

Sea Level Rise in San Juan County

Shoreforms, vulnerability, and adaptation

San Juan Island

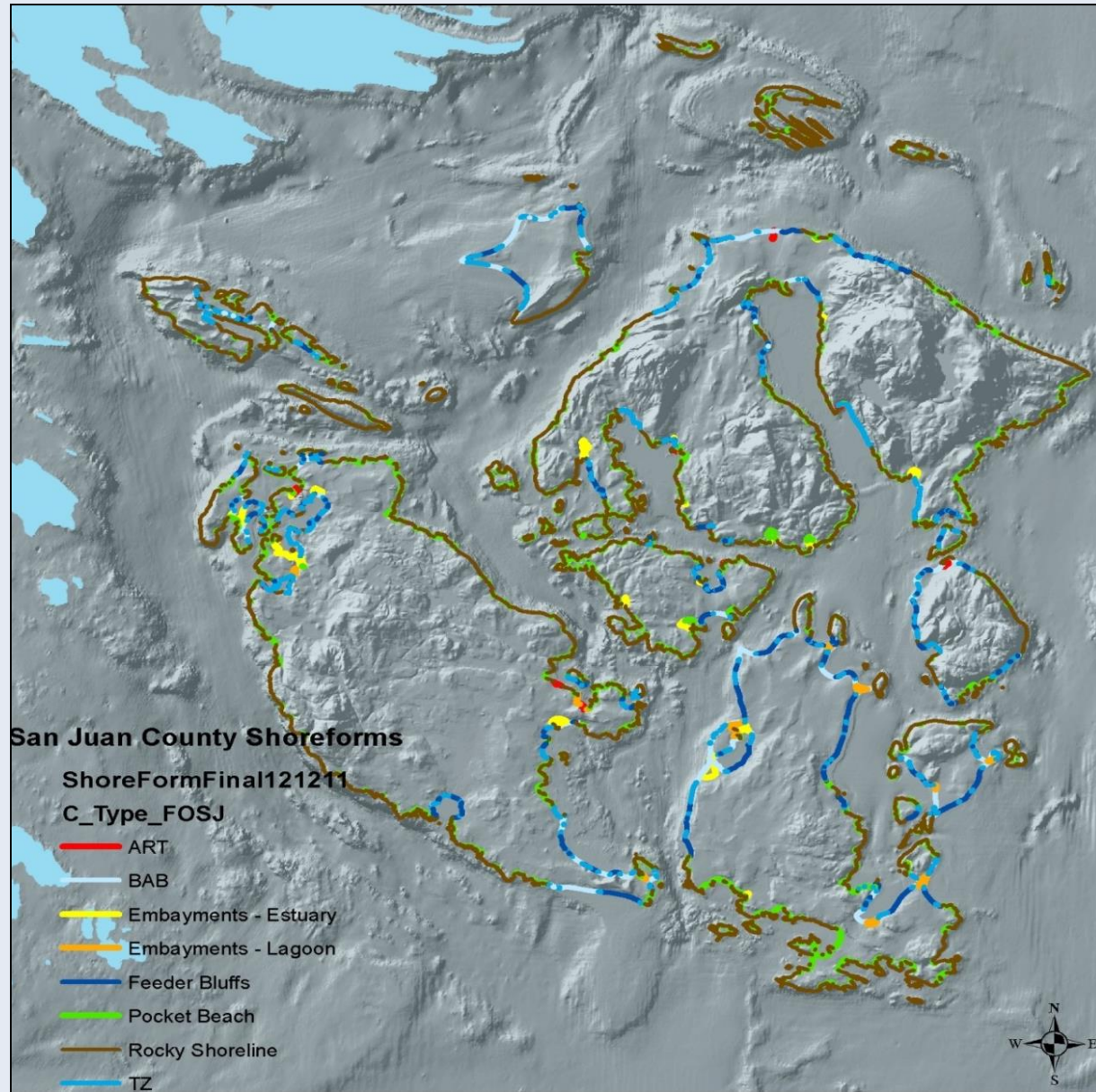
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Objective: Make Informed Decisions

How will my
shoreline respond
to sea level rise?

SHORETYPE



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How vulnerable is my property?

What type of hazard?

When will it be affected?

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What can I do?

**What options are there for adaptation on my
type of shoreline?**

APPROPRIATE ADAPTATION



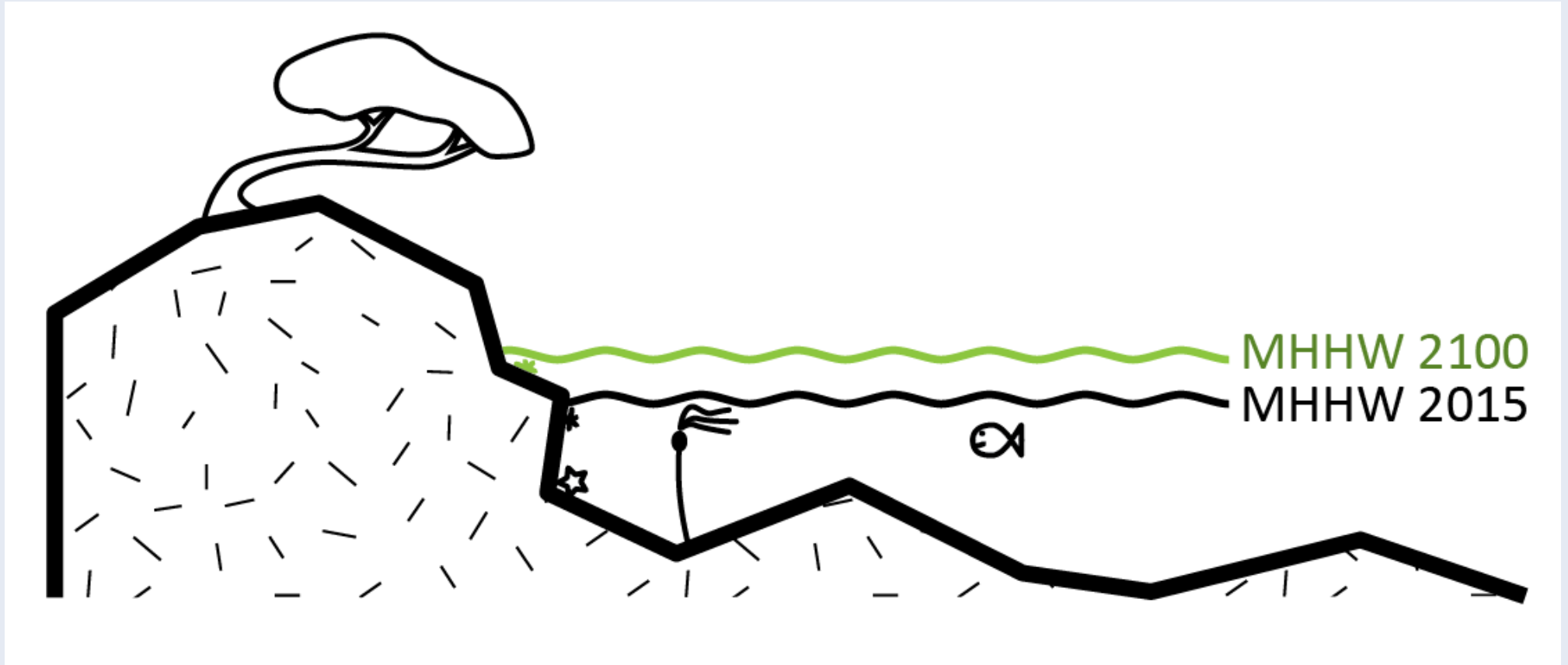
How will my shoreline respond to sea level rise?

