

# *Adapting to Climate Change Along England's Southern shore (ACCESS)*



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## Conclusions

- *Case studies illustrate increased levels of erosion, instability, breaching and flooding over next 100 years*
- *South-east Monitoring Programme is essential for forming an historical database invaluable for understanding long-term change*
- *A more standardised approach to predicting erosion is required on a national, regional and local level*
- *Evolution of fringing barriers, barrier beaches and spits, saltmarshes and sand dunes should be included in future iterations of national and regional assessments of erosion*
- *Requirement for standard approach to economic evaluation of assets at risk to avoid under-valuation*



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*Recommendations the following is recommended at a national level: To avoid future inconsistencies between various projects in terms of rates of coastal erosion and benefit-cost data,*

- *Establish a national technical working Group to develop national standards for calculation of coastal erosion and instability rates together with improved approaches to identifying the economics of assets at risk.*



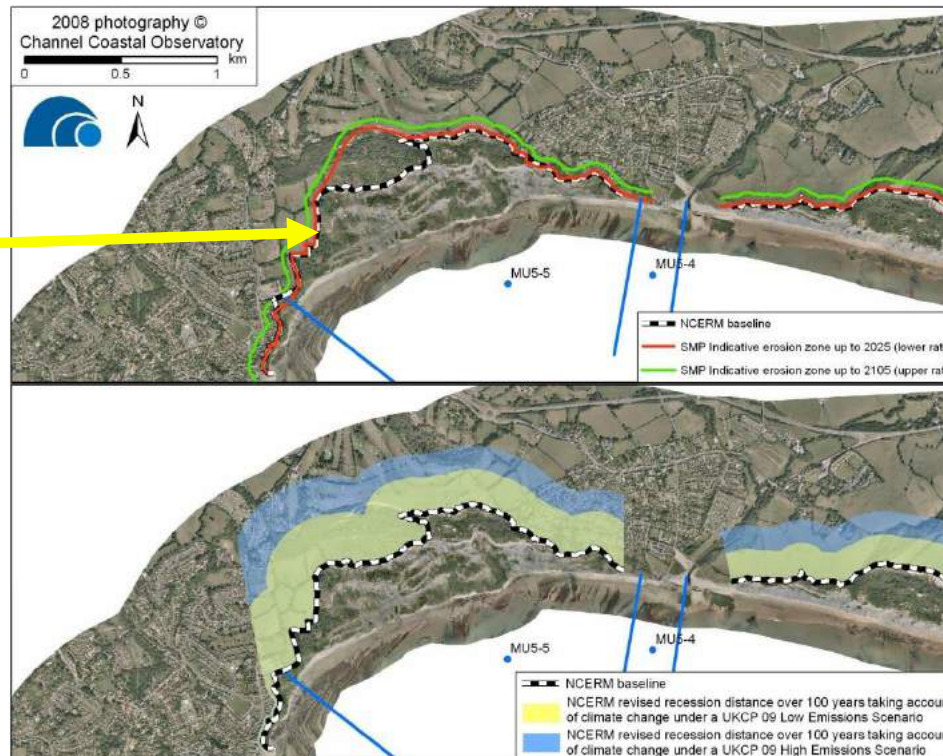


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**Recommendations** *To avoid future inconsistencies between various projects in terms of rates of coastal erosion and benefit-cost data, the following is recommended at a national level:*

- A freely available, centralised database of national baseline, erosion and accretion rates that can be updated as more recent Coastal Monitoring data becomes available covering not only simple and complex cliffs but barrier beaches, spits, sand dunes, eroding and flooding areas and saltmarshes.*

Different  
baselines



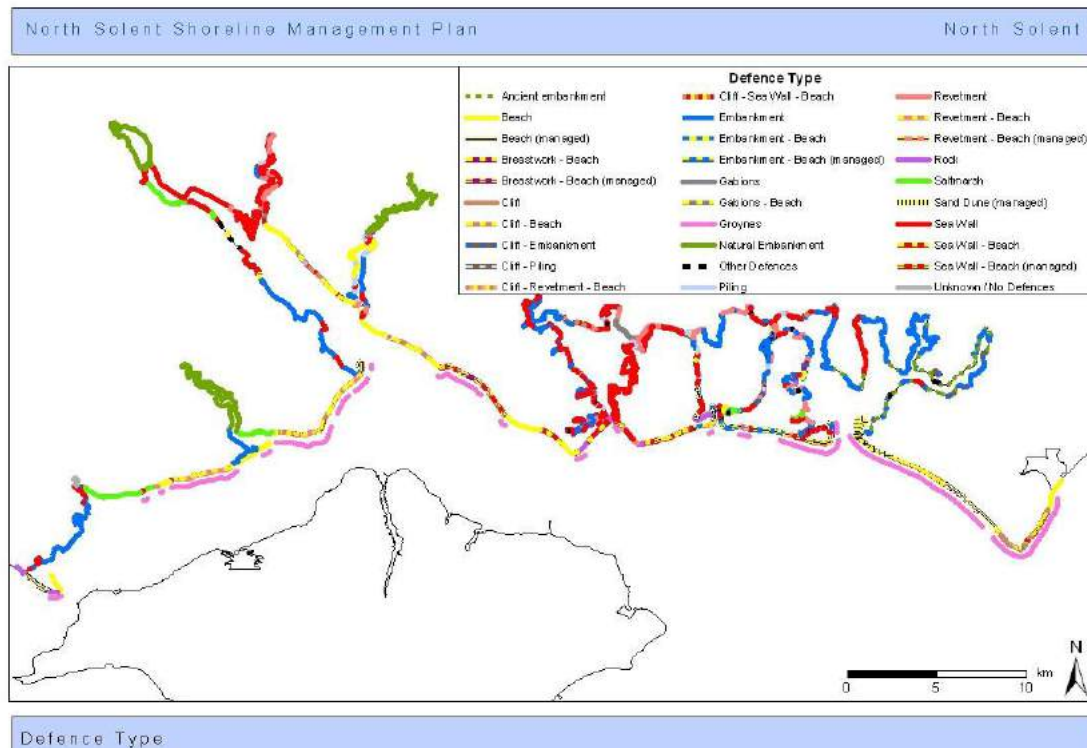
Different  
rates of  
erosion



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**Recommendations** *To avoid future inconsistencies between various projects in terms of rates of coastal erosion and benefit-cost data, the following is recommended at a national level:*

