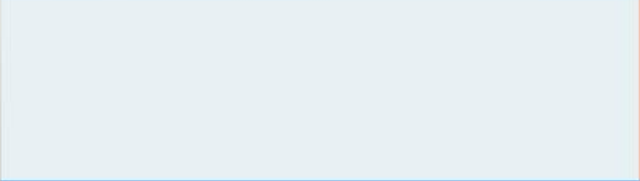


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Matt Markot
Bridgton/Lakes Region

Watershed Resilience

The Challenge

- Forestland conversion

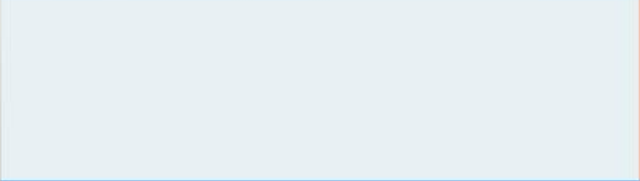
Process

- Relationship building (local, regional, beyond) has been key.
- Pivot point was creation of Sebago Clean Waters in 2017, a regional conservation collaborative.

Solutions/Results

- Escalating the pace of forestland conservation, open space plan, proactive open space protection





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Julie Hashem
Rockland

Climate-Ready Infrastructure for Rockland's Downtown Waterfront

The Challenge

- Aging infrastructure at the end of its useful life
- Diverse commercial and recreational uses and perspectives
- Unrealized community development opportunities
- Past ideas/proposals that didn't move forward
- A large, complex project in a small community with limited funding
- **Risks from sea level rise and storm surge**

Climate action is an opportunity for many co-benefits.



Process

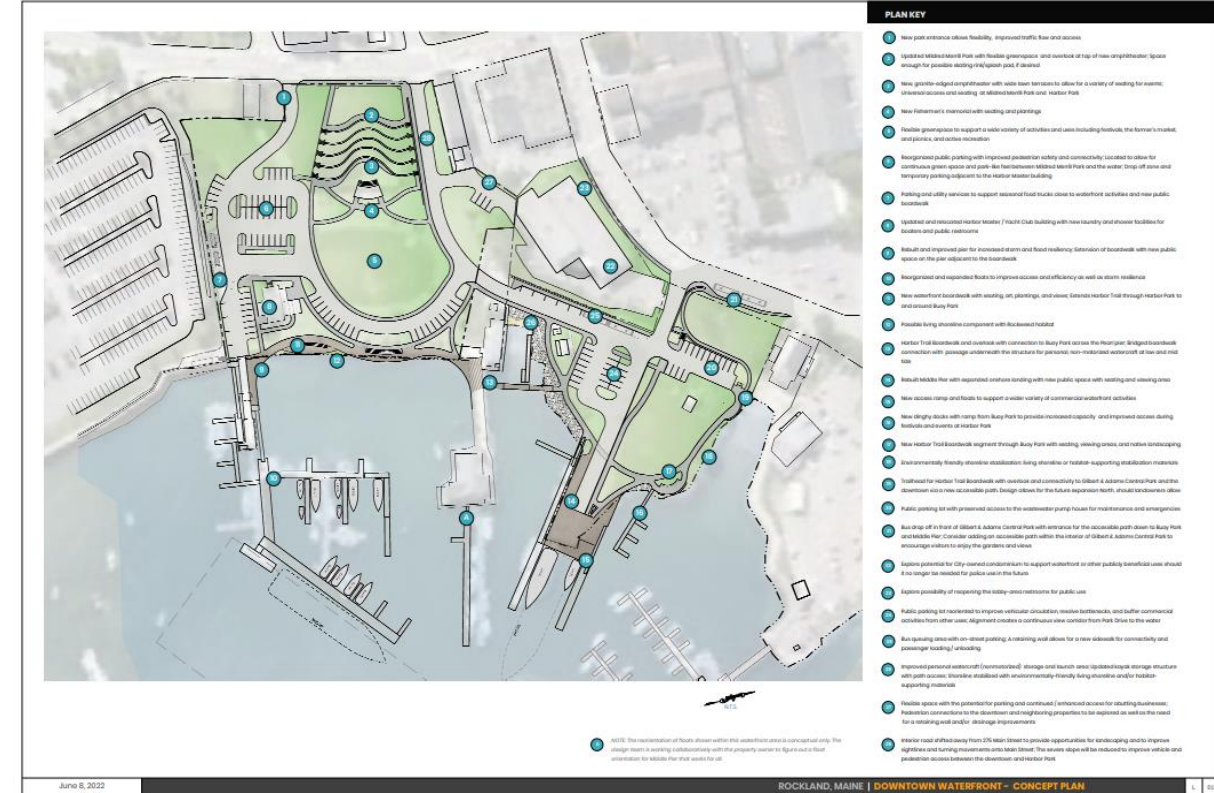
- A focus on building consensus
- An inclusive process
- Multiple steps, with increasing levels of detail
 - Harbor Management Plan
 - Concept Planning for City-owned infrastructure on the Downtown Waterfront
 - Preliminary engineering and more detailed cost estimates
- Resources
 - Maine Coastal Program's Shore & Harbor Planning Grant
 - Maine Community Action Grant
- Next up: federal grants for implementation

