



# Low-lying Roads: Mashpee

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Project funded by the  
Municipal Vulnerability  
Preparedness Program

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# Purpose and Objectives of Workshop

- **Review flood projections and impacts on roadways for the town under future scenarios**
- **Discuss vulnerable low-lying roads or other transportation infrastructure**
- **Identify priority road segments for design and permitting**

# Agenda

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- Project Overview – CCC
- Vulnerability and Risk Assessment – WHG
- Results of Low-Lying Roads Screening & Prioritization – WHG
- Discussion – CCC & WHG
- Next Steps – CCC
- Workshop concludes ~ 6:30 pm



# Low-Lying Roads 2

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TOWNS

Chatham  
Falmouth  
Harwich

Mashpee  
Provincetown



Flooding vulnerability assessment of low-lying roads and transportation infrastructure



Support municipal road segment prioritization



Identify range of potential design solutions, costs

Work performed by Cape Cod Commission and Woods Hole Group



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# Hazards

## Storms, Sea Level Rise, & Flooding



Wixon Dock, Harwich Police



Lieutenants Island Bridge



Provincetown East End, webcam



# Adaptation Strategies

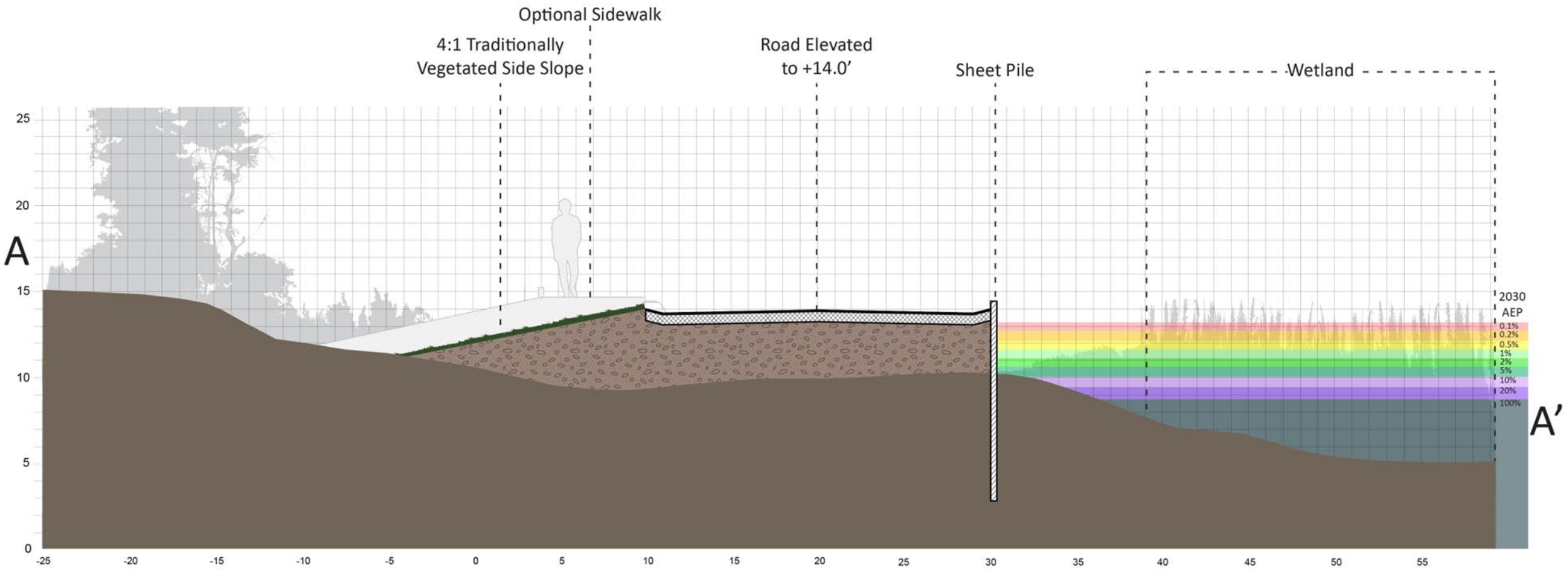


- | Gray Infrastructure, or Traditional Engineering Structures
- | Green Infrastructure, or Nature-based Solutions
- | Other approaches – Hybrid, Planned Relocation, Abandonment



