



Working Waterfronts

St. George Round-Table Discussion
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Working Waterfront Study:

What
Who
Why
How



What:

Examine the value of St. George's working waterfronts and how rising tides and more storms could impact infrastructure, jobs and families.

Help St. George community strategize ways to adapt and thrive.

Who:

You! An interest group from the fishing and aquaculture community, associated businesses, interested people



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Why:

Important to the economy and community

- \$157 million in lobster landings between 2010 and 2019*
- Plus, scallops, ground fish, clams, oysters
- Exports throughout New England, USA, European Union and the Far East
- Important for tourism
- Supports working families
- Identity, culture and heritage

Investments needed for improvements to keep working.

What are the options?

*Source: Maine Department of Marine Resources landings data portal

How:

Collect Data

- GIS, demographic, economic data
- Convene an interest group
- Conduct surveys

Summarize What We Learned

- Economic benefits
- Risks to infrastructure, businesses & families
- Recommendations based on community feedback for ways to adapt and thrive

Winter

Spring

Summer

Early Fall

Analyze Data

- Highlight economic benefits
- Climate risk mapping
- Risk to vulnerable populations
- Cost/benefit analysis on 1 working waterfront site

Share results

- Host events to share “lessons learned” with others

Thank you

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