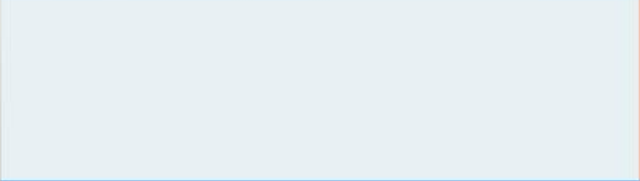


Solutions/Results

- Development of a shared vision and a path forward
- Many climate-related components (resilient infrastructure, stormwater management, pedestrian connections, living shoreline, more greenspace/less asphalt)
- Preparation for federal grant applications
- Flexible resilience

Climate action. Community development. Necessary repairs.
A catalyst for economic development Resilience
planning. Whatever we call it – it's an opportunity.





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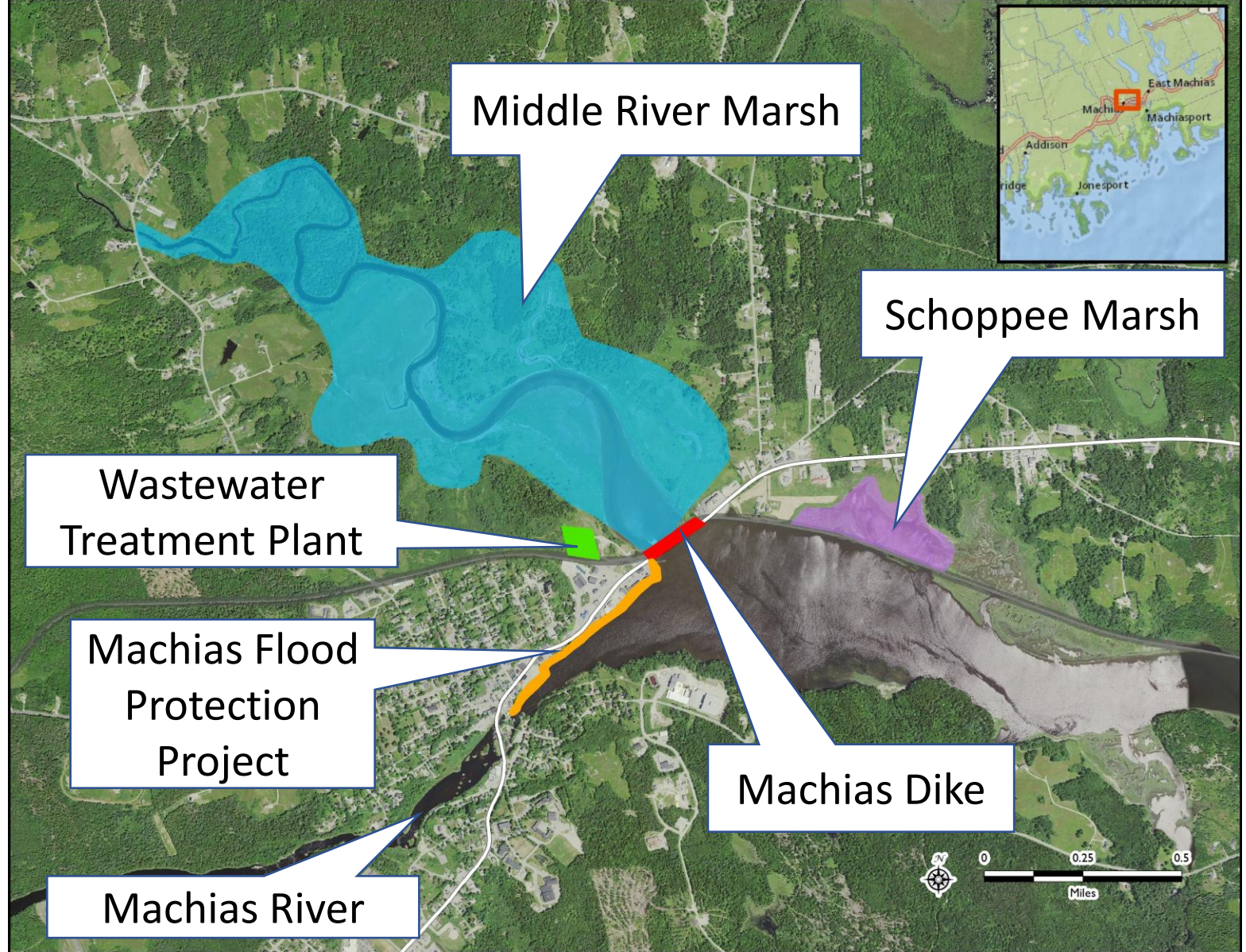
William Kitchen
Machias