# ADAPTATION STRATEGIES

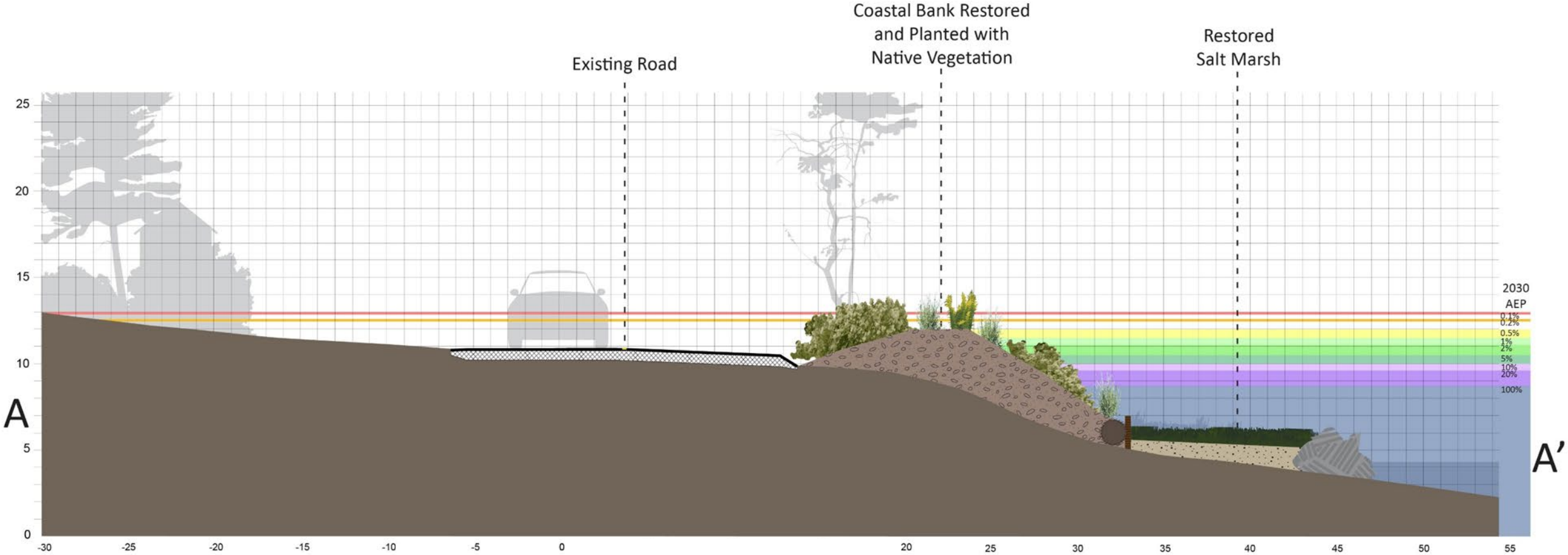
## GRAY/TRADITIONAL ENGINEERING





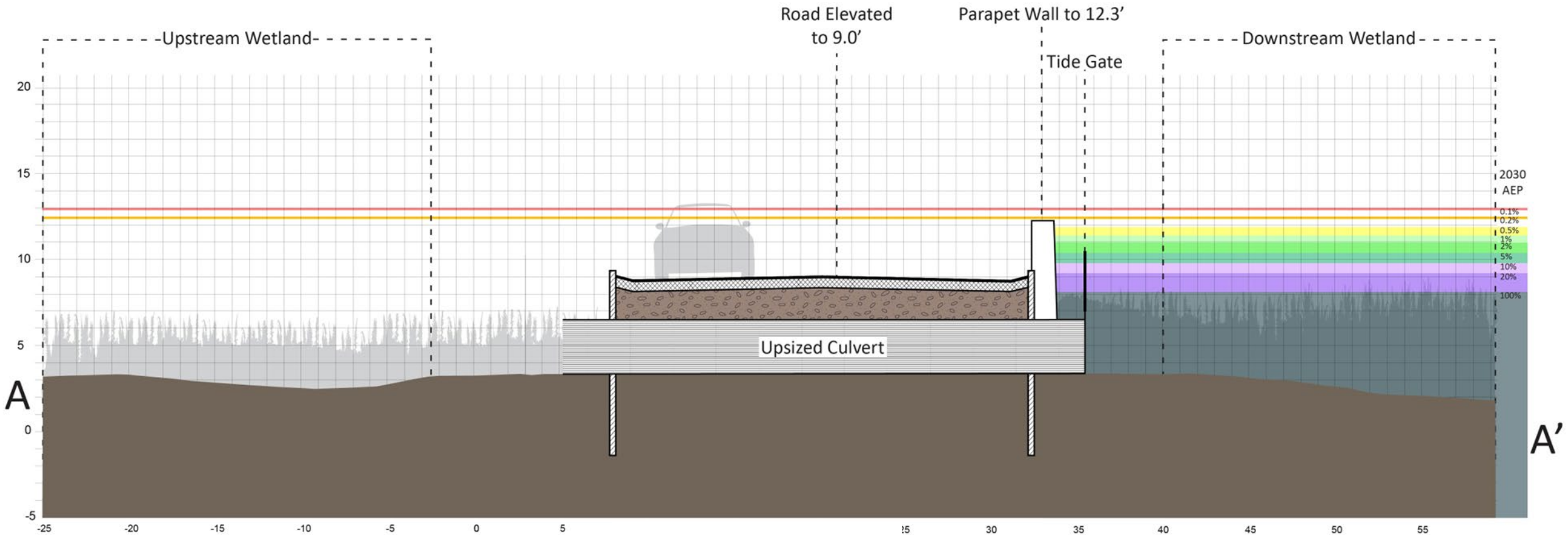
# ADAPTATION STRATEGIES

## GREEN/NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS



# ADAPTATION STRATEGIES

## HYBRID APPROACHES



# PROJECT TIMELINE & ELEMENTS





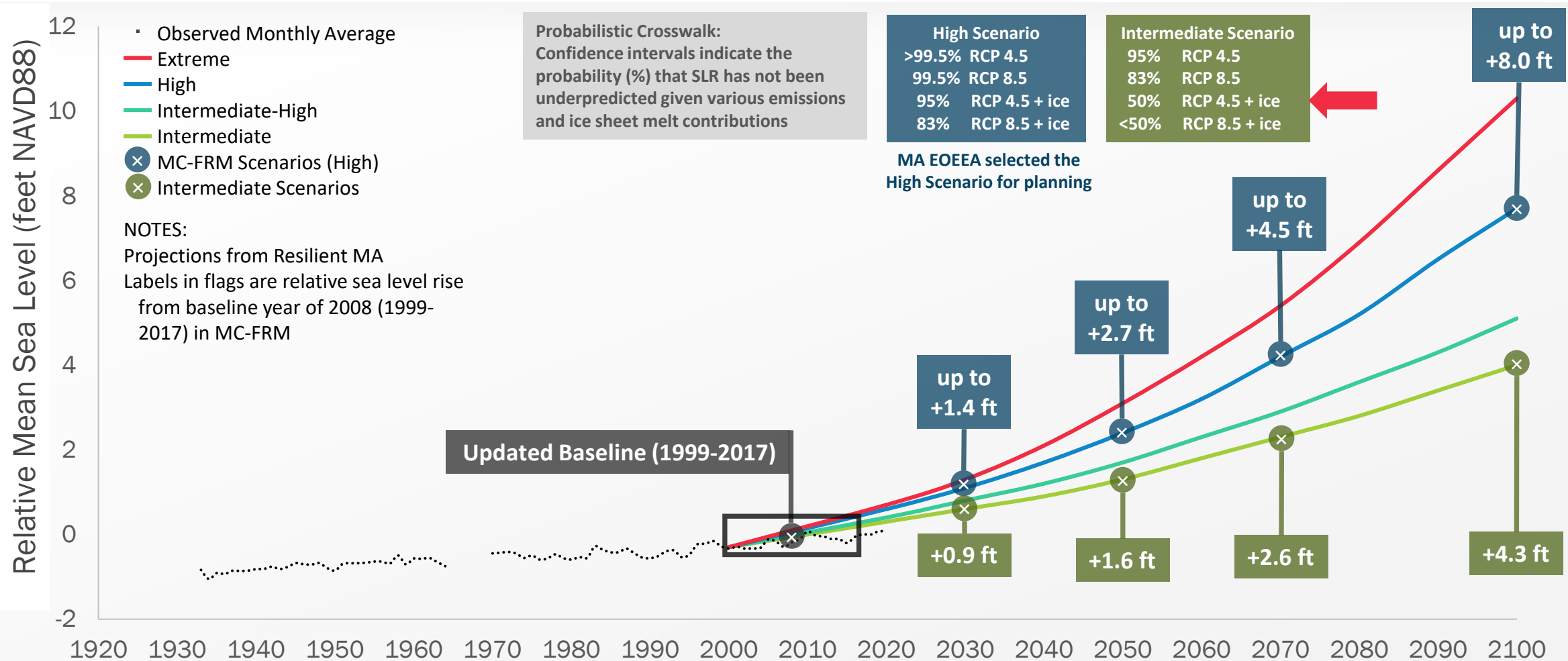
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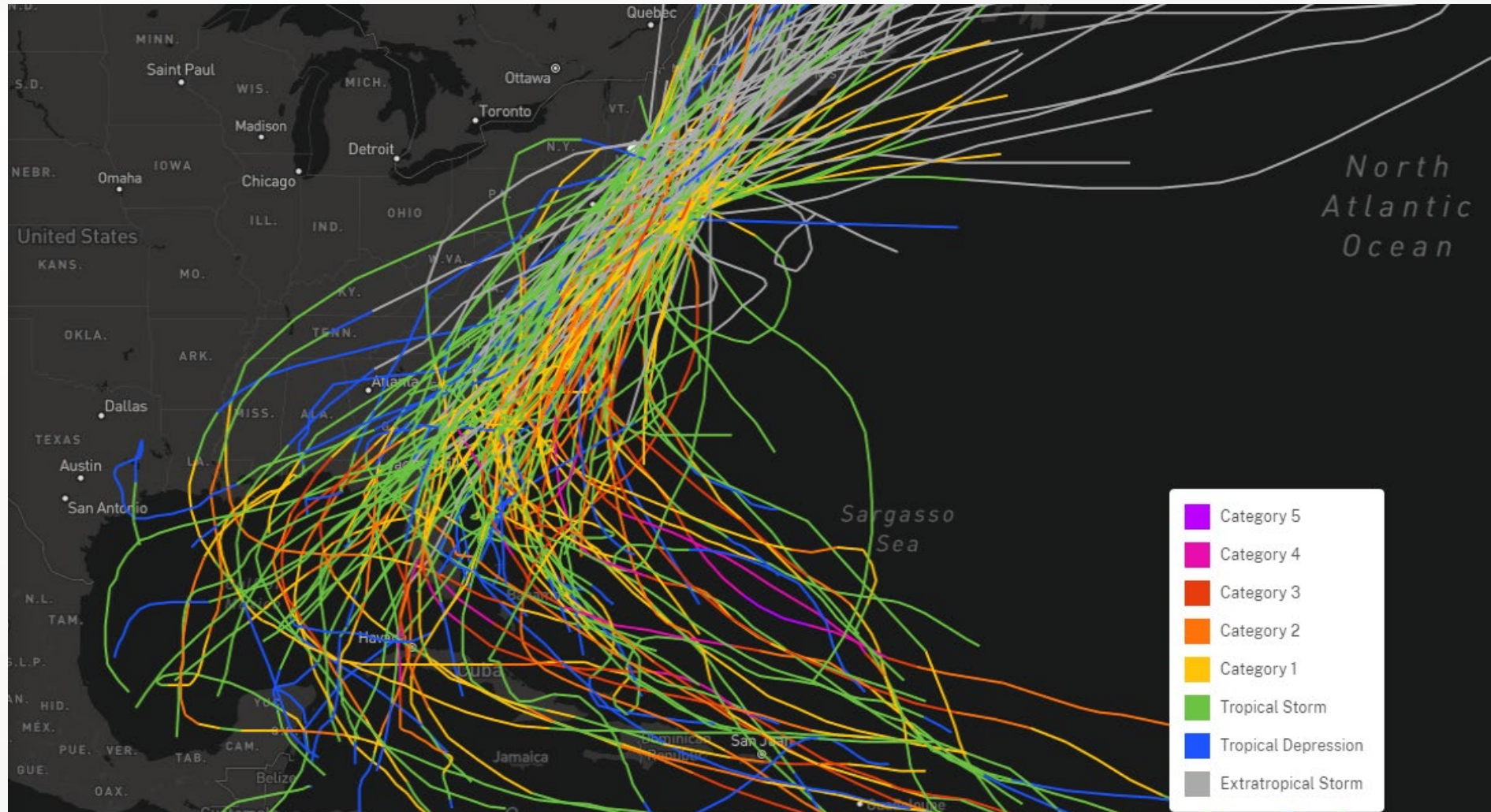
- Workshop Purpose or Objectives
- Low Lying Roads project
  - Key components
    - Vulnerability Assessment - Identify Potential Sites
    - Public Outreach and Engagement
    - Roadway Feasibility and Alternative Solutions
    - Solutions Identification
  - Timeline

# MA EOEEA Probabilistic Sea Level Rise Projections

MC-FRM SOUTH (DeConto & Kopp, 2017)



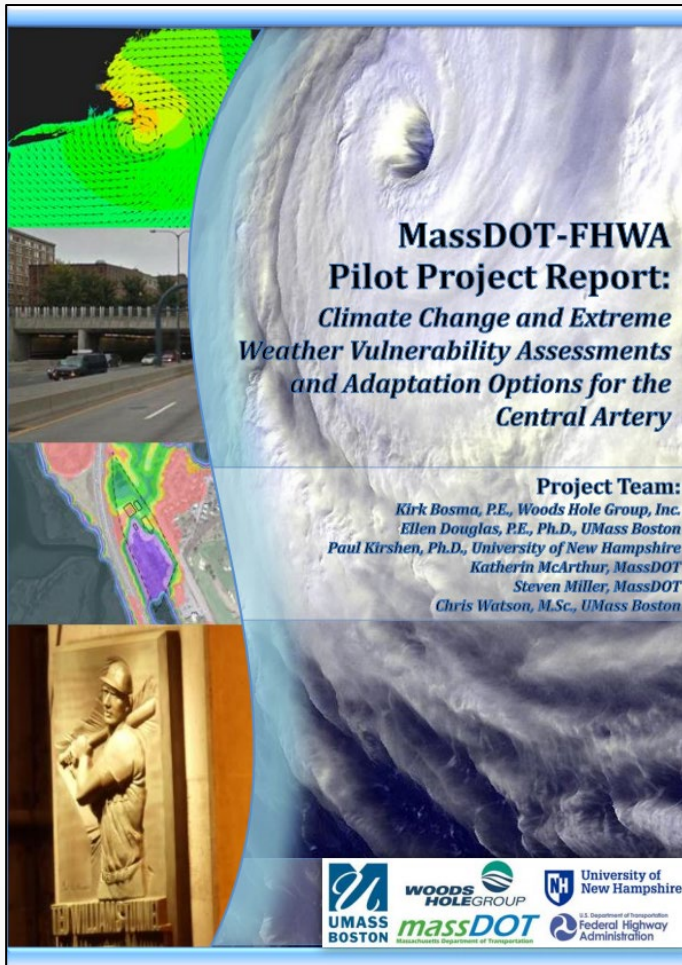
# Tropical / Extra-tropical Storms



NOAA National Ocean Service



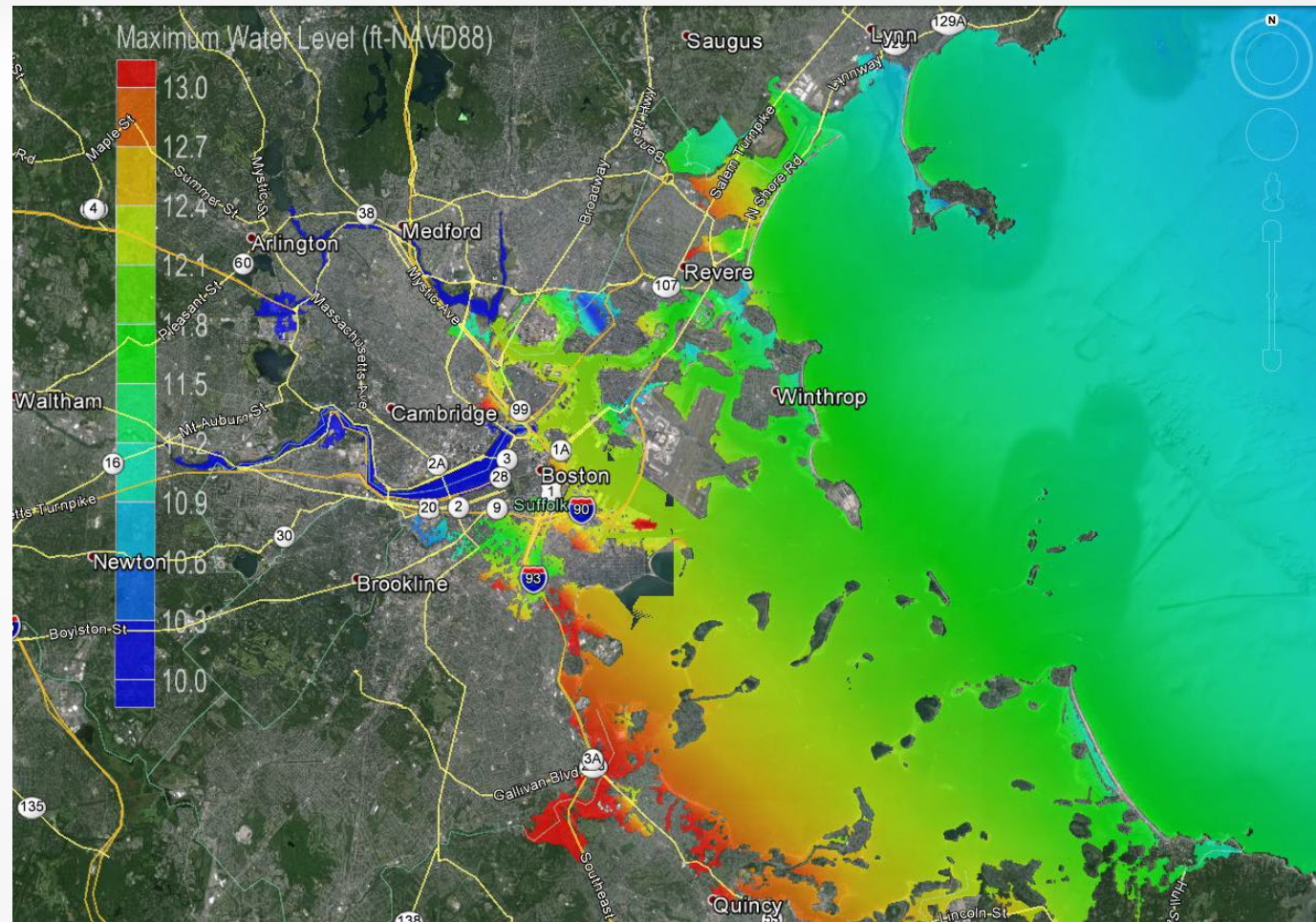
# Why Hydrodynamic Modeling? Why Probabilistic?



**MassDOT-FHWA  
Pilot Project Report:  
Climate Change and Extreme  
Weather Vulnerability Assessments  
and Adaptation Options for the  
Central Artery**

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# Massachusetts Coast Flood Risk Model (MC-FRM)

INPUTS



SEA LEVEL  
RISE



TROPICAL / EXTRA-  
TROPICAL STORMS



LANDSCAPE



ELEVATION



CHANGING  
CLIMATE

PROBABILISTIC /  
HYDRODYNAMIC  
MODEL



Includes relevant physical processes:  
sea level rise, tides, storm surge, wind, wave setup  
/ run-up / overtopping, future climate scenarios