- A centralised database for flood and coastal defence information, that can be updated and accessed by all agencies and local authorities. To avoid different defence type, residual life, condition and standard of protection data being used at national, regional and local level.*





# *Residual Life of existing structures*

- *Structure elements*
  - *Structure condition*
  - *Construction type*
  - *Age*
  - *Exposure*
- *Beach*
  - *Rate of change*
  - *Storm response*
  - *Long term trends*
  - *Envelope of change*
- *High level of uncertainty*
  - *Varied construction data*
  - *Limited performance data*
  - *Minimal maintenance data*







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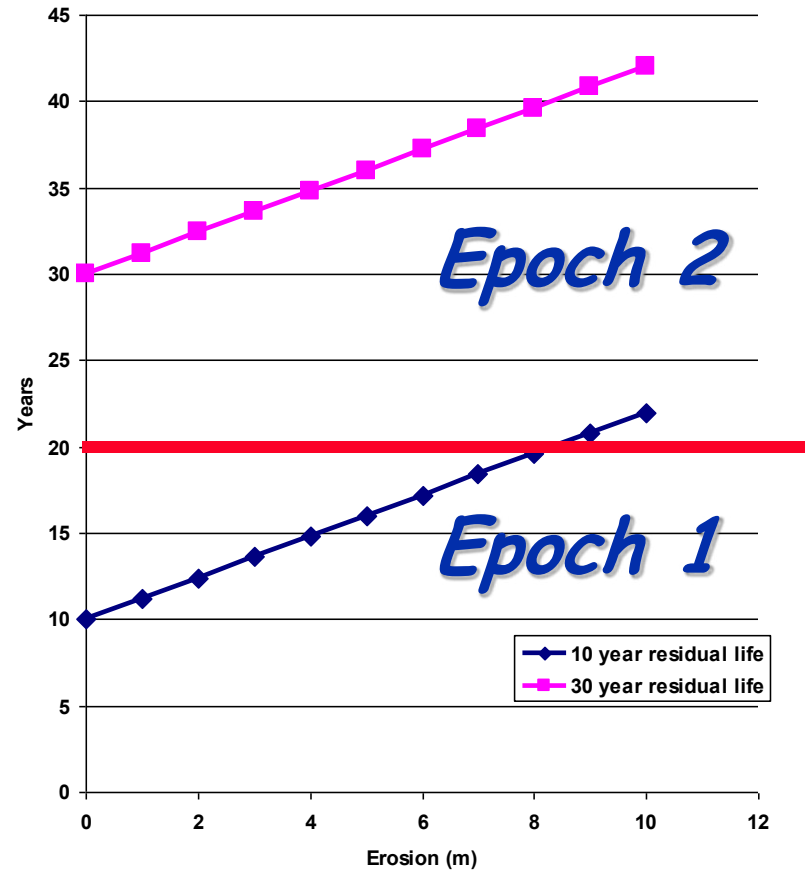
- *As built detail required*
- *Regular performance monitoring desirable*
- *Significance of beach performance critical*

# Residual life "error"

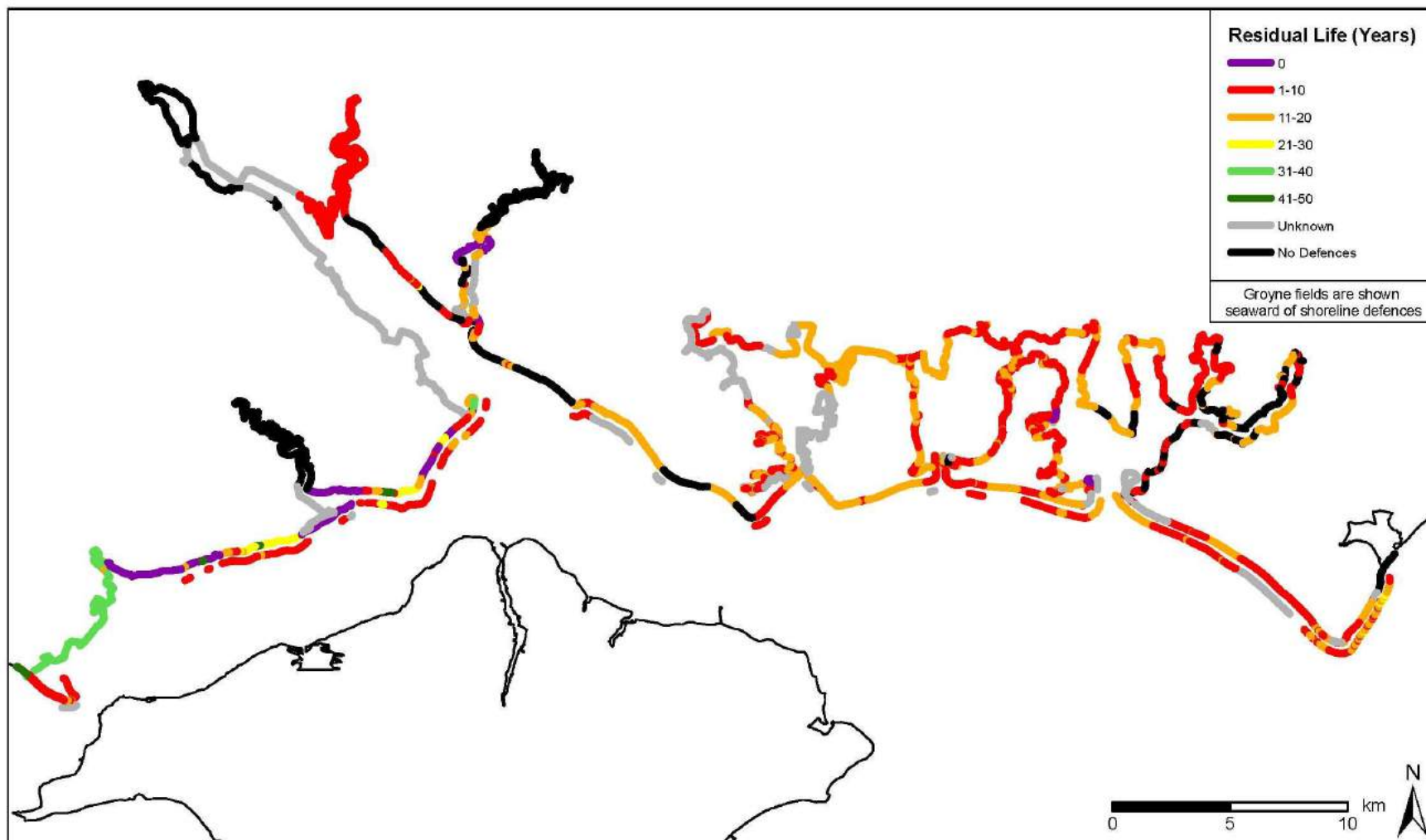
- $Y = mX + C$

$mX$  = Rate erosion

- $C$  = offset to reflect residual life
  - Very variable
  - Can be in error by more than whole management epoch







