



# Earth & Environmental Systems Modeling

## C. Coastal

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# Biggest three challenges/opportunities for EESM coastal research

## Continue to improve flood modeling

- a. Large-scale drivers and dynamics
- b. Need high resolution and large ensembles
- c. Uncertainty characterization
- d. Impacts and adaptive responses
- e. Data availability especially for AI/ML
- f. Etc.

## Move beyond flood risk

- a. Biogeochemistry and water quality
- b. Coastal ecosystems
- c. Marsh dynamics
- d. Land use and land cover change
- e. Ecosystem services
- f. Health and well-being impacts
- g. Etc.

## 3. Align with stakeholder needs

- a. Metrics (e.g., time-dependent resilience, AI?)
- b. Making model output more accessible/relevant
- c. Improve two-way information exchange
- d. Communicating uncertainties
- e. Prioritizing model development/application
- f. Etc.

## 4. Develop technical capabilities

- a. Strategy for AI/ML in coastal modeling
- b. Cross-program data and tool integration
- c. Limits of regional refinement
- d. Human system modeling
- e. Coupling strategies and tools
- f. Resolving regional influences at global scales
- g. Etc.