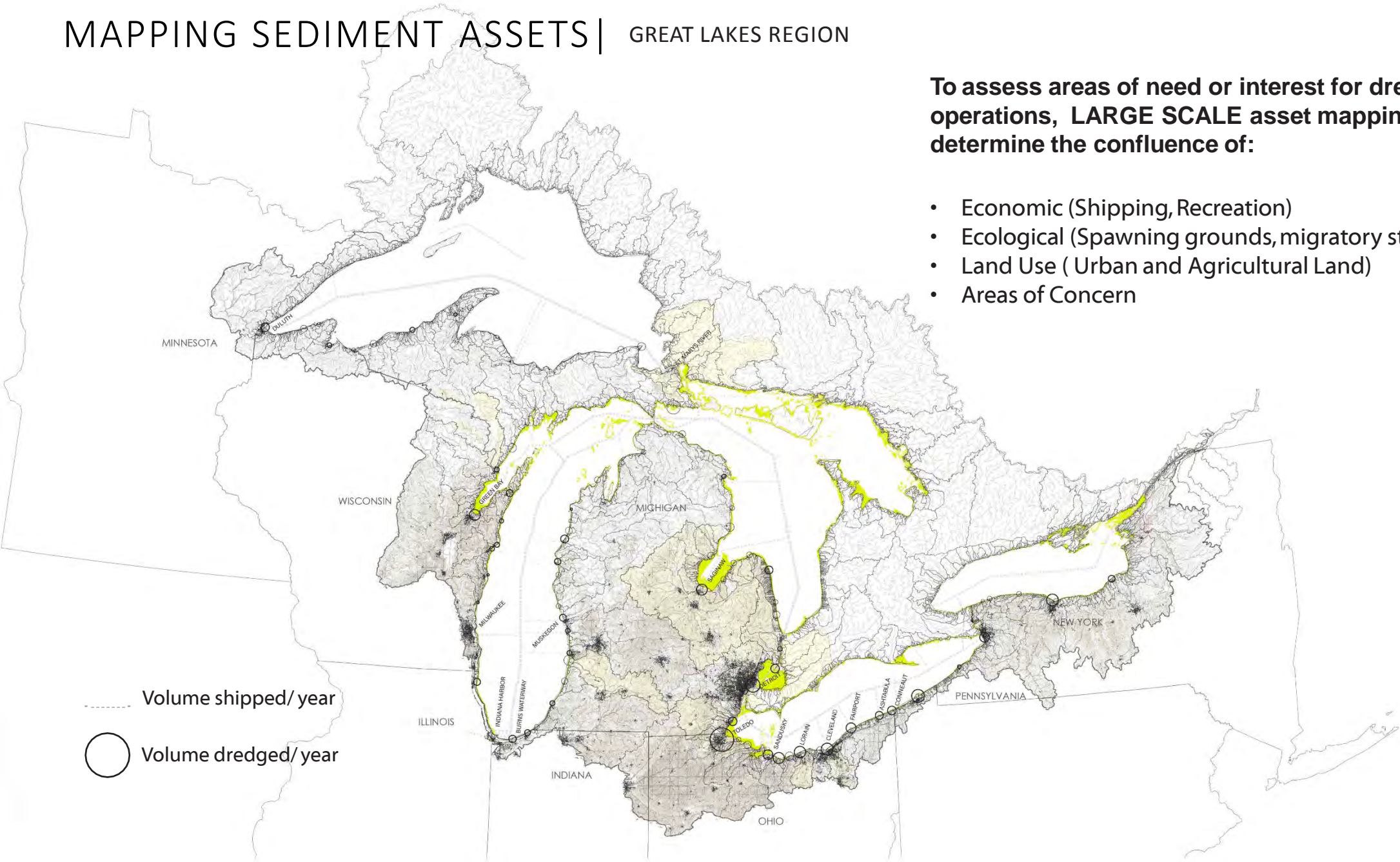
- Commercial > 10mt/yr
- pilot focus
- Commercial 1-10mt/yr
- regional outreach focus
- Commercial .01-.99mt/yr
- Commercial 0mt/yr
- Recreational



# MAPPING SEDIMENT ASSETS | GREAT LAKES REGION

To assess areas of need or interest for dredging operations, **LARGE SCALE** asset mapping to determine the confluence of:

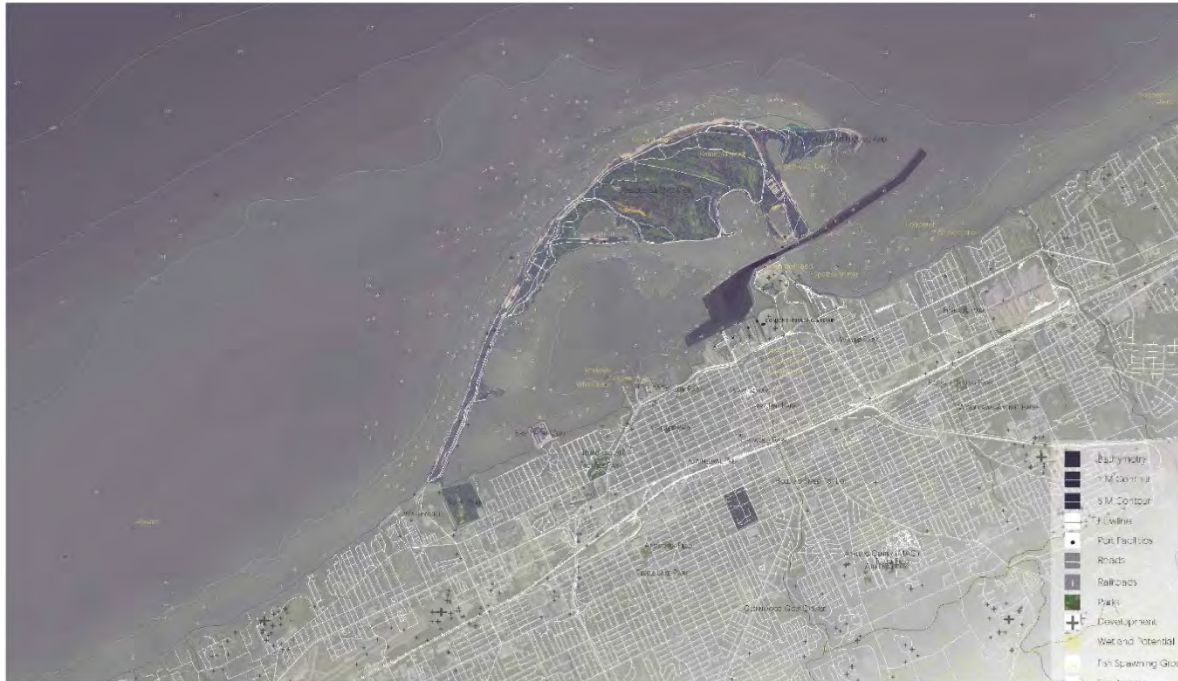
- Economic (Shipping, Recreation)
- Ecological (Spawning grounds, migratory stopovers)
- Land Use ( Urban and Agricultural Land)
- Areas of Concern



# MAPPING SEDIMENT ASSETS | PORT CITIES

To assess areas of need or interest for dredging operations, **SMALL SCALE** asset mapping to determine the confluence of:

- Economic ( Port lands, industrial lands)
- Ecological (Spawning grounds, Migratory Stopover habitat)
- Hydrological ( Tributaries, bathymetry)
- Social Factors ( Parks, trails, housing, schools)