Different shoreforms will respond differently

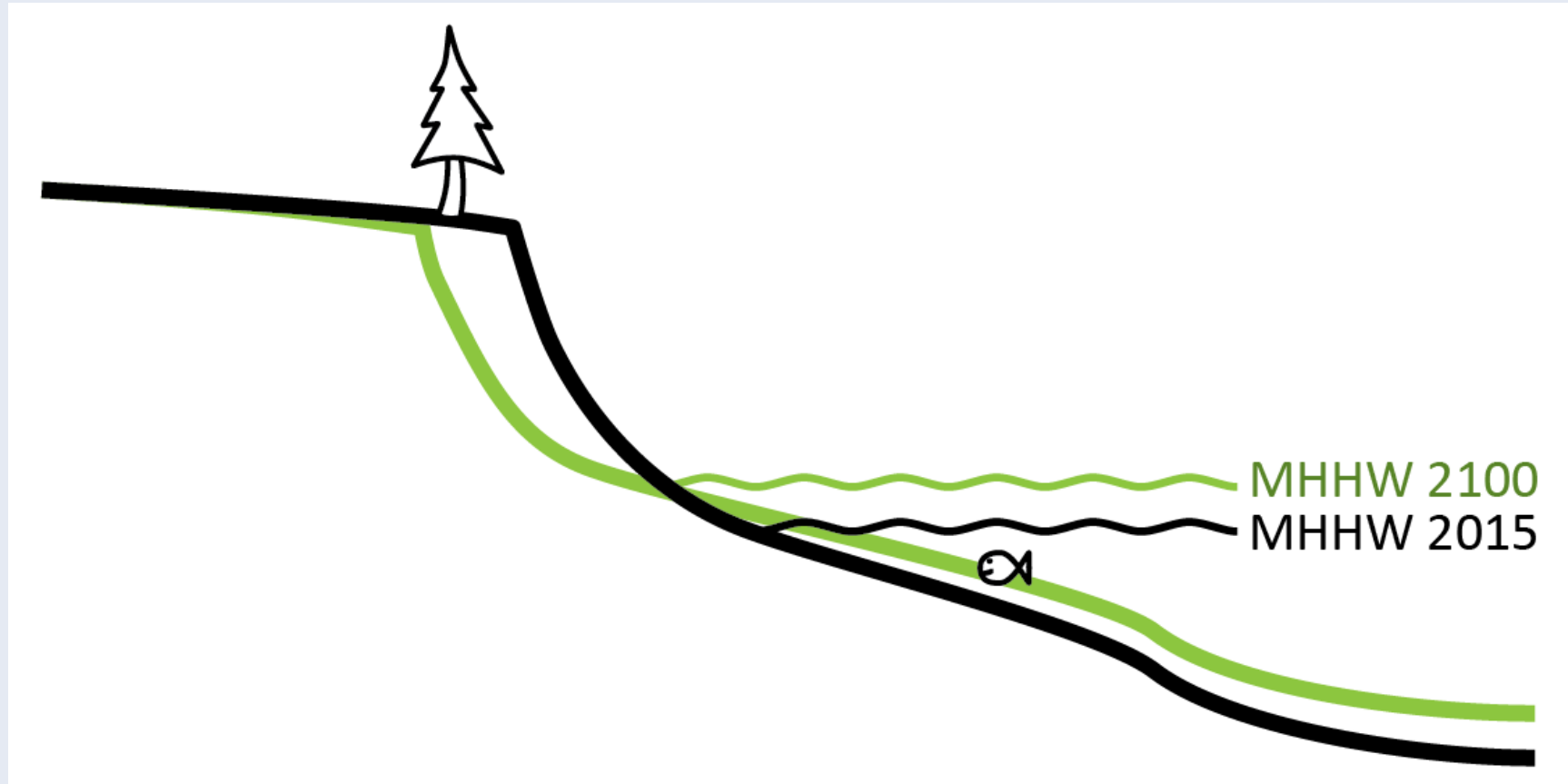
- Topography
 - Geology
- Sediment supply



