#### Coastal Flood Adaptation Strategy (CFAS) Implementation

#### **CFAS Advisory Group Meeting**

July 30, 2020



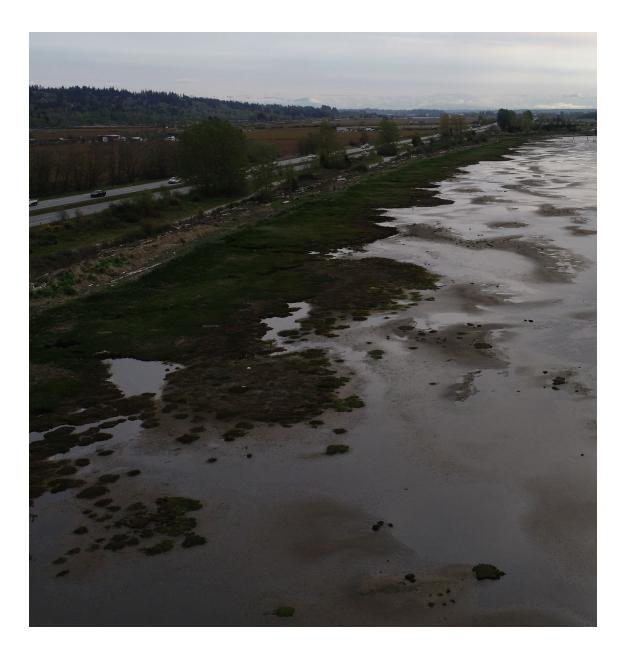
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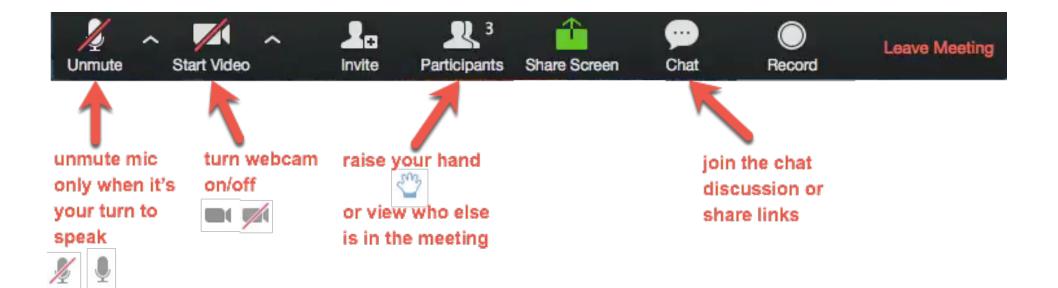
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#### Zoom House Keeping

- Session will be recorded
- Please go on mute when not speaking
- Use the chat feature
- Follow-up for detailed or sidebar discussions



#### **Zoom Functions**



### Agenda

General project updates

- Coastal Flood Adaptation Strategy
- Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF) projects
- Nature-based Coastal Climate Adaption Project Mud Bay
  - Project design and engineering
  - Environmental Assessment exemption

Next steps and engagement going forward

#### Key People

#### **City of Surrey**

- Matt Osler, Senior Project Engineer
- Tindi Sekhon, Project Supervisor
- Miriam Marshall, Environmental Coordinator
- Tjasa Demsar, Climate Adaptation Coordinator
- Namrit Uppal, Communications Coordinator

#### **Consultant Team**

- Lyle Thompson, Hatfield Consultants
- John Ingram, EcoPlan

#### Purpose of Advisory Group

- Provide non-binding recommendations, strategic advice and input on CFAS
- Identify key issues, concerns and opportunities for the City and project consultant team
- Support collaboration and develop a deeper understanding of issues
- Support CFAS communications and outreach

