



# SEAWALL AWARENESS & COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

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# SEAWALL AWARENESS & COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

## Program Overview



The Seawall Awareness and Compliance Program is a public outreach campaign that provides guidance to property owners on seawall maintenance, regulations and enforcement. Program recommended by Sustainability and Flood Mitigation Advisory Board.

- Flyer and Letters to Waterfront Property Owners
  - Property Owner Responsibilities and Dangers
  - Maintenance and Warning signs of failure
  - Additional Resources for Property Owners
- Approximately 1,050 addresses
- Improved Enforcement Practices
  - Inspections
  - Interdepartmental Coordination
  - Adjudications



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## Public Outreach



### Information on Letters

describing responsibilities & dangers

- ✓ Property Owner Responsibilities
- ✓ Seawall and Maintenance General Information
- ✓ Codes and Regulations
- ✓ Seawalls Minimum Elevation Requirements
- ✓ Maintenance and Warning Signs of Failure
- ✓ Common Code Violations
- ✓ Citation Process for Violations
- ✓ Additional Resources and Helpful Links
- ✓ Agency Directory

### Information on Flyers

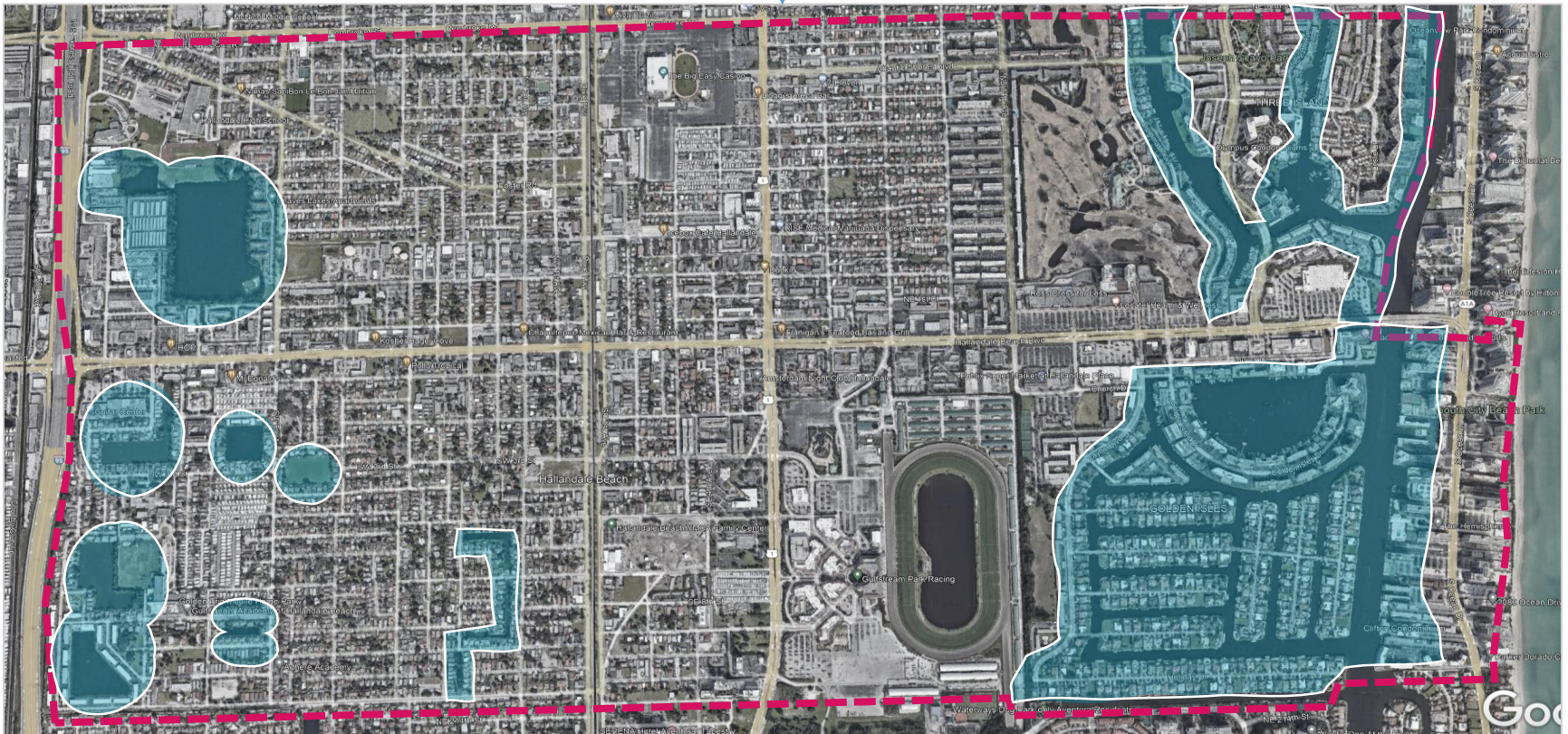
outlining regular maintenance checks for