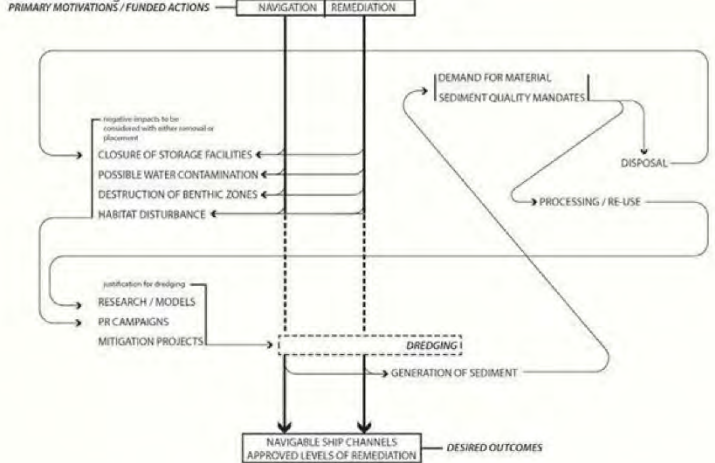


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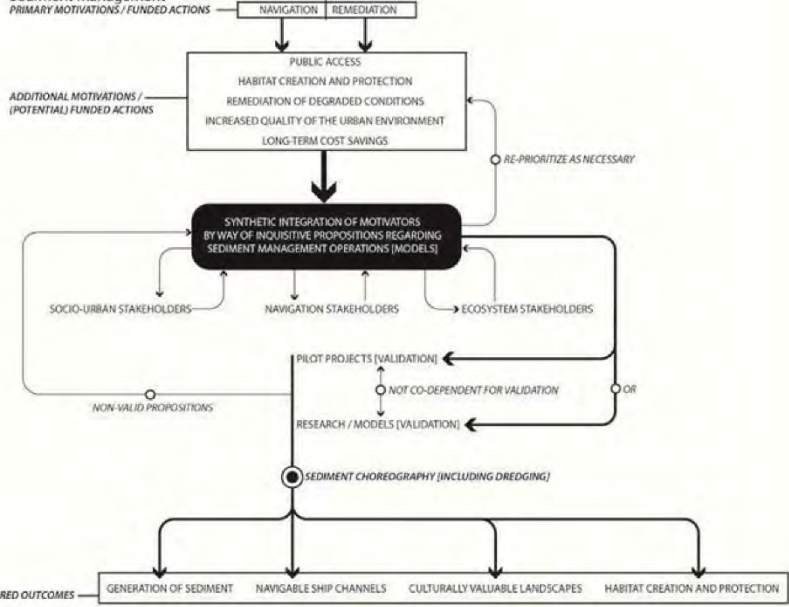


Muskegon,  
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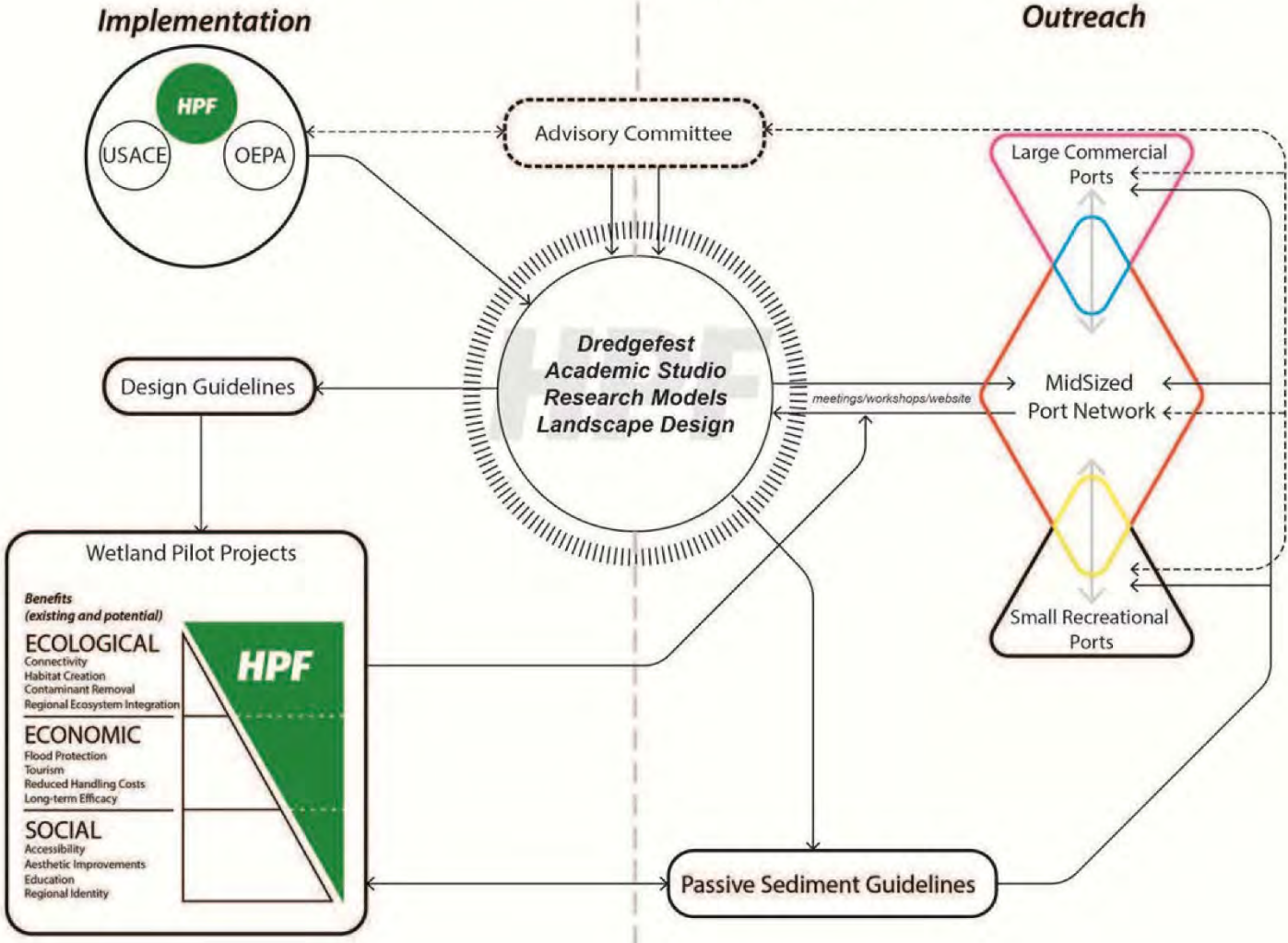
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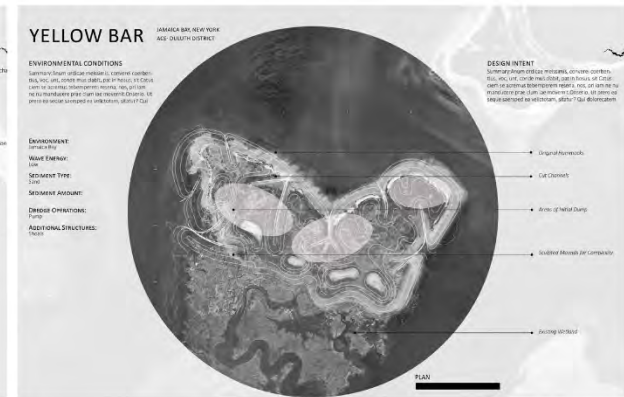
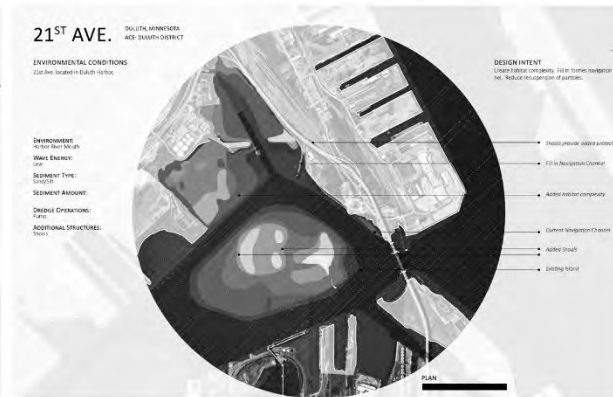
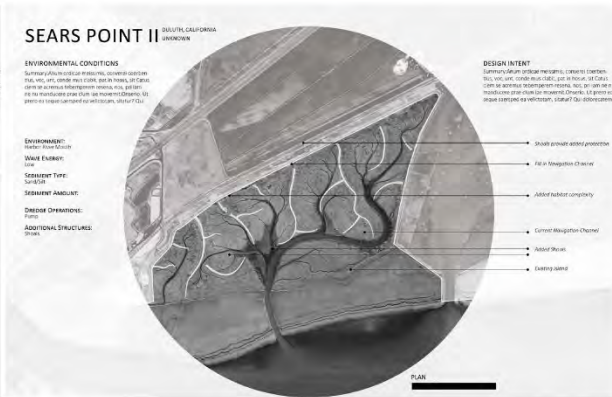
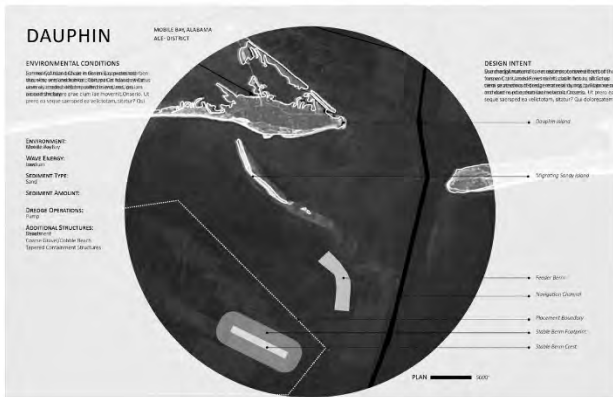
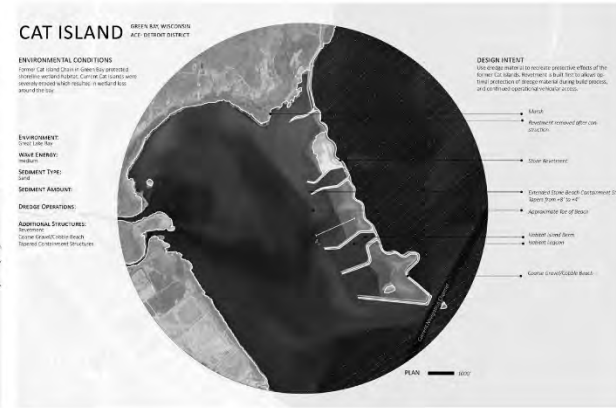
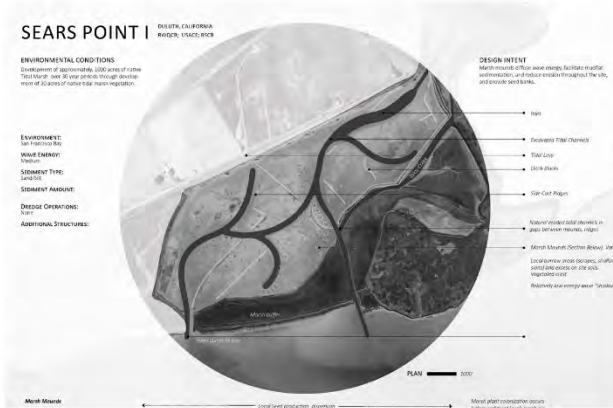
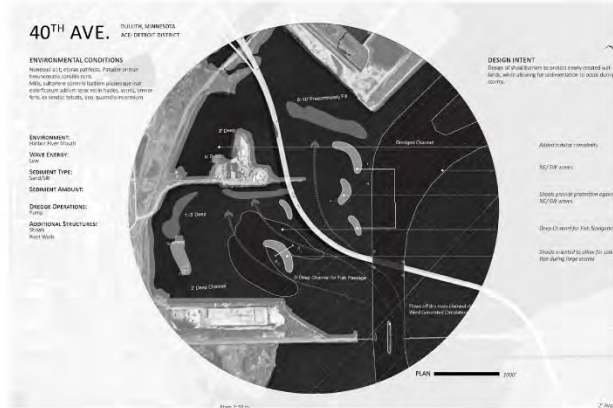