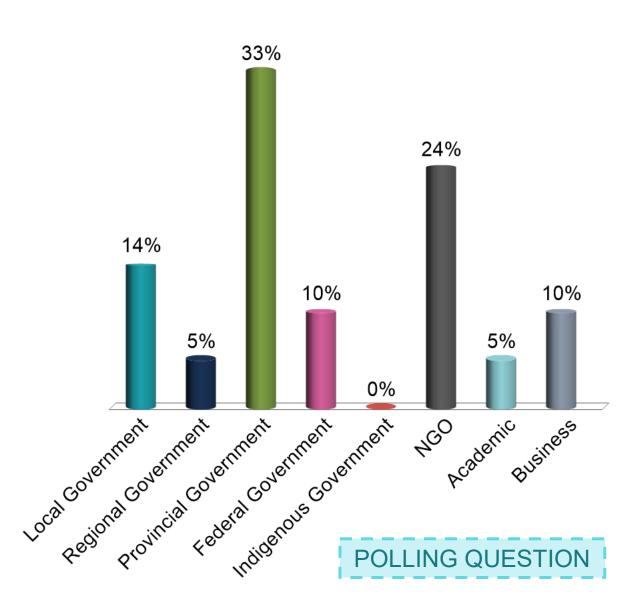
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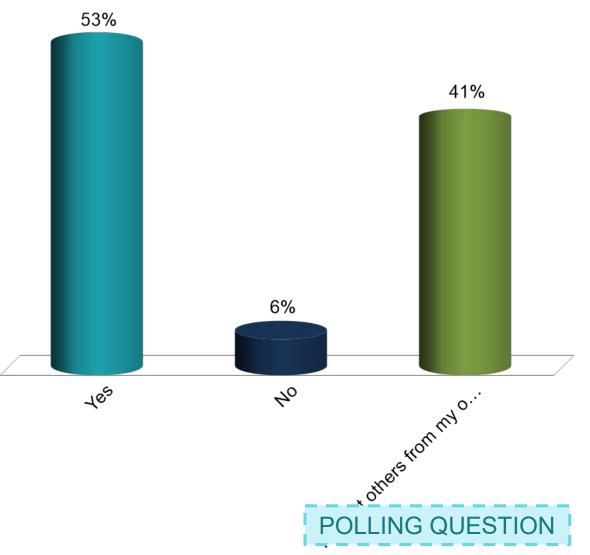
#### Who's in the room?

- A. Local Government
- B. Regional Government
- C. Provincial Government
- D. Federal Government
- E. Indigenous Government
- F. NGO
- G. Academic
- H. Business



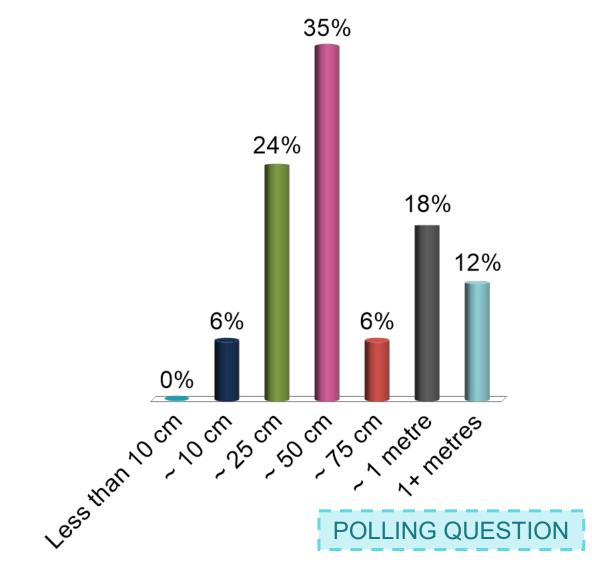
# Have you participated in other CFAS Advisory Group meetings?

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. No, but others from my organization have

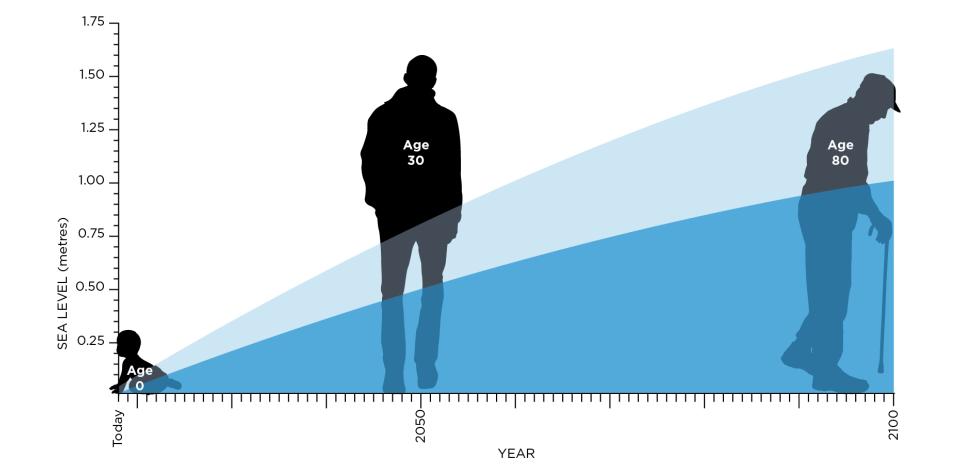


## How much are sea levels in the Salish Sea expected to rise in the next 30 years?

- A. Less than 10 cm
- B. ~ 10 cm
- C. ~ 25 cm
- D. ~ 50 cm
- E. ~75 cm
- F.  $\sim$  1 metre
- G. 1+ metres