Future version to incorporate coastal erosion



FLOOD  
PROBABILITY



FLOOD  
DEPTH



FLOOD  
DURATION



FLOOD  
VOLUMES



FLOOD  
PATHWAYS



WINDS



WAVES



CURRENTS

OUTPUTS

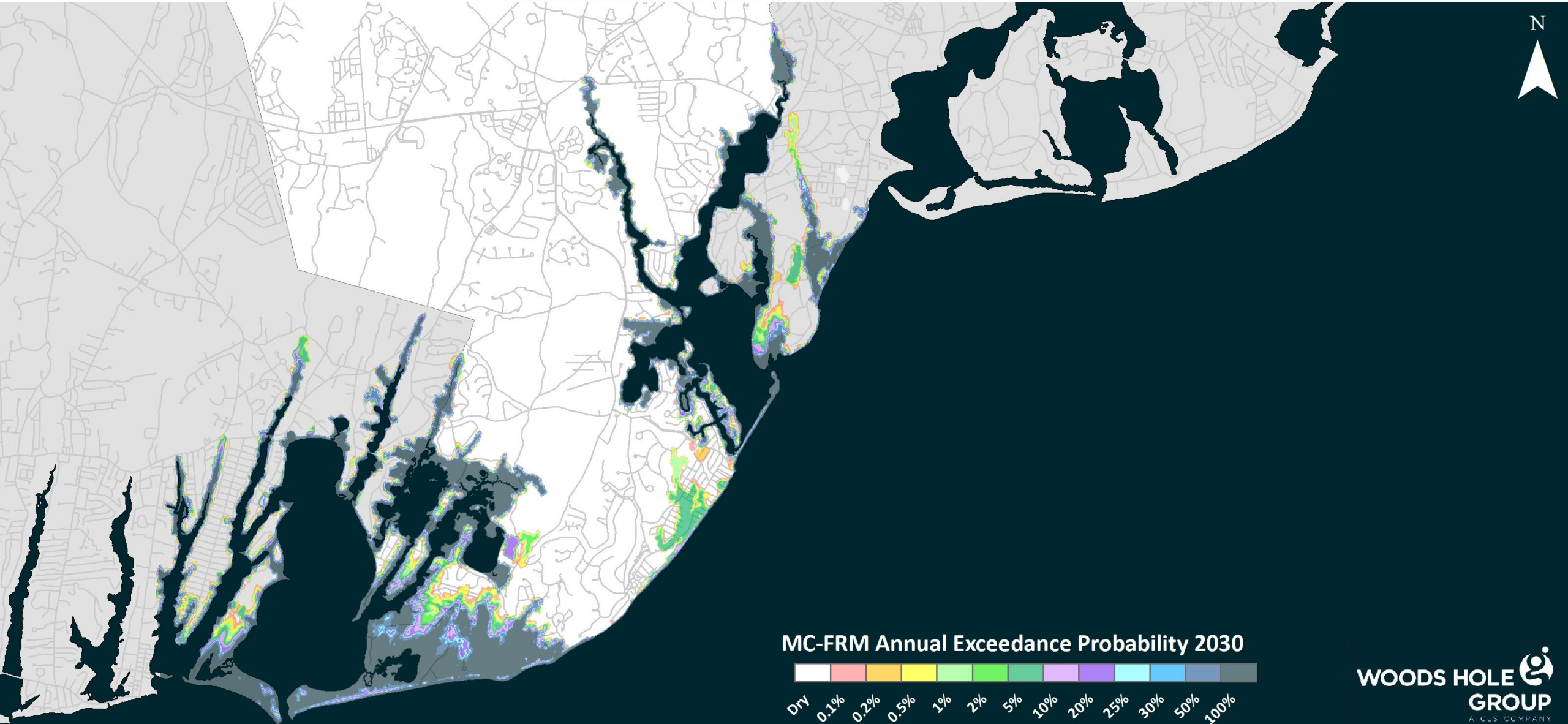


# MC-FRM Resolution - Mashpee

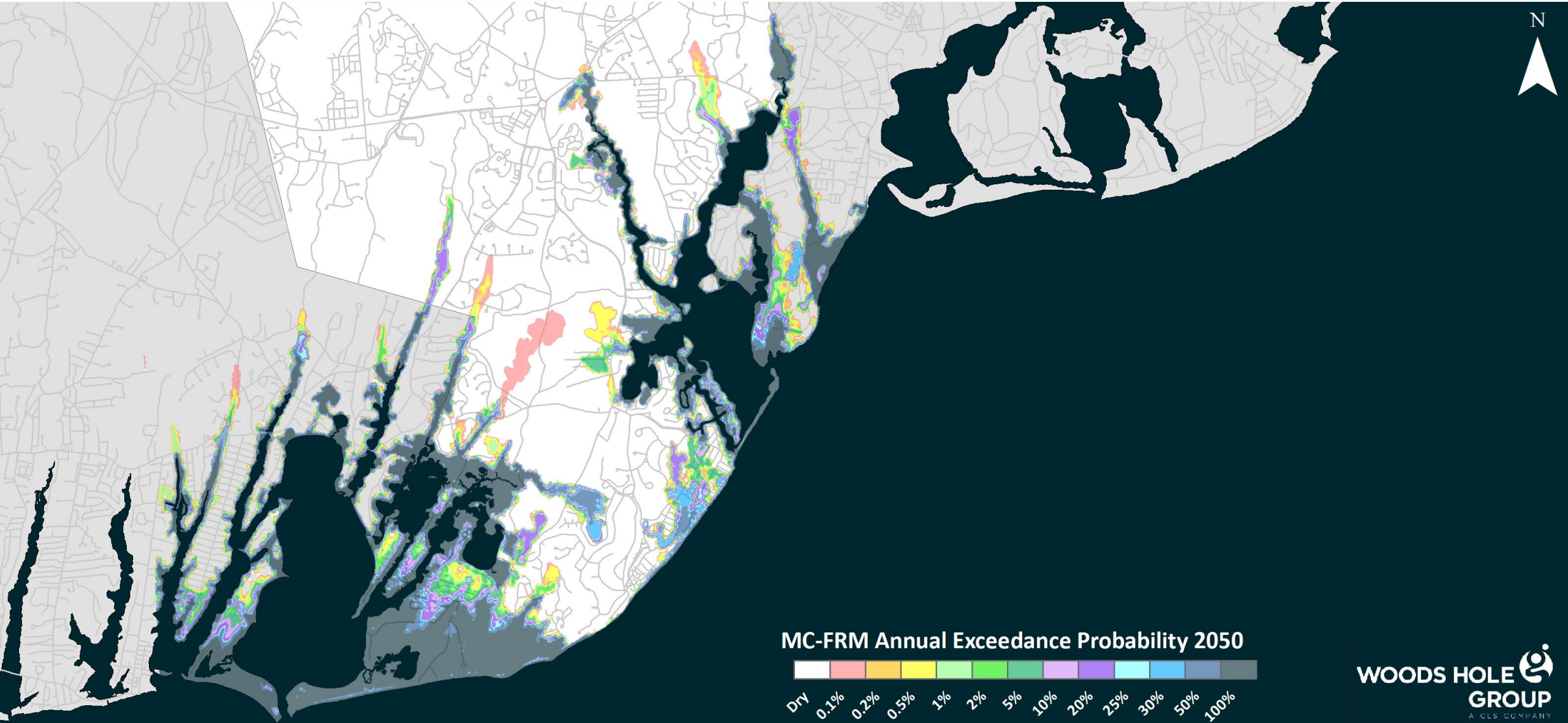




# MC-FRM Annual Coastal Flood Exceedance Probability – 2030

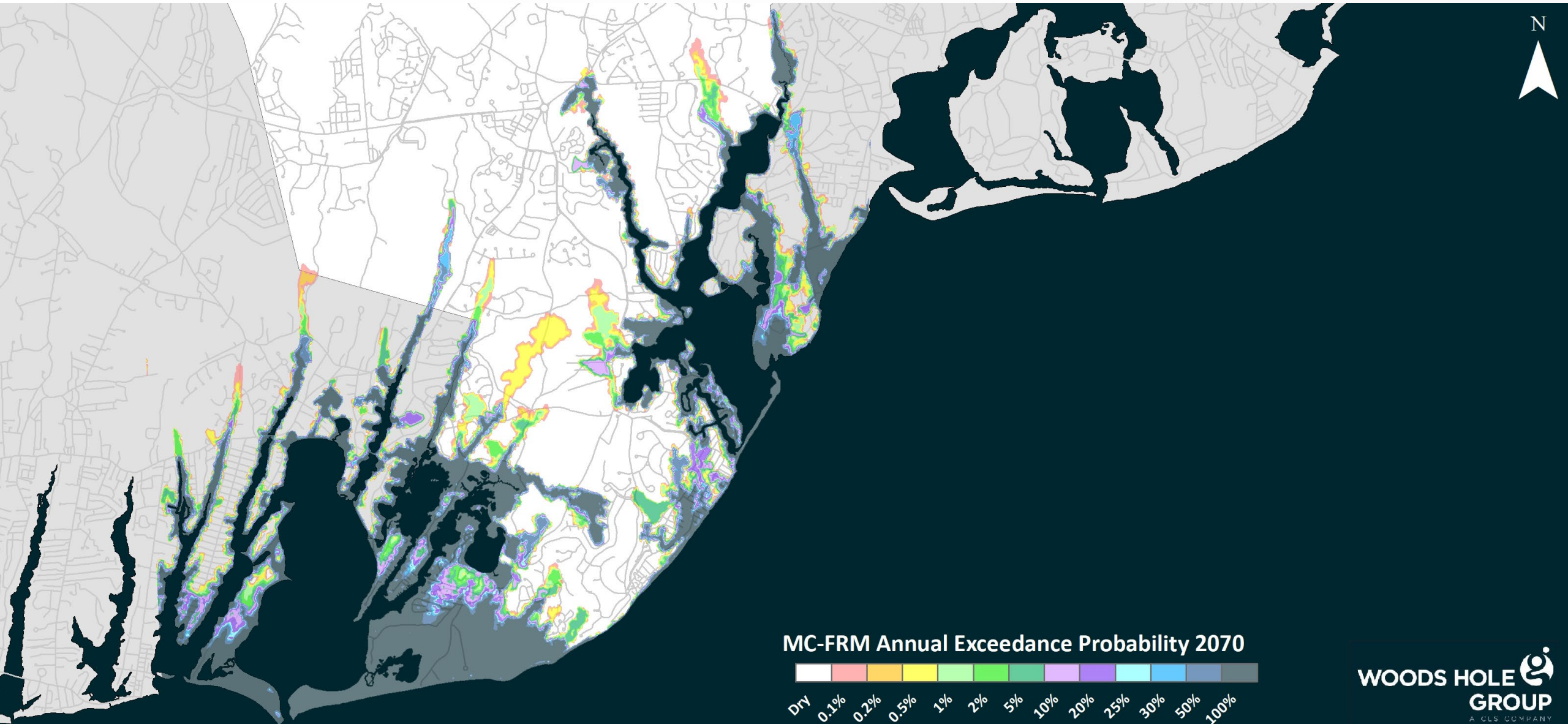


# MC-FRM Annual Coastal Flood Exceedance Probability – 2050





# MC-FRM Annual Coastal Flood Exceedance Probability – 2070





# MC-FRM Annual Exceedance Probabilities

	0.1%	1/1000
	0.2%	1/500
	0.5%	1/200
	1%	1/100
	2%	1/50
	5%	1/20
	10%	1/10
	20%	1/5
	25%	1/4
	30%	1/3.33
	50%	1/2
	100%	1/1

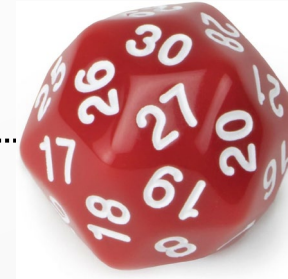


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# Cumulative Probability

	AEP	Return	Cumulative Probability ( $P_e$ ) of 1 or more events occurring over:			
			10-yrs	25-yrs	50-yrs	100-yrs
	0.1%	1/1000	1.0%	2.5%	4.9%	9.5%
	0.2%	1/500	2.0%	4.9%	9.5%	18.1%
	0.5%	1/200	4.9%	11.8%	22.2%	39.4%
	1%	1/100	9.6%	22.2%	39.5%	63.4%
	2%	1/50	18.3%	39.7%	63.6%	86.7%
	5%	1/20	40.1%	72.3%	92.3%	99.4%
	10%	1/10	65.1%	92.8%	99.5%	100%
	20%	1/5	89.3%	99.6%	100%	100%
	25%	1/4	94.4%	99.9%	100%	100%
	30%	1/3.33	97.2%	100%	100%	100%
	50%	1/2	99.9%	100%	100%	100%
	100%	1/1	100%	100%	100%	100%

