STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK

COASTAL STORM RISK MANAGEMENT PROJECT

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
November 25, 2019
Historic Severe Flooding on Staten Island
Hurricane Sandy Devastation, Staten Island
Severe Flooding, Hylan Blvd, following Sandy
Figure 5-14: Hurricane Sandy Flood Inundation
Final Feasibility Report approved by Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) December 2016

Federal cost-share funded through Public Law 113-2

Initial Construction cost-shared
65% Federal + 35% Non-Federal

Operation & Maintenance
100% Sponsor responsibility & cost
Estimated TOTAL Project Cost $615,000,000

Estimated Federal cost-share (65%) $400,000,000

Estimated Non-Federal cost-share (35%) $215,000,000

Non-Federal cost-share includes estimated $91 Million for required real estate acquisitions and relocations (utilities, boardwalk)
Design and preparation of plans & specifications initiated 2017

Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) executed February 2019

- US Army Corps of Engineers
- State of New York
- City of New York

Initial steps included significant data gathering for design:

- surveys & mapping
- utility investigations
- wetland delineation, biological monitoring, tree surveys
- geotechnical subsurface borings
- hazardous material assessment
- cultural resource investigations
- physical modeling
- interior drainage modeling
2D Tests in 3D Coastal Basin
Overtopping and structural performance

Geotechnical Borings
AUTHORIZED PLAN

- First line of defense against severe coastal storm surge flooding, wave forces
- Designed to function under a storm that produces water levels of 0.3% (300 year) flood event under historic sea level conditions
SITE PREPARATION – PHRAGMITES CONTROL

- South Beach (E)
- New Creek (C)
- Oakwood (B)

Mowing
- Starting shortly

Spraying
- Summer

Multiple season effort to reduce growth in interior drainage areas
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
CONTRACT #1 – INTERIOR DRAINAGE AREA E
SOUTH BEACH
AWARD LATE 2020
@ Father Capodanno & Sand Lane
Interior Drainage Area E

Excavated Pond
- 31 acres, excavate 100,000 cy
- Drainage Structures connect into Sand Lane outfall
  - Quincy Ave
  - Father Capodanno Blvd
- Connection into Quintard St
- Replant & seed pond with native wetland vegetation
Interior Drainage Area E

- Drainage Structure at Quincy Ave
- Drainage Structure at Father Capodanno Blvd
CONTRACT #2 – FLOODWALL
OAKWOOD WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT
AWARD 2021
@ Oakwood Beach Waste Water Treatment Plant
Floodwall @ Oakwood Treatment Plant
1,800 feet

- Sheet pile bulkhead with concrete cap (I-wall)
- Pile supported concrete floodwall (T-Wall)
- Significant utility & sanitary line modifications
Floodwall facing creek

- Steel Sheet Pile
- I-WALL section
  - Top of Wall
  - +17.4 ft. NAVD88

- Pile supported concrete wall
- T-WALL section
  - Top of Wall
  - +19.4 ft NAVD88
Floodwall facing ocean

- Pile supported concrete wall
- T-WALL section
Top of Wall
- +19.4 ft NAVD88
Contract 3 (2021)
Interior Drainage Area C
Combines NYCDEP and Corps efforts

- NYCDEP Bluebelt construction
- Corps excavated ponds
NYCDEP - Bluebelt

**Last Chance Pond (NC-11/12) Hylan**
Under construction; completion 2021

**Pond 7 (NC-13/14) Hylan/Mason Ave**
Contract award in 2020

**Pond 4 (NC-16) Mason/Olympia Blvd**
Construction to start late 2019

**Midland Pond (NC-6) Midland/Lincoln**
Contract award in 2022
Corps - Interior Drainage Area C

Excavation of 3 Ponds below Olympia

- Pond 1 (NC-17)
- Pond 2 (NC-18/19)
- Pond 3 (NC-9/10)

- 40 Acres, excavate 170,000 cy
- Replant & seed pond with native wetland vegetation
CONTRACT #4 – LEVEE, HYLAN BLVD ROAD CLOSURE GATE, TIDE GATE
GREAT KILLS PARK & HYLAN BLVD
AWARD 2021
@ Great Kills Park and Hylan Blvd
Interior Drainage Area A

Hylan Blvd Road Closure Gate, Levee, Tide Gate
Levee - Hylan Blvd to Treatment Plant
- 3,400 ft earthen levee
- Ties into floodwall contract
- Maintenance access ramp

Tide gate on Oakwood Creek
- Three 5’x5’ gates; maintain tidal system

Open space storage area (Area A)
- North of Oakwood Treatment Plant (17 acres)

Road Closure Roller Gate
- 100 ft long and 3.9 ft high
- Across Hylan Blvd
- Between Buffalo St & Currie Ave
- Close during extreme events
Top of Levee
+16.9 ft NAVD88

Sample Levee
Top of Roller Gate
+16.9 ft NAVD88

Sample Roller Closure Gate
Sample Roller Closure Gate
CONTRACT #5 – BURIED SEAWALL, PROMENADE, INTERIOR DRAINAGE AREA B, TIDAL WETLANDS
OAKWOOD BEACH TO MILLER FIELD
AWARD 2021
BURIED SEAWALL AND PROMENADE FROM OAKWOOD BEACH TO MILLER FIELD, TIDAL WETLAND, AND INTERIOR DRAINAGE AREA B

