

# When All Else Fails.....Pump

A Case Study  
in  
the City of St. Pete Beach

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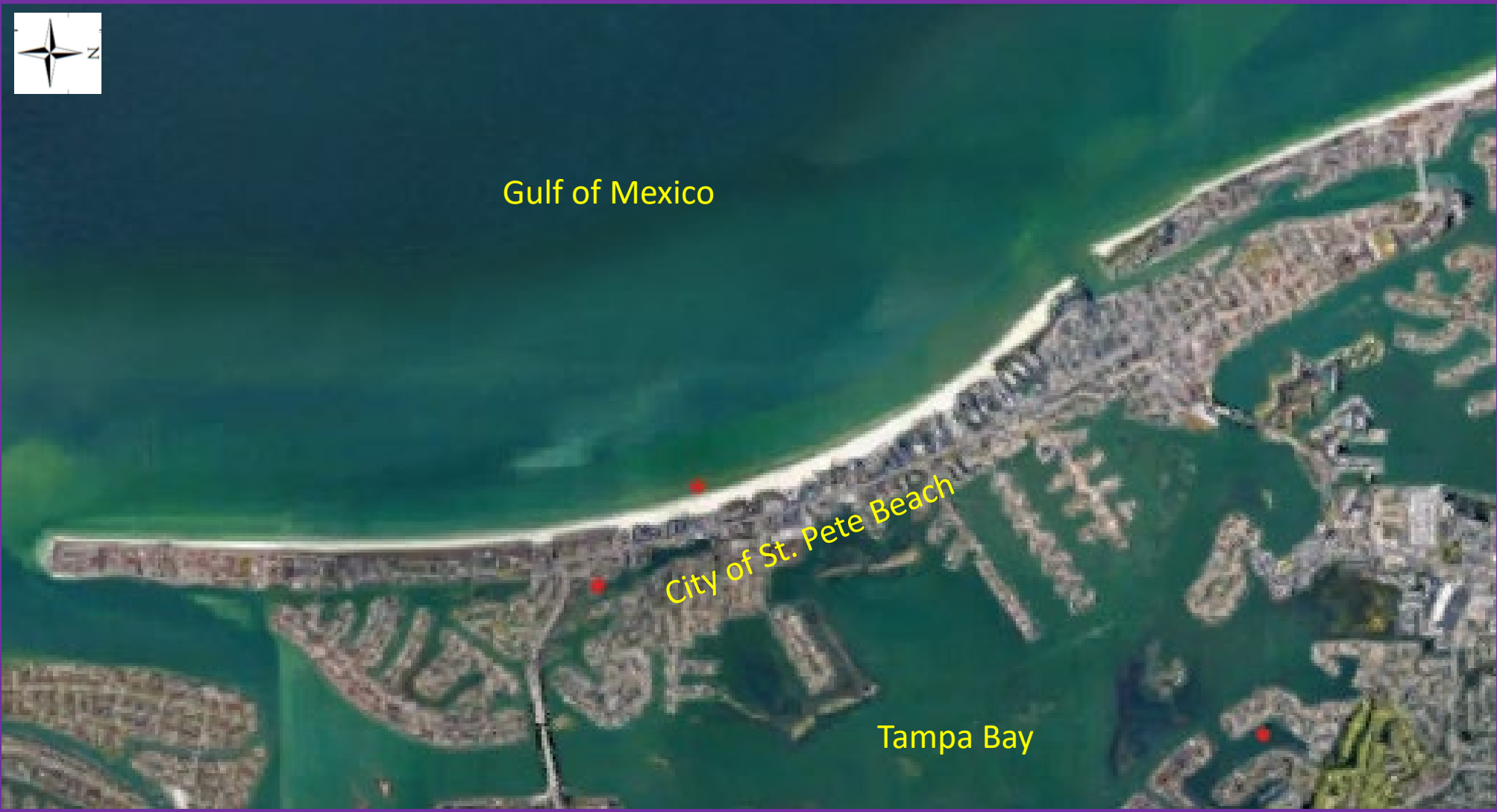
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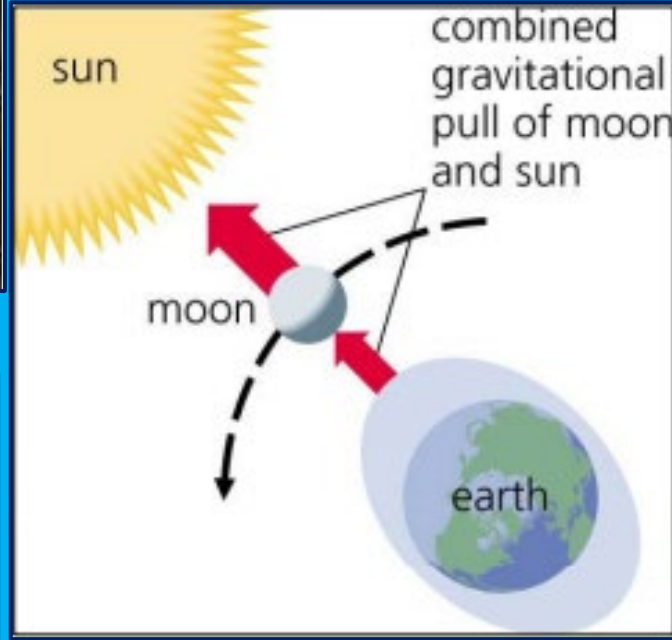
But.....

**.....This beautiful city, like many island communities in Florida, also faces severe flooding threats from....**

- **High Tides (King Tides)**
- **Sea Level Rise**
- **Large Storm Events**
- **Hurricanes (Discussed only indirectly herein)**



# King Tide Flooding in St. Pete Beach in 2017



**Highest King Tide in Last 5 Years = 3.91 ft. Above MSL**



# Sea Level Rise (SLR)

## 2019 CSAP Projections for Intermediate Sea Level Rise

Year	SLR (ft.)	Incremental Rise in ft.
2030	0.79	
2040	1.08	0.29
2050	1.44	0.36
2060	1.87	0.43
2070	2.33	0.46
2080	2.82	0.49
2090	3.38	0.52
2100	3.90	0.52

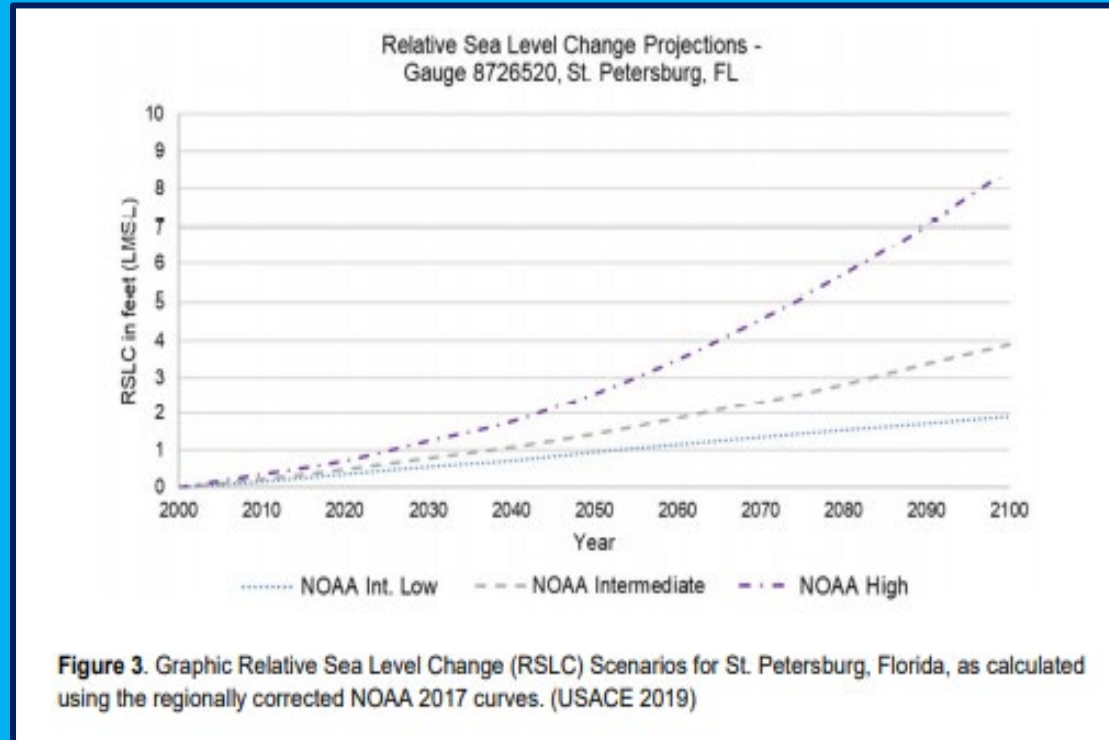


Figure 3. Graphic Relative Sea Level Change (RSLC) Scenarios for St. Petersburg, Florida, as calculated using the regionally corrected NOAA 2017 curves. (USACE 2019)

**CAUTION: In less than 5 years, projections were revised by TBCSAP upwards. Therefore, what is projected today for 2050 SLR may possibly occur even earlier than 2050.**

