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#### **MEMORANDUM**

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RE: BayWave & SLR 70-74 Liberty Ship Way Application No. ADR 17-285 OR Project #2015.11

Dear Ms. Stevens,

Thank you for your efforts to bring information forward to the Planning Commission. This memo is regards to Chair Feller's request that we look at modeling of the site in regards to information available from BayWave.

As you are aware the new City of Sausalito General Plan Update which was adopted February 9, 2021 does not apply to this project as it was adopted subsequent to our application being deemed complete. The applicant understands that the updated General Plan adopts the sea level rise trends and assumptions outlined in Marin County's Bay Waterfront Adaptation and Vulnerability Assessment (BayWAVE). Our application was first submitted in 2016 and deemed complete February 15, 2018. It should also be noted that the BayWAVE documents identify potential issues but it does not provide solutions or provide codified language directing development. It highlights potential issues.

The Libertyship II project has considered Sea Level rise in all of its planning and design iterations. At the onset of my involvement on the project in 2015, the design team relied on predictions from the California Natural resources Agency https://climateaccess.org/sites/default/files/CEC-500-2012-014%20(1).pdf
THE IMPACTS OF SEA LEVEL RISE ON THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY (climateaccess.org)
Below is a specific San Francisco Bay, Year and Estimated Mean Sea Level rise table.
2000 = 0 meters = base year
2054 = .5 meters = 1.64 ft

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2083 = 1 meter = 3.23 ft 2100 = 1.4 meters = 4.59 ft

It is my understanding the Marin County BAYWAVE was birthed from this. For simplicity sake these dates and numbers are often shown as one date and one number, however they are based on probability and the data shows a range of dates and a range of heights.

I am making the assumption that the request made by Chair Feller is that we produce an analysis of the effects on the site from Sea Level Rise (SLR) using the BayWave worst case scenarios assumptions for Near term (Scenarios 1&2), Medium Term (Scenarios 3&4), and Long Term (Scenarios 5&6).

The table below shows BayWAVE Sea Level Rise Projections for San Francisco, CA Region

Time Period Projected Range by 2030 1.6 – 11.8 inches by 2050 4.7 – 24 inches by 2100 16.6 – 65.8 inches

There are 6 well documented BayWAVE Sea Level Rise worst case scenarios

Near term (Year 2030)

Scenario 1 10 inches

Scenario 2 10 inches+100-year storm surge

Medium Term (Year 2050)

Scenario 3 20 inches

Scenario 4 20 inches+100-year storm surge

Long Term (Year 2100

Scenario 5 60 inches

Scenario 6 60 inches+100-year storm surge

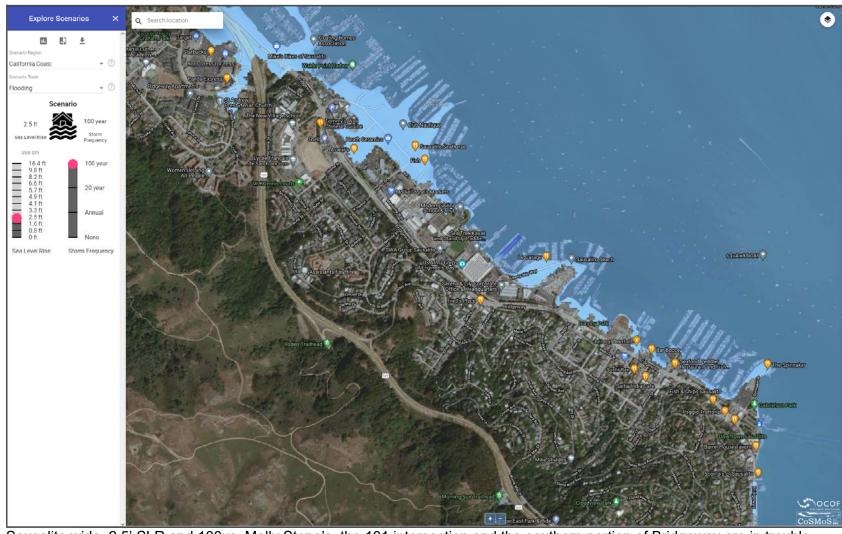
Please see the following image plates documenting Scenario 2 and Scenario 4 utilizing the worst case 100 year storm. The images are produced using the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Coastal Storm Modeling System (CoSMoS), which is also used to generate the BayWAVE scenarios. https://ourcoastourfuture.org/hazard-map/

