

PREPARING FOR SEA LEVEL RISE  
DEVELOPMENT OF AN ADAPTATION STRATEGY FOR THE  
STATE OF DELAWARE

# Issue Characterization Workshop

## March 12, 2009



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*A summary, including completed issue characterizations, of the Sea Level Rise Issue Characterization Workshop held March 12, 2009.*



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## *Workshop Purpose*

The Sea Level Rise Issue Characterization Workshop, held on March 12, was the first step towards the development of a Sea Level Rise Adaptation Strategy for the State of Delaware. The purpose of the Sea Level Rise Issue Characterization Workshop was to raise awareness regarding potential sea level rise impacts in Delaware and to initiate dialogue about sea level rise with an initial group of stakeholders. The workshop was also designed to develop a list of sea level rise issues of concern and to have participants develop an initial set of issue descriptions in a standard written format.

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## *About this Document*

The Sea Level Rise Issue Characterization Workshop Summary presents a synopsis of workshop results and specific outcomes from each of four break-out group sessions:

- Economy and Community
- Habitat and Natural Resources
- Human Health and Public Welfare
- Infrastructure

It also contains the full text of Issue Characterization worksheets that were drafted by workshop participants. This information will provide a foundation for determining the priority issues for the sea level rise adaptation strategy.

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