# Healthy Port Futures - Project Organization Chart



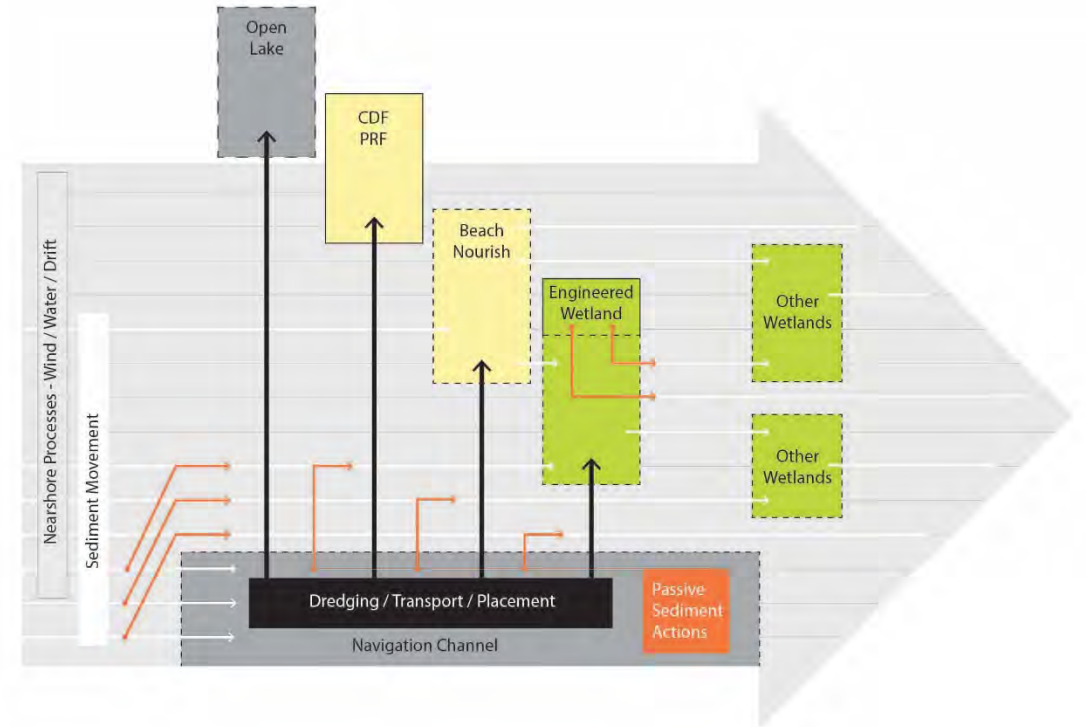
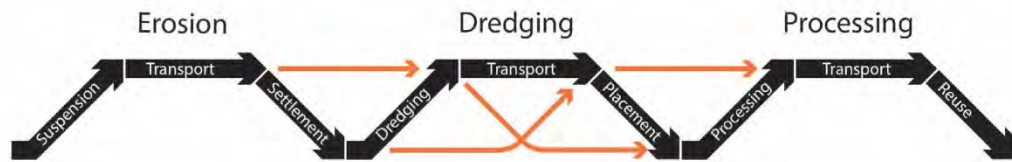
# PRECEDENT STUDIES

To examine material composition, type of placement, environmental conditions, supporting structures, and hydrological features inform design



# PASSIVE SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT

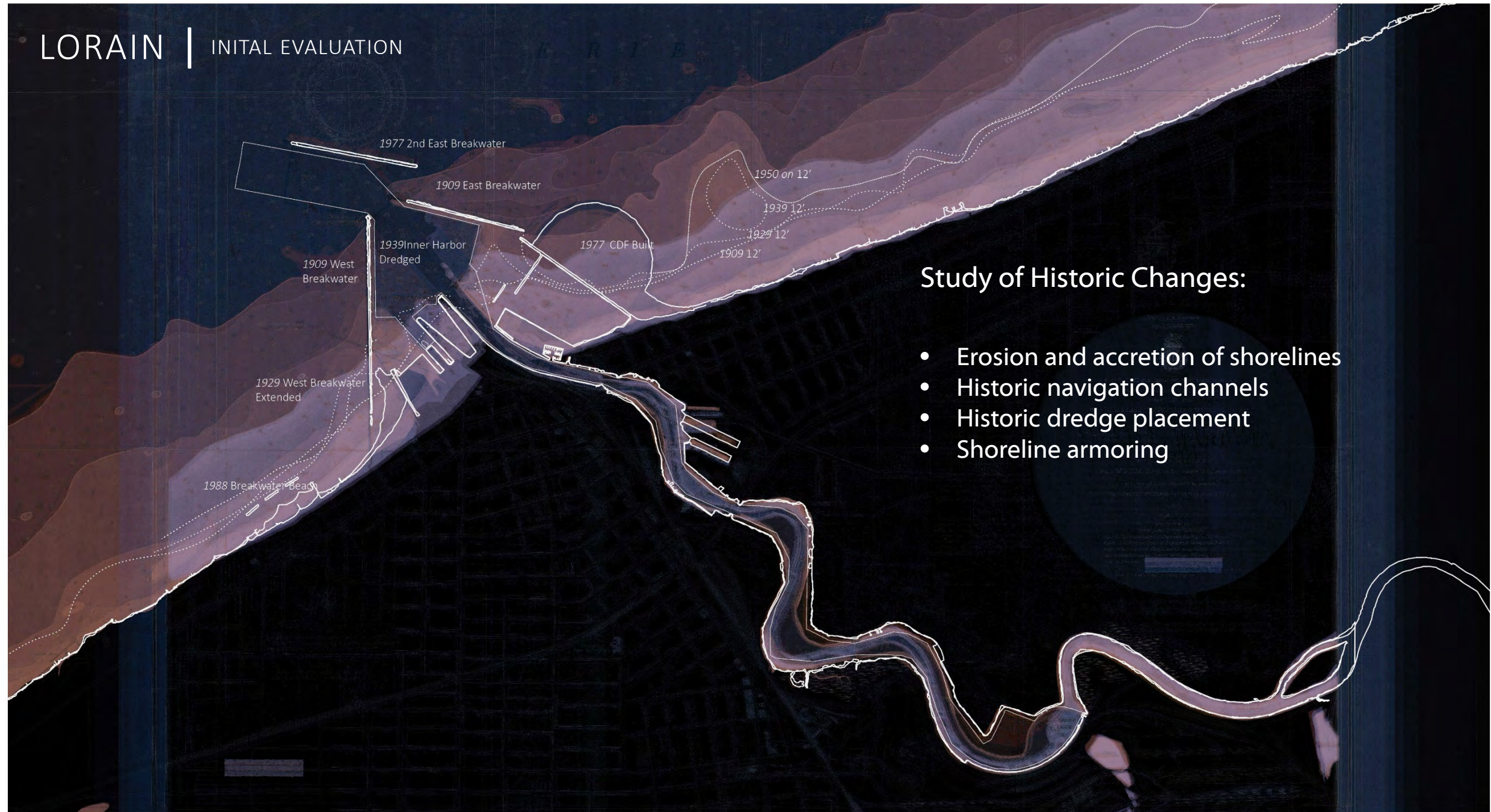
The use of natural forces (e.g. water, wind, waves) to replace or augment one of the required steps of sediment management (uplift, transport, placement)