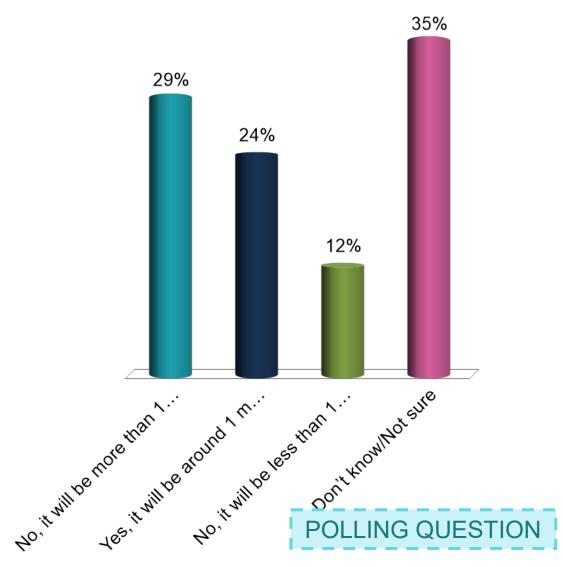


#### Salish Sea rising



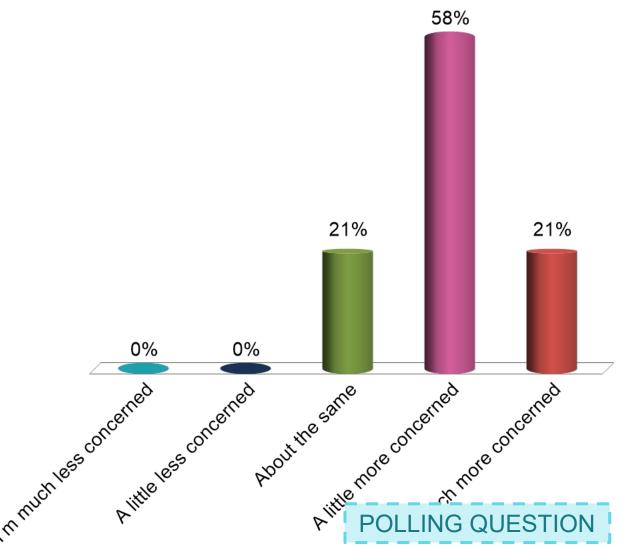
# Do you agree with the sea level rise forecast for the region?

- A. No, it will be <u>more</u> than 1 metre by 2100
- B. Yes, it will be <u>around</u> 1 metre by 2100
- C. No, it will be <u>less</u> than 1 metre by 2100
- D. Don't know/Not sure



# Has your level of concern about climate change and sea level rise changed since CFAS began in 2016?

- A. I'm much less concerned
- B. A little less concerned
- C. About the same
- D. A little more concerned
- E. Much more concerned



#### Coastal Flood Adaptation Strategy PROJECT UPDATE

#### Coastal Flood Adaptation Strategy (CFAS)

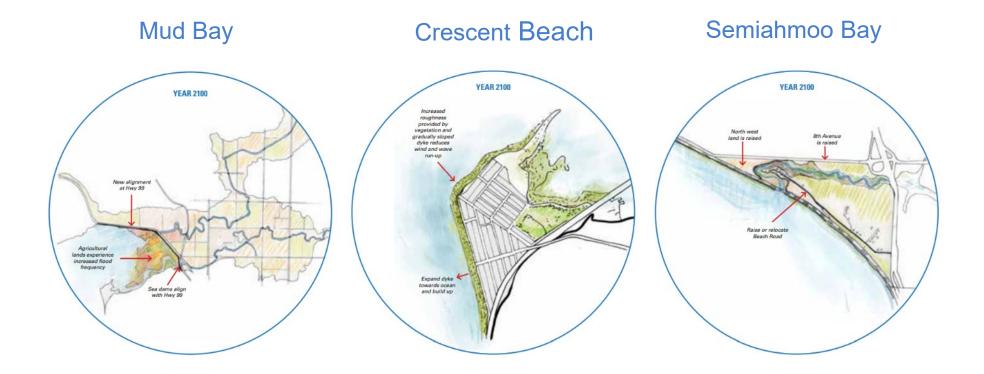


- Proactive process started in 2016 to reduce climate change-driven coastal flood risk now and into the future
- Range of strategic actions were developed to help the City's coastal communities become more resilient to the challenges
- Council endorsed final strategy on November 4, 2019 (Corporate Report No. R212)

#### **CFAS** Awards

- 2019 Climate & Energy Action Award
  - Canadian Energy Association
- 2020 Award for Planning Excellence Climate Change (Merit)
  - Canadian Institute of Planners
- 2020 Award for Excellence in Planning City and Urban Areas (Nicomekl Riverfront Park)
  - Planning Institute of BC

