Migrating Shorelines: Opportunities for Coastal Adaptation

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Adaptation Strategies

- Regrade banks to create less erosive slopes
- Install non-structural shoreline protection such as coconut fiber "burritos" or logs
- Remove eroding or flood prone roads and install stormwater treatment; limit vehicular access
- Remove low lying infrastructure (utility poles, bulkheads, abandoned structures)
- Protect low lying uplands to create migration corridors
- Restore coastal buffer; restore or create dune
- Modify activities that prevent migration of coastal habitat i.e. mowing







Allins Cove, Barrington: bank stabilization



Bank stabilization using coir envelopes

Barrington Beach: parking lot removal and stormwater infiltration

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Dune grass planting in former parking area

Asphalt being removed



Parking lot carve back area after 2 growing seasons

Erosion of western parking area

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Parking lot edge moved inland along entire length of parking lot

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stormwater infiltration areas

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Erosion from parking lot runoff



Maintenance and adaptation







Grinnell's Beach, Tiverton: Buffer Restoration and Infrastructure Removal





End of road retrofits and filter strip installation: Clark Rd, Warren



Mill Cove Road, Warwick: end of road removal and public access enhancement





Midgely Avenue, Warwick: vehicle access limited; plan to treat stormwater and restore marsh in road area



Seapowet Point, Tiverton: limited vehicle access to beach and moved parking lot inland (2016-17)



1: Eroding bluff along former parking area



2: Vehicular access limited while maintaining public access

3:Former potato field planted with warm season grasses

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Parking area being moved inland closer to Seapowet Road

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Hazard's Beach dune restoration



Narrow River, Narragansett: moving mow line inland



City Park Beach, Warwick: shoreline regrading

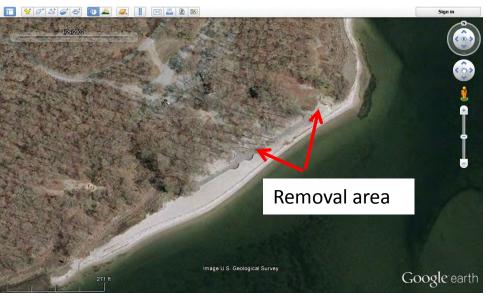
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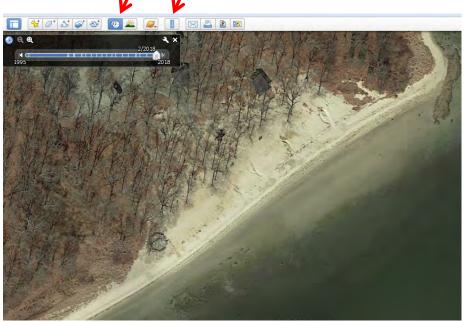
2002 Google Earth Image



2010 Google Earth Image



2018 Google Earth Image







Stillhouse Cove, Cranston: bank regrading using coir envelopes and native grasses









King Park, Newport

Aerial image 4.2013

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Coir envelope installation area 2014

Erosion along boat ramp

2018: post March Nor'easters





Grove Avenue, Warwick: pavement removal and filter strip installation

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Pettee Avenue, North Kingstown: road removal









Latham Park adaptation

Runoff redirected to bioinfiltration area placed in former parking area

Parking lot carved back and moved inland

Beach grass planting area by community volunteers

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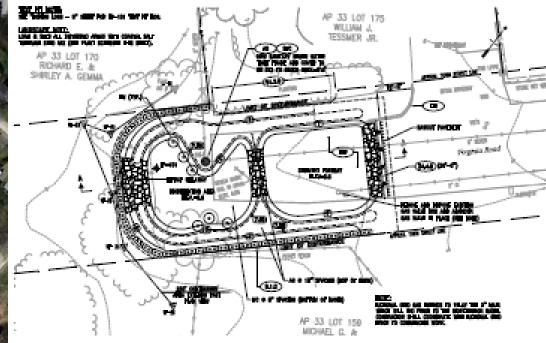








End of Road Retrofits:



Proposed end of road retrofit to remove pavement and infiltrate stormwater before entering marsh along 100 Acre Cove



Virginia Road, Barrington: end of road retrofit; installed as a stormwater mitigation for White Church Bridge project



Colt State Park, Bristol: adaptation

2: Move walking path inland to allow marsh migration; stop mowing marsh vegetation



1: Create bike lane on road and remove asphalt path

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3: Remove lower parking areas to reduce runoff and to prevent expansion of *Phragmites*



