

Cook Is Coastal Calculator



Mangaia
Harbour
Cook Islands



2005 Cyclone Mena



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Coastal Calculator, Purpose

Its main use to assist climate change risk assessments

- **Climate Proofing land and development planning**
 - Assessing areas at potential risk from inundation
 - Setting Coastal Hazards & set-back lines
 - Setting minimum ground or floor levels for development
 - Establish extent of existing building inundation risk
- **Coastal Engineering**
 - Derive coastal structure design
 - Accessing adequacy of the design of coastal structures
 - Basic coastal engineering profile design optimization
 - Basic assessment of how overtopping of existing coastal defence structures may change & how this relates to dangerous overtopping limits



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Input data

1. Select conditions

Island:

Select wave conditions:

Select ENSO State:

2. Reef flat characteristics HELP

Width of the reef flat: m

Enter reef crest and landward levels:

Level of landward edge of reef: m relative to MSL

Reef crest level: m relative to MSL

Level of the top of any beachrock: m relative to MSL

Wave breaking location:

Angle of reef face slope (1 in x):

Reef flat characteristics:

3. Shoreline / seawall characteristics HELP

Shoreline type:

Revetment crest level: m relative to MSL

Average revetment slope (1 in x):

Revetment crest width: m

Seawall (revetment) armouring:

Revetment crest wall:



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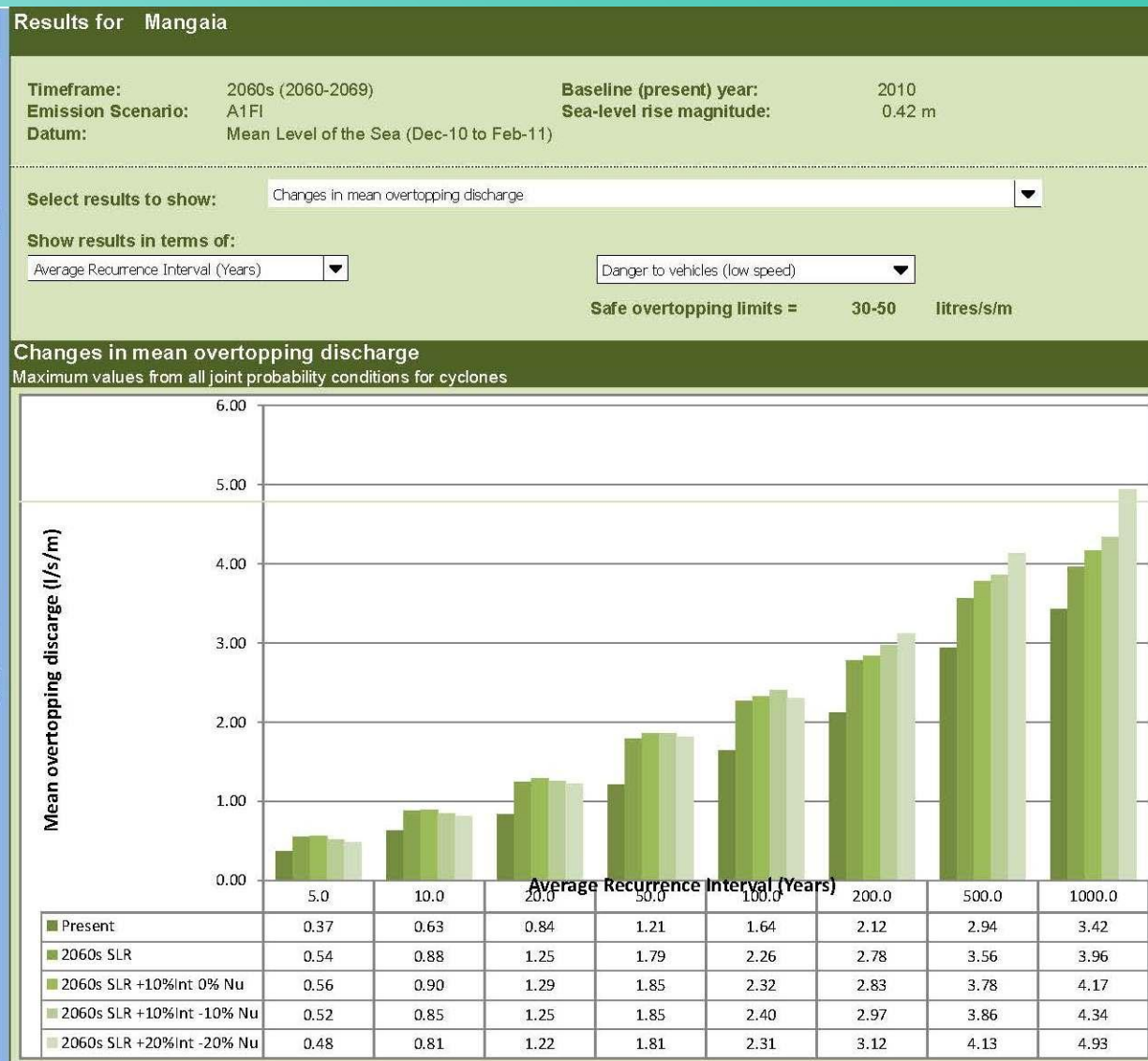
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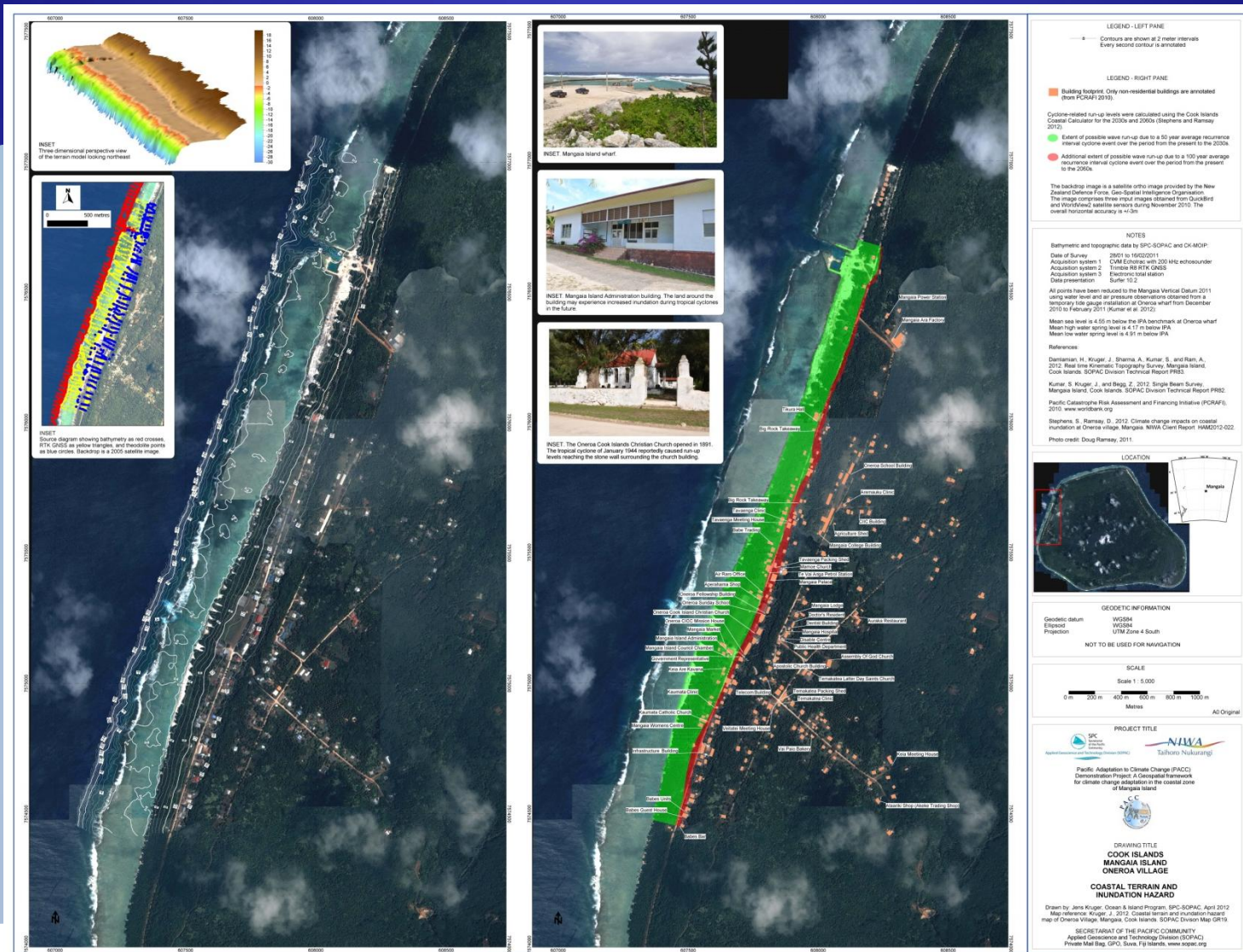
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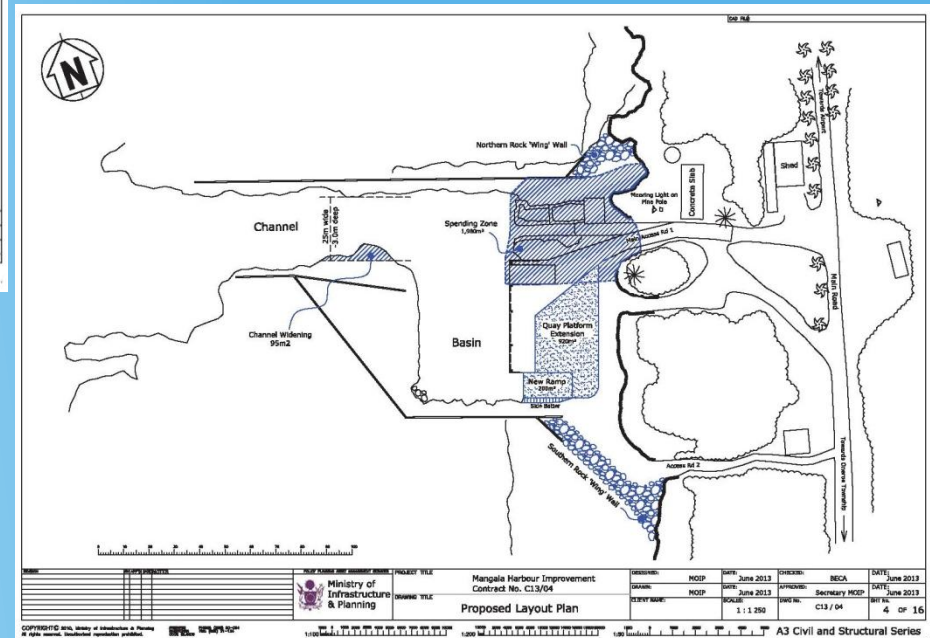
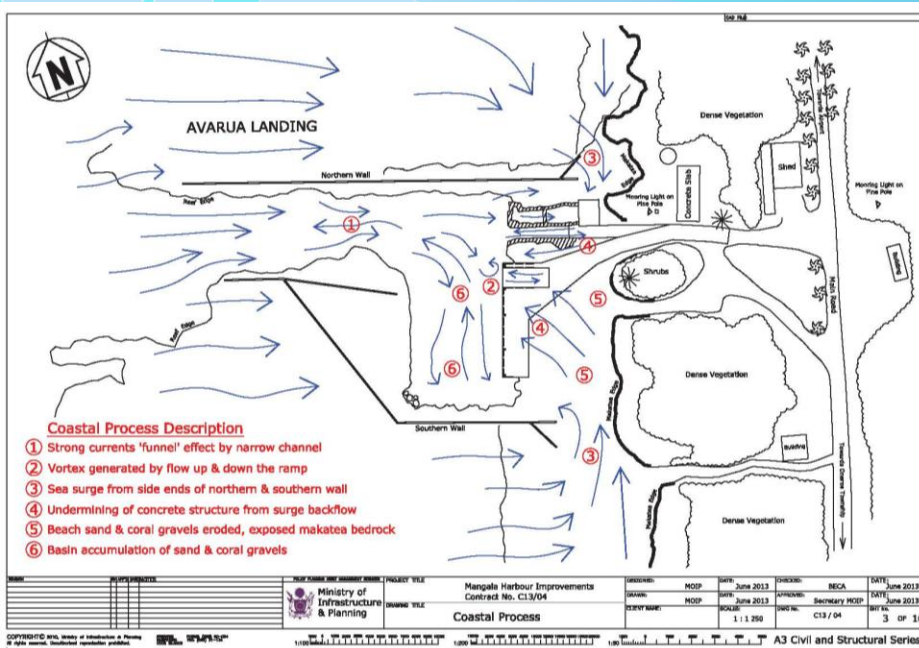
Coastal Terrain & Inundation Hazard Map



Coastal Engineering – Harbour Strengthening

Present wave action at the Harbour Main Risks

1. Storm surge / wave run-up
2. Sea Level Rise



IMPLEMENTATION OPTIONS

- Channel widen & deepen
- Spending zone
- Platform Extension
- Ramp relocation
- Raised rockwall (north & south)



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Widen Channel 30m

Relocate New Ramp

Concrete Seawall

Spending Zone

Quay Platform Extension

Concrete Seawall

Climate Science & Traditional Knowledge



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Challengers

1. Coastal Calculator took 2 years to develop & very expensive
2. Too technical difficult to translate to Cook Is Maori language
3. Effectiveness of the climate proof design, long term beyond project life



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What would we do different, if we did the same project again.....

“Wider the scoop of study”

- Incorporate other tools like Rainfall Calculator
- Undertake physical model assessment
- Address flooding as well as coastal impacts



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