#### 3 Long-term Strategic Directions | Year 2100



#### 46 Near-term Actions

		2020-30	2030-40	2040-50	2050-60	2060-70	2070-80	2080-90	2090-2100
Ongo	oing Education, Communications, and Advocacy Init	iatives							
1	CFAS Steering Committee								
2	Internal Updates								
3	CFAS Advisory Group								
4	CFAS Website								
5	Advocacy Partners Workshop								
6	Communications and Media								
Deta	iled Planning, Studies, and Data Collection								
7	Update hazard bibliography								
8	Update coastal flood hazard assessment								
9	Detailed studies - Strategic Actions								
Regi	ılatory Controls, Design Standards, and Guidelines								
10	Review Development Variance practices								
11	Support flood resilient design and construction								
12	Explore Sea Level Rise Planning Area								
13	Design Standards Guidebook								
Extre	eme Flood Management								
14	Hazard review								
15	Training and readiness								
16	Improve flood warning systems and communi- cations								
17	Temporary protection measures assessment								
18	Build Back Better program								

#### **CFAS PLANNING AREA-SPECIFIC ACTIONS** 2020-30 2030-40 2040-50 2050-60 2060-70 2070-80 2080-90 2090-2100 MUD BAY Mud Bay Foreshore 19 Foreshore enhancements \* 20 Sediment augmentation in foreshore area Inter River West (west of 152<sup>ed</sup> St) 21 152<sup>nd</sup> St upgrades and raising \* 22 Serpentine and Nicomekl sea dams \* 23 Upgrade Serpentine left bank and Nicomekl right ~ bank dykes 24 Install pumps at sea dams in phases 25 Hwy 99 Works – New dyke west of Hwy 99 26 Pullback to Hwy 99 Protection Works Inter River East (east of 152<sup>ed</sup> St) 27 Upgrade Serpentine left bank and Nicomekl right bank dykes 28 Drainage upgrades – Cloverdale neighbourhood 29 Serpentine and Nicomekl floodplain storage Colebrook 30 Coordinate with MOTI – Hwy 99/Colebrook dyke upgrades 31 Upgrade Colebrook Dyke \* 32 Replace Colebrook Drainage Pump Station \* 33 'Good neighbour dyke' – Delta 34 Shared drainage improvements – Delta 35 Serpentine floodgates – BNSF Serpentine North 36 Upgrade Serpentine right bank and left bank dykes Nicomeki South (east of 152¤ St) 37 Upper Nicomekl flood storage 38 Upgrade Nicomekl left bank dyke 39 Upgrade drainage system – Morgan Creek area Nico Wynd Area 40 Upgrade Nico Wynd area flood management CRESCENT BEACH 41 Maintenance of Crescent Beach Dyke 42 Maintenance of Shoreline 43 Drainage improvements × . 44 Expanded edge SEMIAHM00 BAY 45 Little Campbell River emergency access \* 46 Comprehensive flood improvements

Notes: ✓ indicates that the project scope is included in Surrey DMAF program and has confirmed funding. Planning Area-Specific Actions under \$\$M capital cost are omitted for clarity.

#### DMAF Projects Update Coastal Flood Adaptation Strategy – Taking Action

#### **DMAF** Projects

- \$76.6 M in federal funding awarded under the Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF)
- Federal completion deadline – March 31, 2028



