





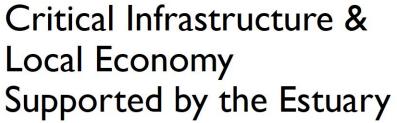


Building Capacity for Natural Disaster Planning, Response and Recovery

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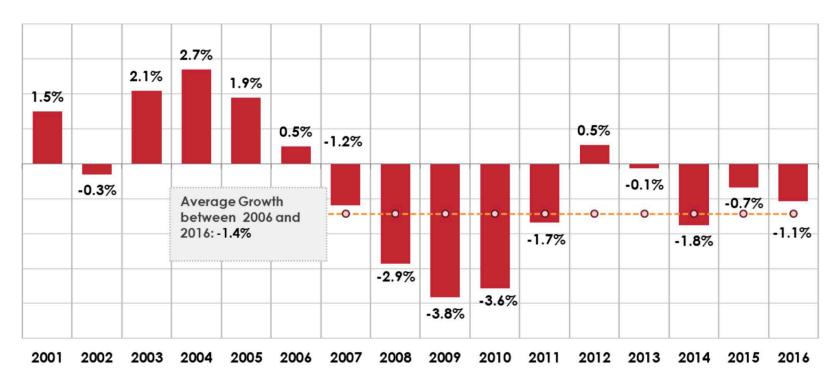
- Over I million tourists visit the port through 700 annual cruise ship trips
- 9.8 million travelers use the Luis Muñoz Marín International Airport, located in the watershed
- The San Juan Bay port is the 17th largest worldwide
- Receives 80% of the products imported to Puerto Rico.
- 602 MW Power Plant in Cataño