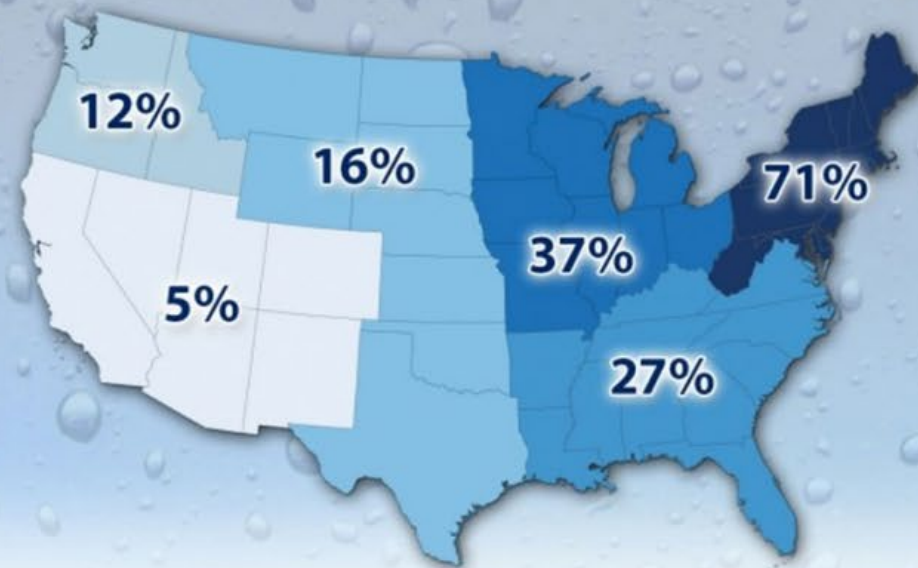
## CSAP Projections for High Sea Level Rise

Year	2015 SLR (ft)	2019 SLR (ft)
2030	1.00	1.25
2040	1.40	1.77
2050	2.22	2.56
2060	3.00	3.48
2070	3.80	4.56
2080	4.80	5.71
2090	5.75	7.05
2100	6.89	8.50

*“....It is predicted that by 2025 three-quarters of the world's population will reside in coastal zones, many of which will be exposed or vulnerable to the impacts of flooding.” – Edward Barsley*



## Heavy Downpours Increasing



Percent increase from 1958 to 2012 in the amount of precipitation falling in very heavy events.  
 Very Heavy Precipitation is defined as the heaviest 1% of all daily events from 1958-2012.

Source: Kenneth Kunkel, Cooperative Institute for Climate and Satellites, North Carolina State University and NOAA NCDC

CLIMATE CENTRAL

More than **260,000 Virginians** live in areas at an **elevated risk of inland flooding**

**81,000 Maryland** citizens at **risk of coastal flooding**.  
**38,000 more** by 2050 due to sea level rise

**Florida** has **3.5 million** people at risk of **coastal flooding**. By 2050, an **additional 1.1 million people** are projected to be at risk due to **sea level rise**

<https://statesatrisk.org/>



# Large Storm Events

Return Period	24-Hour Rainfall	
(Years)	(inches)	(MG per Acre)
5	6.0 6.23	0.16
10	7.5 7.53	0.20
25	9.0 9.67	0.24
50	10.0 11.6	0.27
100	11.0 13.8	0.30

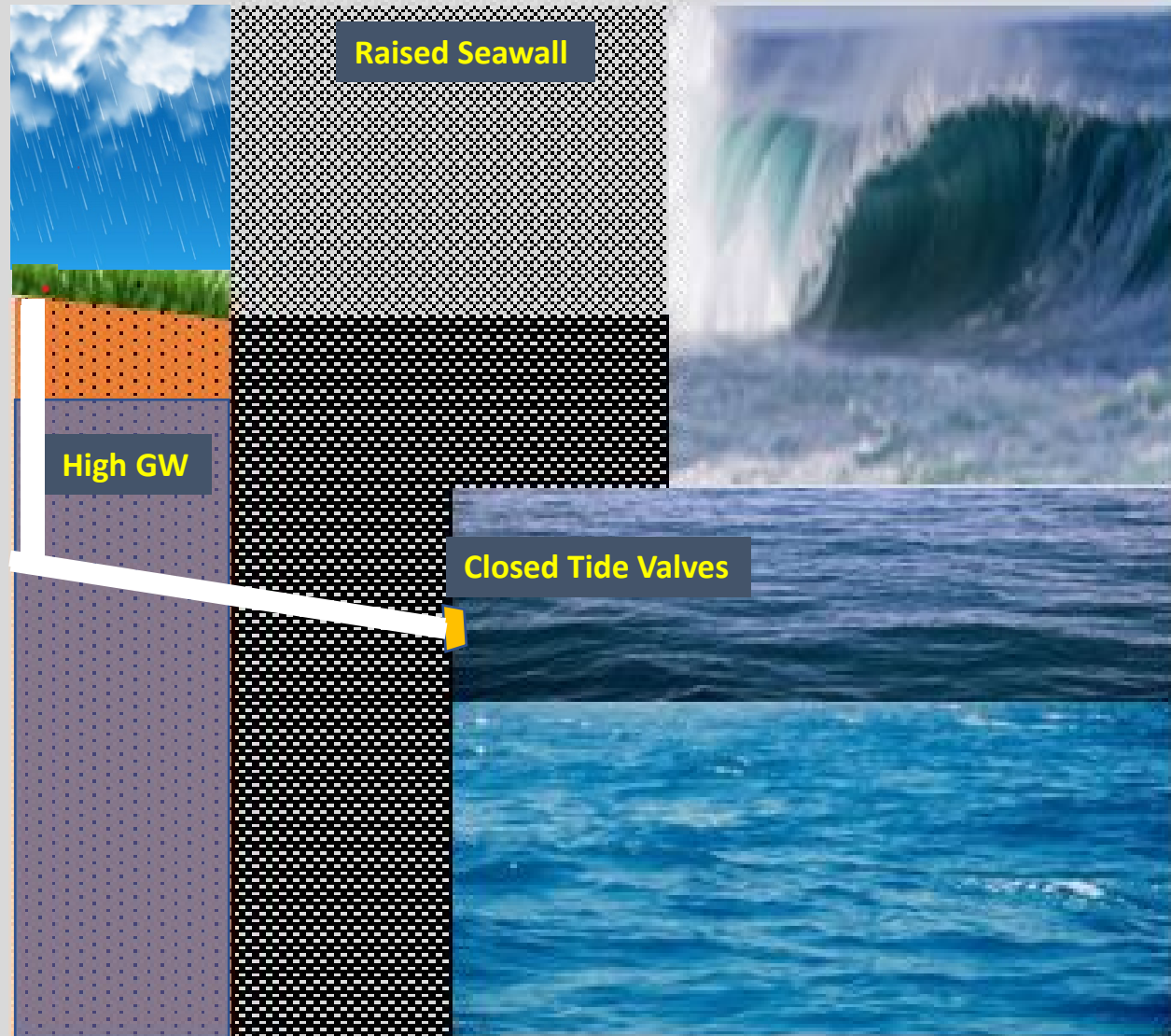


# Impact of 100-Year Rainfall Without King Tide or SLR





# SLR + King Tide + High GW + Rain



5.07 ft. NAVD  
New Top of Seawall

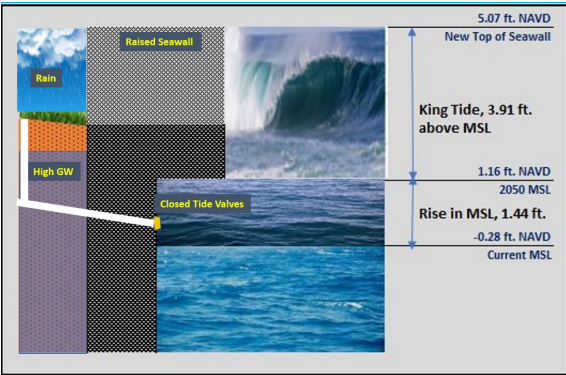
King Tide, 3.91 ft.  
above MSL

1.16 ft. NAVD  
2050 MSL

Rise in MSL, 1.44 ft.

-0.28 ft. NAVD  
Current MSL

Options for Disposal of Stormwater	Viability	Reason
Overland Runoff to the Bay	None	High Seawalls
+		+
Through SW Collection System	None	Closed Tide Check Valves
+		+
Infiltration	Little to none	High Ground Water
+		+
Evaporation	Little to none	<< 0.25"/day
+		+
Underground Storage	Not practical	Not enough real estate
=		=
Bowl		Accumulated Rainwater in the "bowl" = flooding



**Therefore, when all else fails.....Pumping is the only viable option left**

In March, the state Senate established the Statewide Office of Resiliency and the Statewide Sea-Level Rise Task Force to monitor **sea level rises** and push for measures to protect the state from the consequences. The government also faces the possibility of spending **\$74 billion** on building **sea walls** along the coast. Additional measures include adding **more pumps** along shorelines and building higher roads along the coast.