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2.5' SLR(sea level rise) and 100ys (year storm), based on trend curves this would be the year 2045 and the site at peak storm event has access and is aby water

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Sausalito wide, 2.5' SLR and 100ys, Molly Stone's, the 101 intersection and the southern portion of Bridgeway are in trouble

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3.3' SLR(sea level rise) and 100ys (year storm), based on trend curves this would be the year 2075

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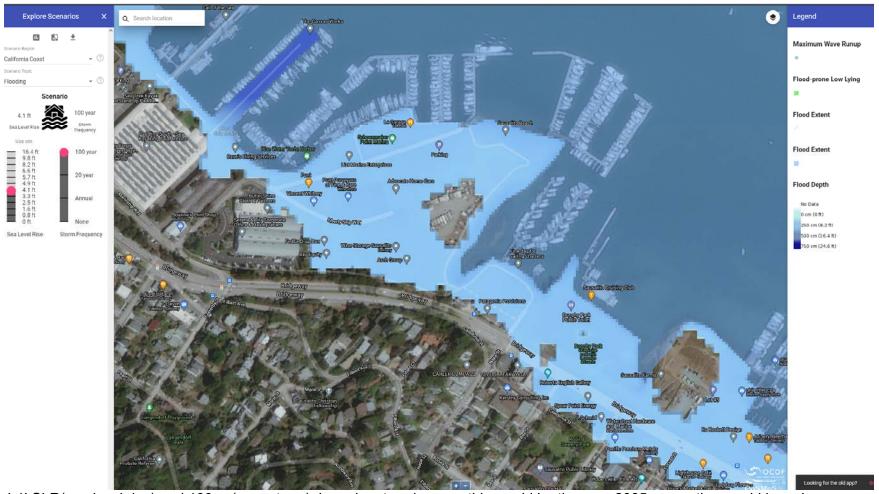


Sausalito wide, 3.3' SLR and 100ys, Northern Marinship, the 101 intersection and moving into Caledonia St are in trouble. Our portion of Schoonmaker Point has access issues during 100 year storm event but the site is above water In regional terms, in San Francisco it has crossed Marina Blvd and a good portion of the Embarcadero.

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4.1' SLR(sea level rise) and 100ys (year storm), based on trend curves this would be the year 2085, corrective would have been required in the prior years, such as raising the floor level. It should also be noted that the lower end of SLR contemplated under the BayWAVE scnarios is only 16.6"

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Sausalito wide, 4.1' SLR and 100ys, A good portion of Sausalito is in trouble.

In regional terms, in San Francisco the inundation has moved up to Main Street along Market Street. Only a small portion of the Embarcadero remains abv water it has crossed Marina Blvd and a good portion of the Embarcadero, in Oakland the areas around the Port and the edges of Alameda are having problems

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Sausalito wide, 4.9' SLR and 100ys, All properties on the water side of Bridgeway, and the commercial district of Caledonia can no longer function. A good portion of Sausalito is in trouble.

In regional terms, in San Francisco the inundation has moved up to Beale Street along Market Street, consumed the Chase Center and half of Soma.

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We have previously written on this subject and submitted this information using the language preferred by City Surveyor (J. Goldman) and Public Works (Bryant Ho). That is using the language of FEMA and FIRM maps

Presented to Sausalito Planning Dept. October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and Sausalito Public works November 2018.

The BFE for the AE zone to the north and east of the site is +10 feet (88NAVD) and the BFE for the VE zone along the southerly margin of the site is +11 feet (88NAVD) FEMA Flood Certificates for 30 & 85 Libertyship (1<sup>st</sup> submitted in 2016 Application) Definition of Base Flood Elevation (BFE)

Elevation of the 100-year flood. The BFE is determined by statistical analysis for each local area and is designated on the FIRMs. This elevation is the basis of the insurance and flood plain management requirements of the NFIP.