- ✓ Seawall Surface
- ✓ Weep Holes
- ✓ Vegetation Build Up
- ✓ Waterproofing
- ✓ Seal Cracks
- ✓ Sea Water Encroaching Adjacent Properties
- ✓ Additional Resources and Helpful Links
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## Public Outreach

- Waterfront Property Owners
- Approximately 1,050 addresses
- Letters and Flyers
- Online Resources



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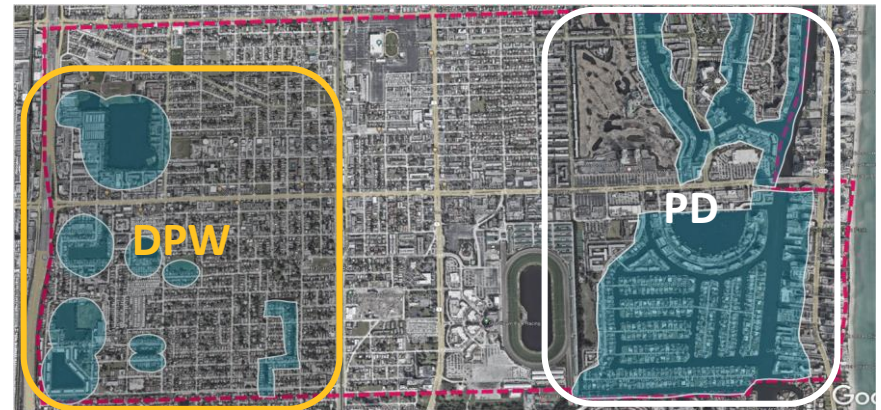
## Enforcement & The Team

### Enforcement

- **Code Compliance & PD**
  - Marine Patrol
  - Biannual Inspections
  - Additional Inspections scheduled if needed
- **Code Compliance & DPW**
  - Inland waterway erosion checks
  - Annual Inspections
  - Engineering to confirm possible erosion
- Developing New SOP to ensure timely adjudication and fine imposition
- Open cases brought to hearing within two months for Special Magistrate order
- Fines imposed if compliance not timely in accordance with code

### The Team

- Department of Sustainable Development
  - Code Compliance Inspector
  - Floodplain Coordinator
- Police Department
  - Police Sergeant
- Department of Public Works
  - Stormwater Supervisor



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## Resources



- Human Resources:
  - 4 City Employees
  - Approx. 160 hours (4 weeks)/Year
- Education Materials: \$500
- Mailing to 1050 addresses: \$3,000



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## Implementation Timeline



**January 2023**

Obtain Mailing List  
Send Letters to  
Property Owners



**January 2023**

SOP Completion  
Education Brochure  
Completion



**February 2023**

Inspections start  
Open Violation Cases



**April 2023**

Magistrate Hearings



# Q&A