

# What happens when a breach occurs?

## Environmental Effects

- Habitat creation and exchange
- Spit and shoal creation in back bay
- Changed water quality
- Natural process

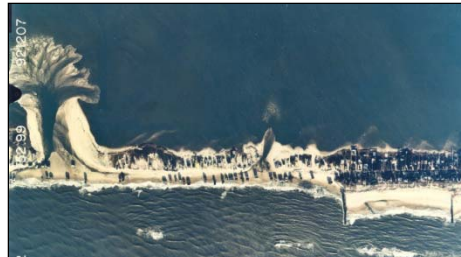
## Storm Damage Effects

- Damage to property and infrastructure
- Potential breach growth
- Increased tidal range
- Channel shoaling
- Downtide erosion
- Increased risk of mainland flooding

## Westhampton Beach Evolution



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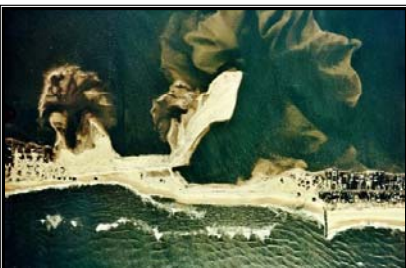
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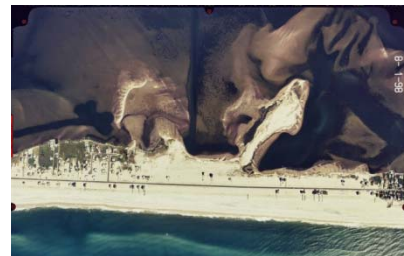
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