# LORAIN | INITIAL EVALUATION

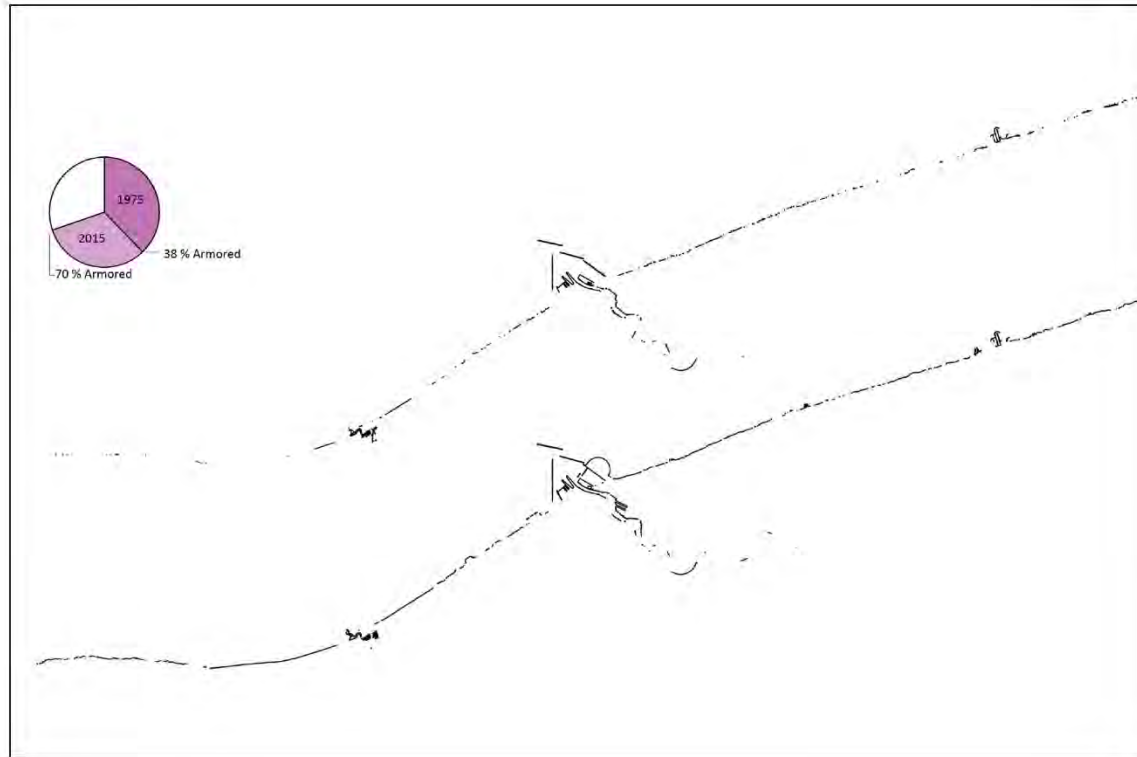




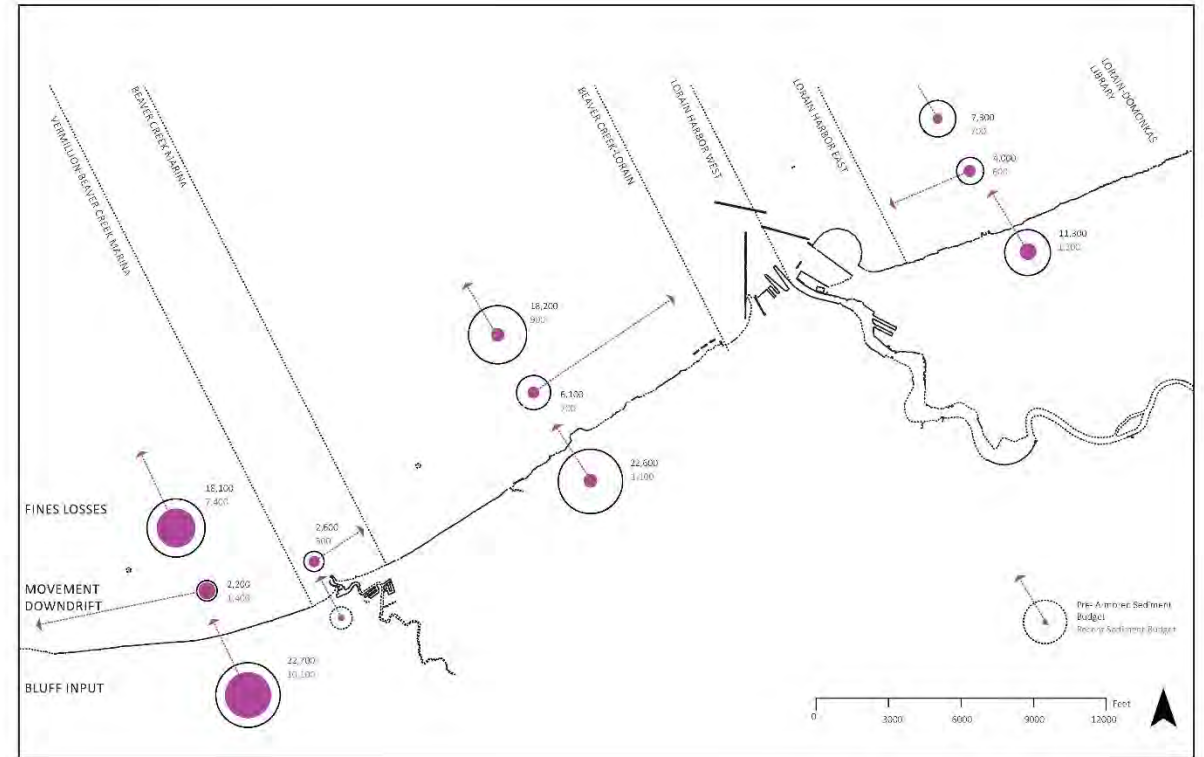
### Study of Historic Changes:

- Erosion and accretion of shorelines
- Historic navigation channels
- Historic dredge placement
- Shoreline armoring

# SEDIMENT CHANGES | LOSS OF SEDIMENT INPUT INTO LAKE THROUGH SHORELINE ARMORING



**Shoreline armoring**



**Decrease in sediment input**

# LORAIN SITES

Choosing Sites for PSM Based On:

- Hydrological Conditions
- Location from Navigation Channel
- Property Ownership
- Existing Uses
- Ecological Conditions

