



<b>Name</b>	<b>A Coastal Areas Protection Policy for New Brunswick (2002)</b>
<b>Description</b>	<p>The goals of the project were to forecast likely climate changes, anticipate their physical impacts in relation to sustainable management and community resilience, and identify potential adaptation strategies. This involved rigorous scientific research into how the coastal area has changed in past years and making predictions about how it will change over the next 100 years. Using very precise surveying methods, some members of the research team constructed flood-risk maps to identify the extent of flooding for water levels in 10 cm increments, up to four metres above mean sea level. Other members of the team collaborated with local industry, government and community members to obtain an understanding of priorities and local capacity to adapt to accelerated changes.</p> <p>This document, seeks to inform New Brunswickers about the Government's plans for protecting the province's coastal areas--covering what is important to protect in our coastal areas and why, and explaining how future development and activity will be governed using established zones based on environmental sensitivity. The Coastal Areas Protection Policy is designed to manage our land-based coastal resources through sustainable development to ensure a balance between growth and environmental integrity. The policy establishes minimum standards for the management and sustainable development of coastal lands in unincorporated areas of the province. Municipal governments would be required to manage growth and development on coastal lands in a fashion consistent with the needs and aspirations of each community. The policy aims to protect local coastal features such as beaches, dunes, and coastal marshes, while maintaining a commitment to manage the development of coastal areas provincially.</p>
<b>Type</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PRODUCTS: Other</li> <li>- PRODUCTS: Regulatory/ Policy Guidance</li> </ul>
<b>Sector</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Infrastructure</li> <li>- Natural Ecosystems</li> </ul>
<b>Focus Area</b>	- Coasts and Climate Resilience (including sea-level rise)
<b>Region</b>	- International
<b>Lead Agencies</b>	New Brunswick Department of Environment and Local Government--Sustainable Planning Branch