Source :<https://www.thetravel.com/florida-underwater-soon-stats/>

# Policy Decisions Impacting Pump Capacity

Policy Decision	Measure			
LOS for Flood Protection	Rainfall Frequency			
	10 Yr.	25 Yr.	50 Yr.	100 Yr.
Green Infrastructure	Runoff Curve No.			
	75	85	90	95
Flooding Tolerance	No. of Hours			
	8 hours	6 hours	4 hours	2 hours
Cost	\$ Budget			
	> \$1m	> \$2m	> \$3 m	> \$5m



Bioswales are essentially rain gardens placed in long narrow spaces such as the space between the sidewalk and the curb.





# 100-Year Rainfall +SLR + King Tide

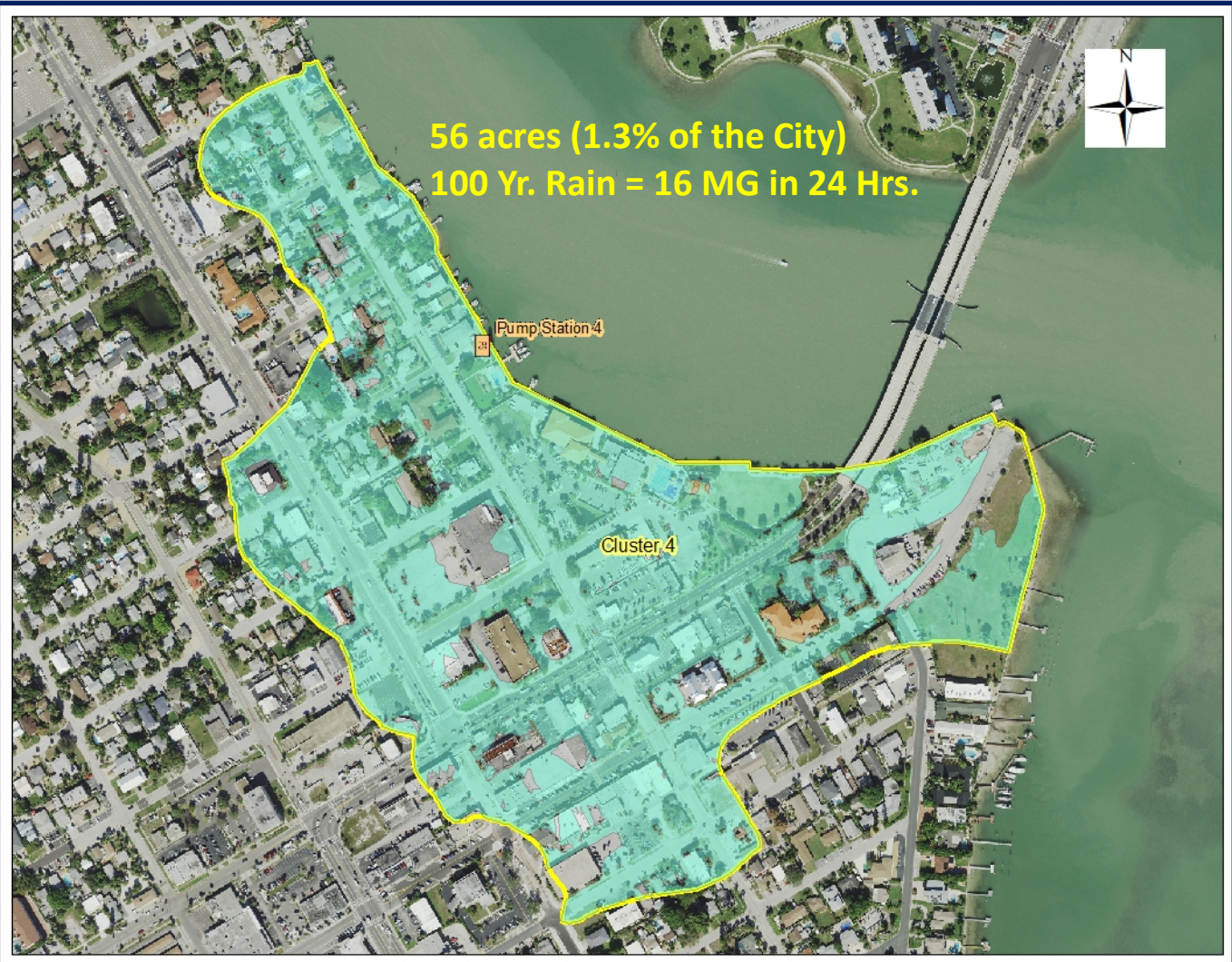
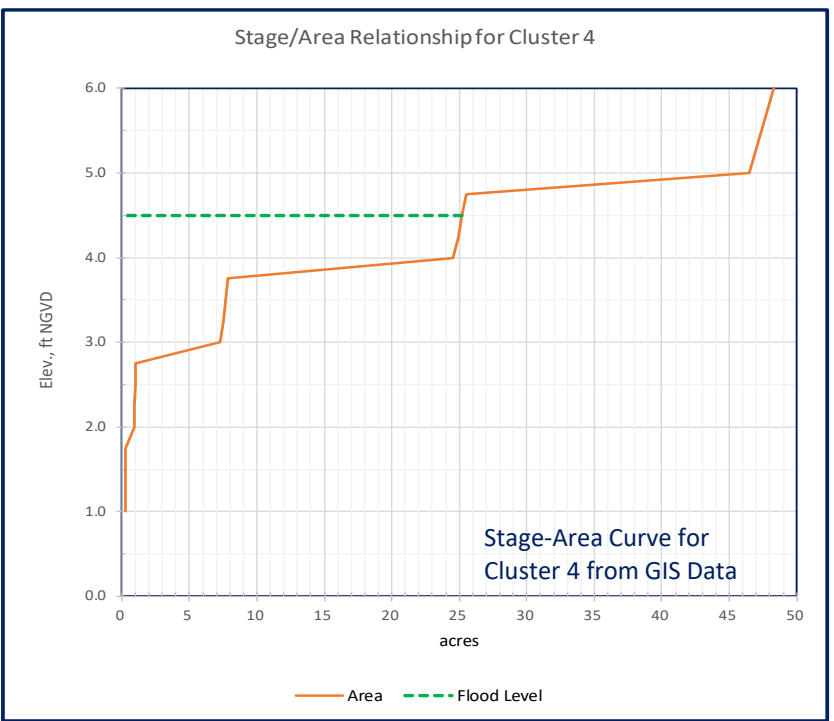
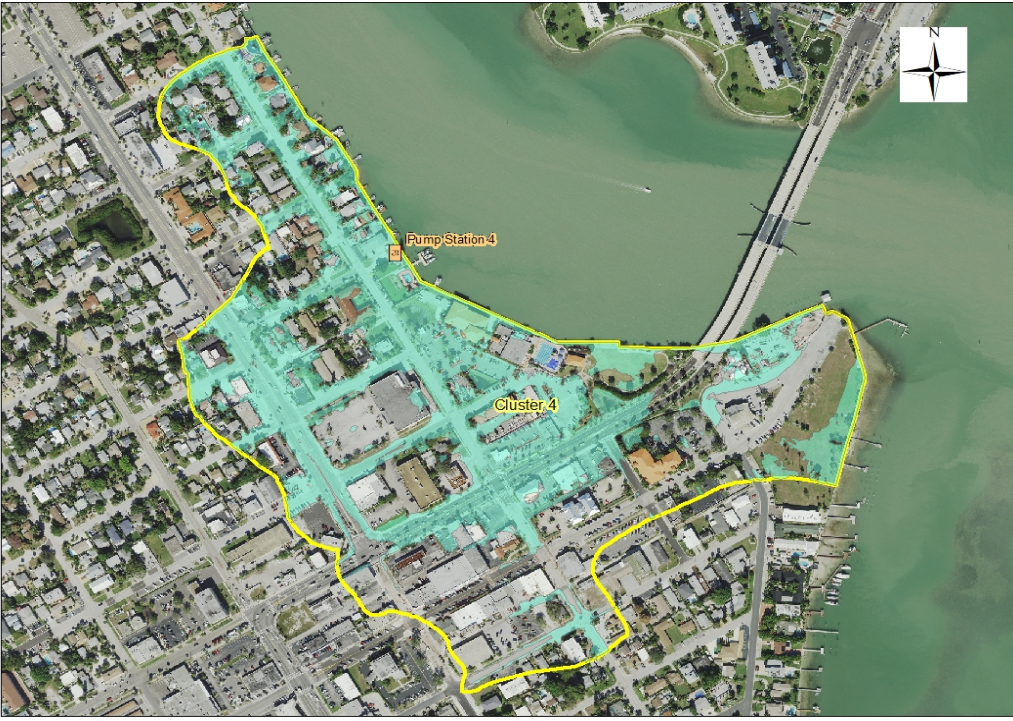
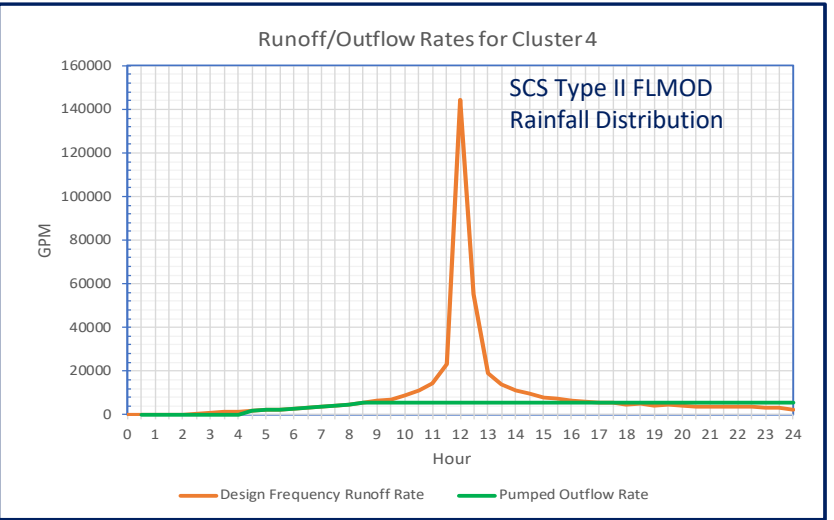