Rocky Shores and Sea Level Rise



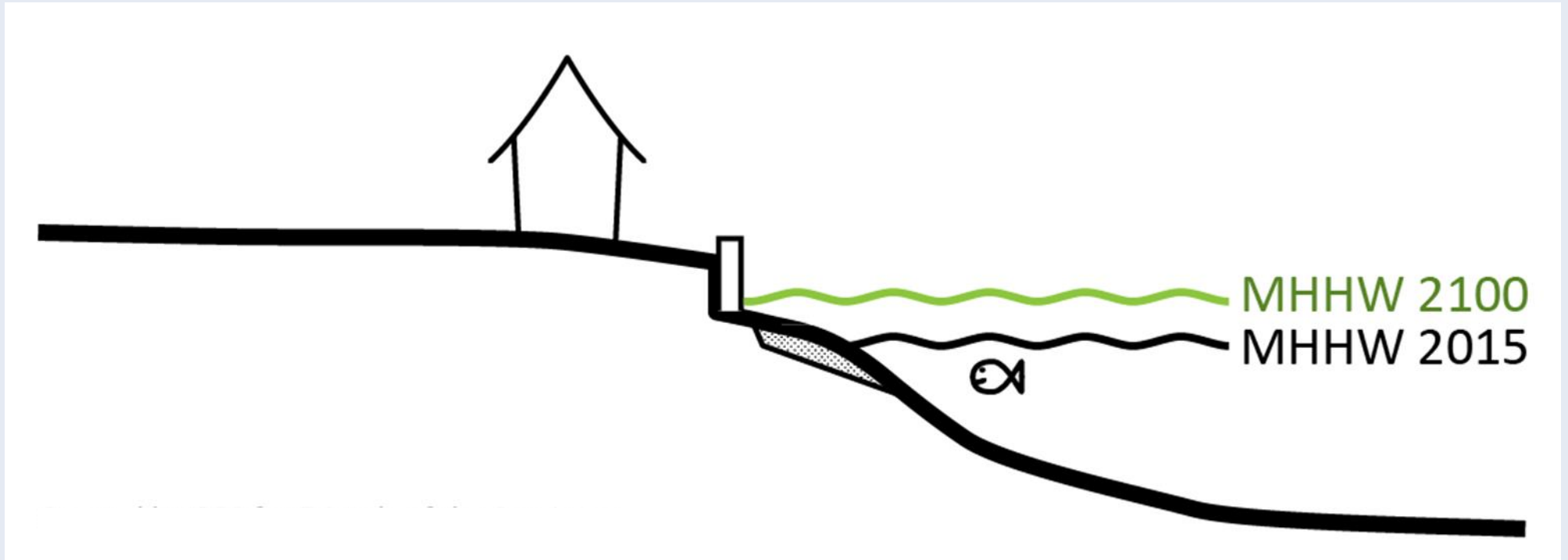
Bluffs and Sea Level Rise



Barrier Beaches and Sea Level Rise



Armored Beaches and Sea Level Rise



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Objectives

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What type of hazard?

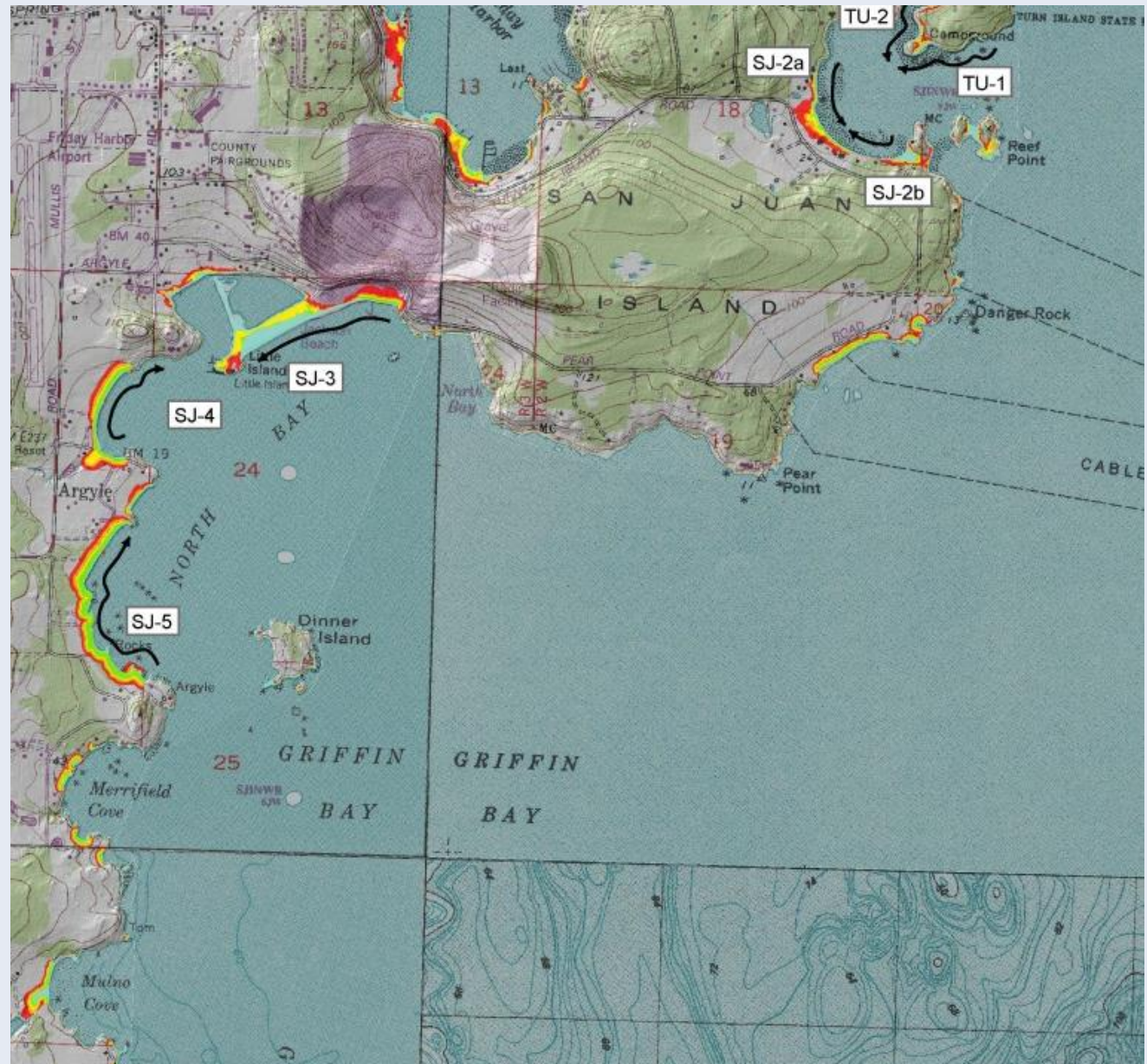
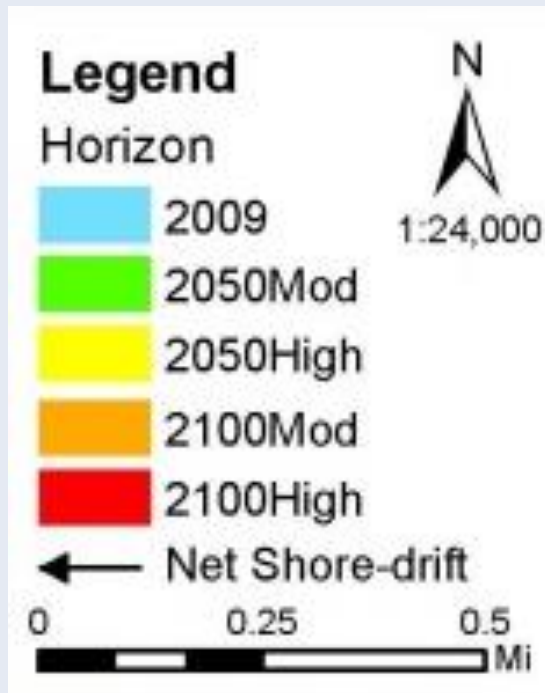
When will my property be affected?

