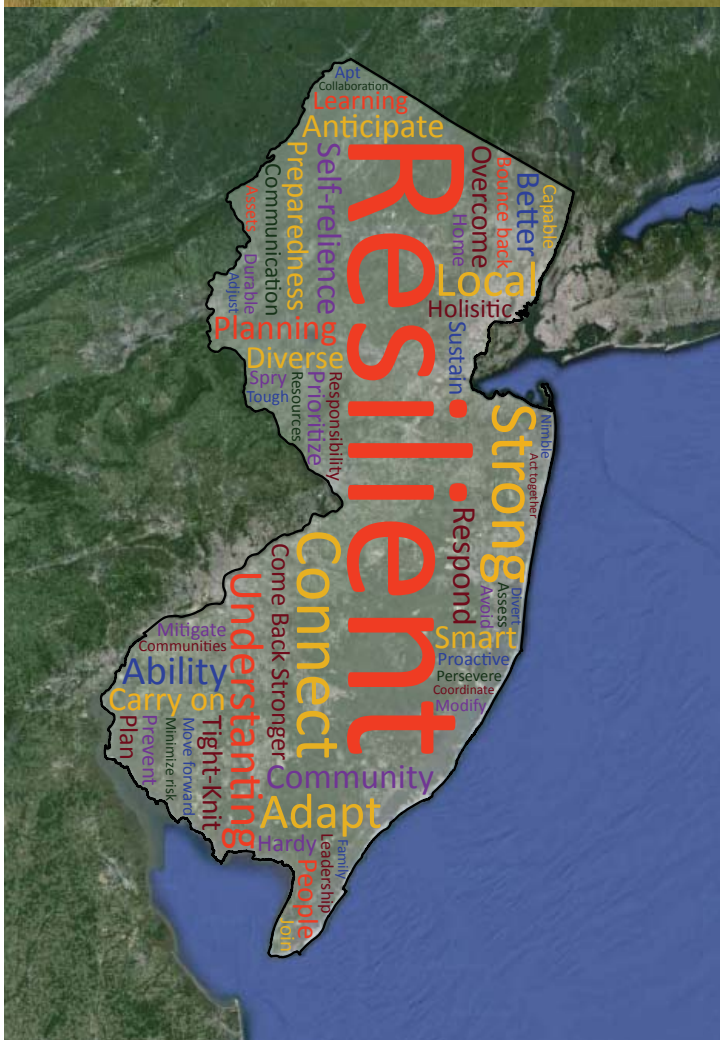


# Getting to Resilience

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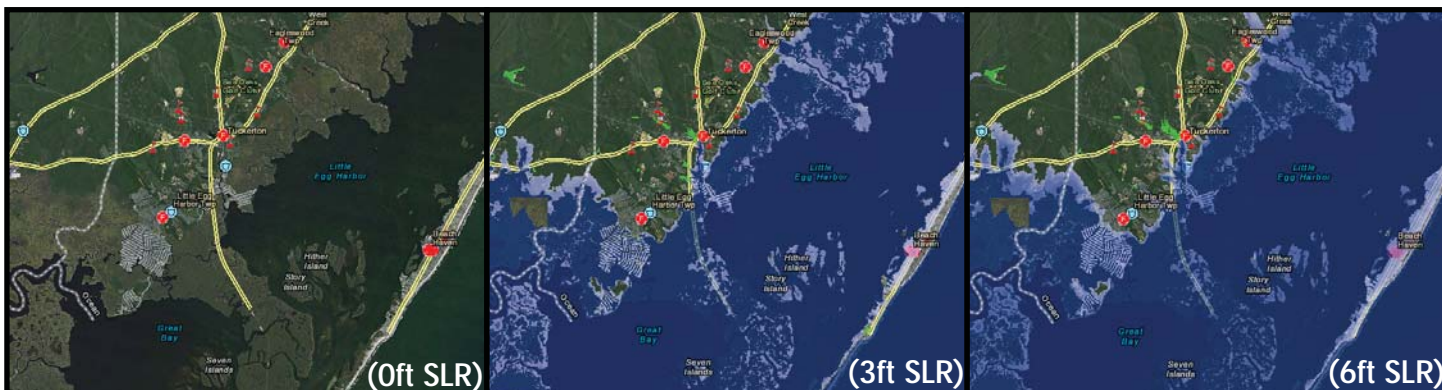


Higher tides and increasingly frequent flooding incidents are becoming the norm for many areas. These types of events are expected to become more frequent, more intense, and more regular. Planning for future impacts will enable our communities to be prepared and more resilient.

“Getting to Resilience” is an online self-assessment developed to assist communities in reducing vulnerability and increase preparedness by linking planning, mitigation, and adaptation. Through this interactive process communities will learn how their preparedness can yield valuable points through voluntary programs like FEMA’s Community Rating System (CRS) and Sustainable Jersey. The assessment process will also increase the community’s understanding of where future vulnerabilities should be addressed through hazard mitigation planning.

Developed to be used in association with NJFloodMapper.org, “Getting to Resilience” is the next step in communities planning for the risks

associated with coastal hazards and sea level rise (SLR). Together, these websites will help communities visualize their future risk and plan for that risk using their existing municipal planning tools.





The Getting to Resilience questionnaire will not be completed in one day or by one person. It was developed to be completed by a set of municipal leaders and to be completed over a period of time.

**Key municipal officials and staff should include:**

- Land Use Planners
- Hazard Mitigation Planners
- Floodplain Managers
- Emergency Managers
- Stormwater Managers
- Natural Resource Planners
- Municipal Engineers
- Municipal Leaders
- Zoning and Permitting Officials
- Public Works Officials.

**Why Should We “Get to Resilience”?:**

- To reduce the exposure and vulnerability of your community through long-range planning.
- To use pre-disaster planning to reduce the loss of lives and decrease the amount of time it takes to recover from hazard events.
- To engage a diverse group of local decision makers in hazard mitigation.
- To introduce the dialogue on what is a hazard, the importance of having vulnerability information, and how that knowledge can be shared amongst leaders to better prepare your community.

