

RDN Maps Coastal Flood Hazards

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) has completed a project mapping flood hazards along the coast and is making the maps available to the public. Developed for the RDN's *Sea Level Rise and Climate Adaptation Program*, the maps show land susceptible to flooding from the sea, providing vital information for flood mitigation, land use planning and emergency management. This information will be used by engineers and the development industry to plan construction projects near the coast. It will also help plan for emergencies and inform updates to the RDN's development policies and bylaws.

"The RDN recognizes the importance of having a better understanding of coastal flood hazards, especially in the context of changing sea levels," said RDN Chair Ian Thorpe. "These maps will ensure development near the coast is done with an eye to the future and with the most up-to-date information available."


The RDN's *Sea Level Rise and Climate Adaptation Program* is being implemented in phases over the next five years in collaboration and consultation with regional partners and the public. The project was partly funded through a grant from the Province of BC's Community Emergency Preparedness Fund.

To learn more about the program and to view the Coastal Flood Hazard Maps visit www.rdn.bc.ca/sea-level-rise-adaptation-program

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