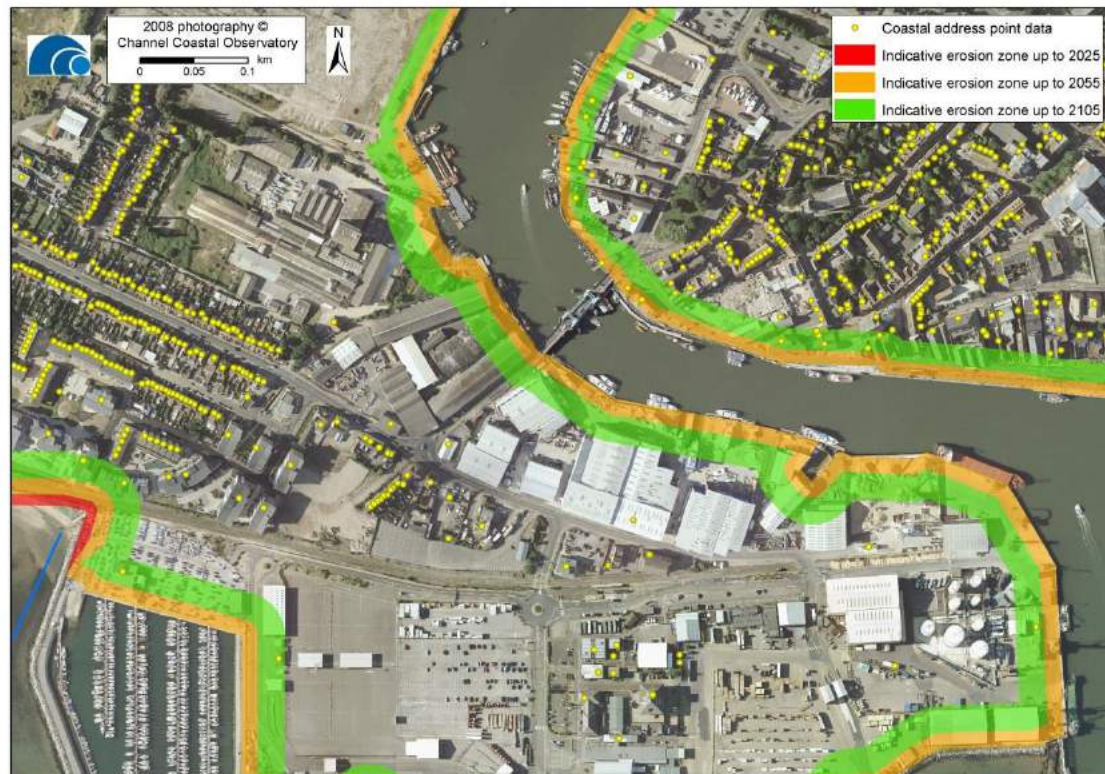
Residual Life of Defences

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*A regularly updated uniform, national GIS address-layer, available to all parties and projects, akin to the National Receptor Database to avoid under-estimate of industrial areas. Recommendation: A regularly updated uniform, national GIS address-layer needed,*

- available to all parties and projects,*
- Similar to the National Receptor Database*
- Will avoid under-estimate of industrial areas.*
- Property point not always picked up in GIS assessment.*





## *Comparison of properties at risk and values applied in the SMP2 and Strategy study at Barton-on-Sea*

<i>SMP number of properties</i>	<i>SMP property value (2010 estimates)</i>
<i>324</i>	<i>£84 million (average local authority property value £260,165)</i>
<i>Strategy number of properties</i>	<i>Strategy property value</i>
<i>520</i>	<i>£185 million (average property value for Barton-on-Sea £685,000)</i>

*Clarification of assets and valuation procedures needed for overview national economic analysis.*

*Robust consistent methods needed for future SMPs*

*SMPs may underestimate property values significantly (55%).*

# *Expected accuracy imagery*

- *Many variables so considerable uncertainty*
- *Minimum change reliably detectable (~0.5m) using photogrammetry*
  - *4-5 x ground sample distance (pixel)*
  - *Control and ground model dependant*
- *Worse for direct digitisation*
  - *Well controlled orthos.(1-3m)*
  - *Georectified image (3-10m)*



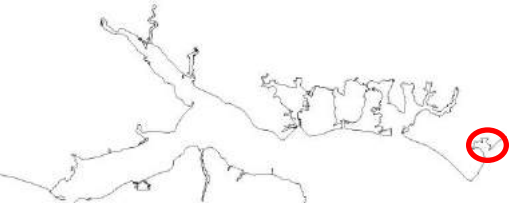


# *Evolution lowland features*

- *Not covered in NCERM*
  - *Saltmarsh*
  - *Spits*
  - *Barrier beaches*
  - *Nesses*
  - *Deltas*