GIS tool to visualize SLR implications in San Juan County

- Coastal bluff erosion and
- Coastal flooding (inundation)

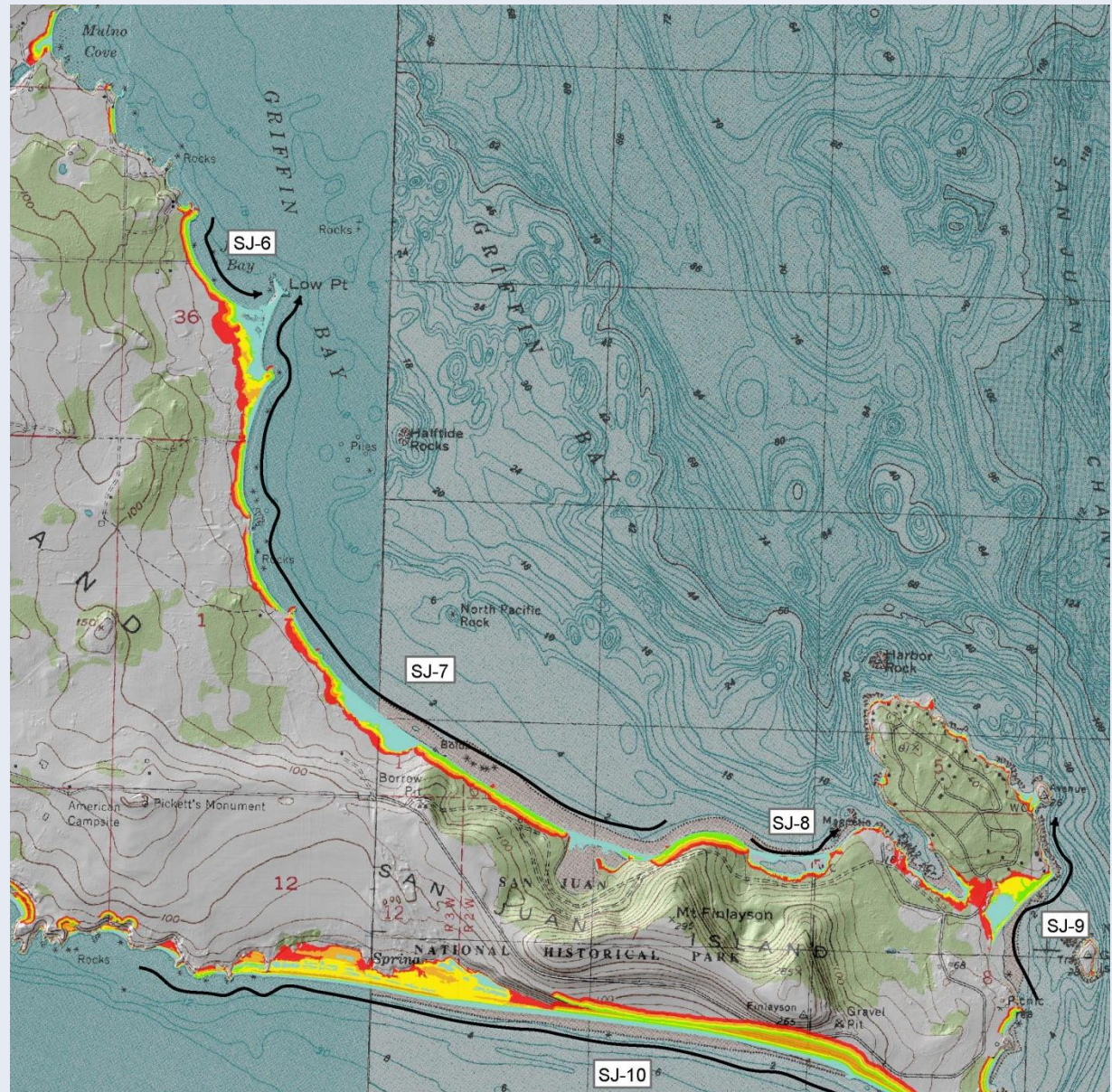
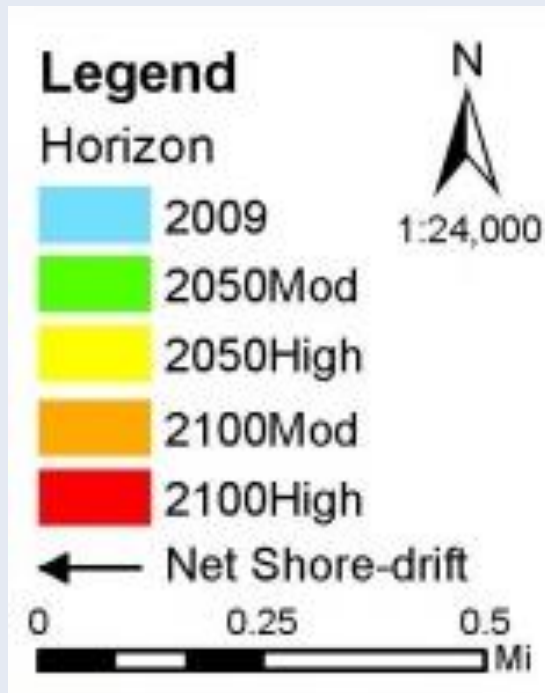