# Massachusetts Coast Flood Risk Model

## SUMMARY

Hydrodynamically modeled projections

Sea level rise and storm surge – combined

Annual chance of flooding under 2030/2050/2070 climate conditions

## QUESTIONS?





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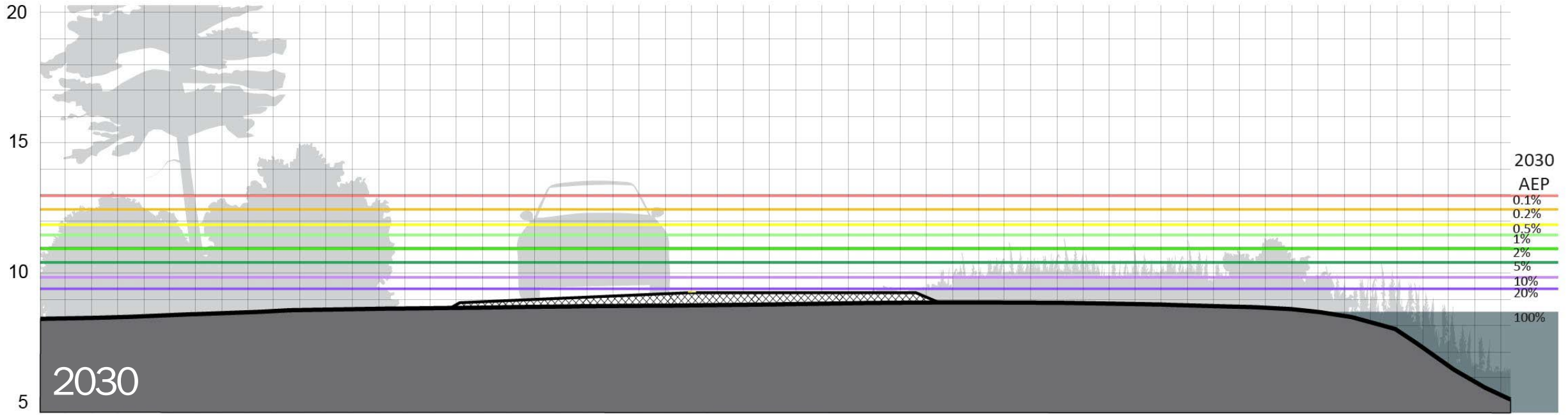
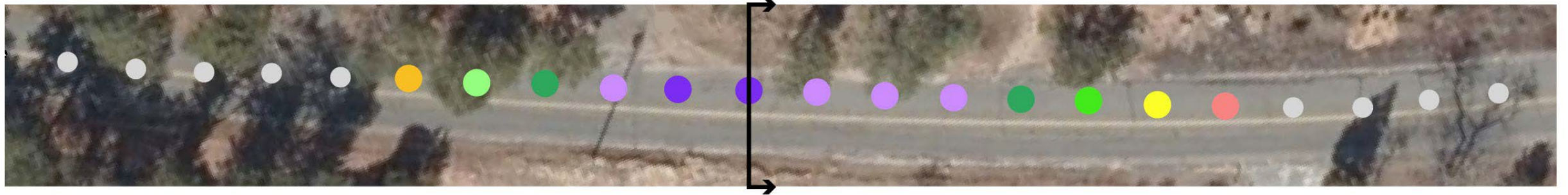
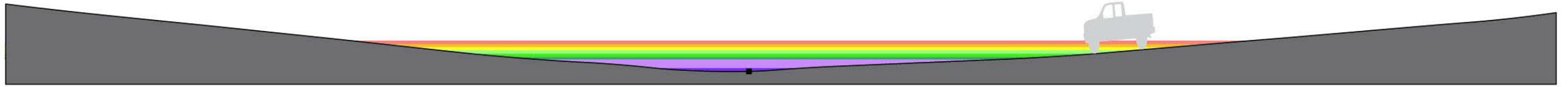
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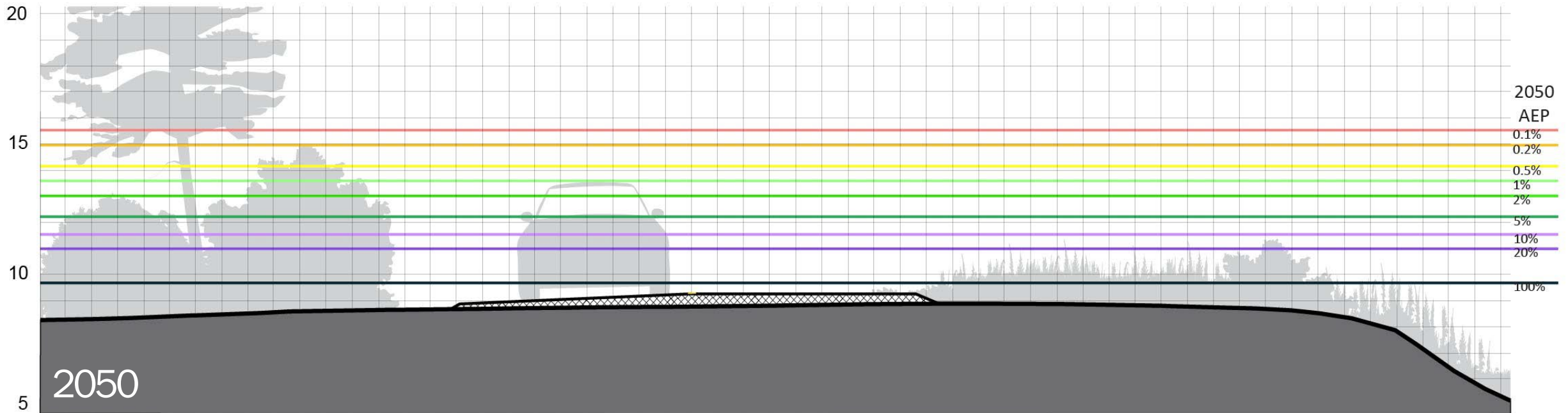
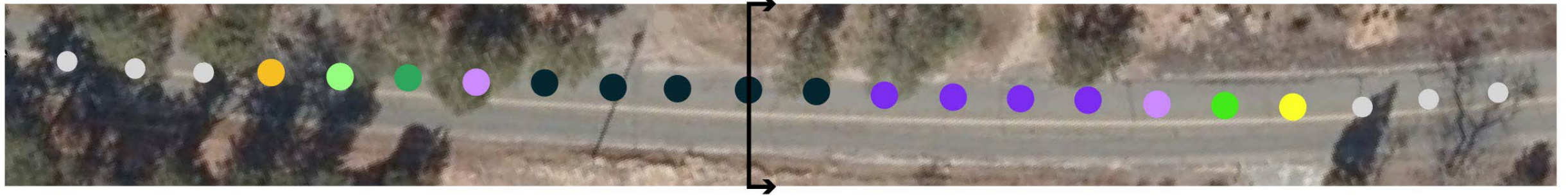
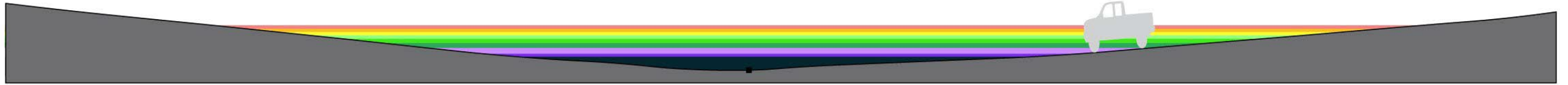
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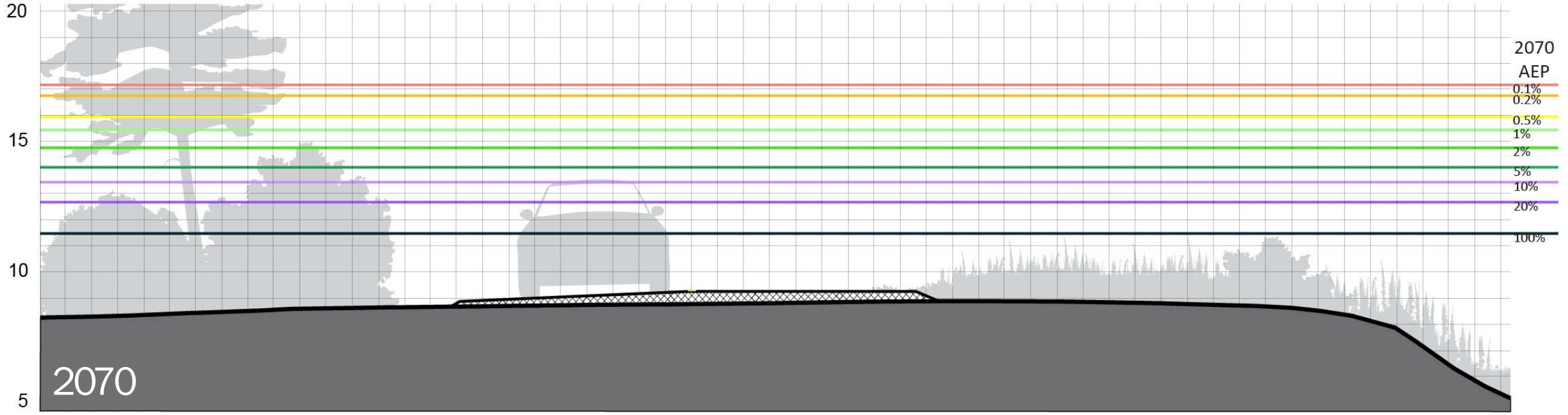
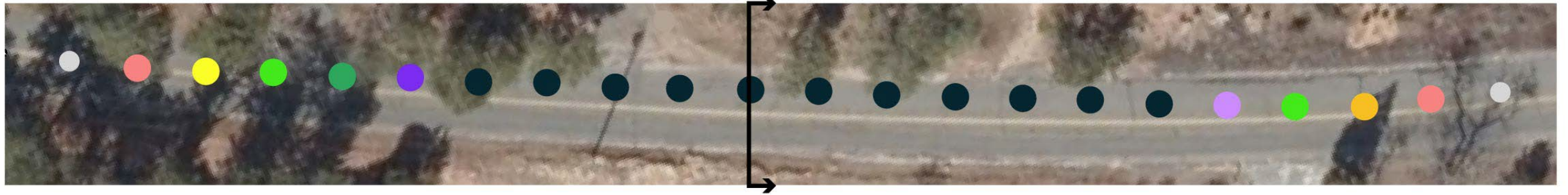
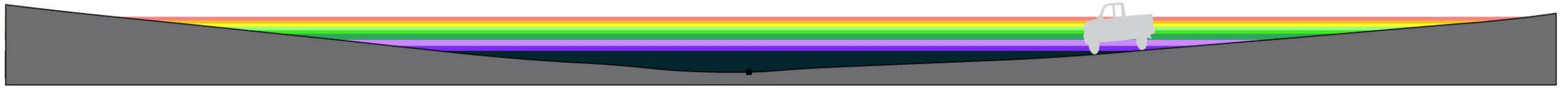
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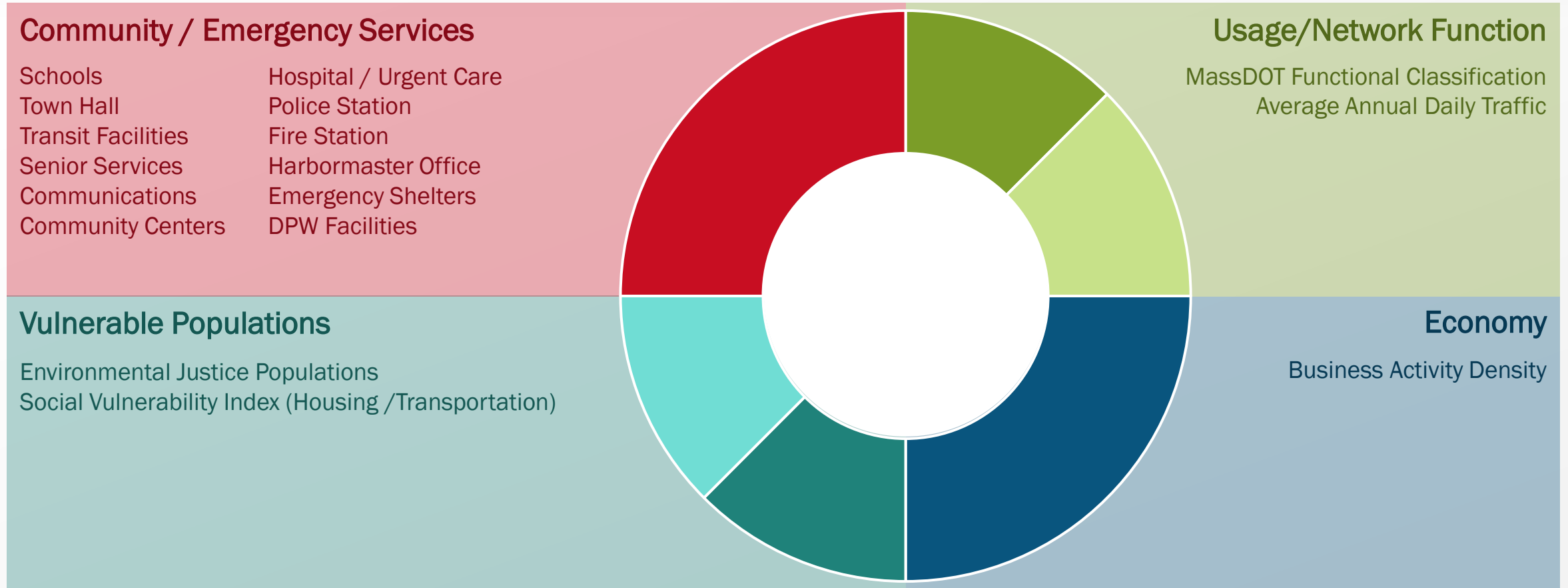