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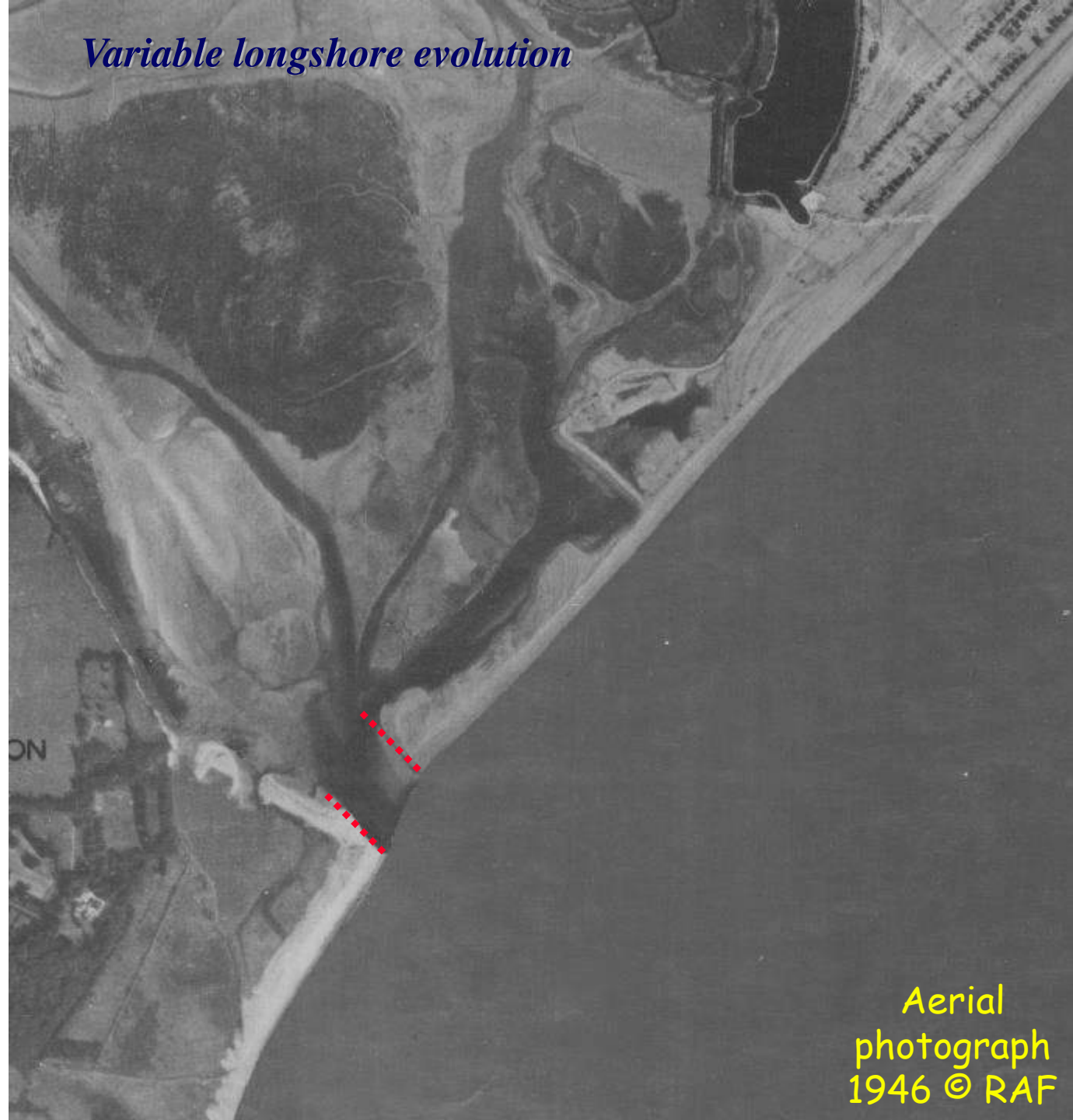


## *Variable longshore evolution*

### **Pagham Harbour**

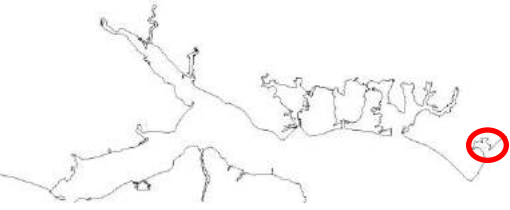
1946

- Coarse resolution
- (1:10000 source)
- Note retouched imagery
- Low water "trimmed"



Aerial  
photograph  
1946 © RAF





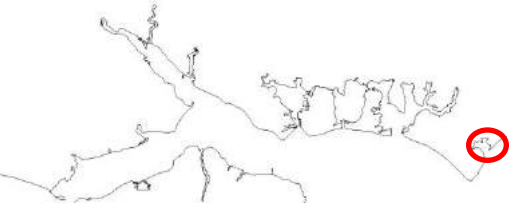
## Pagham Harbour 1965

- Coarse resolution



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photograph  
1965 © WSCC





## Pagham Harbour 1991

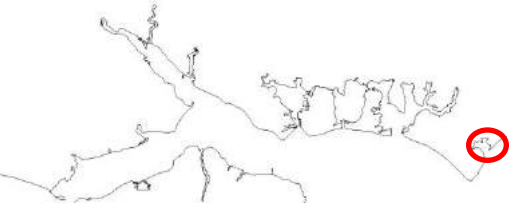
- Mid resolution
- Scans from 1:5000



• 1946 inlet location

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photograph  
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## Pagham Harbour 2001

- Mid resolution

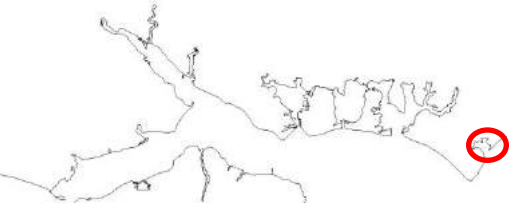


• 1946 inlet location

648m between 1947-2001  
(12m / year accretion)

