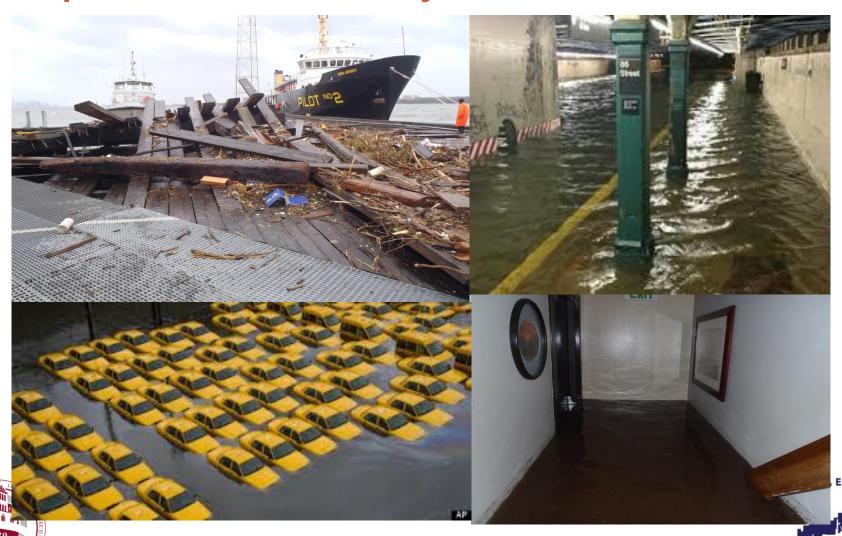
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Super-Storm Sandy



Sea-Level Rise Impact

Current Year Storm

100 year storm

500 year storm

End of the Century Occurrence

Every 3 – 20 years

Every 25 – 240 years



Lin, N., Emanuel, K., Oppenheimer, M., & Vanmarcke, E. (2012). *Physically based assessment of hurricane surge threat under climate change.* Nature Climate Change.

Lessons Learned

Successes

- Cooperation between agencies
- Effective training/ preparedness measures

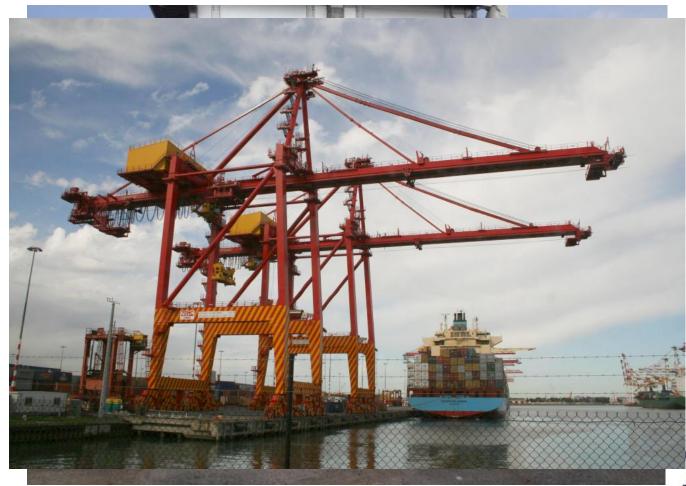
Challenges

- Understanding of storm surge predictions
- Power outages
- Stockpiled equipment
- Building design





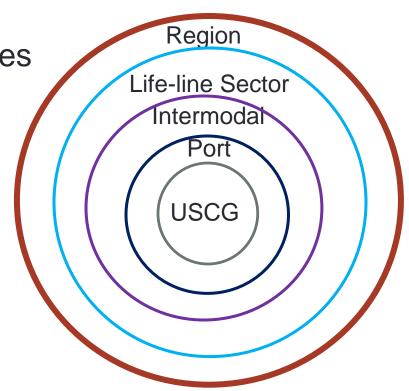
Preparing for the Future





Translating Lessons Learned to Other Ports

- Cooperative relationships
- Collaborative training opportunities
- Improved building design
- Operational changes







Conclusions

- Agency collaboration impacts preparedness and response to disruptions
- Ports have to be prepared to handle extreme weather events
- Maritime Transportation System resilience needs to be the ultimate goal





Questions?





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