



# TsunamiReady® Panel

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**NOAA in the Caribbean  
Stakeholders Meeting**

**San Juan, PR**

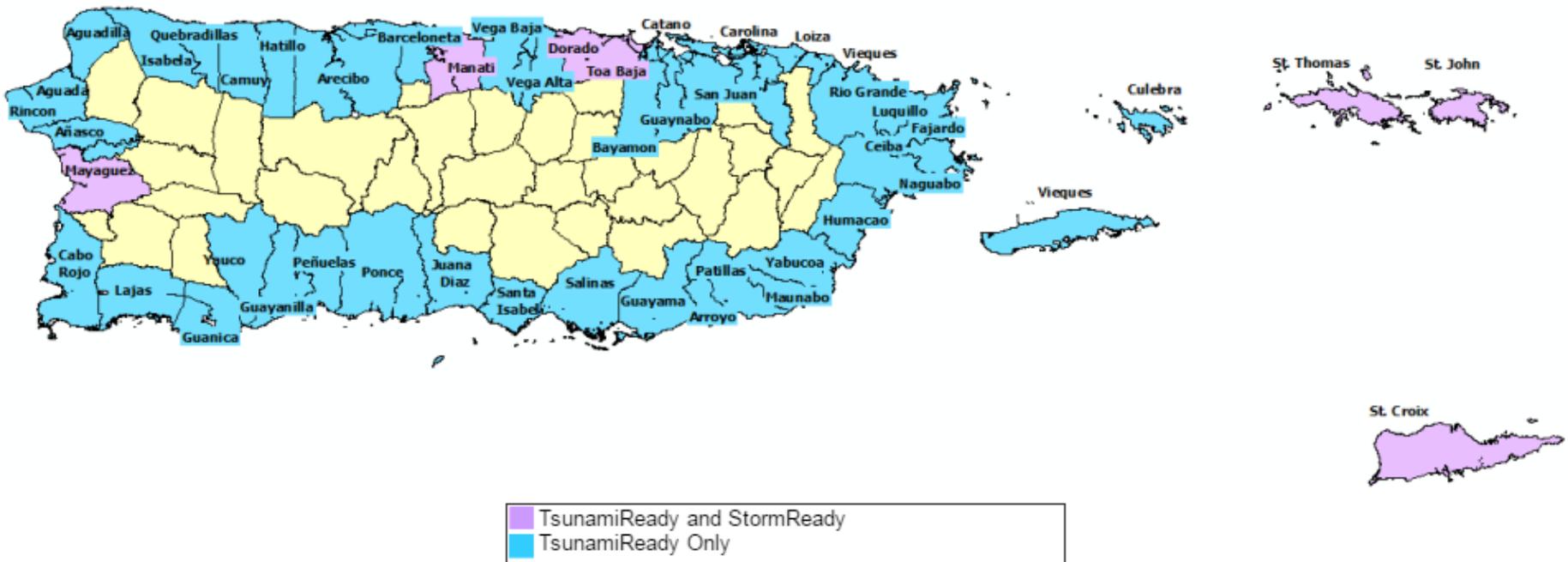
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## TsunamiReady® in Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands

**48 TsunamiReady Communities\*:  
45 Municipios (Puerto Rico), 3 Islands (U.S. Virgin Islands)**

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# Requirements as of June 1, 2016