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Volume/Area Below LOS Elev.	0.32 Ac-ft / 1.17 Ac			
Flood Protection LOS (Rain Freq.)	50 Year	30.609 ac-ft	4.75 ft	25.537 acres
Total Rainfall Duration	24 Hours	<b>Volume</b>	<b>24.28 ac-ft</b>	<b>7.9 MG</b>
Total 24-Hr. Rainfall	10.0 Inches	<b>Elevation</b>	<b>4.50 ft.</b>	<b>25 acres</b>
Green Infrastructure (Runoff CN)	90.00 Default 96	<b>Depth &gt; LOS</b>	<b>30 Inch.</b>	
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<b>Pumping Capacity</b>	<b>5,700 GPM</b>	30 ft. tall tank	of 275' dia.	13.3 MG
	= 8 MGD			



$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Total} \\ \text{Pump Station} \\ \text{Cost} \end{array} = \begin{array}{l} \text{Variable Speed Pumps} \\ + \\ \text{Electrical Panel} \\ + \\ \text{Dry Well / Wet Well} \\ + \\ \text{Standby Power} \\ + \\ \text{Piping from 6 Sub-basins to the Pump Station} \end{array}$$



Total Pipe Length = 5,100 lf



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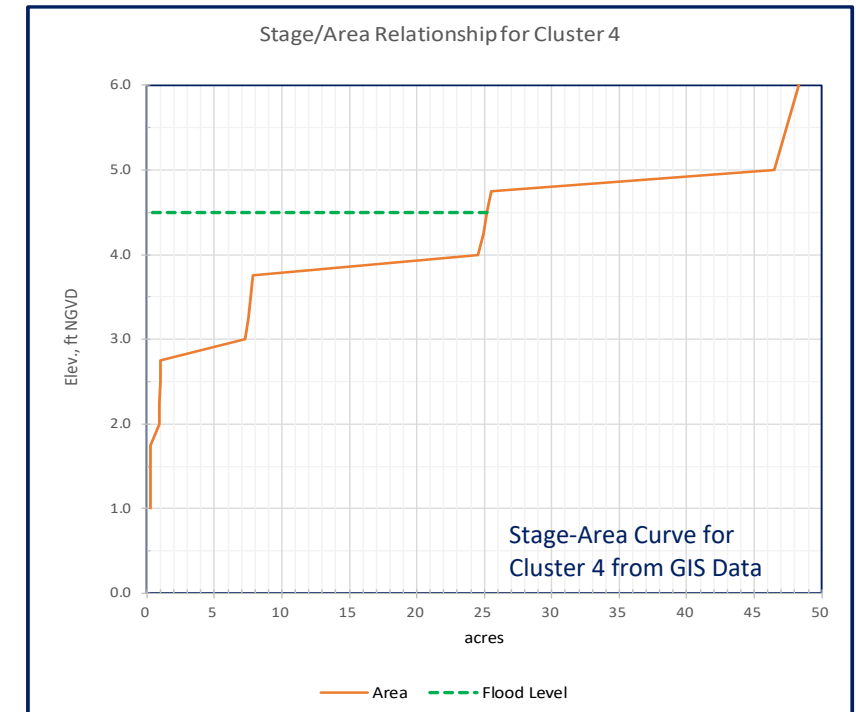
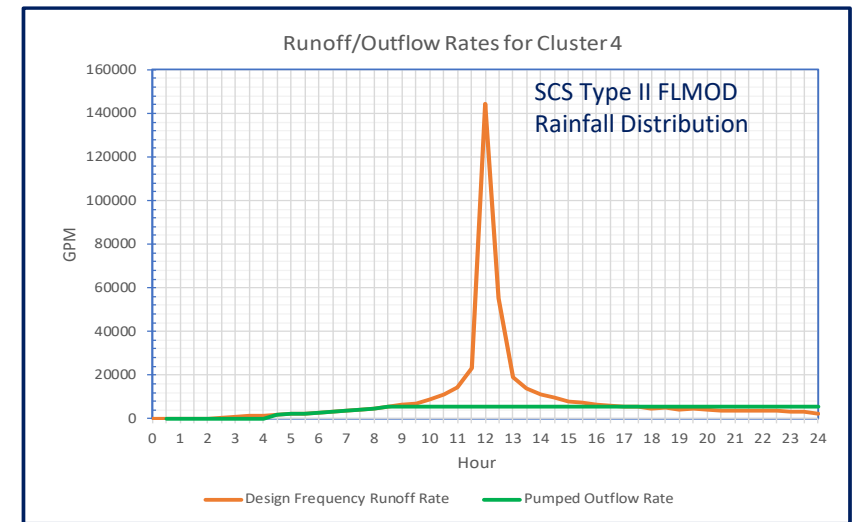


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Total Rainfall Duration	24 Hours	Volume	45.52 ac-ft	14.8 MG									
Total 24-Hr. Rainfall	11.0 Inches	Elevation	5.12 ft.	47 acres									
Green Infrastructure (Runoff CN)	90.00 Default 96	Depth > LOS	37 Inch.										
Flooding Tolerance, Hrs.	4.00 Default 4	Duration	20.5 Hrs.										
Approx. Peak Pumping Rate Reqd.	34,000 GPM	P.S. Cost	\$0.00 M										
Pumping Capacity	0 GPM	30 ft. tall tank	of 290' dia.	14.8 MG									
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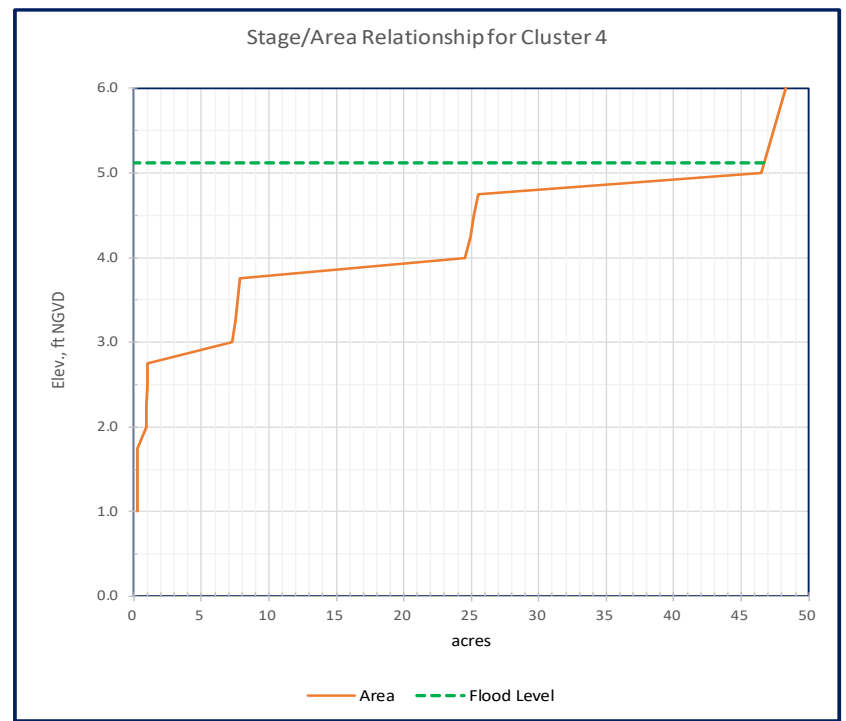
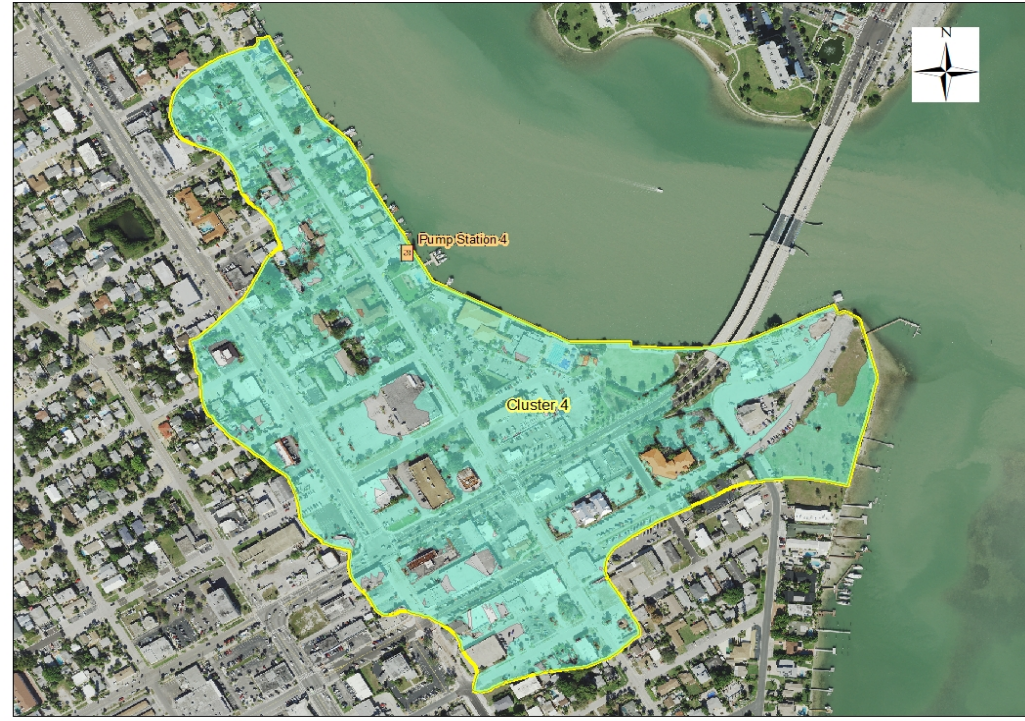
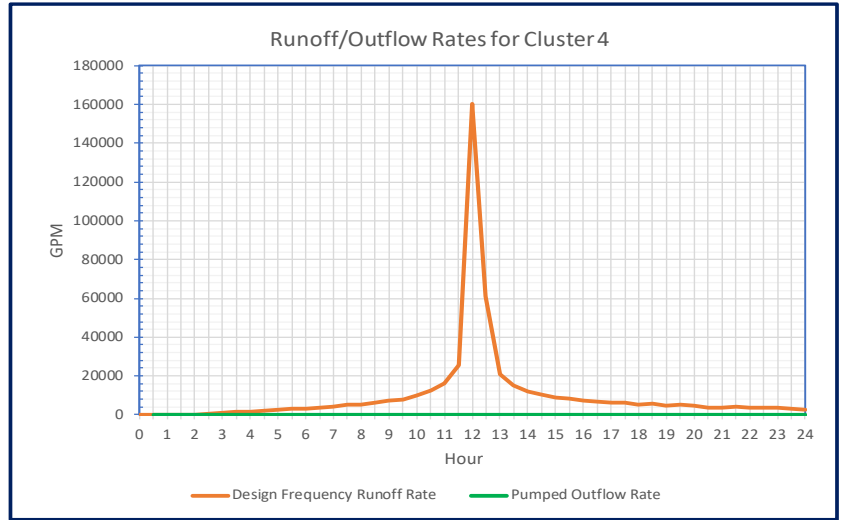