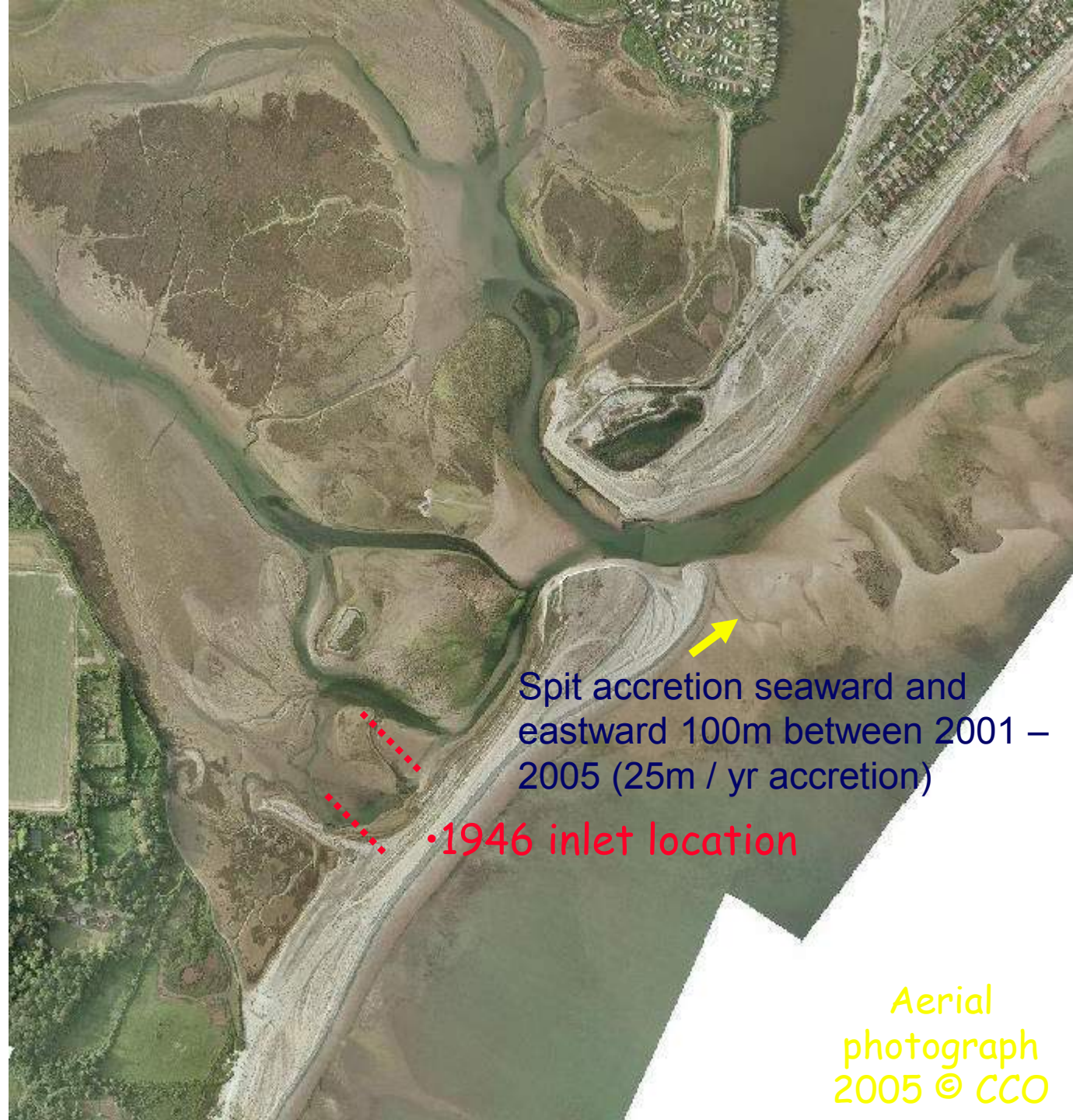
Aerial photograph 2001 © UK  
PERSPECTIVES





## Pagham Harbour 2005

- High resolution
- Commissioned  
MLWS
- 20cm GSD Digital

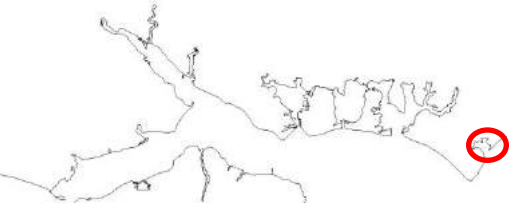


Spit accretion seaward and  
eastward 100m between 2001 –  
2005 (25m / yr accretion)