#	Name	Asset Type	Hazard Mitigation	Community Co-benefits		Project Partners
1	Colebrook Dyke Upgrades	Coastal Dyke	\$	Recreation, bird watching, food security	1	Province of BC
2	Colebrook Drainage Pump Station Replacement	Drainage Pump Station	<u>21</u>	Increased agricultural productivity and food security	<b>9 🕜 🕜 🧐</b>	
3	Sea Dam – Serpentine River	Sea Dam (drainage and irrigation)	2 A 🔒	Agriculture irrigation, fish passage, worker safety	0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
4	152 St Road Upgrades and Raising	Integrity of Transportation Network and Asset	4	Congestion relief, transportation safety, accommodate growth, cycling, pedestrian	O 🕜 💮 🥹	Translink FortisBC Energy
5	Nicomekl Riverfront Park - Phase 1	Flood storage alternative to riverine dyking	2	Recreation (blue way), nature trails, wetlands, culture, open space	🕑 🍪	
6	King George Boulevard Bridge and Nicomekl River Sea Dam Replacement	Arterial Bridge (integrated with one sea dam) Integrity of Transportation Network and Asset	<b>≜</b> A <b>}</b>	Congestion relief, transportation safety, accommodate growth, cycling, pedestrian, integrated to Nicomekl Park, fish passage, agriculture irrigation	O 🕜 🍘 🧐	Metro Vancouver Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure
7	Crescent Beach Storm Sewer System Upgrades - Perforated Piping	Flood Protection increases transportation resilience	2	Street beautification/ road improvements, transportation safety	🙂 🕜 🚷	
8	Dyking - Lower reaches of Nicomekl and Serpentine	Flood Protection (nuisance and extreme event)	4	Food security and transportation flood safety	O 🕜 🛞	
9	Serpentine SRY Rail Link Bridge Replacement and Dyking	Flood Protection (nuisance and extreme event)	2 A 🔒	Economy (freight and heritage railway), worker safety and goods movement	2 🕅 🍪	SRY LINK (Southern Railway of BC)
10	Burrows Drainage Pump Station Upgrade	Drainage Pump Station	<b>2 A </b>	Increased agricultural productivity and food security	🕲 🕜 🥸	
11	Stewart Farm Sanitary Pump Station Coastal Flood Proofing	Integrity of Sanitary Sewer Network	*	Sanitation, worker safety and water quality	9 🕜 🍘	
12	Campbell River Pedestrian and Emergency Access Bridge Replacement	Integrity of Transportation Network	<u>4</u> 1	Emergency access, Multi Use Path	1	Semiahmoo First Nation
13	Foreshore Enhancements	Structural and nature based flood control and environmental enhancements	\$	Wetlands (birds, fish, clams) and food security	9 🕜 🍘	City of Delta

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#### Shovel-ready Projects

- City of Surrey
  - Colebrook Dyke Upgrades
  - Stewart Pump Station Upgrades
  - Burrows Pump Station Upgrades
  - SRY Rail Link Serpentine Bridge Replacement
- City of Delta
  - Boundary Bay Dyke Upgrades



#### **High-priority Projects**

- Nicomekl King George Blvd Bridge Replacement
- 152 St Raising and Widening
- Colebrook Pump Station Replacement
- Serpentine Sea Dam Replacement

#### **Innovative Nature-based Projects**

- Foreshore Enhancements
- Nicomekl Riverfront Park

DMAF Projects	Status
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<ol> <li>Colebrook Dyke – Upgrade the earth dike along Mud Bay and the mouth of the Serpentine River, including drainage floodboxes</li> </ol>	Design Complete
2. Colebrook Drainage Pump Station – Remove and replace the drainage pump station on the Colebrook Dyke	Design Underway
3. Sea Dam Serpentine River – Remove and replace the flood and irrigation control structure and instrumentation	Design Underway
4. 152 Street Road and Raising – Increase the vehicle and multi-modal capacity and resilience of this critical emergency access road and provide secondary flood defense	Design Underway
5. Nicomekl Riverfront Park – Develop a new park that provides increased flood storage, recreation and habitat	Design Request for Proposal
6. King George Boulevard Bridge and Nicomekl River Sea Dam – Remove and replace existing structures with an integrated structure	Design Request for Proposal
7. Crescent Beach Storm Sewer System – Expand the existing storm sewer network to reduce flooding	Design Underway
8. Dyking Lower Reaches of Nicomekl and Serpentine – Raise and widen the existing flood control works	Design Underway
9. Serpentine SRY Rail Link Bridge and Surrey Dyke Crossing – Upgrade crossing to improve flood resilience	Completed
10. Burrows Drainage Pump Station – Increase capacity of existing pump station and upgrade irrigation infrastructure and drainage floodboxes	Under Construction
11. Stewart Farm Sanitary Pump Station – Raise the existing pump station	Under Construction
12. Campbell River Pedestrian and Emergency Access Bridge – Remove and replace the existing bridge	Design Underway
13. i. Foreshore Enhancements and Dyke in Delta – Upgrade existing Boundary Bay Dyke and pilot Living Dyke ii. Foreshore Enhancements in Surrey – Construct foreshore enhancements in front of Colebrook Dyke and instrumentation	Design Request for Proposal

### DMAF Projects Update Q&A

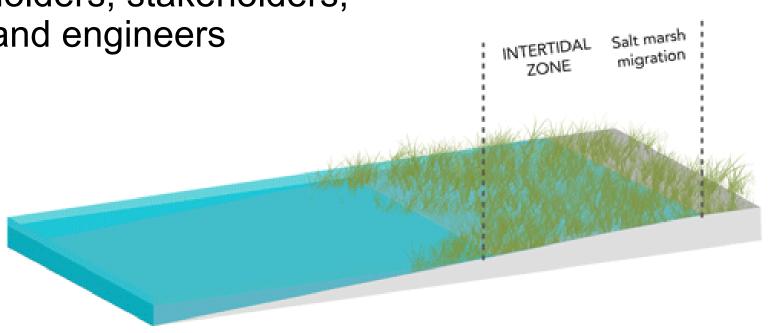
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### Nature-based Coastal Climate Adaptation Project – Mud Bay