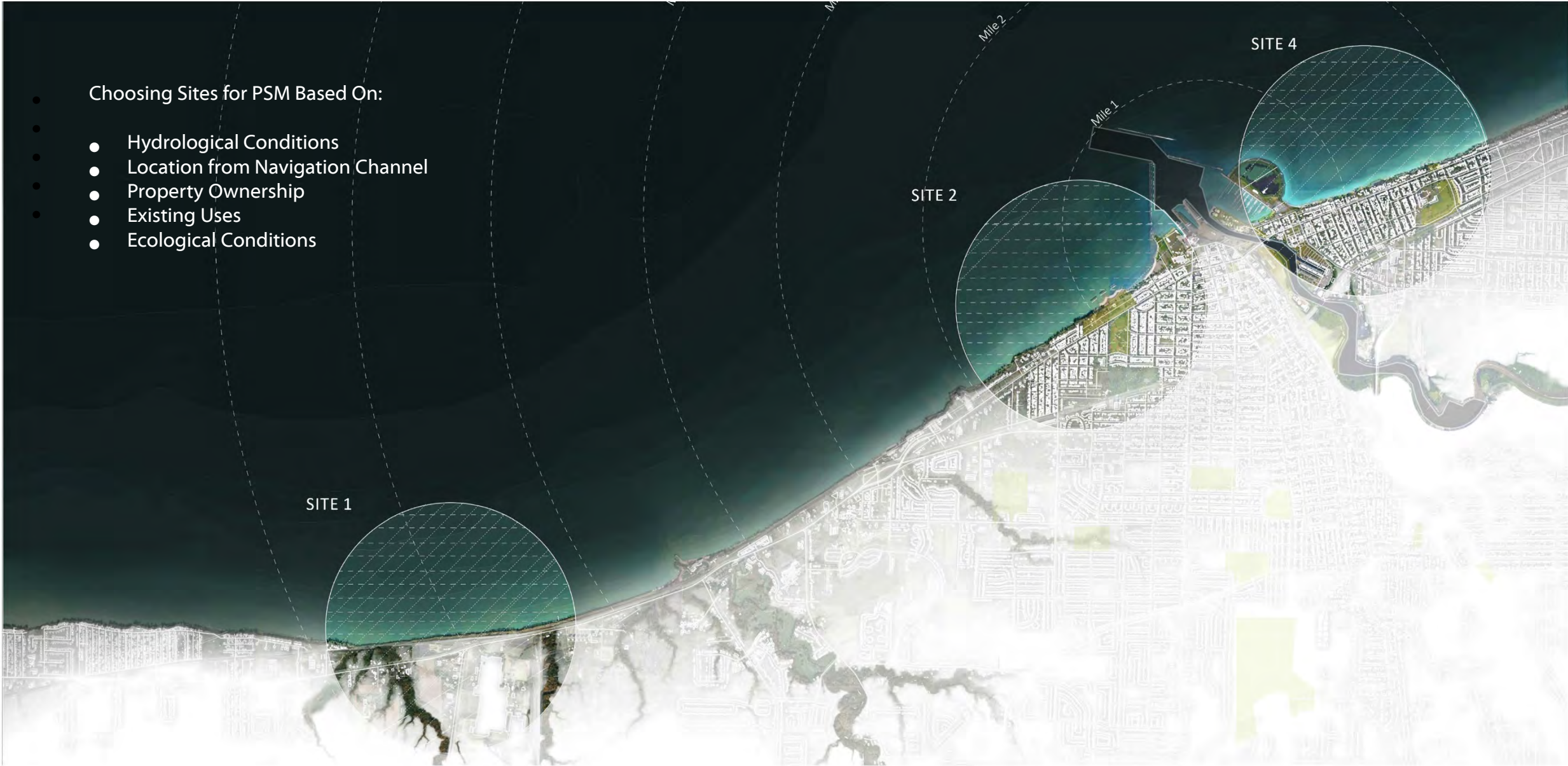
SITE 1

SITE 2

SITE 4

Mile 2

Mile 1



# SITES DIFFERENCES | INFORM PASSIVE SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT INTENDED OUTCOMES AND DESIGN DECISIONS

## SITE 1

DISTANCE TO CHANNEL *8 MI*

WAVE EXPOSURE *NONE*

LITTORAL DIRECTION *E to W  
W to E*

OWNERSHIP *Railroad*

PUBLIC ACCESS *None*

OTHER *Tributary*



## SITE 3

DISTANCE TO CHANNEL *2 MI*

WAVE EXPOSURE *W Shadow*

LITTORAL DIRECTION *E to W*

OWNERSHIP *Public/Private*

PUBLIC ACCESS *Park*

OTHER *Erosion*



## SITE 2

DISTANCE TO CHANNEL *2 MI*

WAVE EXPOSURE *NE Shadow*

LITTORAL DIRECTION *W to E*

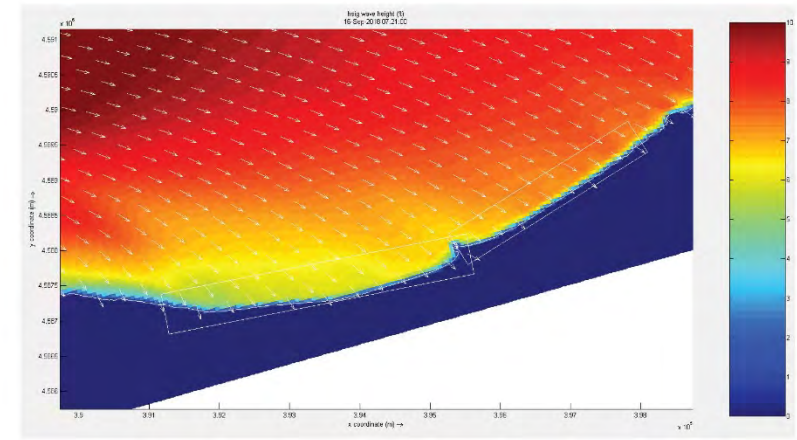
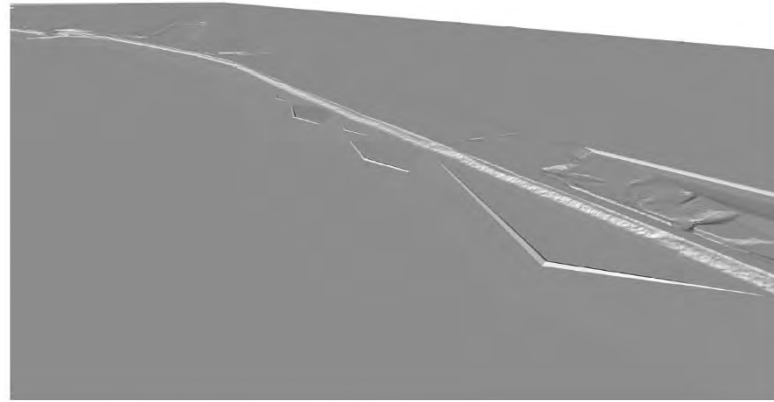
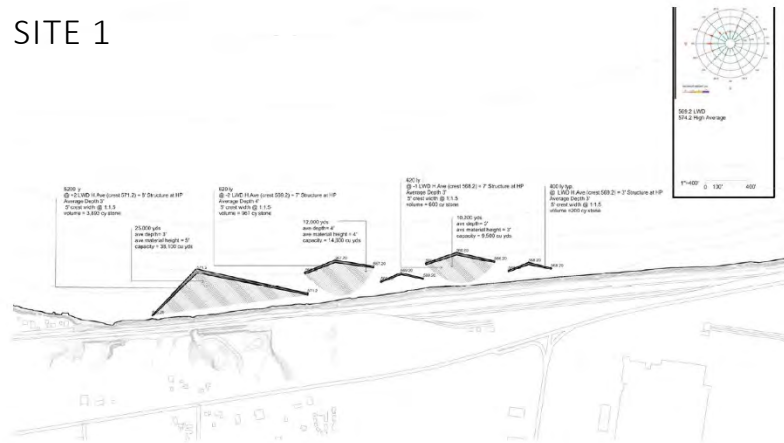
OWNERSHIP *public*