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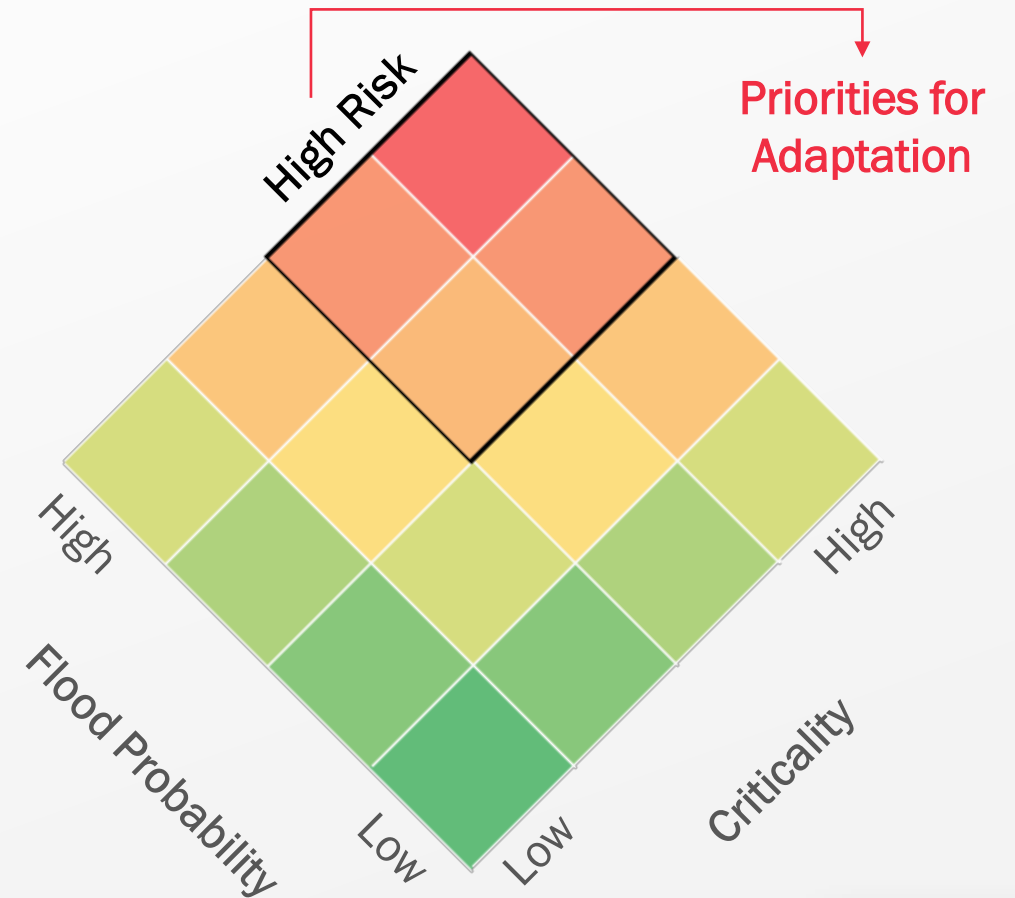
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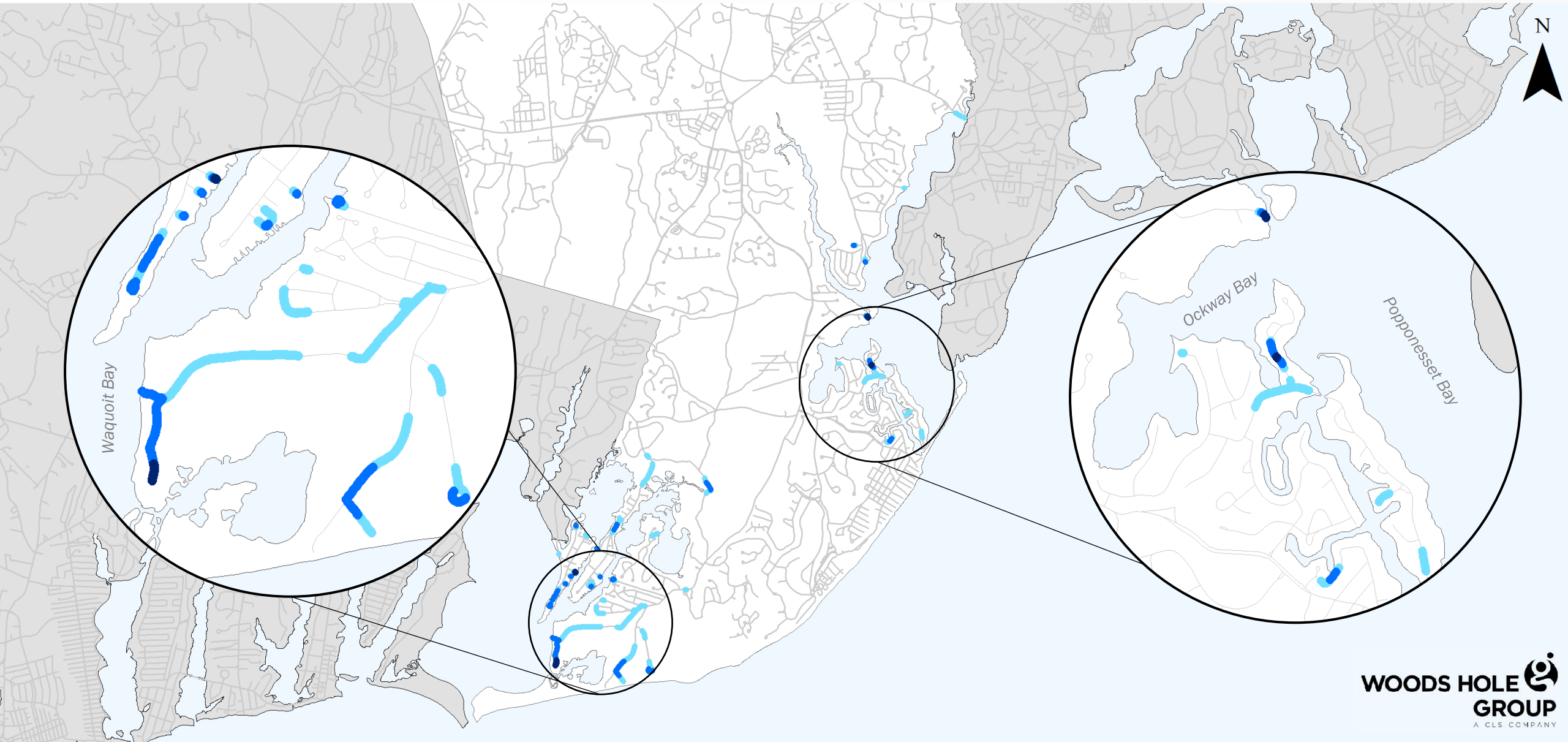
# Cape Cod Low Lying Roads Risk Assessment Approach

1. Extract roadway/bridge critical elevations (CEs)
2. Compile 2030/2050/2070 MC-FRM water surface elevations (WSEs)
3. Compare CEs to WSEs to determine flood probability
4. Score road segment criticality
5. **Probability \* Criticality = Risk**
6. Prioritize high-risk road segments for community consideration



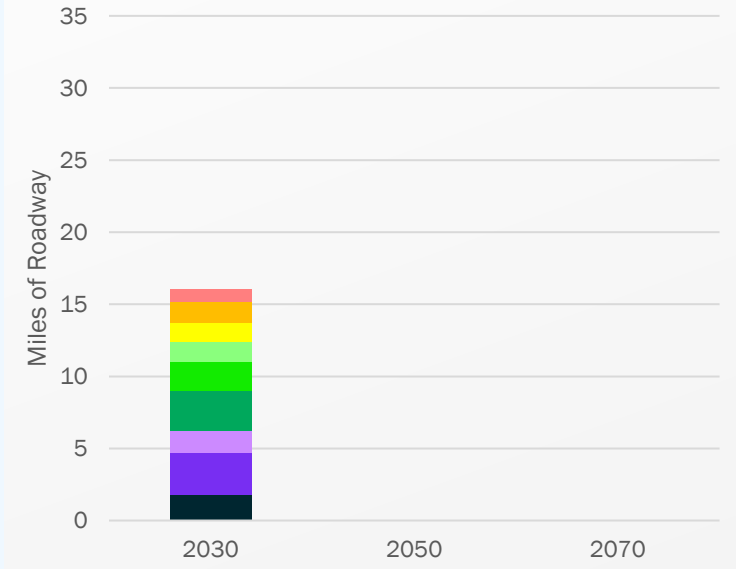
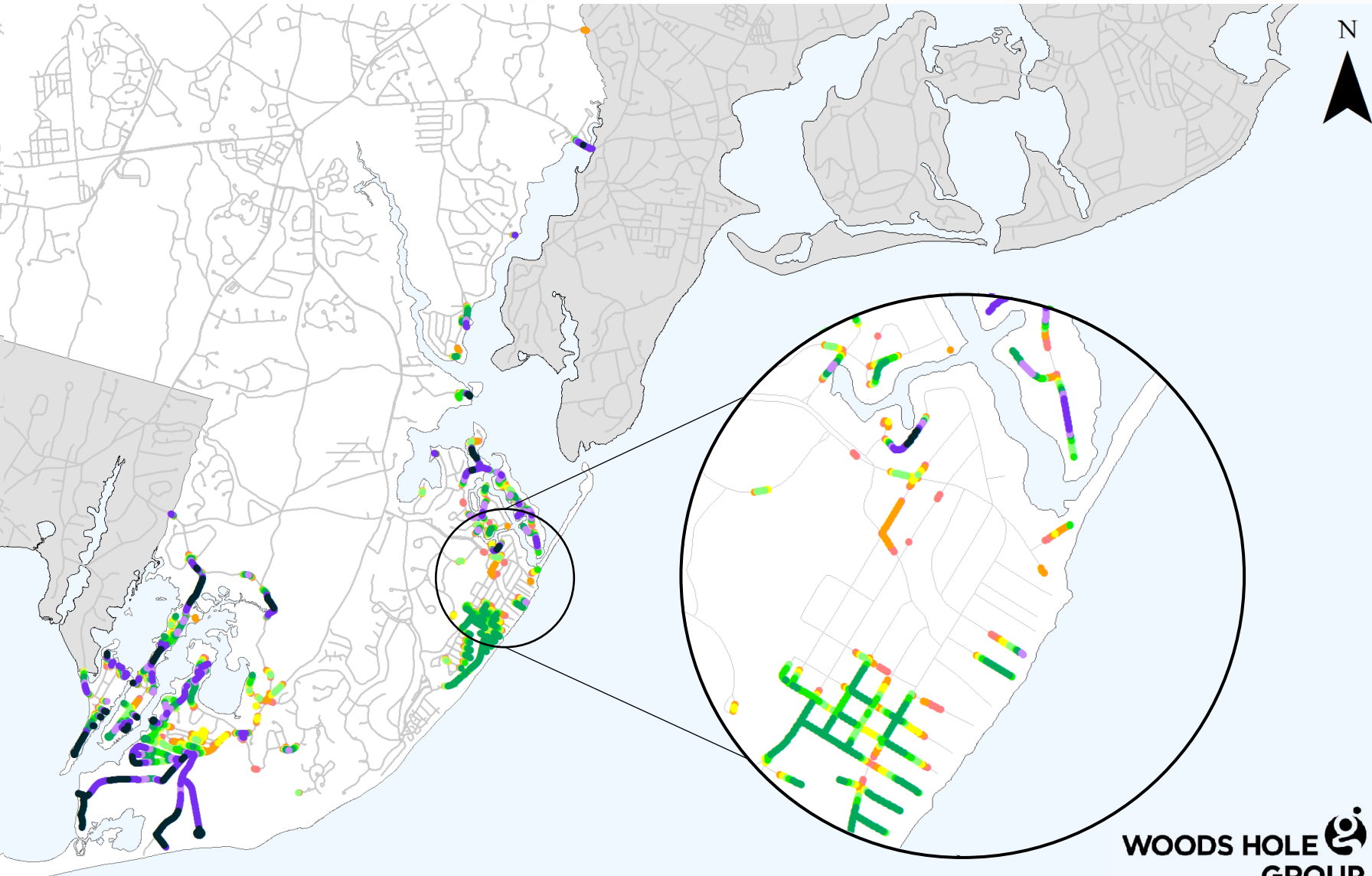
# Low Lying Roads Nuisance Flooding

- Road Surface Elevations Below MHW
- 2070 (3.5 mi)
- 2050 (1.0 mi)
- 2030 (0.1 mi)