#### Nature-based Coastal Climate Adaptation Project

- Nature-based solution for "coastal squeeze" and coastal flooding
- Approach developed with support from broad group of rightsholders, stakeholders, regulators, scientists and engineers



#### Nature-based Coastal Climate Adaptation Project

- Foreshore enhancement along 1km west of Mud Bay Park
- Establishes salt marsh habitat
- Enables adaptation to sea level rise
- Preserves the natural look of the shoreline

#### Boundary Bay Living Dike Roundtable

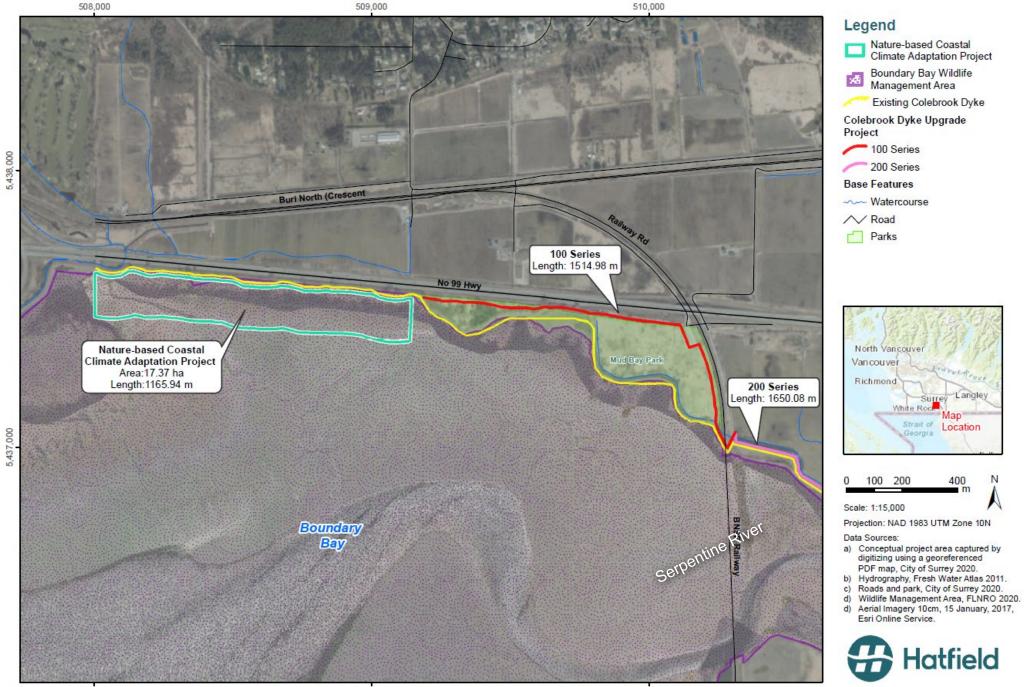
- Chaired by West Coast Environmental Law and First Nations Emergency Planning Secretariat
- Representation from Indigenous, local, provincial and federal government staff, scientists, engineers, NGOs
- Conceptualized the "Living Dike" approach (WCEL concept report: <u>https://www.wcel.org/sites/</u> <u>default/files/2019-01-livingdike</u> <u>conceptbriefwcel1\_final.pdf</u>)