• 1946 inlet location

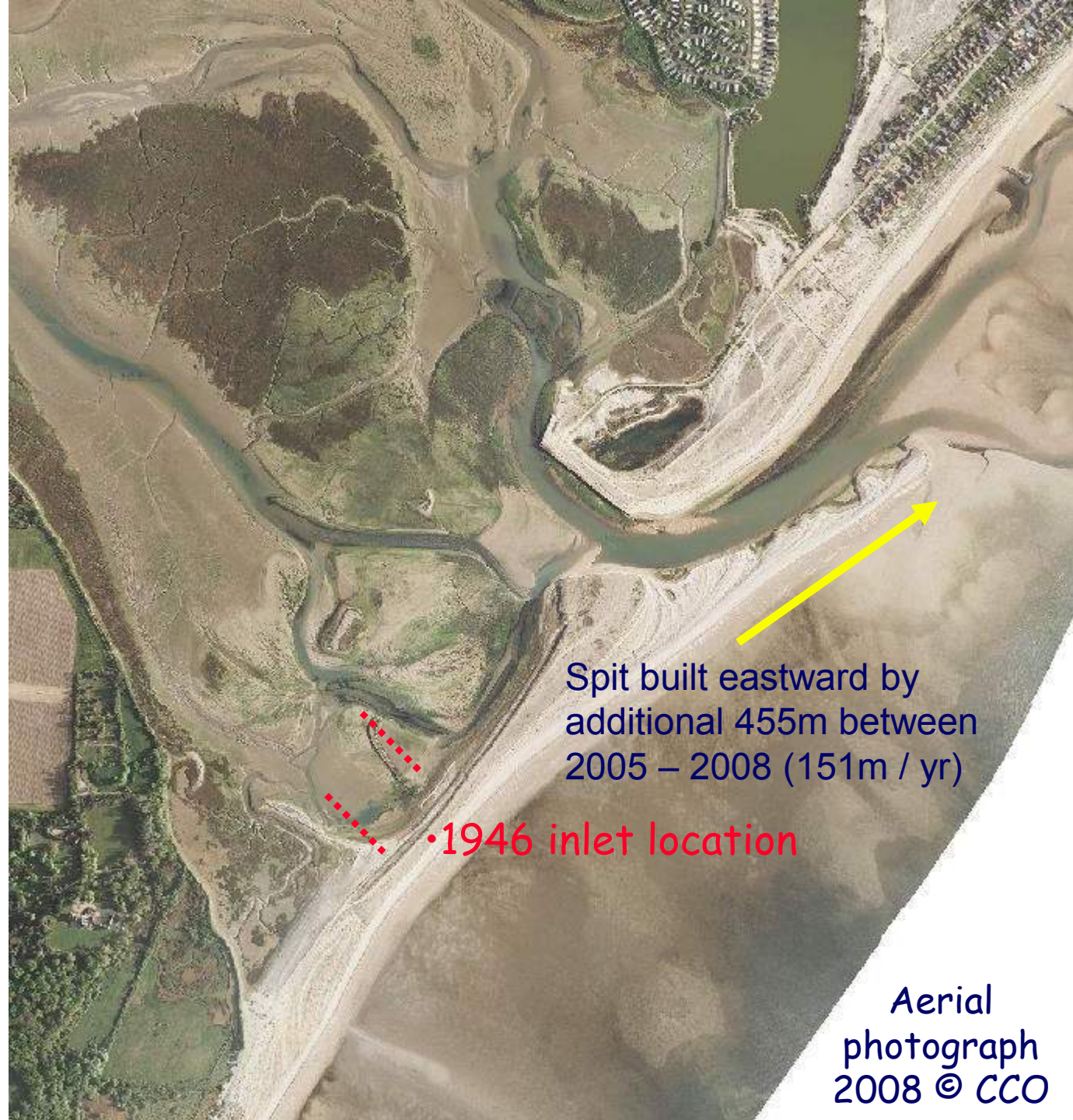
Aerial  
photograph  
2005 © CCO





## Pagham Harbour 2008

- High resolution
- Commissioned  
MLWS
- 9cm GSD Digital



Spit built eastward by  
additional 455m between  
2005 – 2008 (151m / yr)

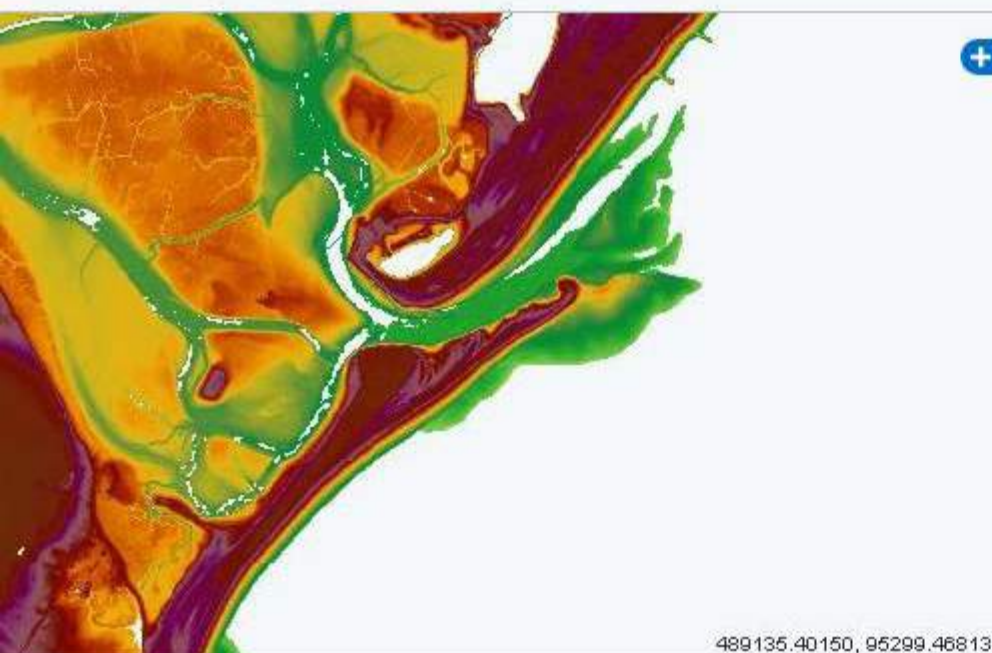
• 1946 inlet location

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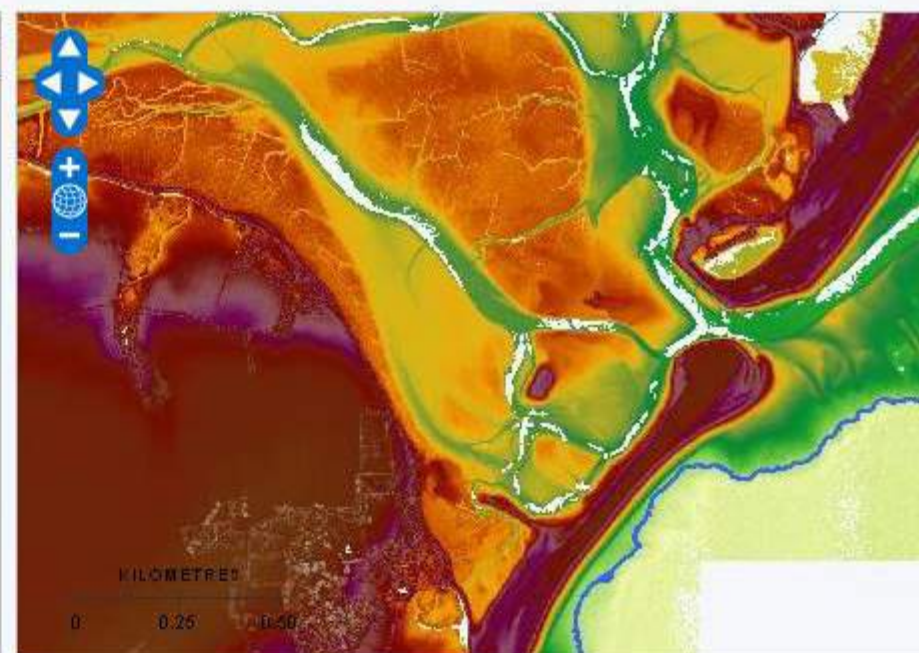


## DUAL MAP VIEWER

Zoom to a region



- ☒ Photogrammetric data
- ☒ Topographic ground model data
- ☒ Hydrographic ground model data
- ☒ Sediment distribution data
- ☒ Beach profile cross section changes
- ☒ Real time data
  - ☒ Wave buoys
  - ☒ Tide gauges
- ☒ Other



- ☒ Ortho-rectified photography
- ☒ False colour infrared photography
- ☒ Non-rectified photography
- ☒ Lidar data
  - 2008
  - 2007
  - 2006
  - 2005
  - 2004

Elevation (meters OD)