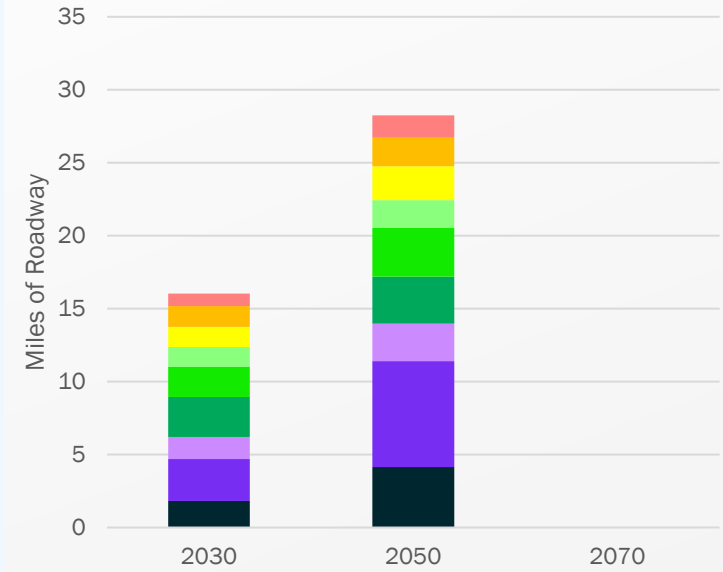
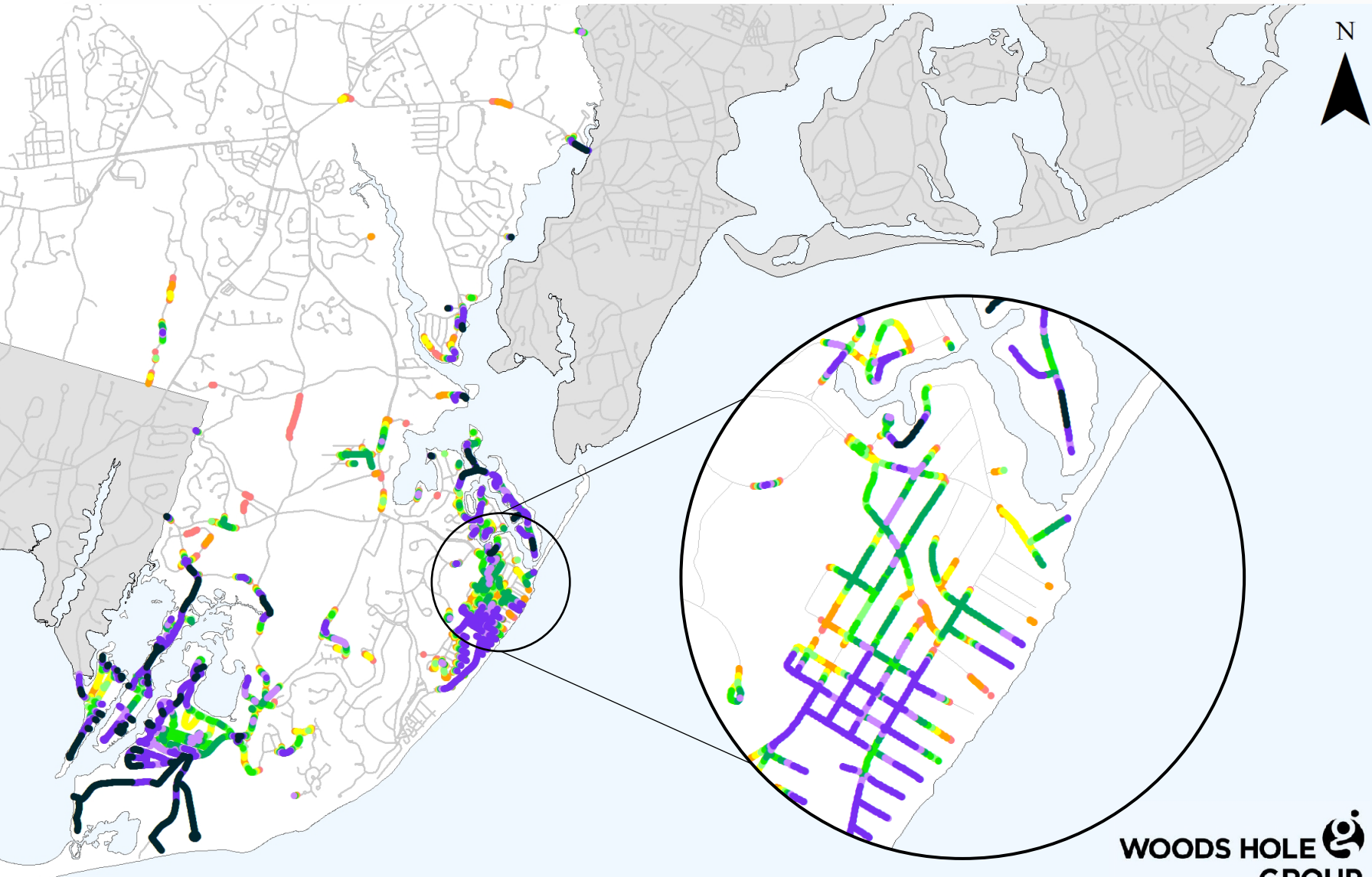


# Low Lying Roads 2030 Flood Probability (Annual Exceedance Probability)



Flood Probability	Total Road Miles
0.1%	16.1
0.2%	15.2
0.5%	13.8
1%	12.4
2%	11.1
5%	9.0
10%	6.2
20%	4.7
100%	1.8

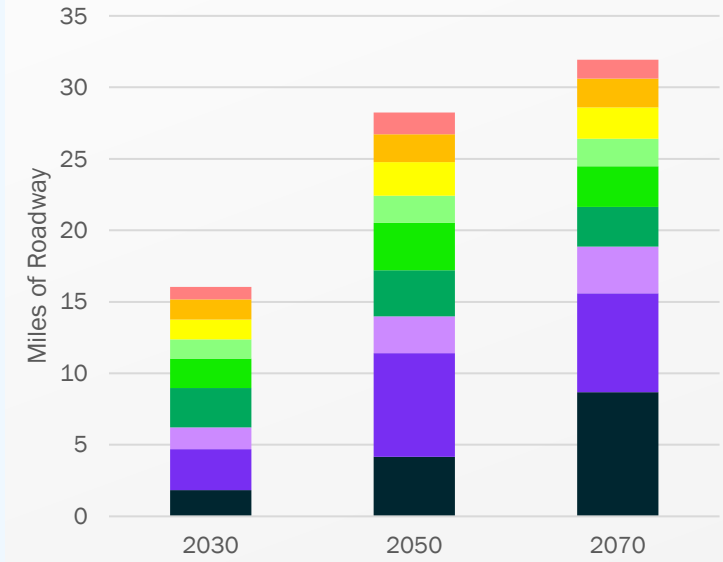
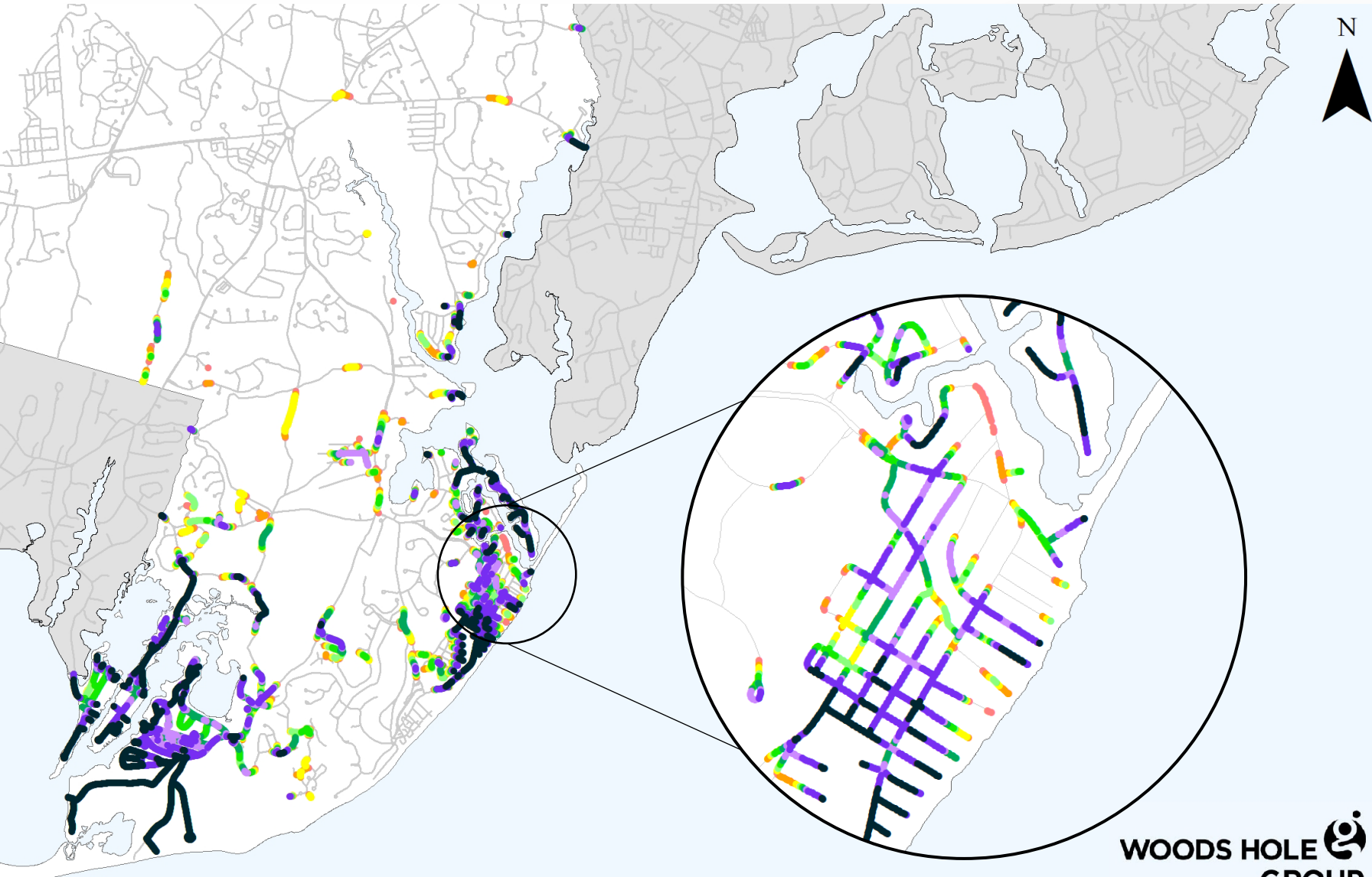
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0.2%	26.6
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2%	20.5
5%	17.2
10%	14.0
20%	11.4
100%	4.2

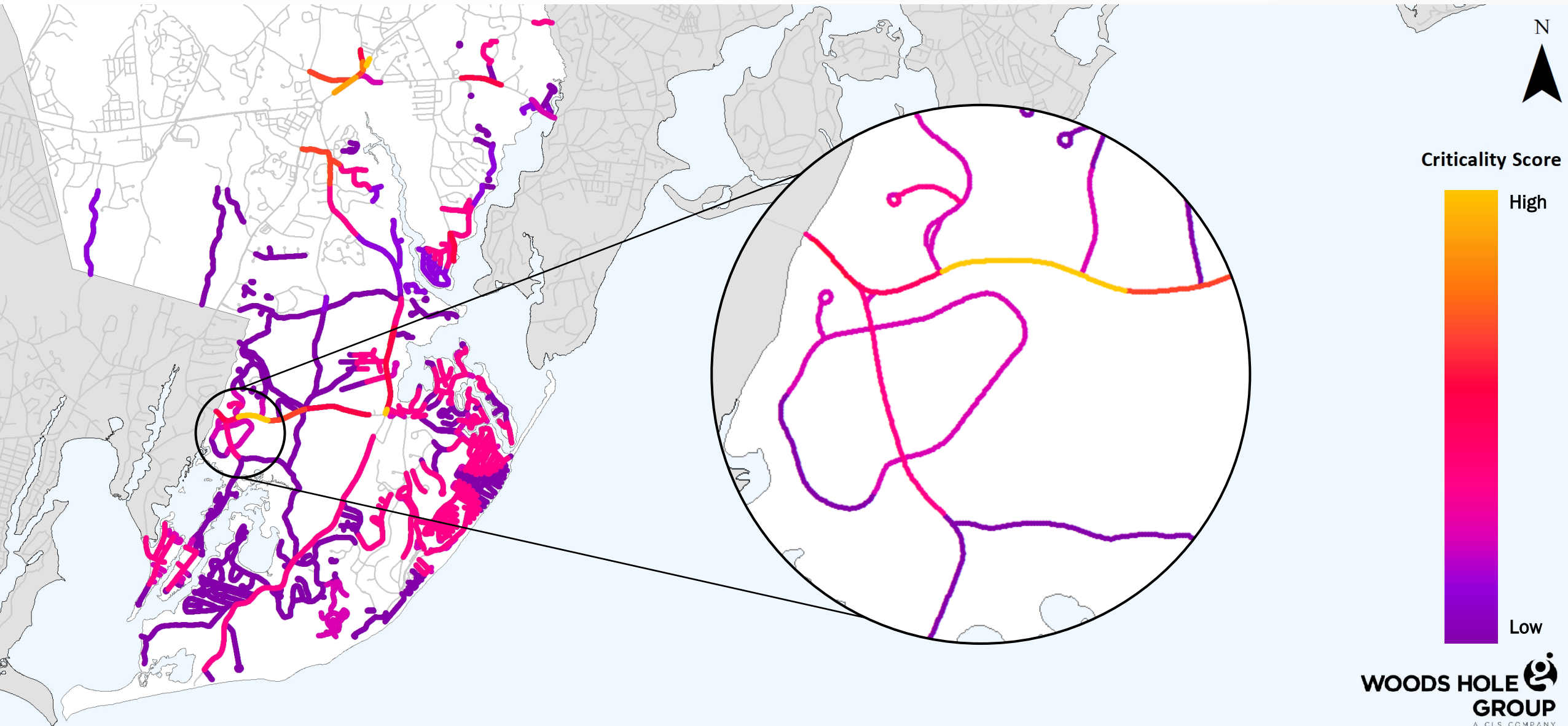


# Low Lying Roads 2070 Flood Probability (Annual Exceedance Probability)



Flood Probability	Total Road Miles
0.1%	32.0
0.2%	30.7
0.5%	28.7
1%	26.5
2%	24.6
5%	21.7
10%	18.9
20%	15.6
100%	8.7