#### **Broader Applicability**



## Project Design and Engineering Status

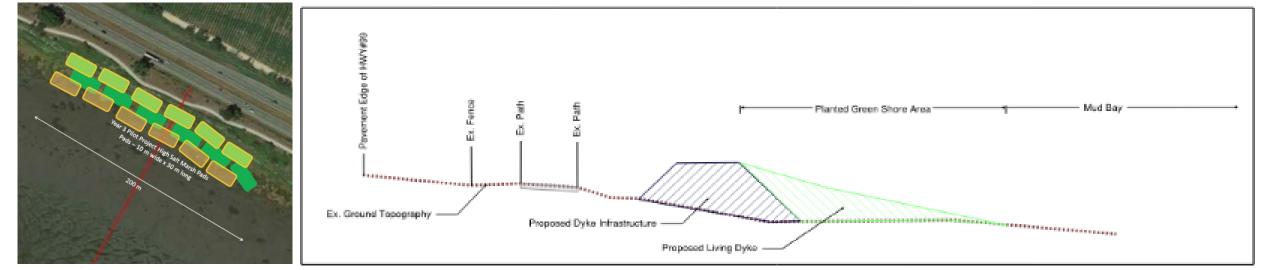


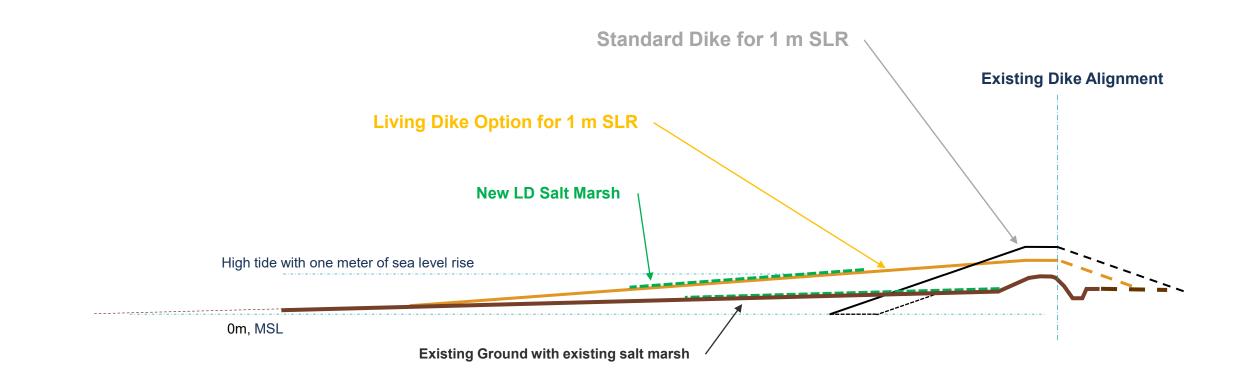
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#### **Project Design Ideas**

- mimic natural marsh by adding sediment and vegetation
- use imported or dredged sediment material
- use pods to contain sediment until the marsh establishes
- successive layers to build up gradually over the years
- integrate dyke design (build south of current dyke, raise to 3.9m)









#### **Engineering Status and Timeline**

- Design consultants' submissions currently under review
- Aiming for seasonal construction 2021-2027
  - Construction anticipated to begin in June 2021
  - Adaptive monitoring and management 2021-2023
  - Substantial completion by end of 2027



### Nature-based Coastal Climate Adaptation Project Q&A

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## **Environmental Assessment**

### **Environmental Assessment**



- Major projects in BC must meet provisions of the *Environmental* Assessment Act
- Process managed through BC Environmental Assessment Office (EAO)
- First time City of Surrey has triggered an environmental assessment process

### **Environmental Assessment**

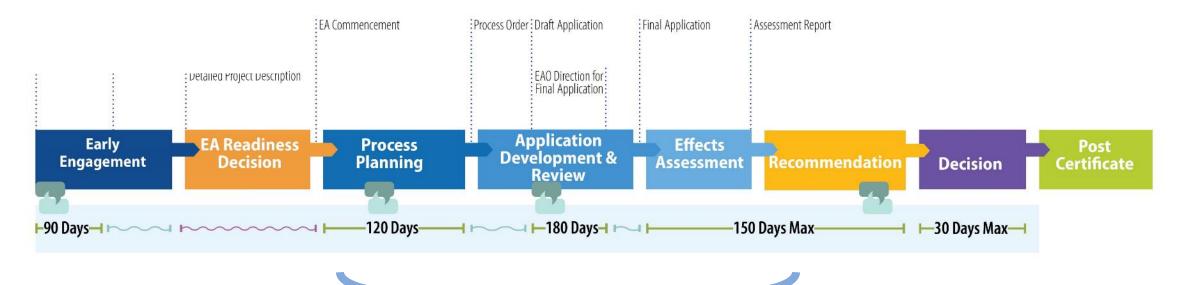


- Experts retained to design the work to mitigate environmental impact and provide environmental enhancement
- Environmental studies and public consultation
- Archeological protocols with Indigenous Nations in development as part of permitting process

## **Environmental Assessment Exemption**

- Exemption process because project focuses on habitat enhancement and seeks consensus with Indigenous governments
- Exemption would save considerable time and cost and allow project to be delivered within DMAF funding window
- All provincial and federal permits still required upon receipt of a Certificate of Exemption

## **Environmental Assessment Process**



Seeking exemption from several steps to expedite by 1 year

- ✓ Engage early and often
- ✓ Seek consensus with participating Indigenous Nations
- ✓ Build on prior engagement and relationships

## Keys to Exemption Success

- Seek to achieve consensus with participating Indigenous governments
- Demonstrate that the project(s) will not have significant adverse environmental, economic, social, cultural or health effects, or, serious effects on an Indigenous nation or their rights

Provincial staff decision for referral to the Minister

- Demonstrate the promotion of sustainability by protecting the environment and fostering a sound economy and the well-being of British Columbians and their communities
- Support reconciliation with Indigenous groups (UNDRIP)
- Stakeholder endorsement