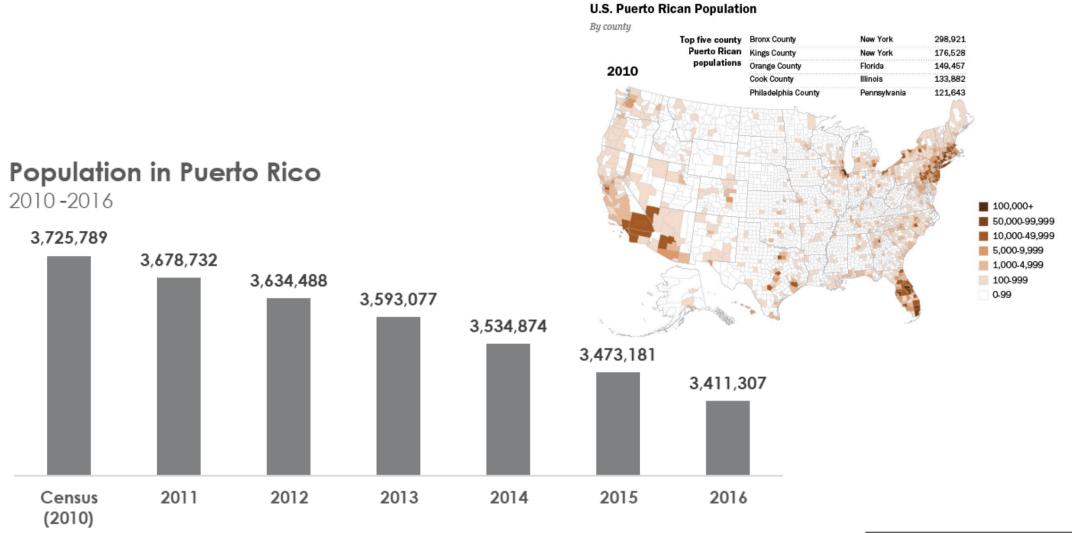
Before Maria: Economic Recession

Real GNP Growth in Puerto Rico

Fiscal Years -- 2001 - 2016



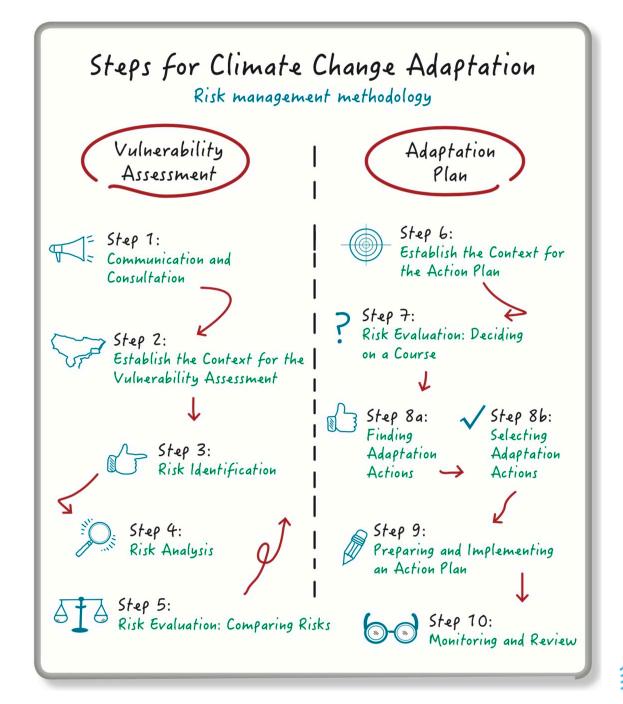
Before Maria: Population Loss



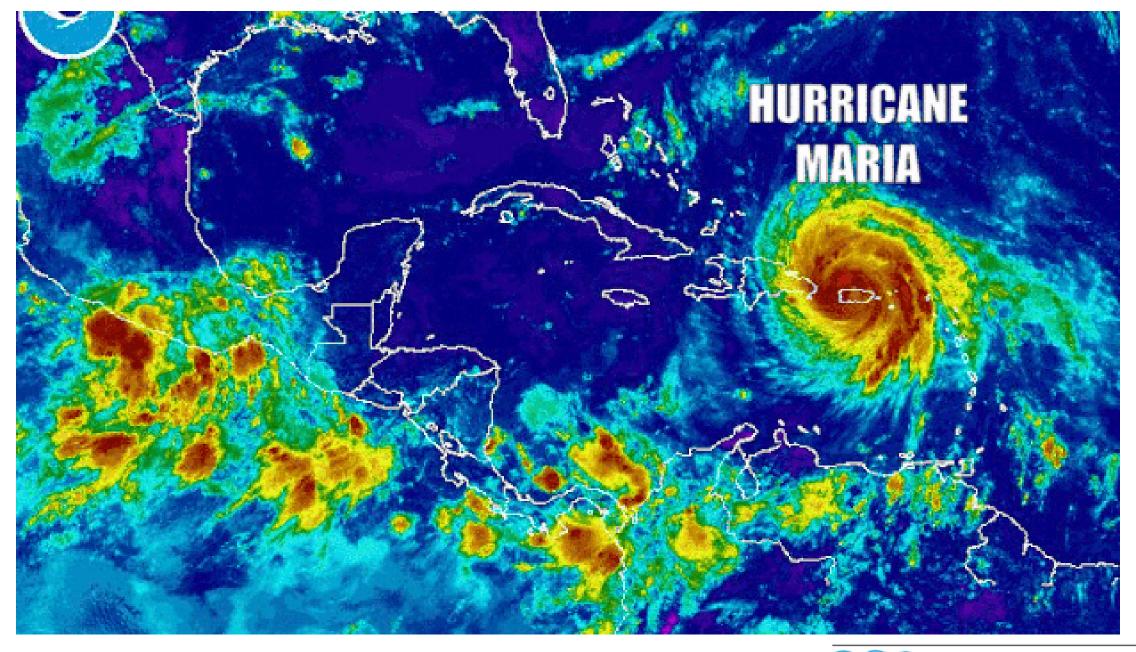




#Planning







#Response





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- A preliminary overall assessment of the damages and needs of the San Juan Bay watershed was performed.
- The need of removing debris that has been accumulating in critical infrastructure was prioritized.
- A rapid needs assessment was performed to guide the relief and ecological restoration projects on the ground.
- The Program installed solar systems in resilient hubs and distributed resources as needed.