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Total Rainfall Duration	24 Hours	Volume	24.68 ac-ft	8.0 MG
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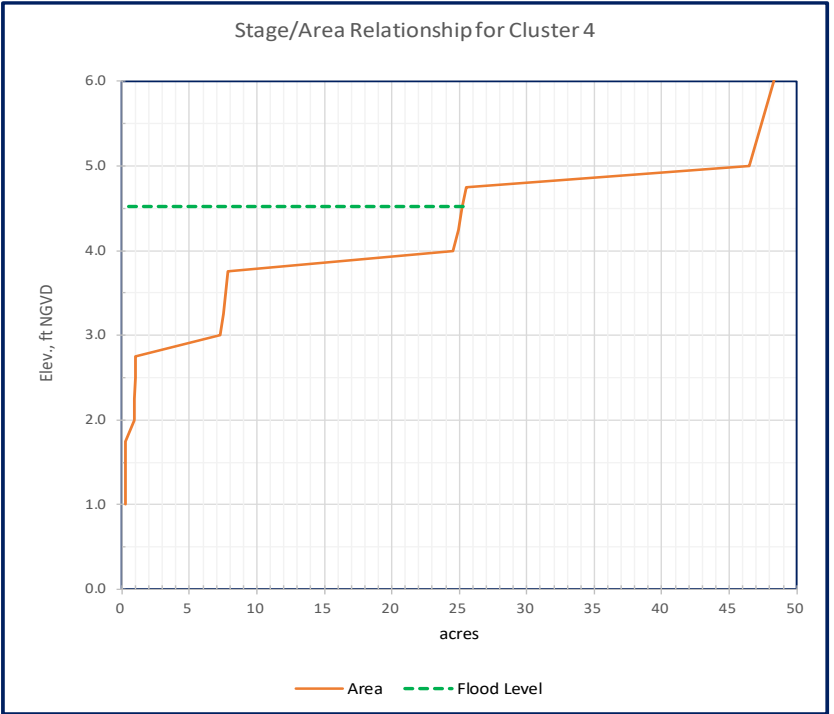
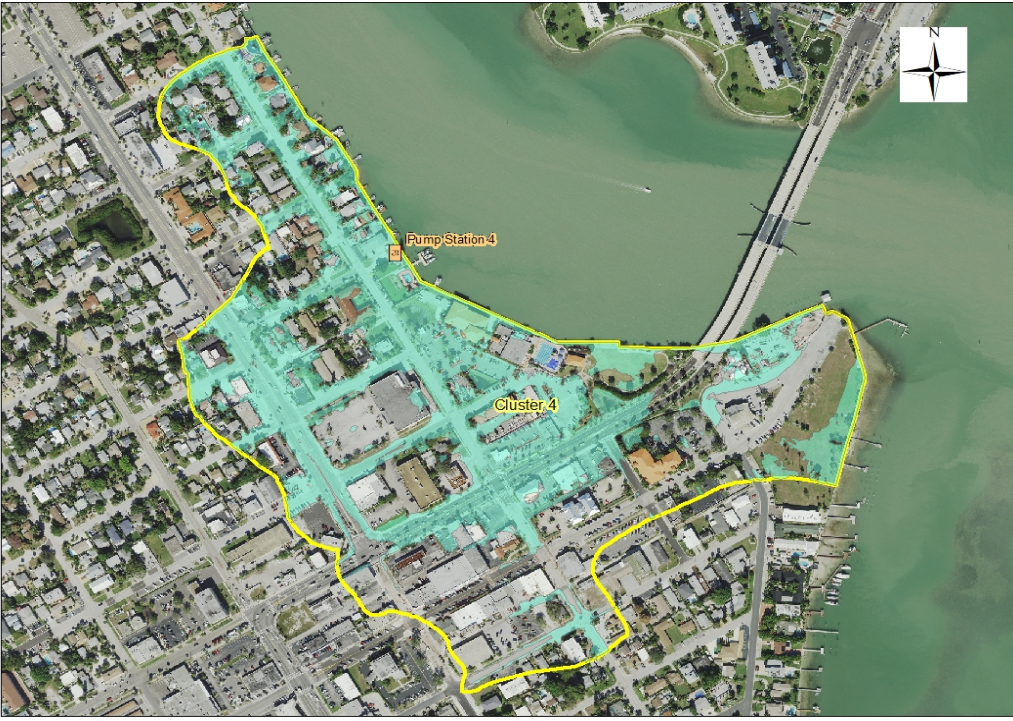
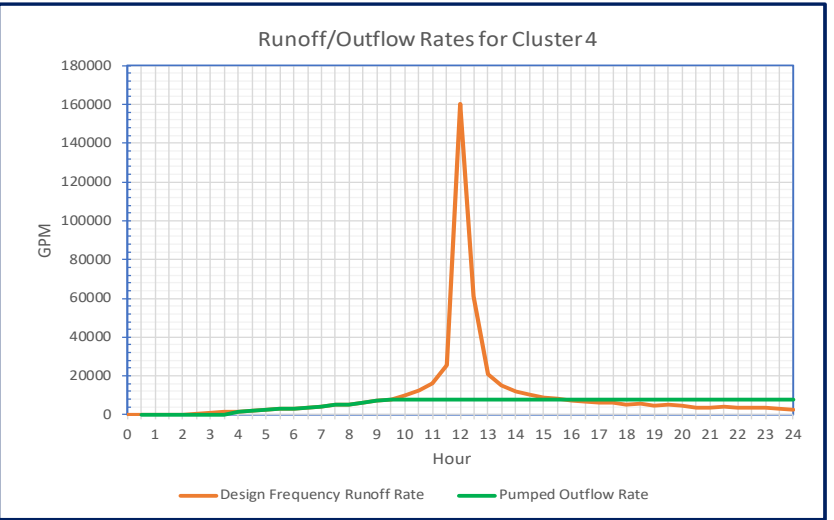