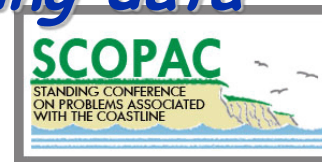
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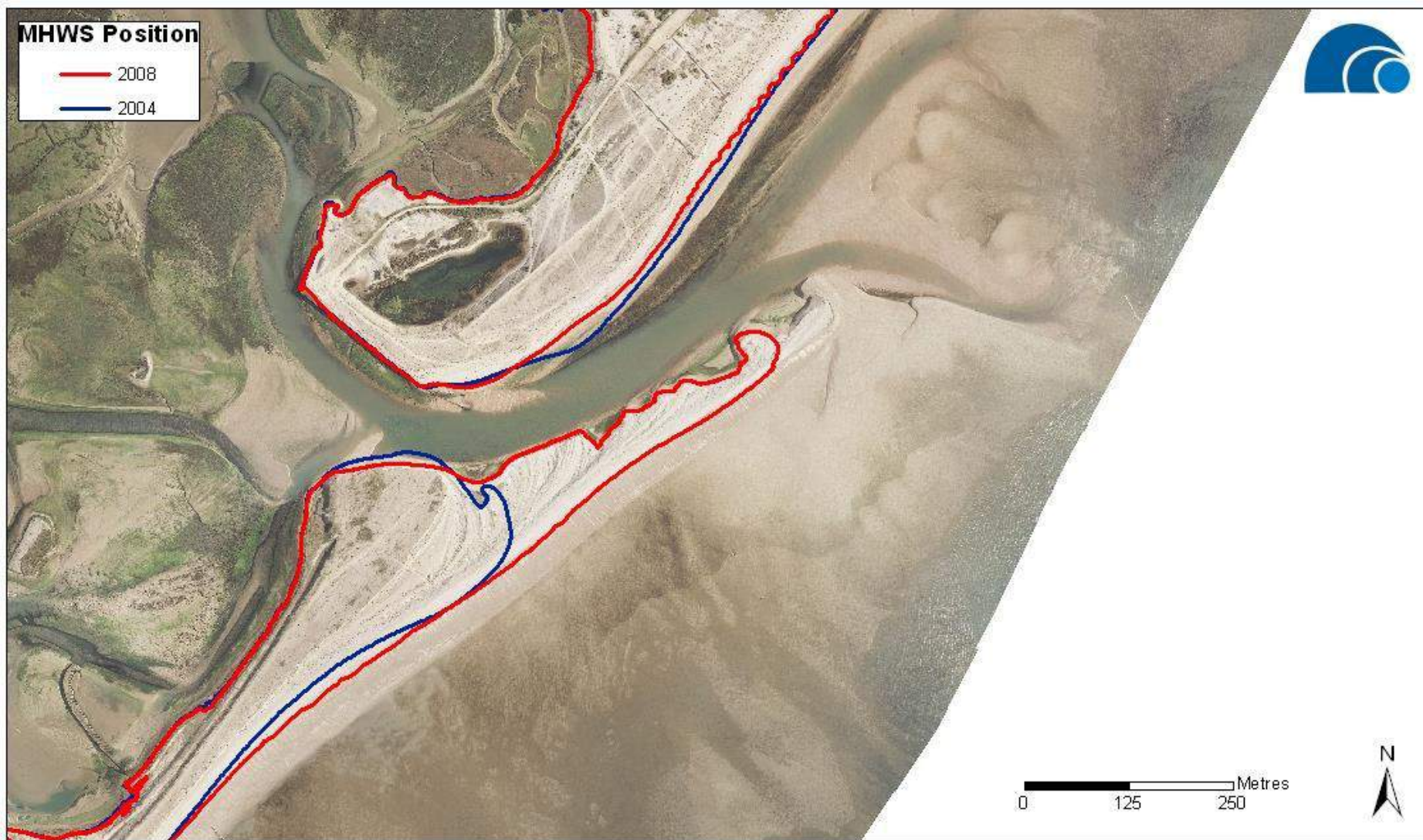
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# *Suggested approach to NCERM updates*

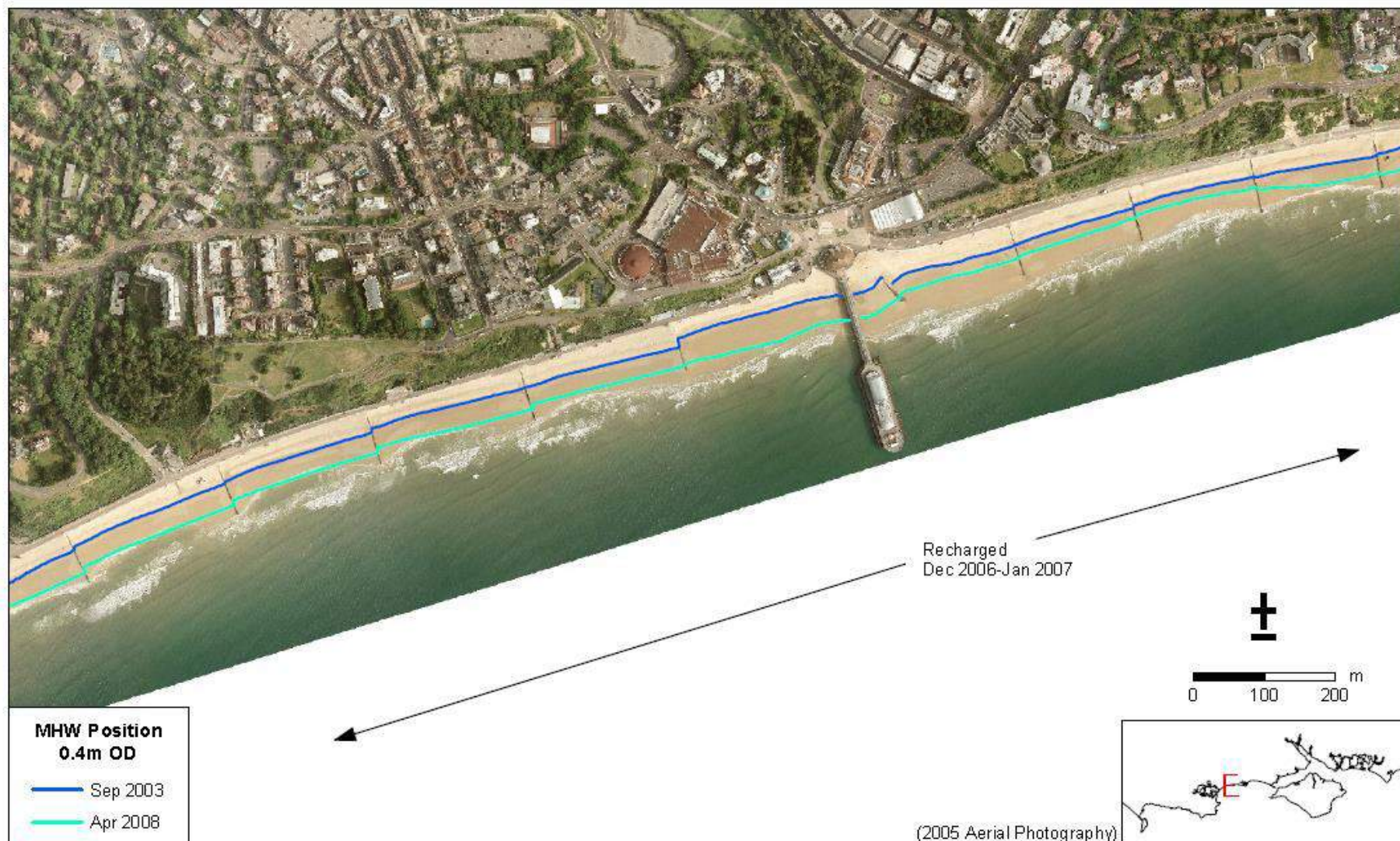
- *Use National coastal monitoring data sets as source*
  - *Update cliff edge*
  - *Consistent data source and method*
- *Expansion of coverage to include beaches and wetlands*
  - *Add MHWS, MLWS, saltmarsh, barrier/spits outline*
  - *Present lines on most recent aerial survey backdrop*
  - *Present line of existing defences where present*
- *Updates approx. 5-yearly*
- *Present actual positions and dates*
  - *Application historical monitoring data*
    - *Long term rates*
    - *Recent epochs*