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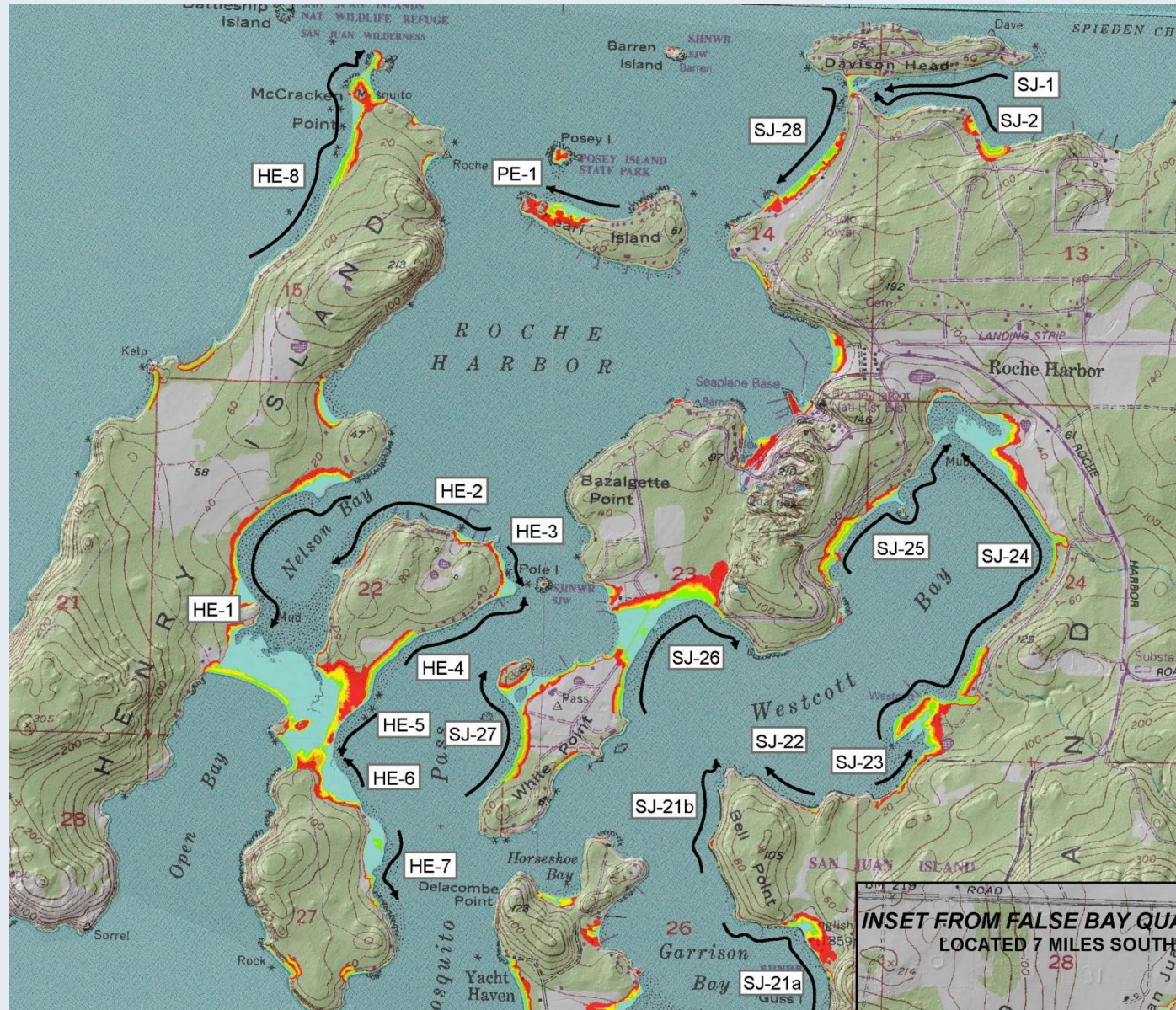
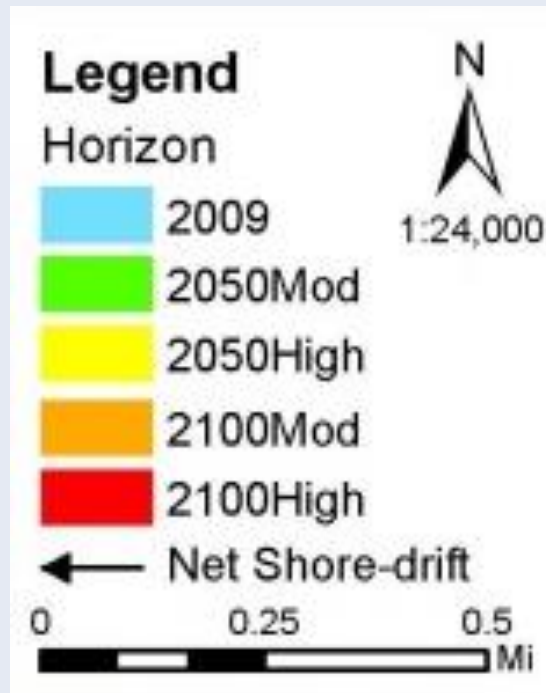
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