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Flood Protection LOS (Rain Freq.)	100 Year	17.996 ac-ft	4.25 ft	24.915 acres
Total Rainfall Duration	24 Hours	Volume	11.85 ac-ft	3.9 MG
Total 24-Hr. Rainfall	11.0 Inches	Elevation	4.00 ft.	25 acres
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Approx. Peak Pumping Rate Req'd.	34,000 GPM	P.S. Cost	\$2.12 M	
Pumping Capacity	48,000 GPM	30 ft. tall tank	of 290' dia.	14.8 MG
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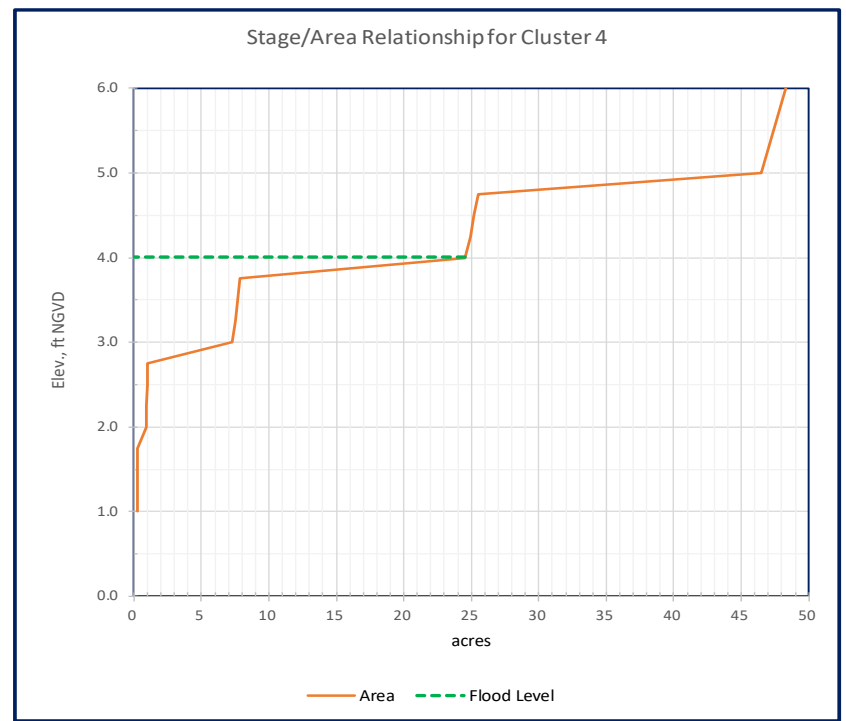
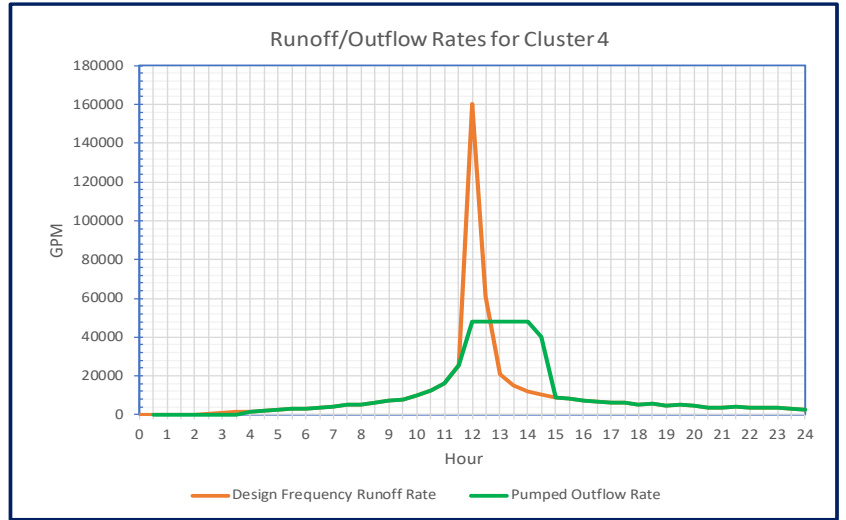




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Flood Protection LOS (Rain Freq.)	100 Year	3.927 ac-ft	3.25 ft	7.498 acres
Total Rainfall Duration	24 Hours	Volume	2.16 ac-ft	0.7 MG
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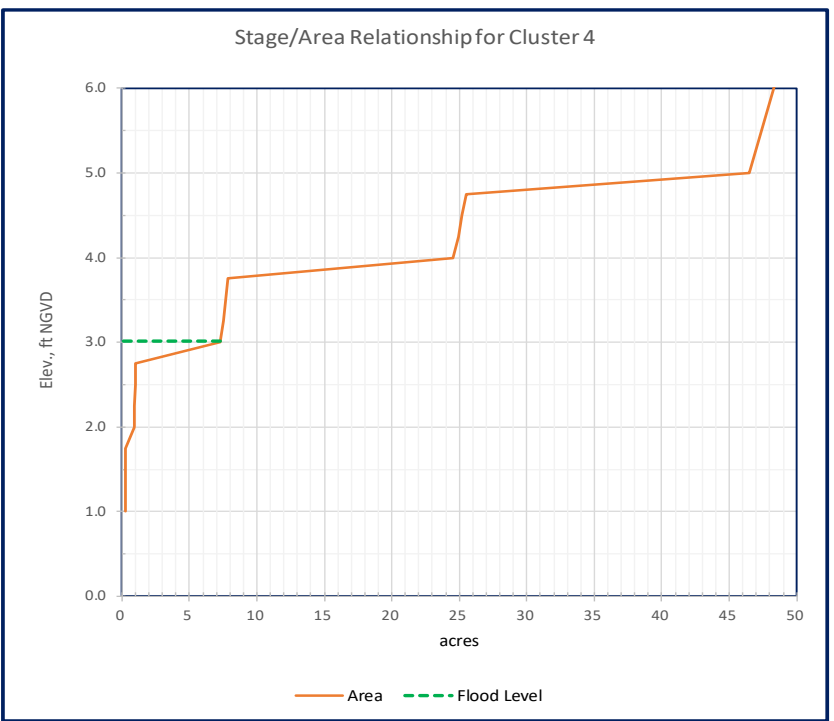
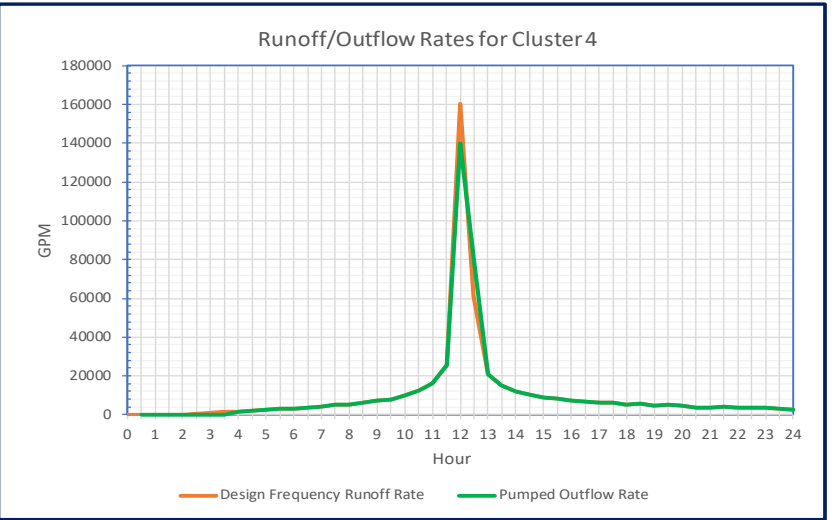


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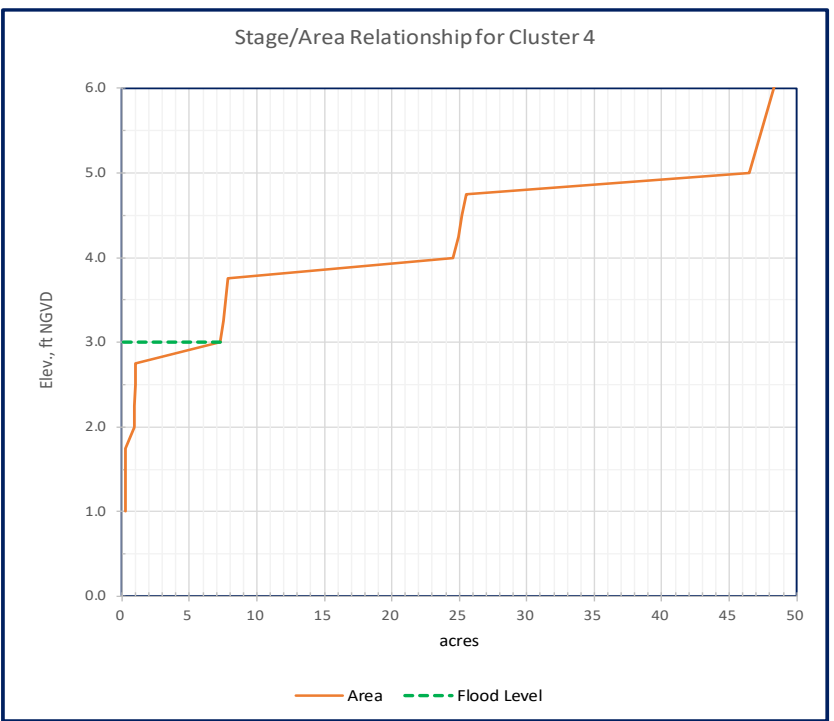
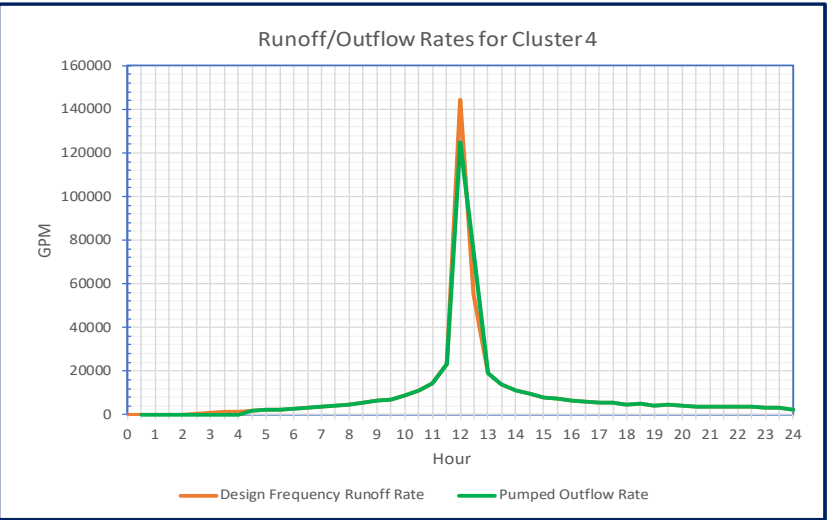