PUBLIC ACCESS *Park*

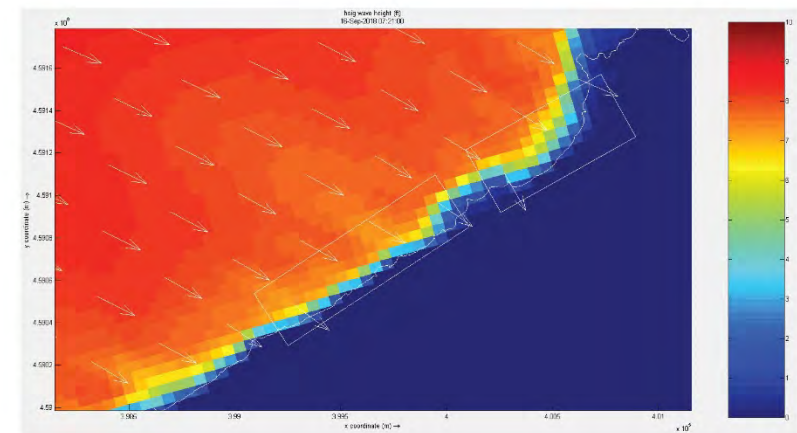
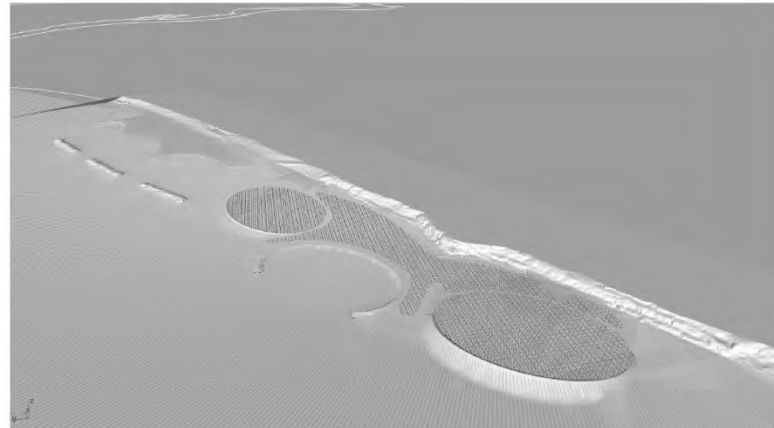
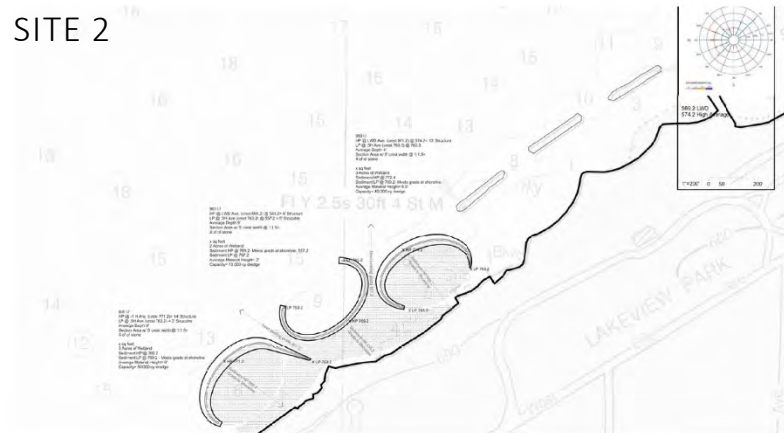
OTHER *Erosion*



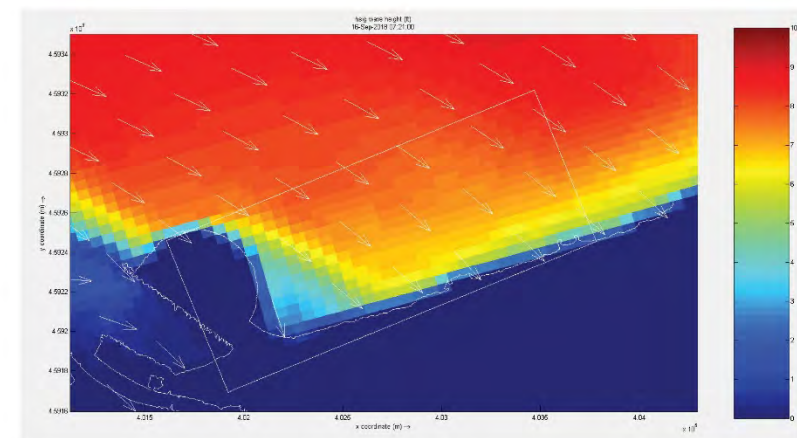
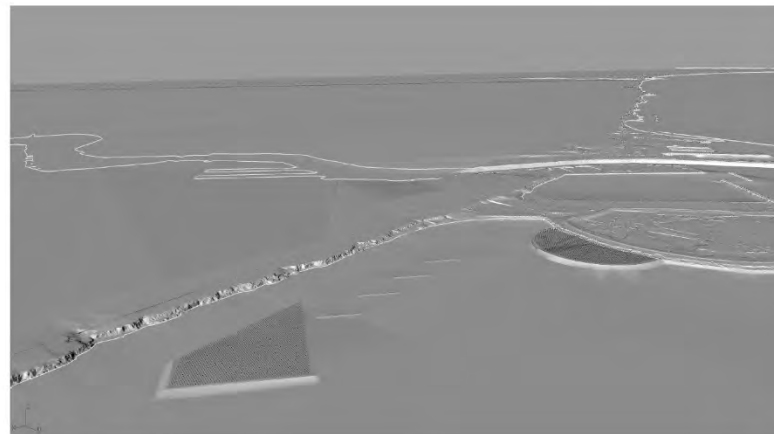
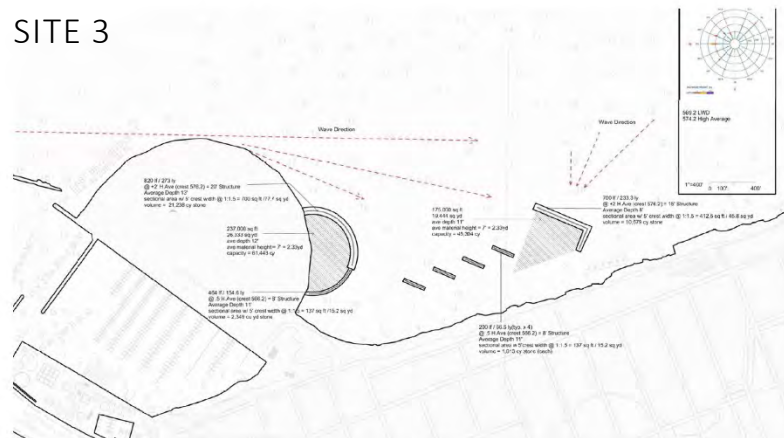
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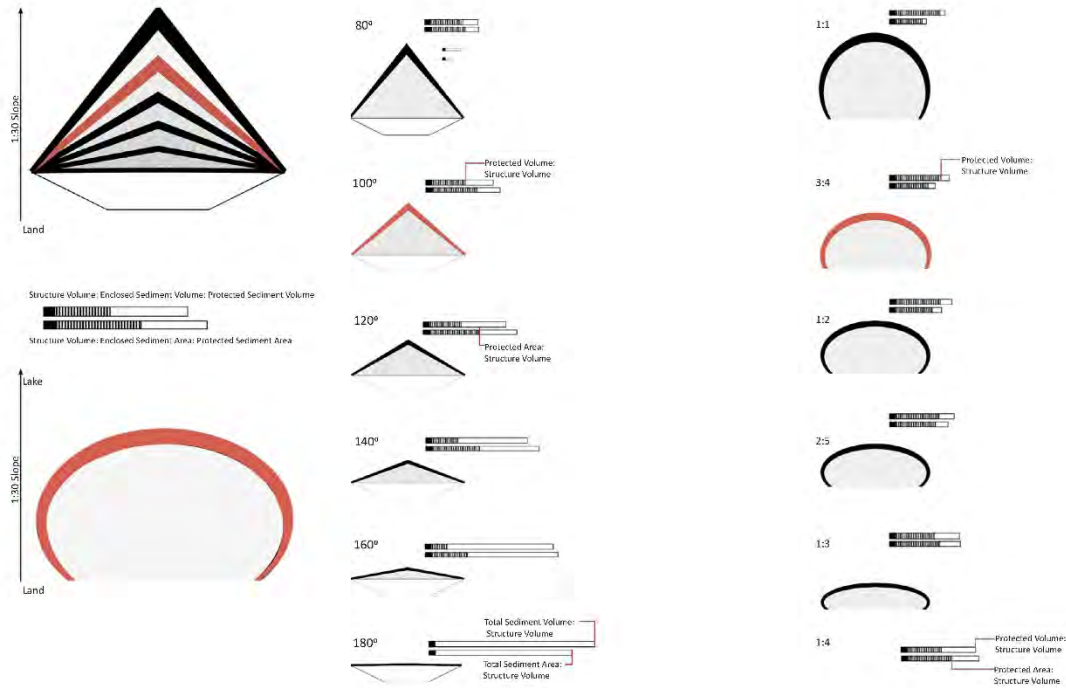
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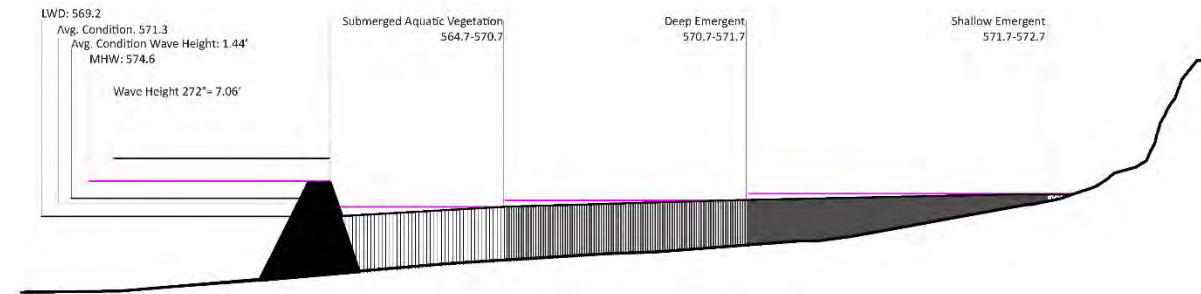
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# CALIBRATION | SHAPE AND SIZE



How does the **SHAPE** of containment structure change volume of structure to volume of dredged material?