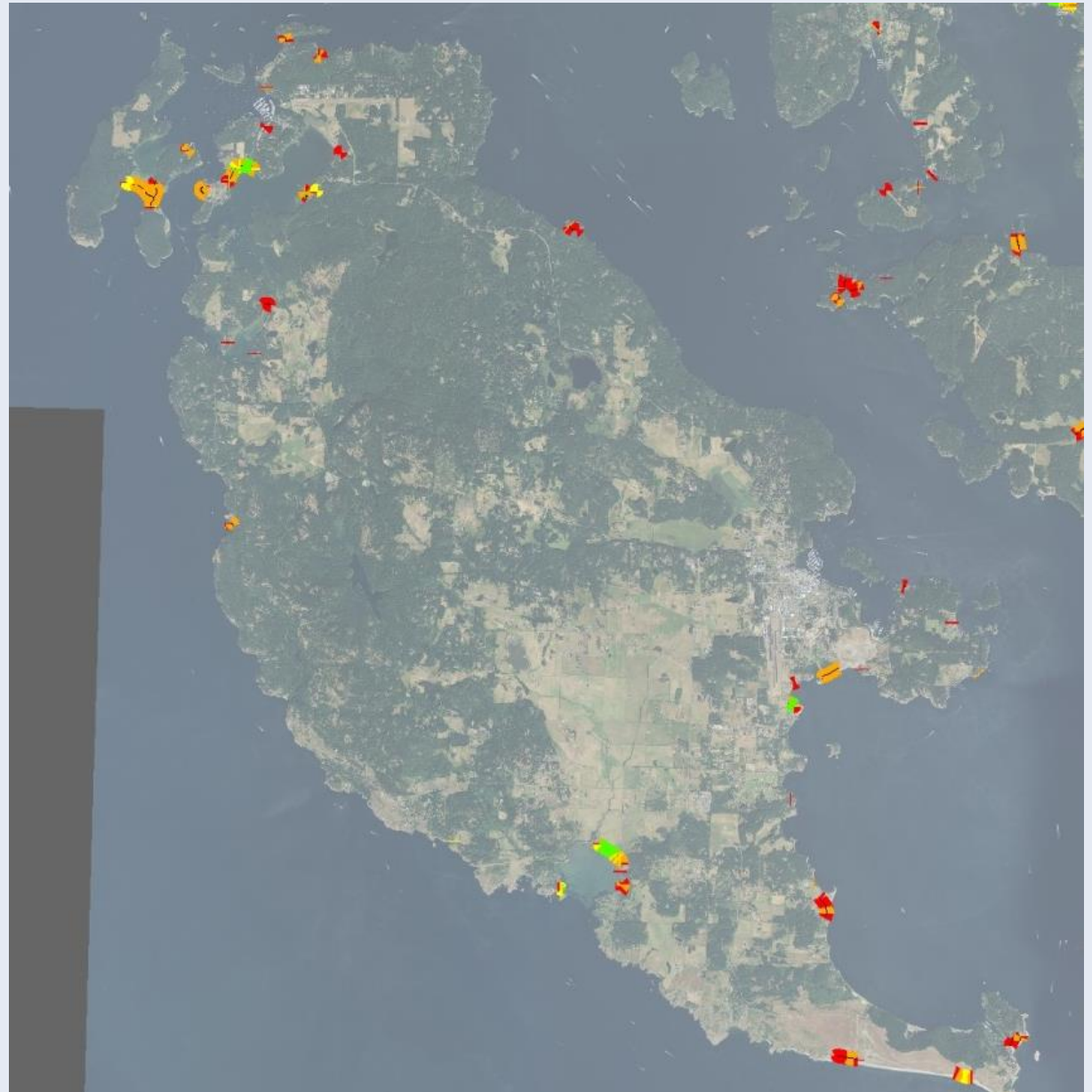
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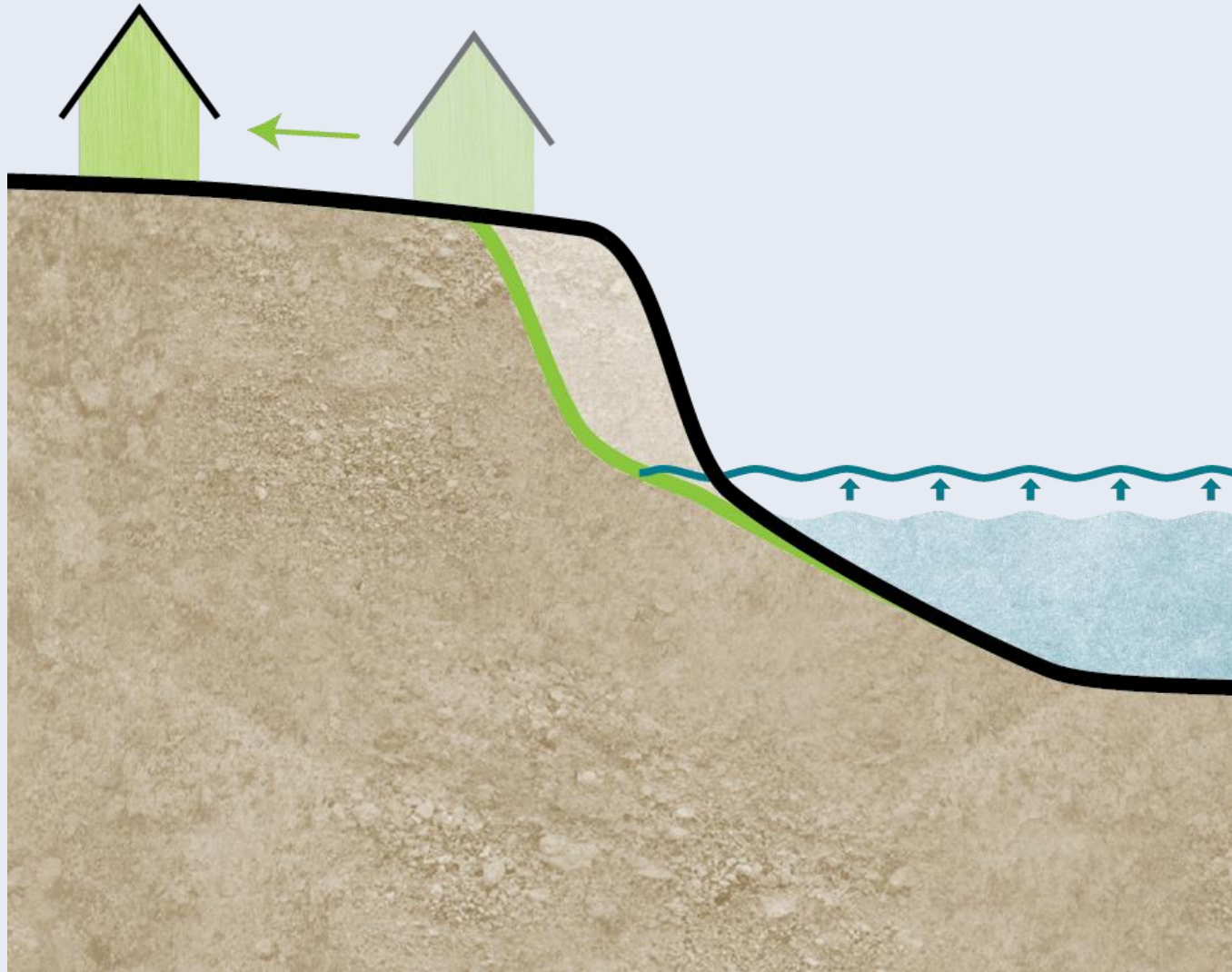
Appropriate Adaptation Choices