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Total Rainfall Duration	24 Hours	Volume	12.83 ac-ft	4.2 MG
Total 24-Hr. Rainfall	10.0 Inches	Elevation	4.04 ft.	25 acres
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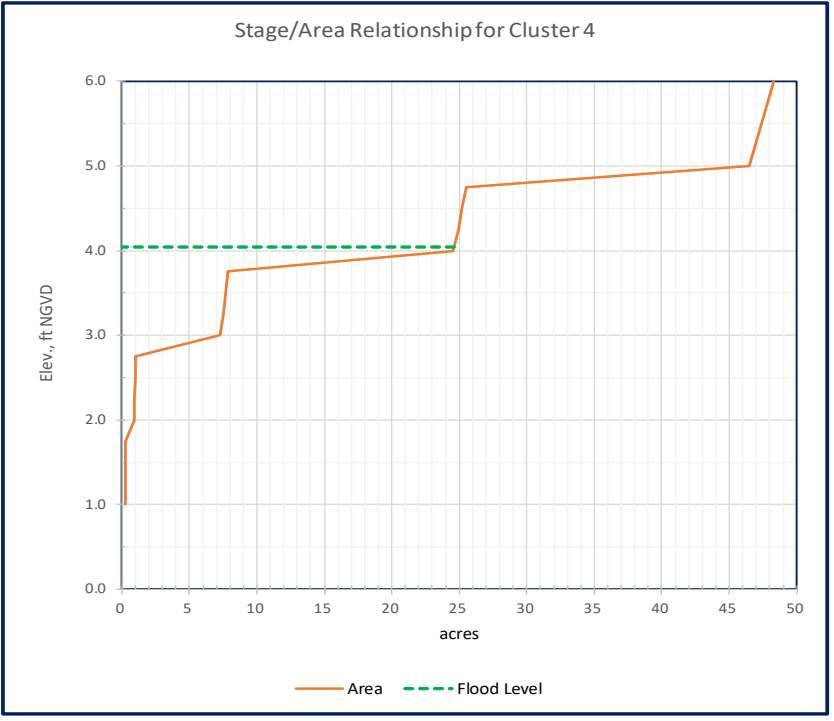
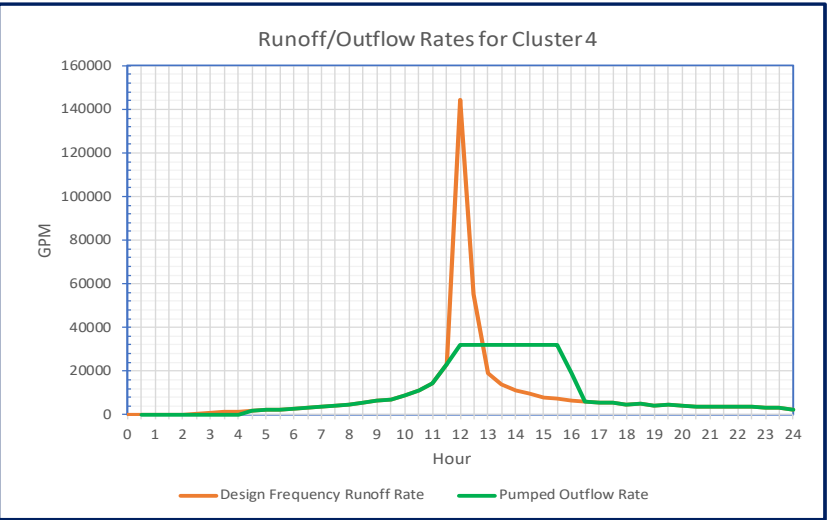