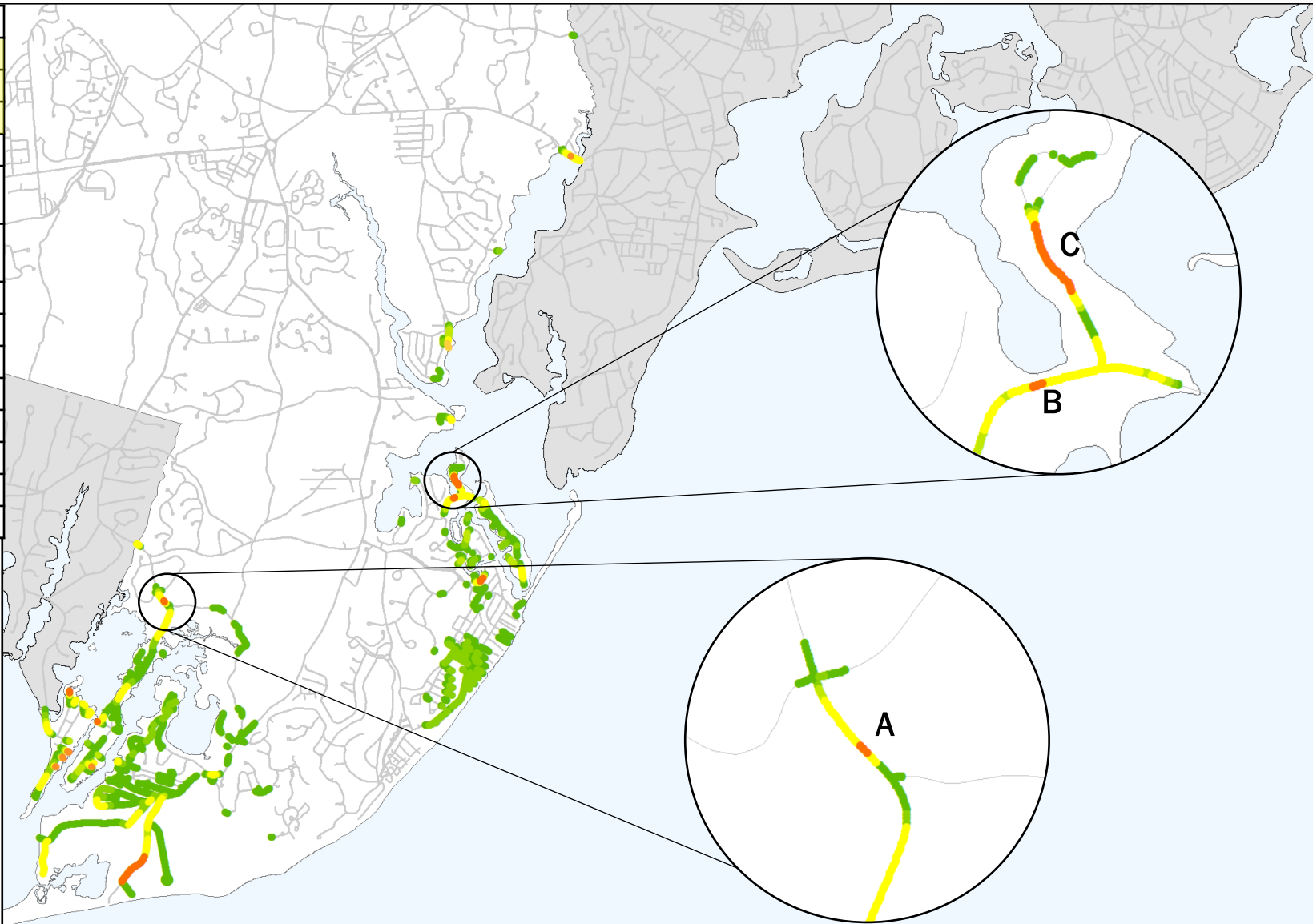
# Low Lying Roads Criticality Scoring





# Low Lying Roads 2030 Risk Results

High Risk Road Segments	
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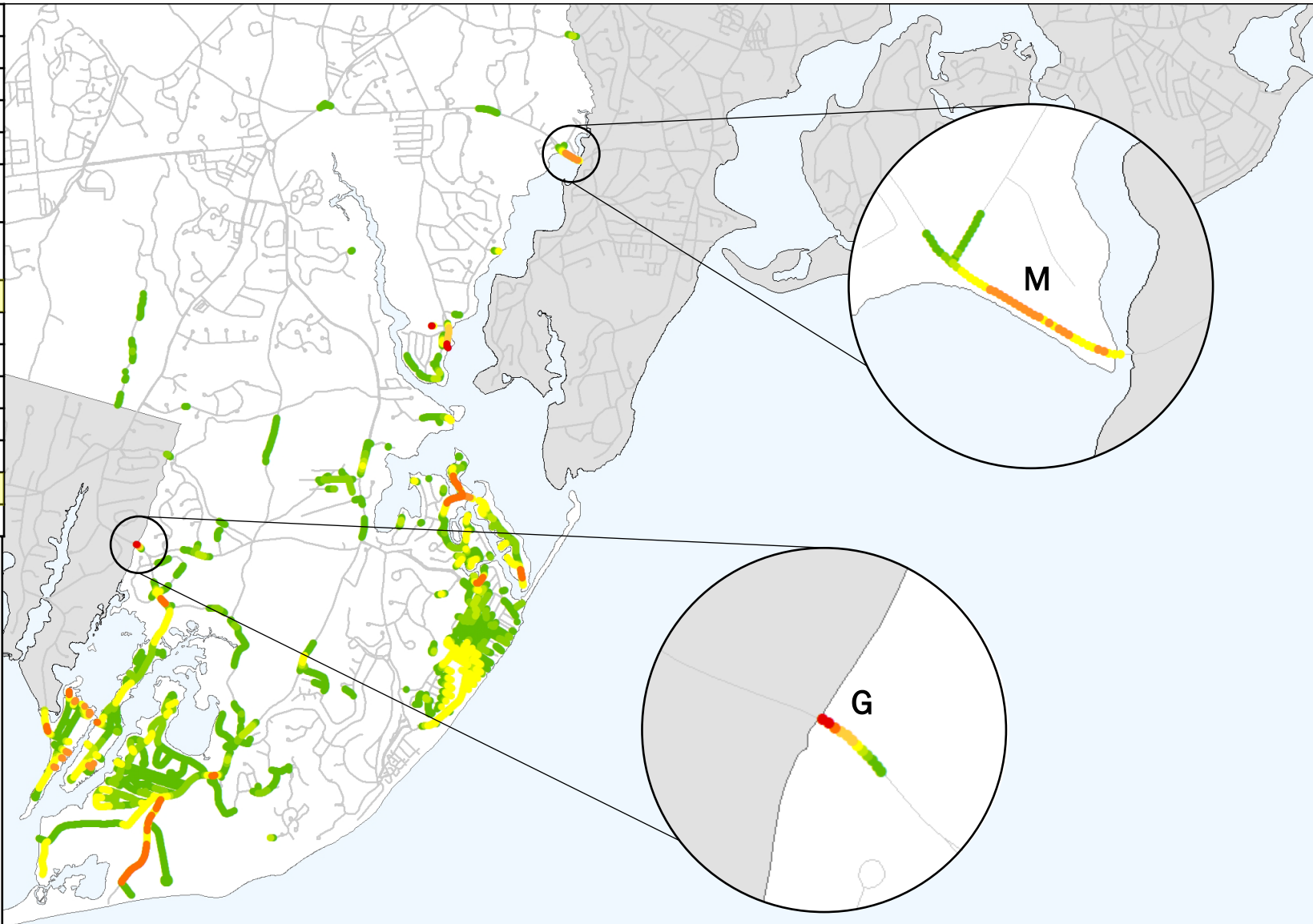