Pagham Harbour - Mean High Water Springs Position (MHWS)



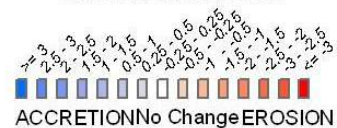


PBY 1b (4 of 5) - Mean High Water Position

Poola Bay

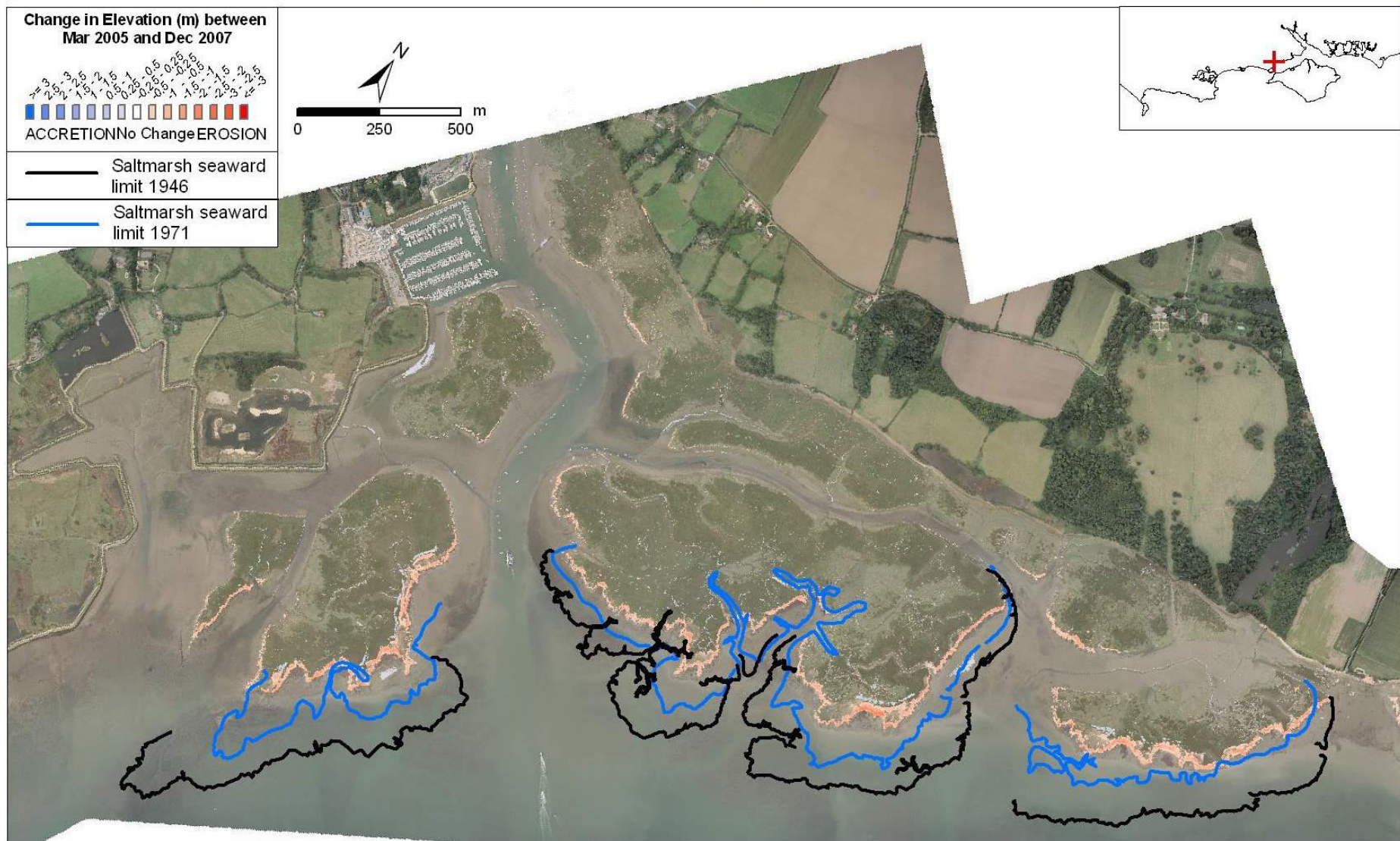


Change in Elevation (m) between  
Mar 2005 and Dec 2007



— Saltmarsh seaward  
limit 1946

— Saltmarsh seaward  
limit 1971



LYM4 - Saltmarsh Difference Model 2005 - 2007

SCOPAC - West Solent



# Naish



## Cliff Edge

- 2005
- 2001
- 1989
- 1966
- 1957

Naish Cliff Edge Lines