Managing Complexity

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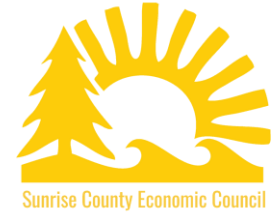
The Challenge

- Four complex and interrelated projects



Process

- Align resilience, economic, environmental and cultural goals across projects and stakeholders
- Surround yourself with experts, and establish platforms for open & constructive, cross-project communication



Solutions

- Recognize that the four initiatives must ultimately fit together in myriad ways figuratively, but also physically
- Secure Planning Assistance to oversee and facilitate the big picture, "**Machias Bay Master Plan**"

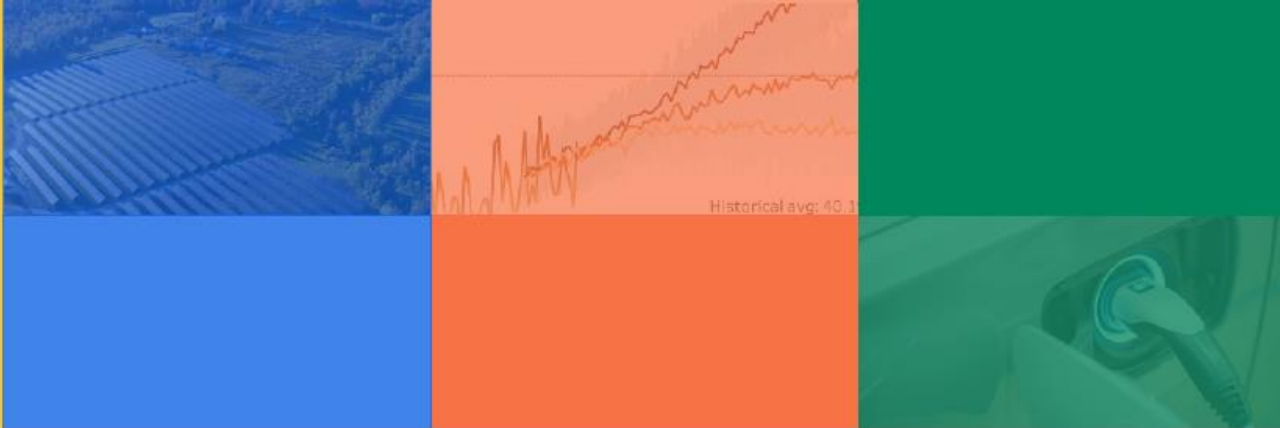


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JUNE 17, 2022 8:30AM – 4:00 PM
AUGUSTA CIVIC CENTER, 76 COMMUNITY DR, AUGUSTA, ME



9:00 AM Welcome & Opening Remarks
(livestreamed)

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MCC co-chairs Hannah Pingree and Melanie Loyzim
Remarks from Maine's congressional delegation
Janet Mills, Governor of Maine

12:00 PM Networking Lunch

Auditorium

10:00 AM Morning Session One

Getting Started *(livestreamed)*
Understanding Social Vulnerability
Efficiency Begins at Home

1:00 PM Keynote: Gina McCarthy,
White House National Climate Advisor

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Livestreamed

11:00 AM Morning Session Two

The Future of Transportation *(livestreamed)*
Climate Ready Communities
Engaging Your Community

1:45 & 2:45 PM Afternoon Workshop Sessions 1 & 2

See printed agenda for full list & available livestreams

3:30 PM Adjourn