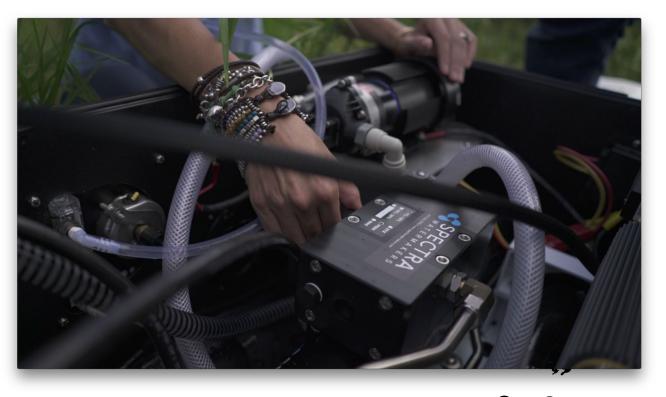


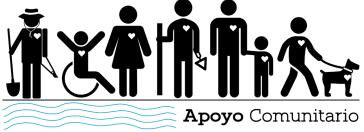
Community Support: Safe Water











Community Support: Renewable Energy





Community Support: Water Filter Distribution





Environmental Assessment: Alert System







Infrastructure Support

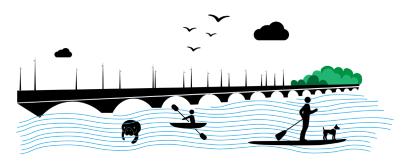






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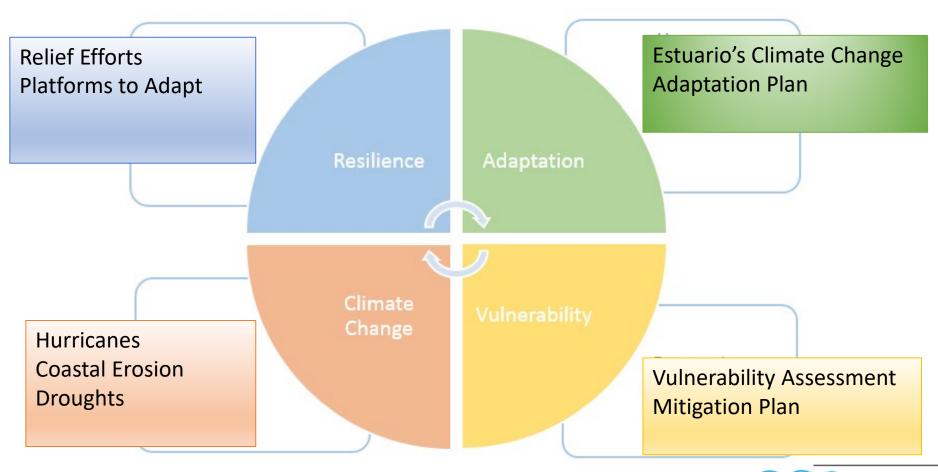


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#Recovery



An Interconnection between Climate Change, Adaptability, Vulnerability and Resilience





Transformation of Estuario's Relief Efforts into a *Community Resilience Unit*

- 1. Urban Forests Network
- 2. Green Infrastructure Master Plan
- 3. Community Water Network
- 4. Vulnerability Assessment of the System
- 5. Watershed Based Mitigation Plan
- 6. Community Development Corporation

Preparedness through Community Resilience Coordinators



- Urban Waters Program Relief Efforts in the Urban Watershed of the San Juan Bay Estuary
- Improve access to clean water
- Improve connectivity and water quality in the watershed
- Promote the use of sustainable materials / and better handling of debris and solid waste.
- Improve community preparedness and resilience in the face of extreme events



Components of Estuario's Community Resilience

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Public Health & althcare Access



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Environmental Education & Training



Economic Empowerment









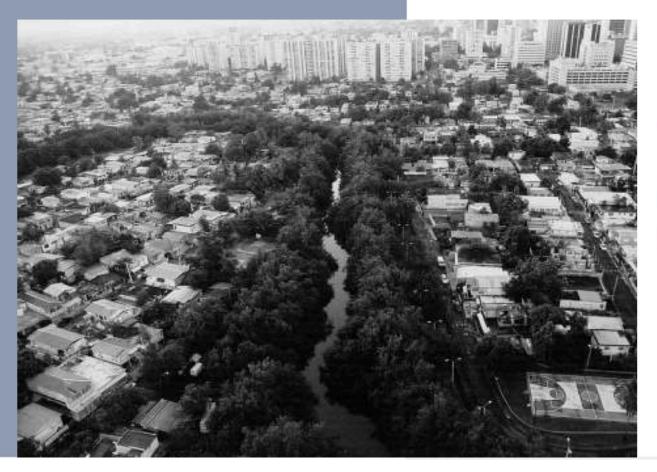
WQ Sampling at the Watershed Level

SJBE Watershed DP (mg/L) Sampling December 2017 Good Moderate Enriched Impaired Category DP Rank (mg/L) Critical Good < 0.06 SJBE Watershed 0.06-0.12 Moderate Contract No.: C72-250-02 **Enriched** 0.12-0.22 **Impaired** 0.22-0.5 Estuario de la Bahía de San Juan >0.5 Critical 3,100 Meters

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CAÑO MARTÍN PEÑA RESTORATION AND RESILIENCY PROJECT



Estimated Cost

\$1,000,000,000

Proposed Funding Source

USACE

Other Possible Funding Sources

HM, CDBG-DR



Caño Martín Peña Restoration and Resiliency



DESCRIPTION

Caño Martin Peña Ecosystem Restoration Project (dredging of 2.2 miles of the eastern channel) authorized under WRDA 2007, including LEERDs and other non federal components; wastewater and storm water sewers with green infrastructure components, potable water distribution system, and the Paseo del Caño; and associated relocation of approximately 1,000 families, construction of new resilient homes in available lots and improvements to homes and public facilities.

IMPACT

70% of the communities flooded with wastewater during several days, around 1,000 homes lost part or all the roof, or were destroyed, trees fell into the tidal channel further blocking the channel, which affects San Juan Bay Estuary Area.

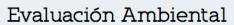
LONG-TERM BENEFIT AND OPPORTUNITIES

The main benefit of the project is the improvement of the health conditions of 15,000+ persons that are frequently exposed to contaminated water and diseases. On the economic side partial estimates point to benefits of \$587 million to the Puerto Rican economy.











Apoyo Comunitario



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