High Risk

Low Risk

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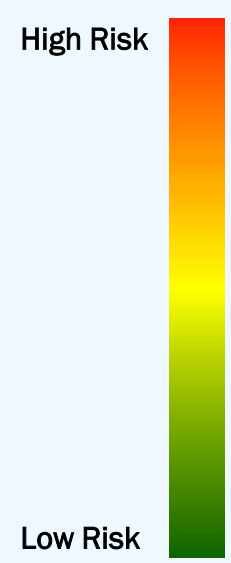
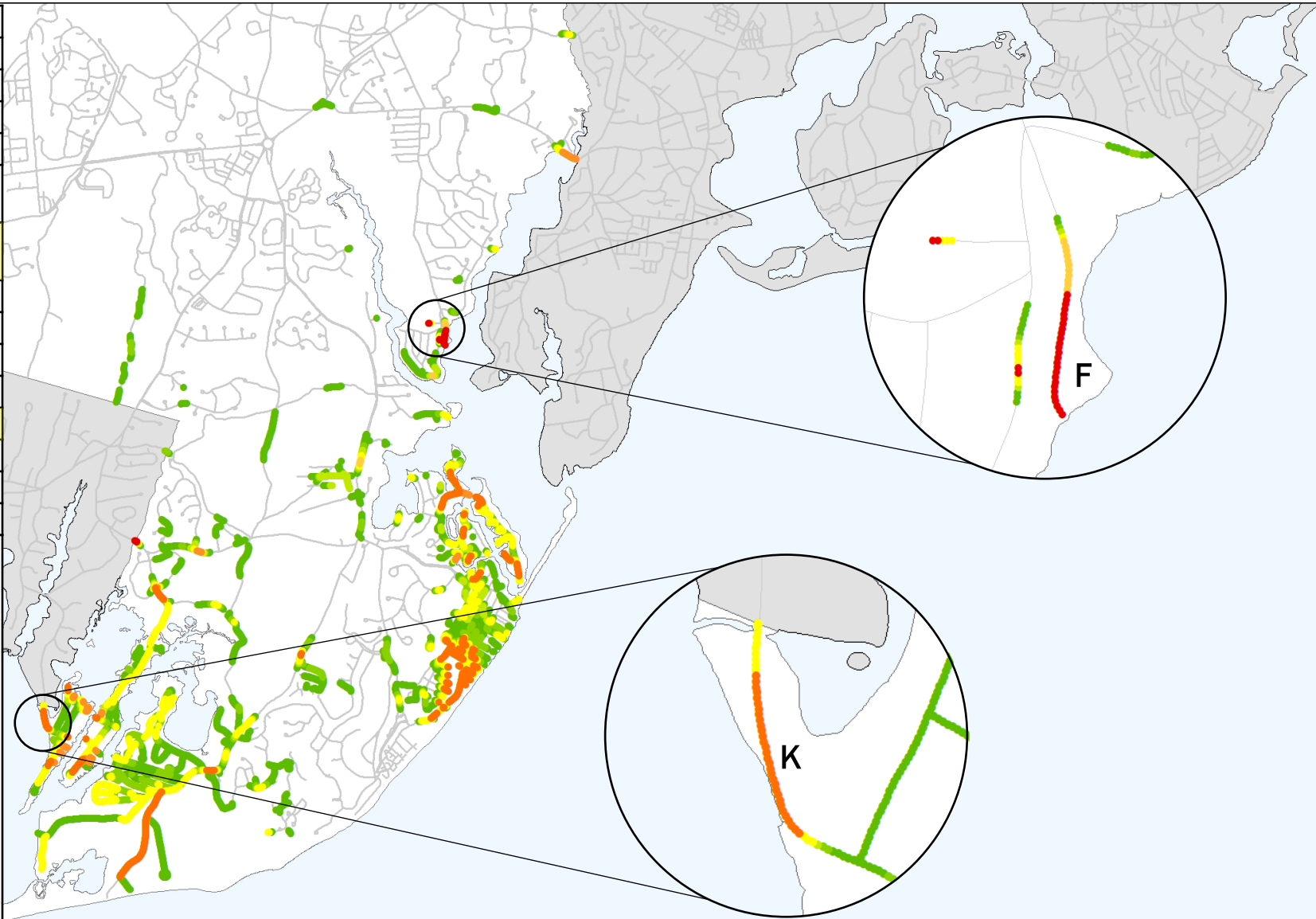
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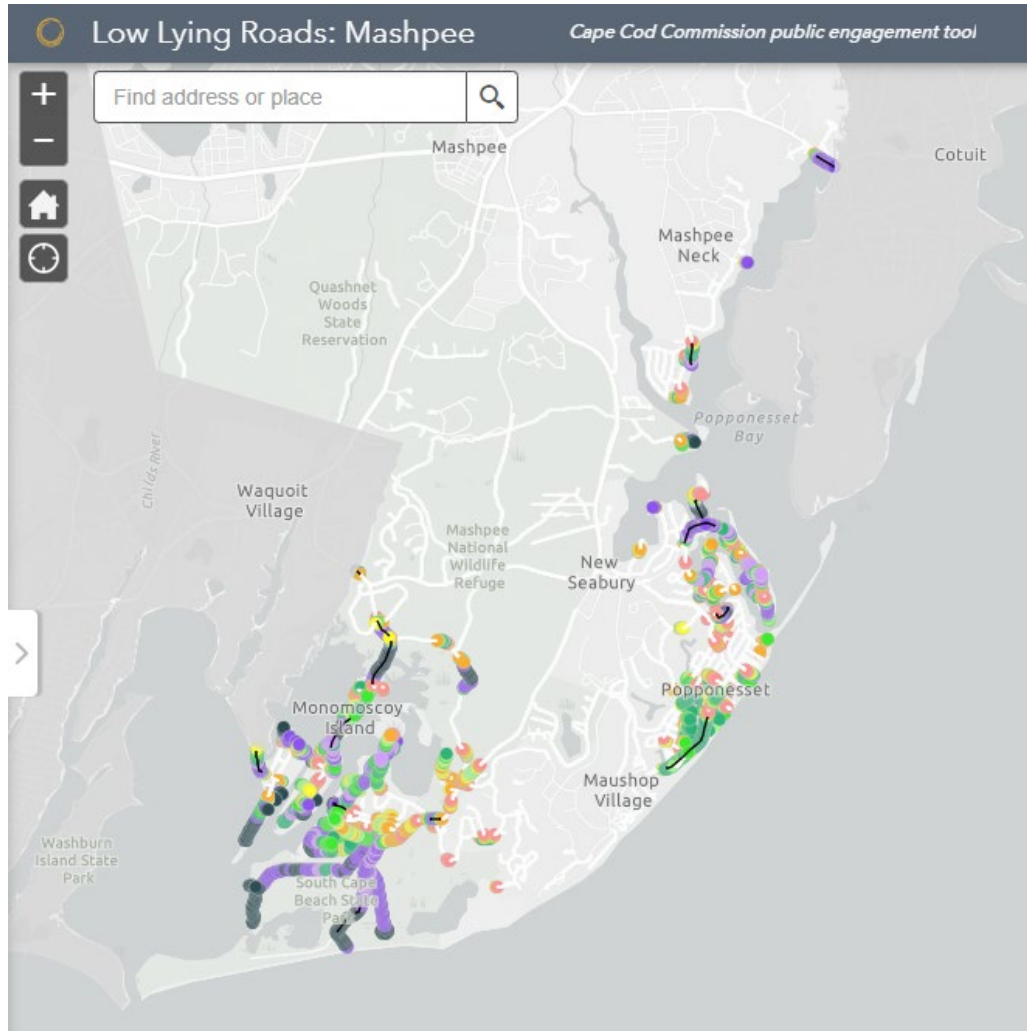
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B	Daniels Island Road/Popponeset Island Rd*	1340	Daniels Island Road/Popponeset Island Road	100%	16	1600			920
C	Daniels Island Road*	960	N-S road spine in coastal neighborhood	100%	16	1600	40	400	640
D	Spoondrift Way*	540	Spoondrift Way behind Poppo. Beach Community House	100%	16	1600		160	340
E	Great Oak Road at Mashpee Town Beach	1140	Great Oak Road leading to Mashpee Town Beach	100%	16	1600		580	1140
F	Mashpee Neck Road at Baker boat ramp	680	Road segment leading to Edward Baker Boat Ramp	20%	26	520		40	160
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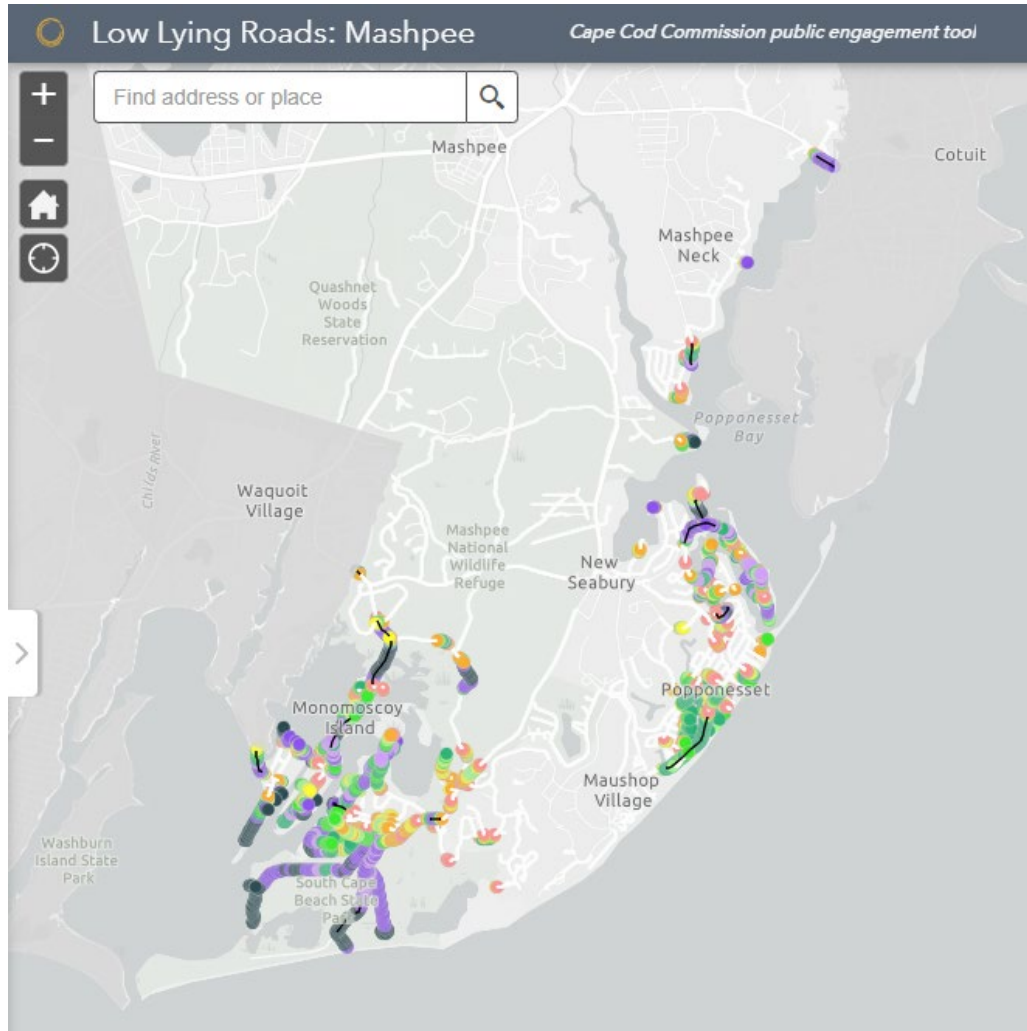
# Group Discussion



## DISCUSSION ORIENTATION

## LOW LYING ROADS

# Group Discussion



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Are you more concerned with high tide flooding or storm flooding?
2. What local knowledge or concerns can you bring to the discussion?
3. How would you prioritize these road segments?



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N	Shore Drive at Deans Pond*	2160	Shore Drive fronting Deans Pond	5%	16	80			

\*Private Road

# NEXT STEPS

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- Town staff to select 2 road segments
- Site visits and feasibility analysis
- 3 solutions + costs per segment
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop date TBD – spring 2024
- Materials available to view on Low Lying Road webpage:  
<https://www.capecodcommission.org/our-work/low-lying-roads-project/>

# Low Lying Roads: Mashpee

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**Start Date:** 2023

[Low Lying Roads Project Homepage](#), learn more about the background and process.

- Overview
- Map Viewer

## Overview

The Cape Cod Commission is working with all 15 Cape towns, including the **Town of Mashpee**, to examine vulnerabilities in the roadway network and identify solutions. With funding support from the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) and the Massachusetts Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program, the Commission has contracted with the Woods Hole Group (WHG) to conduct a vulnerability assessment of roadway segments, bridges, and culverts due to flooding from the combined effects of sea level rise and storm surge.

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## NEXT MEETINGS

MONDAY  
**MAY 08, 2023**

Mashpee Low-lying Roads Public Meeting

**START TIME:** 5:00 PM

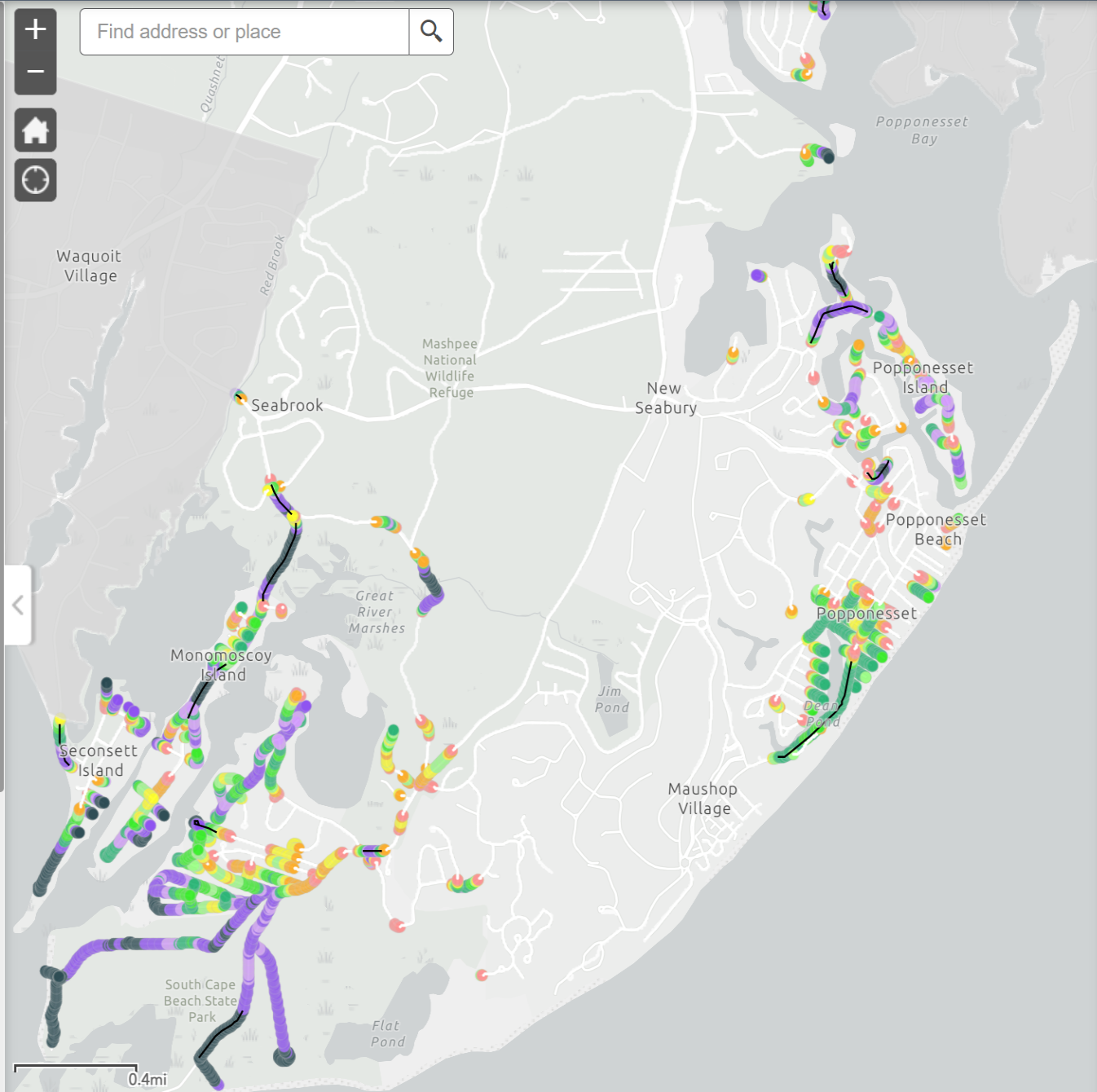


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### NAVIGATION

- Click the Legend to show the map key
  - Open the Layers to turn on more contextual features or create new suggestions
  - Use the Editor to provide feedback
  - Change Base Maps
  - Bookmarks help navigate Top Vulnerable Roads
  - Click on a feature to see more information. You may need to click through multiple pop ups
- (1 of 7)



### Legend

#### Coastal Erosion Comments



#### Coastal Flooding Comments



#### Town mask



#### Mashpee Top Vulnerable Roads



#### Mashpee 2030 Inundation Probability

Prob\_2030

- 100%
- 20%
- 10%
- 5%
- 2%
- 1%
- 0.5%
- 0.2%
- 0.1%
- 0

## Tell Us What You Think!

Are there roads in town that have FLOODING or EROSION issues? How high of a priority do you think it is to address

**THANK YOU!**

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