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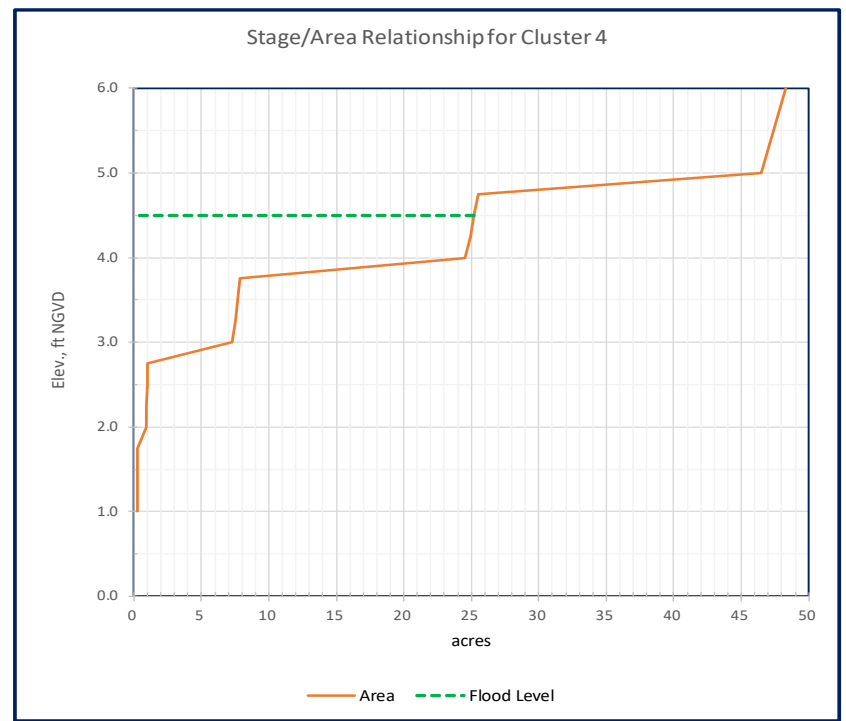
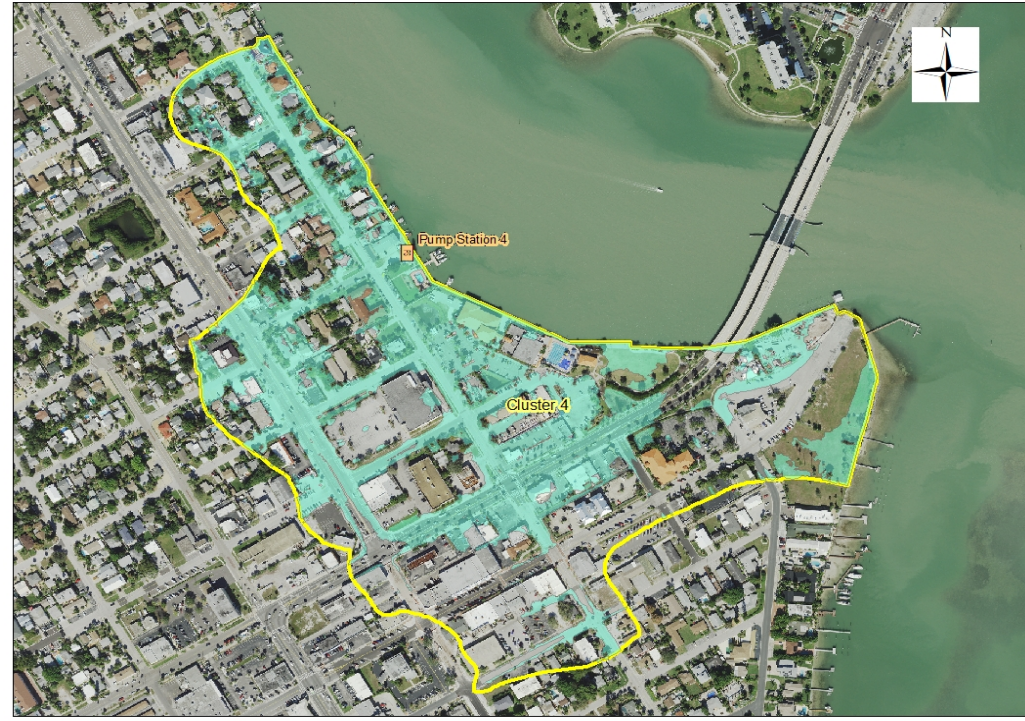
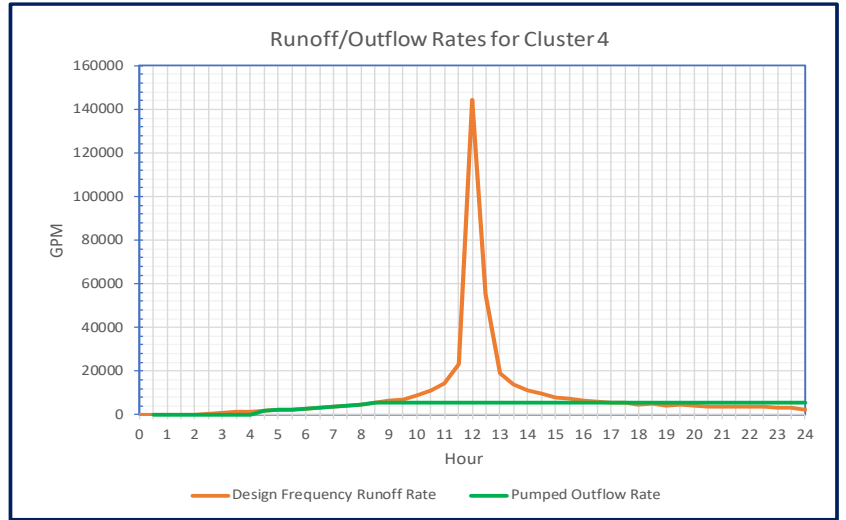
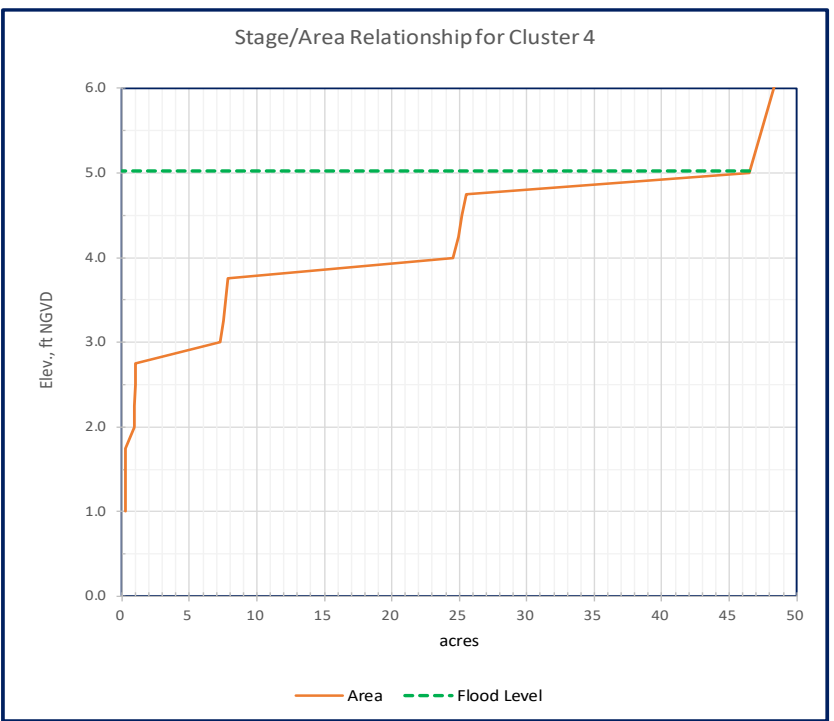
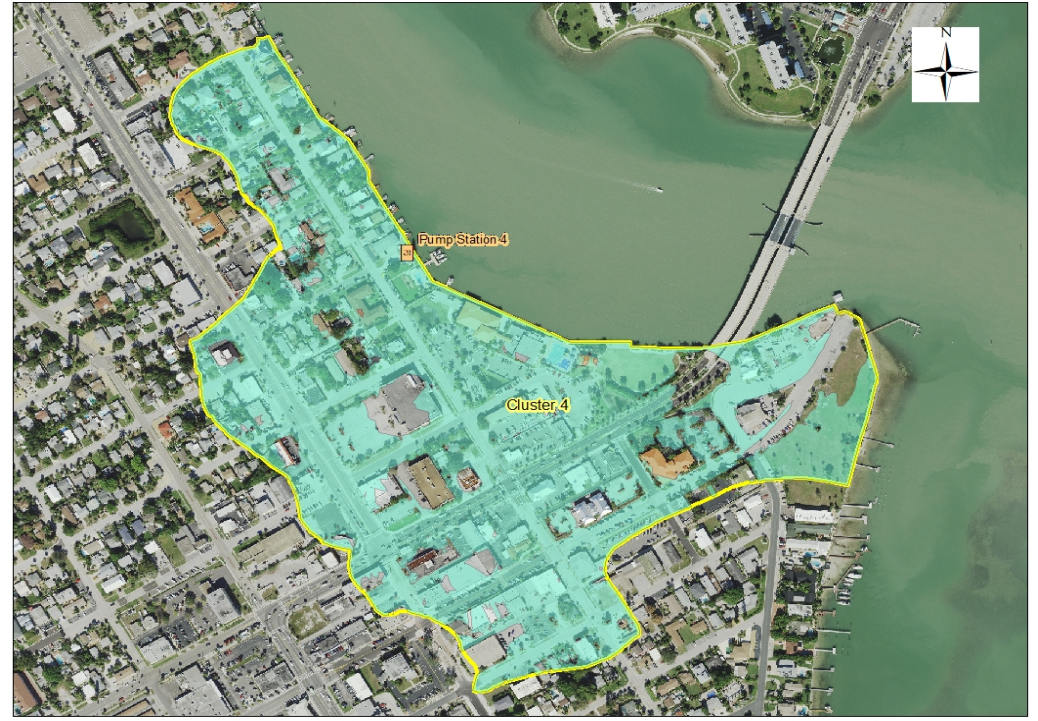
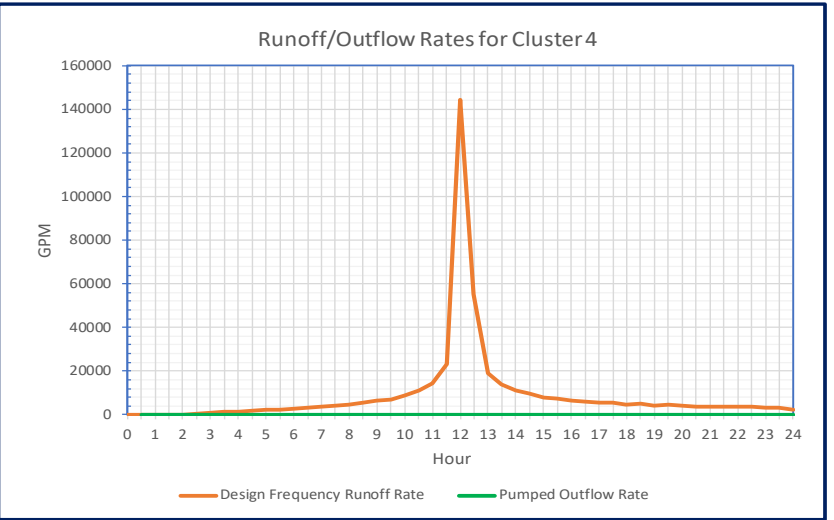


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Total Rainfall Duration	24 Hours	<b>Volume</b>	<b>40.90 ac-ft</b>	<b>13.3 MG</b>
Total 24-Hr. Rainfall	10.0 Inches	<b>Elevation</b>	<b>5.03 ft.</b>	<b>46 acres</b>
Green Infrastructure (Runoff CN)	90.00 Default 96	<b>Depth &gt; LOS</b>	<b>36 Inch.</b>	
Flooding Tolerance, Hrs.	4.00 Default 4	<b>Duration</b>	<b>20.5 Hrs.</b>	
Approx. Peak Pumping Rate Reqd.	32,000 GPM	<b>P.S. Cost</b>	<b>\$0.00 M</b>	
<b>Pumping Capacity</b>	<b>0 GPM</b>	30 ft. tall tank	of 275' dia.	13.3 MG
	= 0 MGD			





There is always a rainbow after every storm.....even if it requires pumping



Table 4 -Pump Station Design Table				
Basins Cluster No.	4 (6 sub-basins 3C,3D, 3E, 3K,3F, 3P)			
Pump Station Location	In Sub-basin 3K, 78th Ave. & Boca Ciega Dr. (Near east end of 78th Ave.)			
Total Cluster Area	56 Acres			
Flood Level LOS Elevation	2.00 ft.	Flooding & Costs		
Volume/Area Below LOS Elev.	0.32 Ac / 1.17 Ac	11.814 ac-ft	4.00 ft	24.544 acres
Flood Protection LOS (Rain Freq.)	50 Year	17.996 ac-ft	4.25 ft	24.915 acres
Total Rainfall Duration	24 Hours	Volume	12.72 ac-ft	4.1 MG
Total 24-Hr. Rainfall	10.0 Inches	Elevation	4.04 ft.	25 acres
Green Infrastructure (Runoff CN)	75.00 Default 96	Depth > LOS	24 Inch.	
Flooding Tolerance, Hrs.	8.00 Default 4	Duration	8.0 Hrs.	
Approx. Peak Pumping Rate Req'd.	16,500 GPM	P.S. Cost	\$1.27 M	
Pumping Capacity	16,500 GPM	30 ft. tall tank of 243 ' dia.	10.4 MG	
	= 24 MGD			