- Planning horizon
- Cost of infrastructure
- Maintenance
- Opportunities
 - Habitat conservation / restoration
 - Increased resilience



Appropriate Adaptation Choices

Relocate



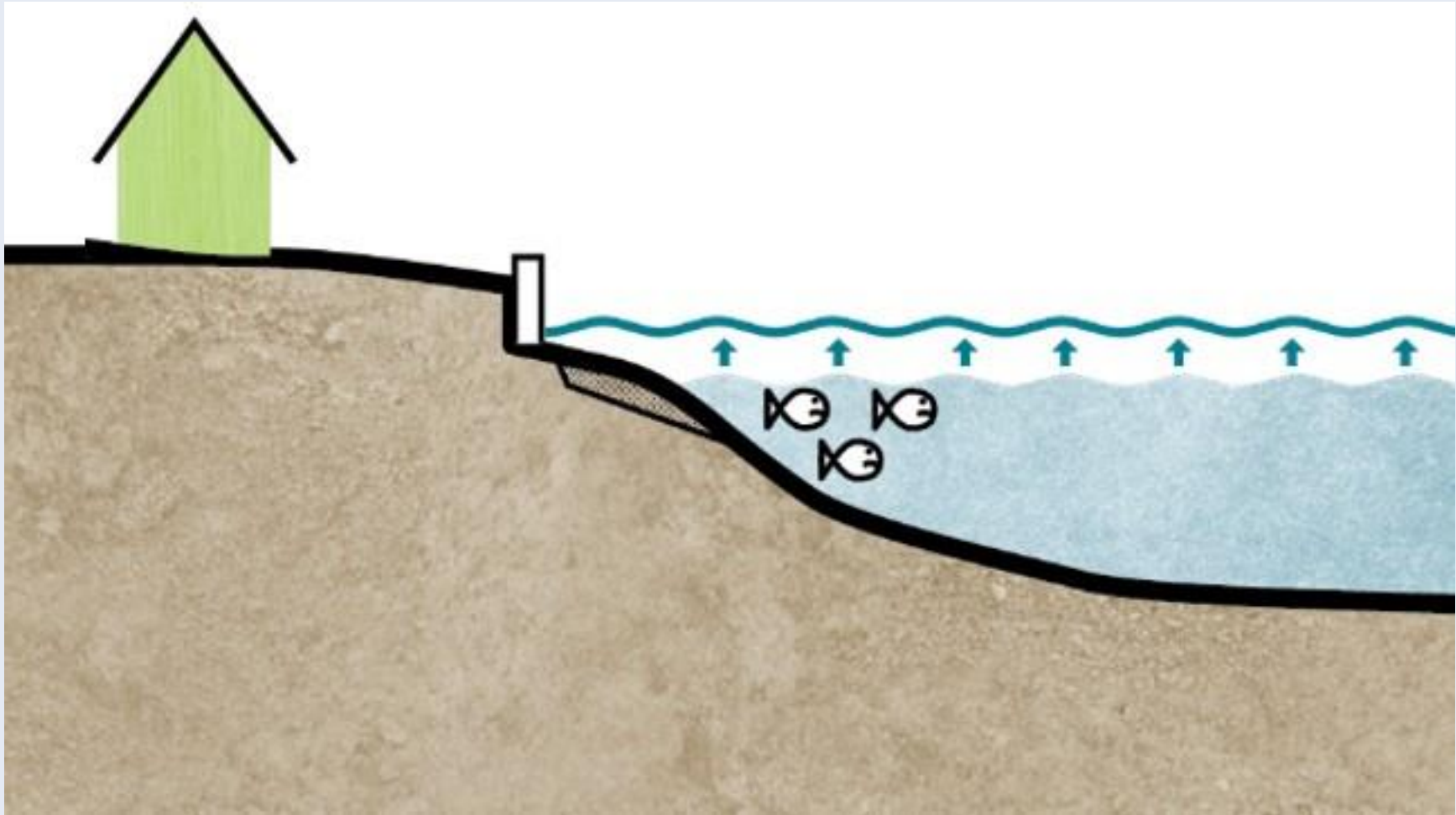
Appropriate Adaptation Choices

Elevate



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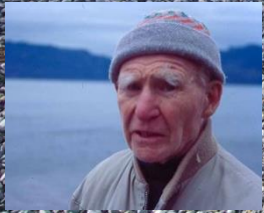
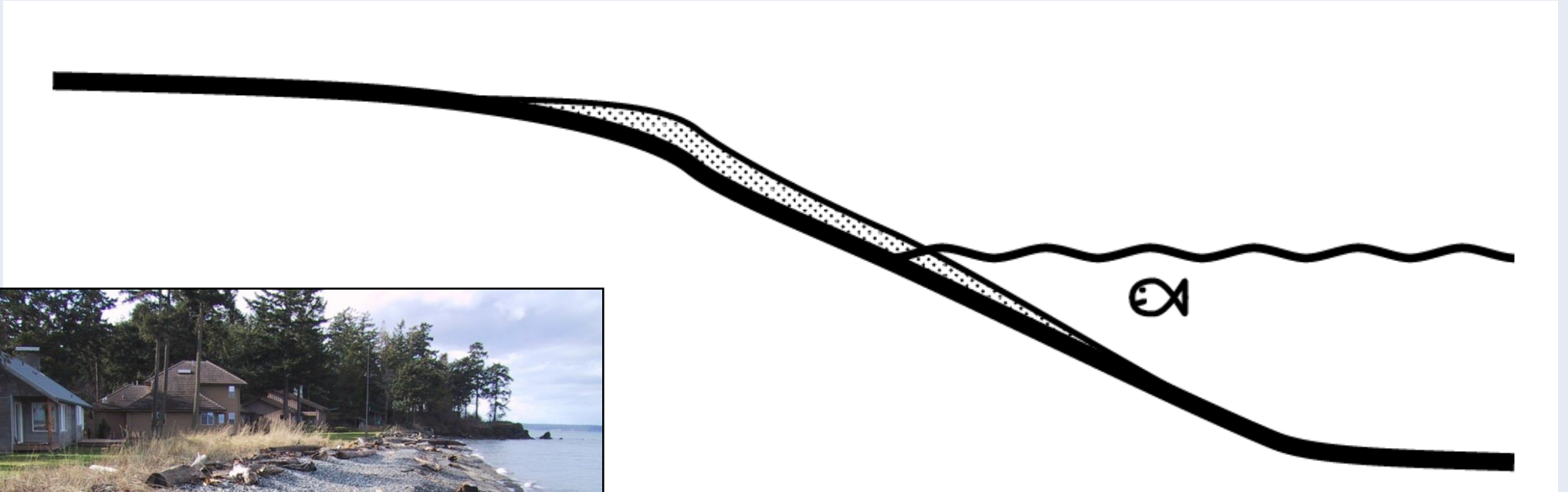
Fortify