Minister's decision

## **EA Exemption Timeline**



Schedule is subject to change

#### Environmental studies status:

- Migratory bird and biofilm studies have recently been completed
- Much of the baseline work completed
- Fisheries assessments ongoing (July 30-31)



## Environmental Assessment and Exemption Q&A

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# Next Steps

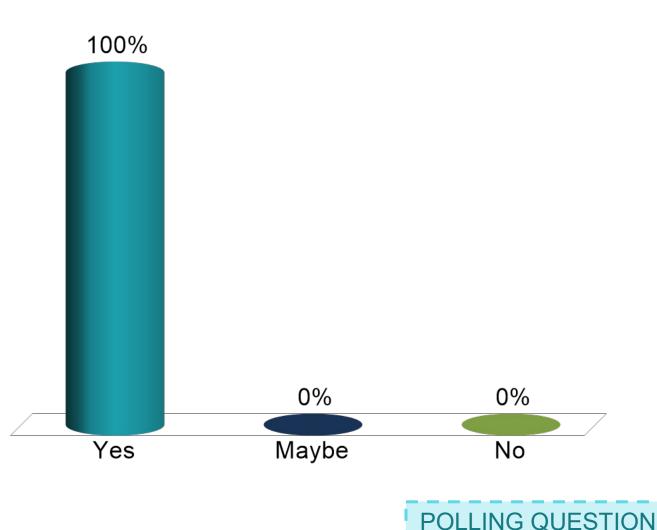
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## **Next Steps**

- Initiate detailed design of Foreshore Enhancement
- Ongoing consultation and stakeholder engagement
  - Welcoming your input at <u>coastal@surrey.ca</u>
- Obtain letters of support and project endorsements
- Obtain permits and approvals
- Initiate construction in phases
- Updates to Council on overall CFAS implementation

# Would you or your organization like to remain involved in the Advisory Group moving forward?

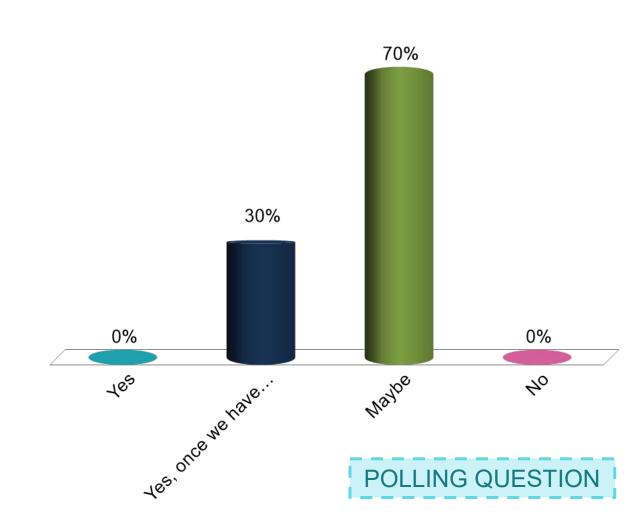
- A. Yes
- B. Maybe
- C. No



# Would you or your organization provide a letter of support for the Mud Bay EA exemption?

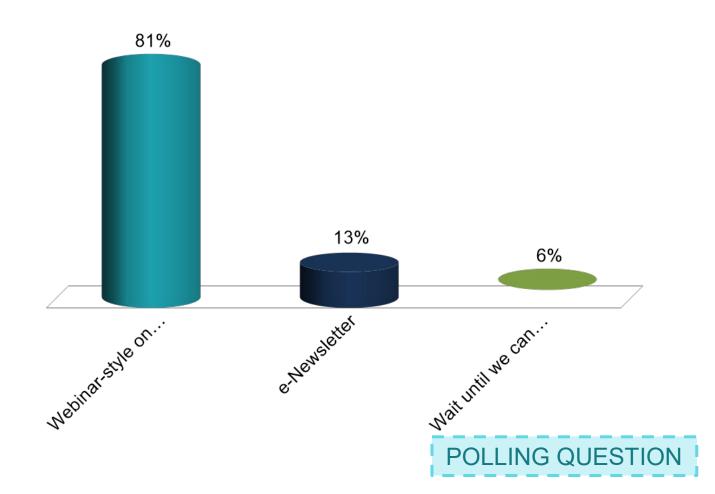


- B. Yes, once we have more information
- C. Maybe
- D. No



Considering the current COVID-19 situation, which format would work best for you for future involvement in the Advisory Group?

- A. Webinar-style online meeting
- B. e-Newsletter
- C. Wait until we can meet for an in-person workshop



## Thank you

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