FLOODWALL AT OAKWOOD BEACH WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT (NIC)

BURIED SEAWALL AND BOARDWALK FROM MIDLAND BEACH TO RTE WATER WADSWORTH (NIC)
@ Oakwood Beach to Miller Field
OAKWOOD TO MILLER FIELD – PROJECT FEATURES

- Buried Rock Seawall, with promenade
- 2 Tide Gates
- Storm water Outfall Gates
- Excavated Pond (Area B) + Open space storage areas
- Tidal Wetlands
- Miller Field Cultural Mitigation, Fire Tower, Memorial
- Removal of existing Oakwood Beach Tide Gate
Buried Rock Seawall with promenade, from Floodwall Contract thru Miller Field; 9,400 ft., covered with sand, planted with dune grass

Top of Seawall  
+21.4 ft NAVD88

Top of Promenade  
+23.4 ft NAVD88

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CEDAR GROVE - TYPICAL SECTION (STA 45+75 - 63+80)
2 Tide Gates
- near Kissam Ave
- allows interior drainage out

Gate Chambers on existing stormwater outfalls
- Tysens, Ebbitts, New Dorp
- Closed during storm events
- Normally open to allow interior drainage out

Excavated Pond
- east of Kissam Ave (48 acres)

Open space storage areas
- Cedar Grove, New Dorp
Interior Drainage Area B

Excavated Pond
- 48 acres, excavate 125,000 cy

Drainage Structures
- Tide gate on Oakwood Creek
- Into Tysens Lane outfall
- Replant & seed pond with native wetland vegetation
Sample Access ramps
- Tarlton St
- Tysens Ave
- Ebbitts St
- New Dorp Lane
- Miller Field

Sewer access
Tidal Wetlands

- To be constructed on ocean side of buried seawall
- from Fox Lane to Tysens
- Mosaic of habitats
  - low and high marsh
  - tidal creek
  - salt marsh
  - upland dune grasses
  - maritime shrub
  - maritime forest
- Relocate Memorial to new location
- Remove Fire Tower, complete cultural documentation
- Cultural Mitigation for view shed impacts to Army Historic District; NYSHPO
CONTRACT #6 – BURIED SEAWALL, NEW BOARDWALK MIDLAND BEACH TO FORT WADSWORTH

AWARD 2022

Contract 6 (2022)
Midland Beach to Fort Wadsworth
Buried Seawall + new Boardwalk
- Buried Rock Seawall
  - New Boardwalk, new access ramps & stairs
- Gate Chambers on existing Storm Water Outfalls
  - Greely, Midland, Naughton, Seaview, Quintard, Sand Lane
- Construction Staging Areas; to be restored

@ Midland Beach to Fort Wadsworth
Design coordination underway

- Design features of new boardwalk, new access locations (ramps/stairs)
- Project integration with existing Parks facilities
- Design accommodations to incorporate City future storm water plans
- Staging areas to be utilized during entire construction

Top of Seawall
+21.4 ft NAVD88

Top of Boardwalk
+23.4 ft NAVD88
CONTRACT #7 – MILLER FIELD OFFSET

AWARD 2021

- Offset the project’s impact to the visitor experience at Miller Field
- Enhancement of swamp white oak forest and public access
- Coordination with NPS
DESIGN EFFORTS UNDERWAY

- Existing Utility Lines, Sanitary Lines, etc
- Tree Restitution
- Construction Methodology for seawall, boardwalk
- Public Access during project construction to beaches, boardwalk, Parks facilities, staging areas
- Design packages 30%, 60%, 90%, 100%, contract advertisement
- Required Technical Reviews Corps value engineering, Corps technical reviews, NYS & NYC reviews, Independent External Peer Reviews
- Real Estate Acquisitions over 700+ parcels required for project
Corps Risk Assessment & Coordination with FEMA National Flood Insurance Program

- Corps prepares initial risk assessment
- Evaluates life and economic consequences, hazard curves, potential failure mode analysis, annual probability of inundation
- Results refine project designs and provide initial recommendations for NFIP accreditation
- Assessment underway (Design + Post Construction)
- Continuing coordination with FEMA
SEA LEVEL CHANGE ADAPTABILITY

- Project features (Road Closure Gate, Levee, Floodwall, Tide Gates, Buried Seawall) are all designed for potential future adaptability
- Can increase project height by additional 3 feet
RESIDUAL FLOODING

- Project will significantly reduce interior flooding from current existing conditions

- Low level damages from interior run-off flooding in some parts of the project area will continue even with the project in place

- There still exists potential for occurrences where coastal storm levels exceed the design level of the project

- RESIDENTS MUST CONTINUE TO FOLLOW NYC EVACUATION ORDERS AND PROTOCOLS TO HELP DECREASE RISKS TO LIFE SAFETY IN THE EVENT OF A SEVERE COASTAL STORM
Contract Awards

2020
- Interior Area E

2021
- Floodwall
- Interior Area C
- Levee & Road Gate
- Oakwood to Miller Field (Area B, Tidal Wetlands)

2022
- Midland to Ft Wadsworth (boardwalk)
Continuous coordination with project sponsors, stakeholders, congressional interests, public

Additional information will be provided as we progress each contract towards construction

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