#### **Nearby Existing Buildings**

30 Libertyship Finished Floor = 10.72'
80 Libertyship Finished Floor = 9.25' +/80 Libertyship Finished Floor = 11.15' +/85 Libertyship Finished Floor = 8.8'
Harbor Master Bldg Finished Floor = 12.1'

The 3 Proposed Buildings will sit at an elevation more than 1' above BFE and therefor will not be subject to mandatory FEMA flood insurance. These buildings will sit above the FEMA Special Flood Hazard Areas (A-Zone) and the Coastal High Hazard Areas (V-Zone)

70 Libertyship Bldg 'A' Finished Floor = 12.6'
72 Libertyship Bldg 'B' Finished Floor = 12.38'
72 Libertyship Bldg 'C' Finished Floor = 12.32'

All Elevations shown abv are in 1988 NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM (NAVD '88)

I do hope this memorandum is a helpful.

Sincerely,

**Brent McDonald** 

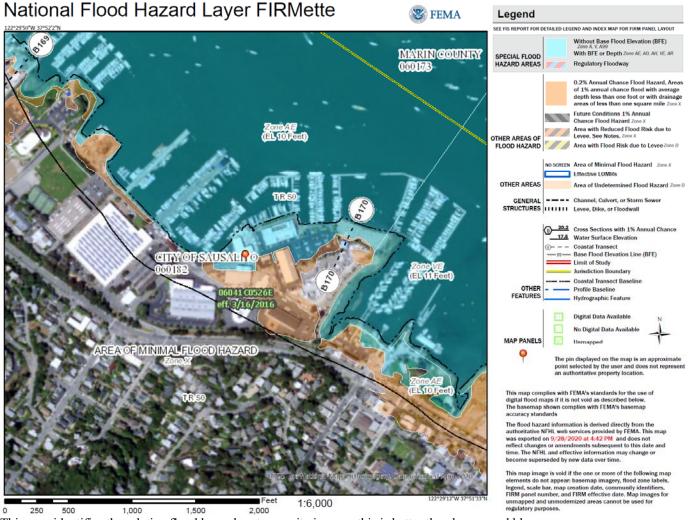
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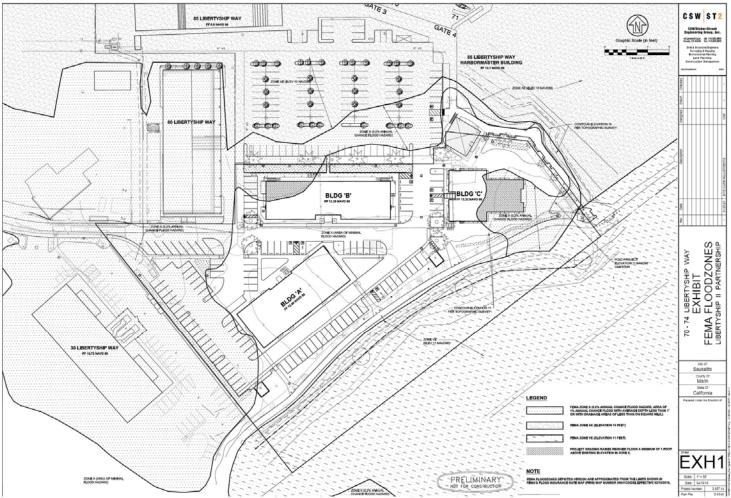
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This map identifies the relative flood hazard, note our site in grey, this is better then brown and blue

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This map incorporates the known FEMA published information with detailed survey information of the site. This exhibit has been in the project information since April of 2018. In short the 3 proposed buildings sit at a high point of the localised area and as such are identified by FEMA as an area of minimal flood hazard. C:\aaprojects\2015-12-schooner\WORD\Libertship-MemoTricia-110321-SLR.doc