How does the **PLACEMENT** (bathmetric) of the structure change the volume of structure to volume of dredge material?

## EROSION/ACCRETION

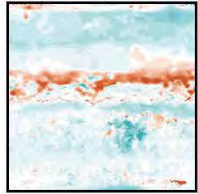
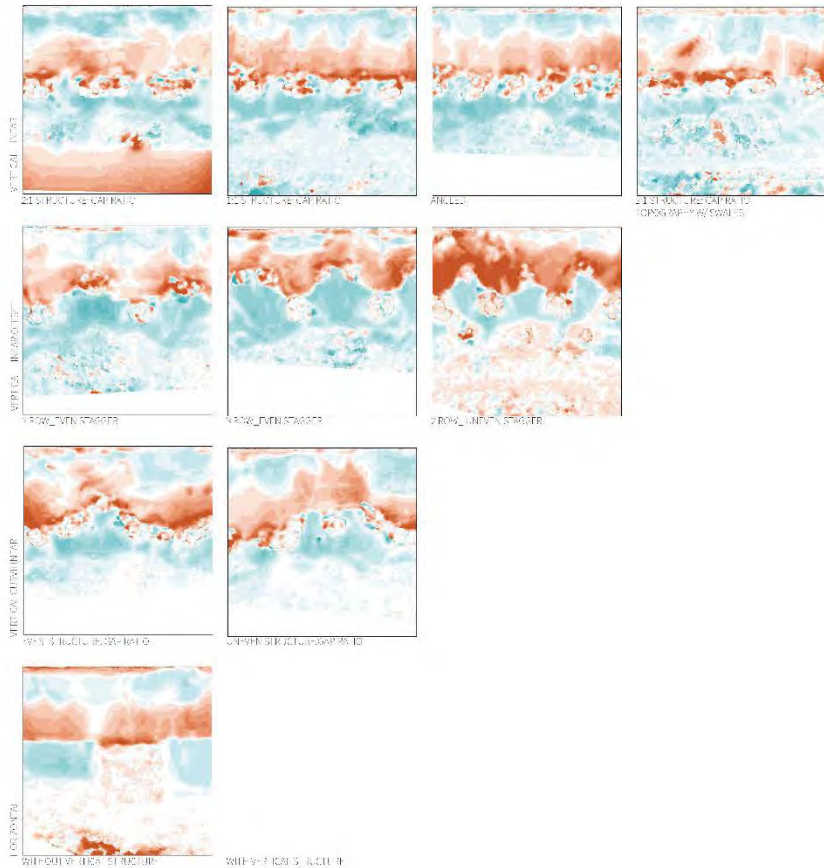


TABLE 1



## RESILIENCE

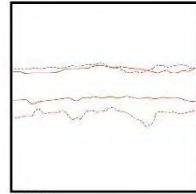
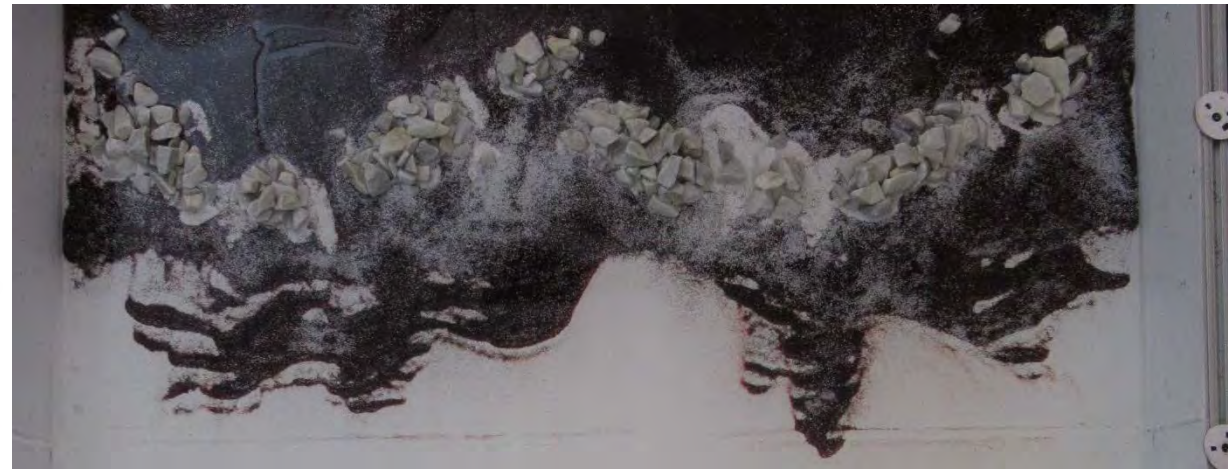
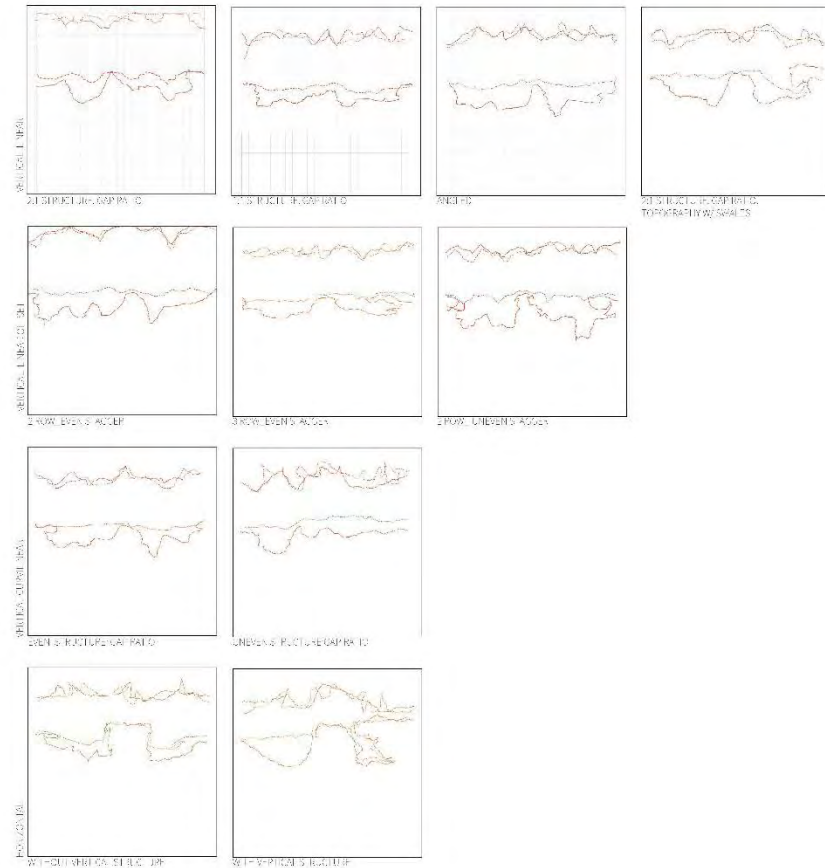