Appropriate Adaptation Choices

Nourish

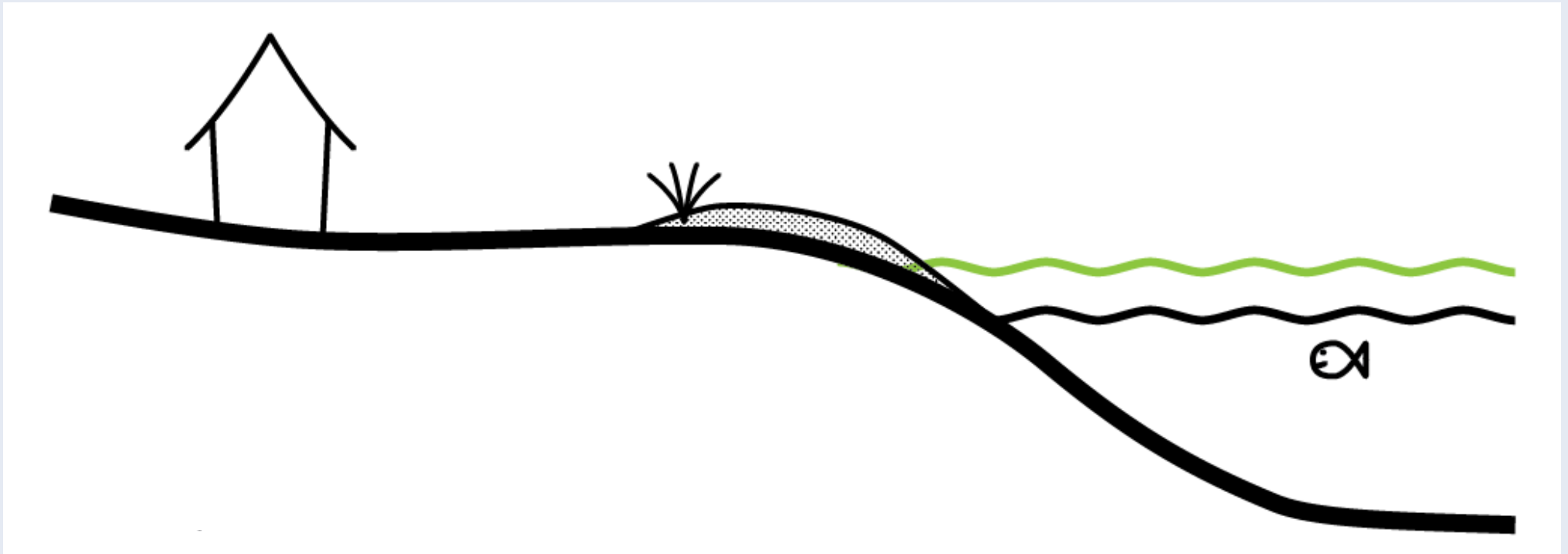
- Nourish entire beach profile



Appropriate Adaptation Choices

Nourish

- Nourish only the upper beach



Appropriate Adaptation Choices

Nourish

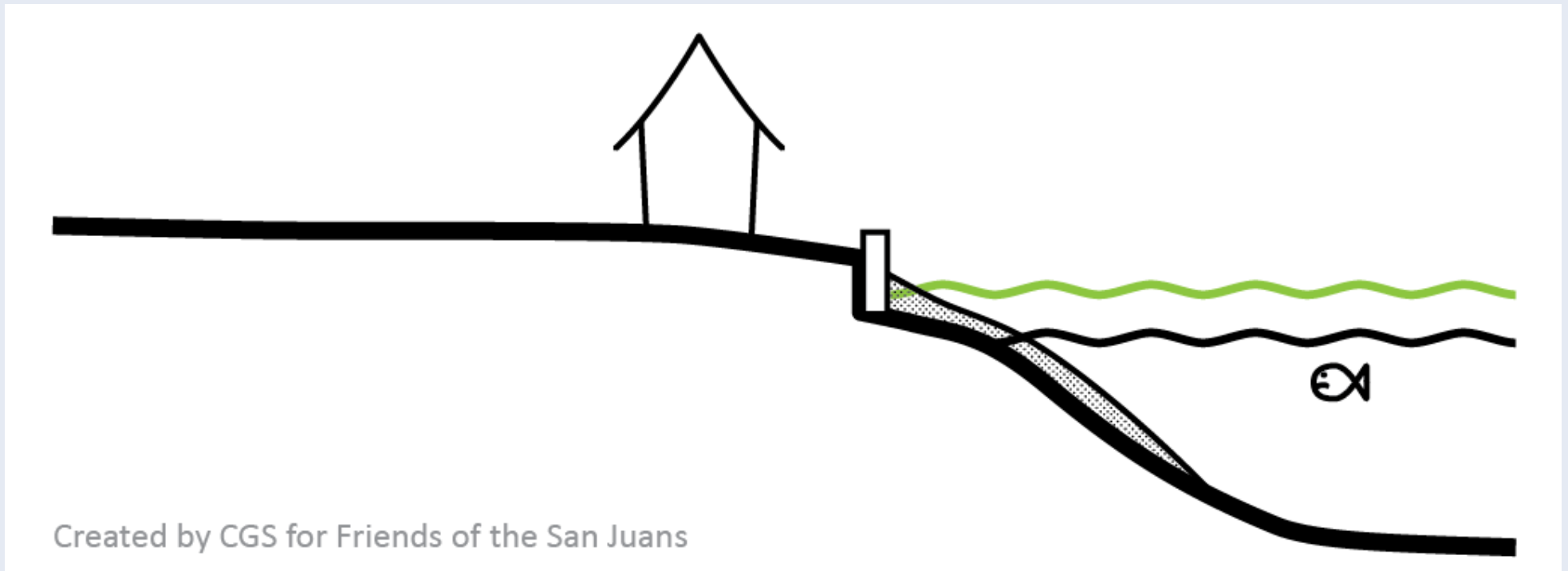


After

Appropriate Adaptation Choices

Nourish

- Mitigate for sediment loss





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