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


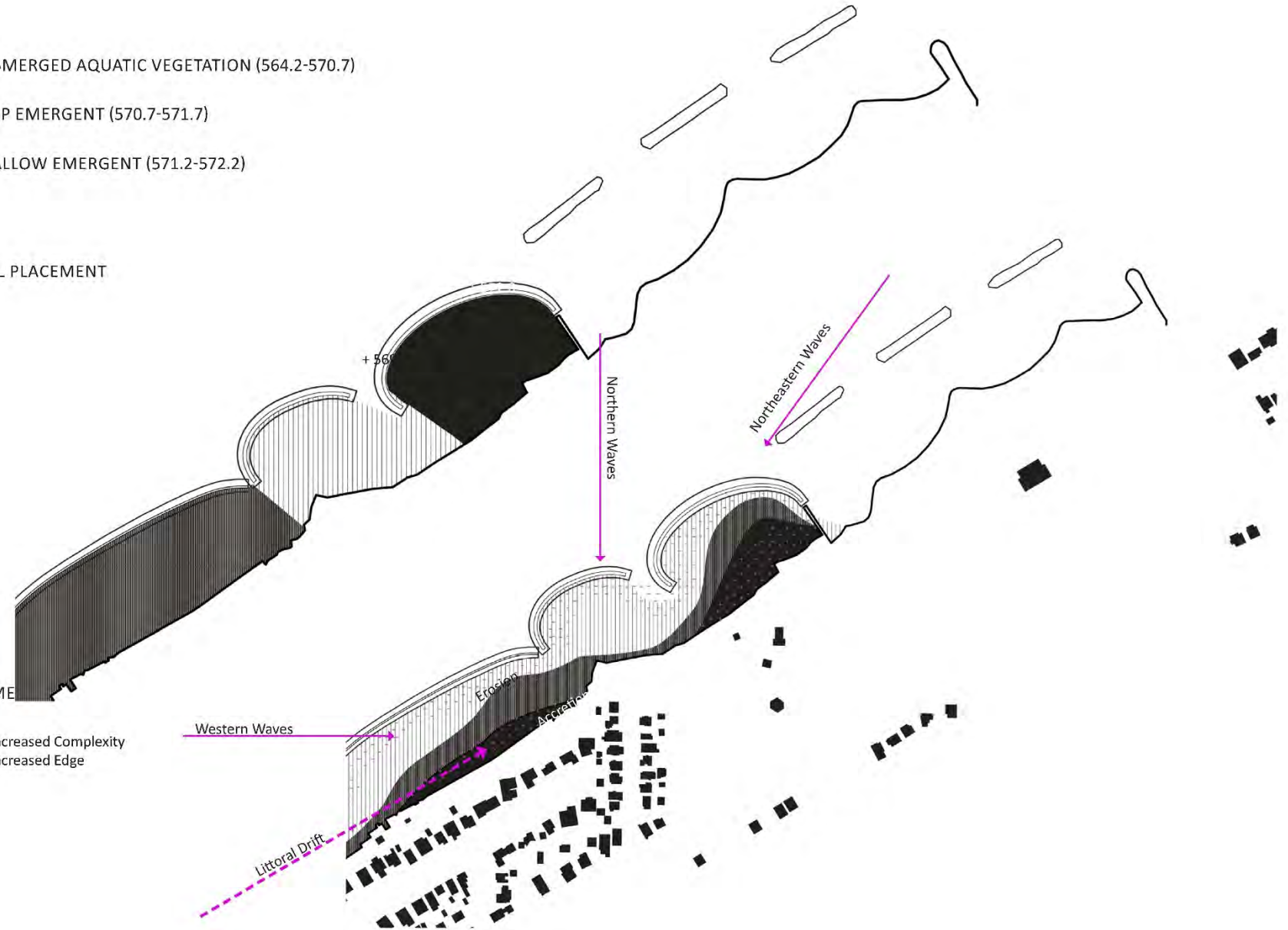
# SITE 2 | TESTING A HYPOTHESIS

-  SUBMERGED AQUATIC VEGETATION (564.2-570.7)
-  DEEP EMERGENT (570.7-571.7)
-  SHALLOW EMERGENT (571.2-572.2)

ORIGINAL PLACEMENT

OVER TIME

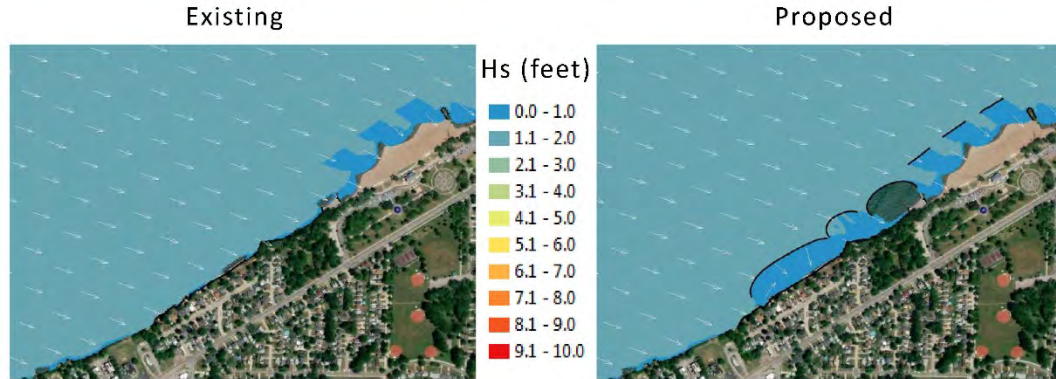
-  Increased Complexity
-  Increased Edge



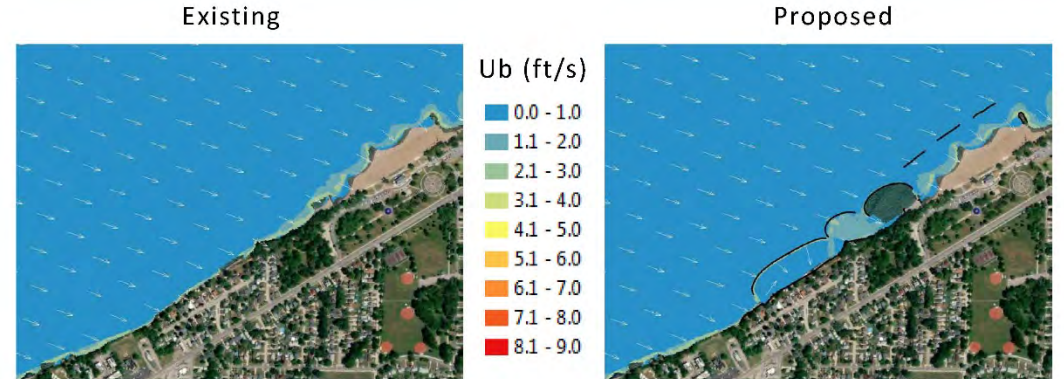


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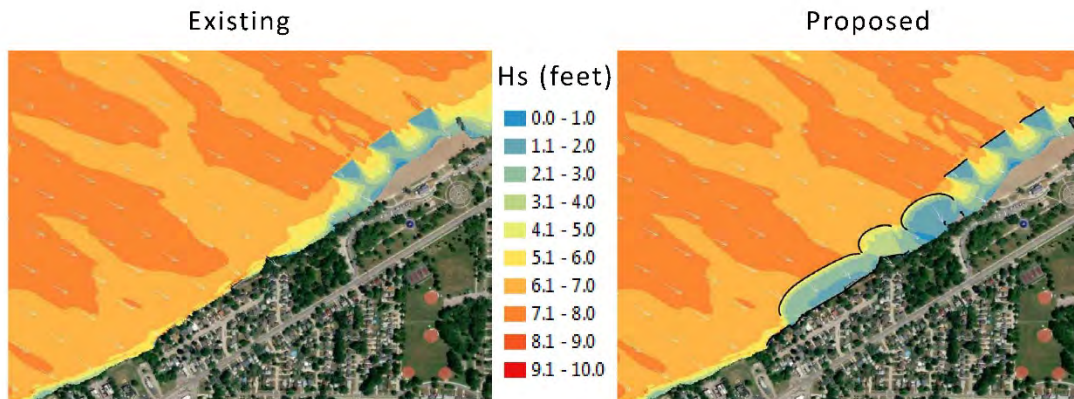
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Significant Wave Height (Hs)



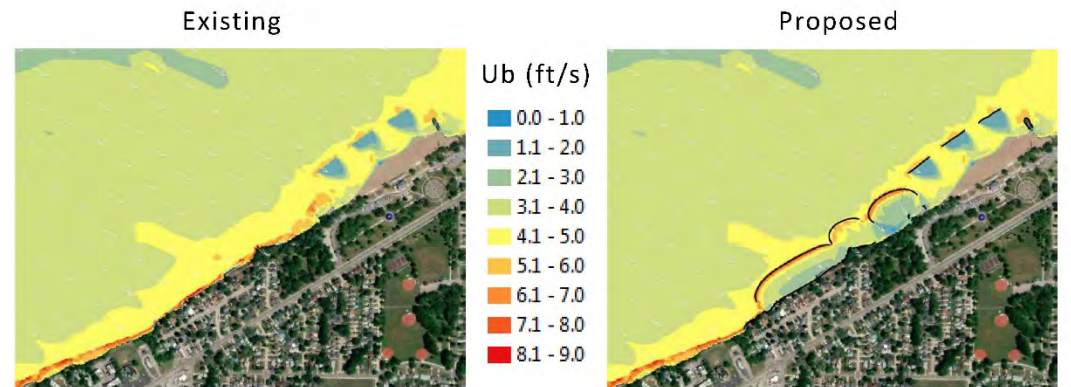
Wave Model Results – Typical Condition (West)  
Orbital Velocity near Bottom (Ub)



Wave Model Results – Storm Condition (West)  
Significant Wave Height (Hs)



Wave Model Results – Storm Condition (West)  
Orbital Velocity near Bottom (Ub)



SITE 2 | DESIGNING FOR CHANGE AND UNPREDICTABILITY



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