## MITIGATION (MIT)

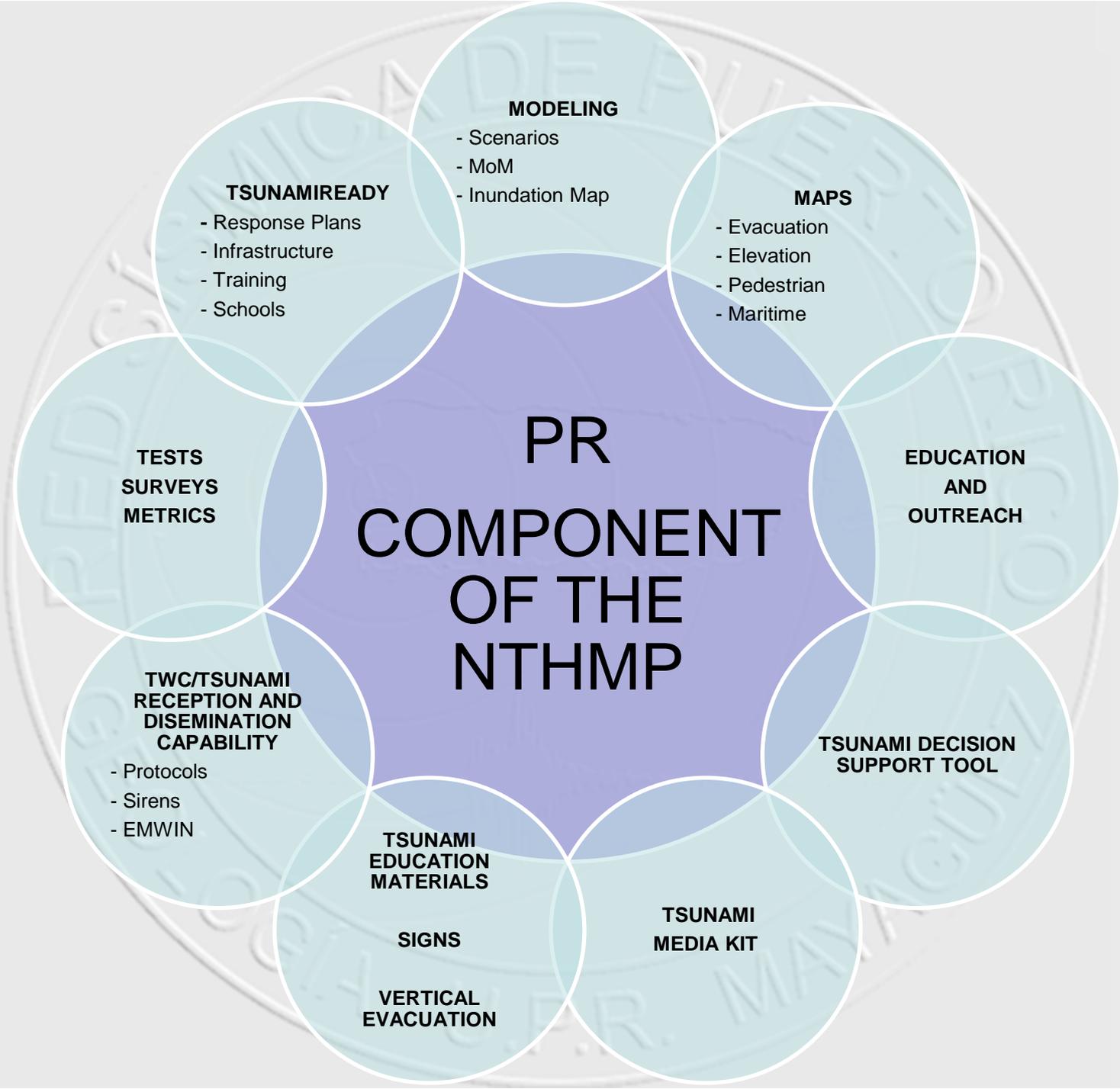
MIT-1	Have designated and mapped tsunami hazard zones.
MIT-2	Include tsunami hazard and community vulnerability information in the community's FEMA-approved multi-hazard mitigation plan.
MIT-3	Install signage, as needed, that identifies for example: (1) tsunami danger area and/or hazard zone (entering and leaving signs), evacuation routes, and assembly area; and (2) provides tsunami response education (go to high ground).

## PREPAREDNESS (PREP)

PREP-1	Produce easily understood tsunami evacuation maps as determined to be appropriate by local authorities.
PREP-2	Support an ongoing sustained tsunami public education effort. This effort should include the development and distribution of outreach materials.
PREP-3	Support an ongoing sustained tsunami education effort specific to public schools in coastal community pursuing TsunamiReady® recognition.
PREP-4	Hold at least one community-wide outreach or education activity annually.
PREP-5	Conduct community exercises that reinforce the concepts contained in Prep-1 through Prep-4.
PREP-6	Conduct evacuation drills for all public schools in the mapped tsunami evacuation zone to reinforce the concepts contained in Prep-1 through Prep-4.

## RESPONSE (RESP)

RESP-1	Address tsunami hazards in the community's emergency operations plan (EOP).
RESP-2	Address tsunami hazards in the emergency operations plans (EOP) for all public schools in the tsunami hazard zone.
RESP-3	Commit to supporting the emergency operations center (EOC) during tsunami incidents if an EOC is opened and activated.
RESP-4	Have redundant and reliable means for a 24-hour warning point (and EOC if activated) to receive official tsunami watch, advisory, and warning alerts.
RESP-5	Have redundant and reliable means for 24-hour warning point and/or EOC to disseminate official tsunami watch, advisory, and warning alerts to the public.
RESP-6	Have Public Alert-certified NOAA Weather Radio (NWR) receivers in critical facilities and public venues.
RESP-7	Conduct emergency operations plan exercises that test at least one component of the community's EOP or one item from Resp-4 through Resp-6.



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**MODELING**

- Scenarios
- MoM
- Inundation Map

**MAPS**

- Evacuation
- Elevation
- Pedestrian
- Maritime

**EDUCATION  
AND  
OUTREACH**

**TSUNAMI DECISION  
SUPPORT TOOL**

**TSUNAMI  
MEDIA KIT**

**TSUNAMI  
EDUCATION  
MATERIALS**

**SIGNS**

**VERTICAL  
EVACUATION**

**TESTS  
SURVEYS  
METRICS**

**TWC/TSUNAMI  
RECEPTION AND  
DISEMINATION  
CAPABILITY**

- Protocols
- Sirens
- EMWIN

**TSUNAMIREADY**

- Response Plans
- Infrastructure
- Training
- Schools

# TSUNAMI EXPOSURE : PR Rev 2015.

	California	Hawaii	Oregon	Washington	<b>Puerto Rico</b>
Report publication date	Wood et al., 2012	Wood et al., 2007	Wood et al., 2007	Wood and Soulard, 2008	PRSN, Tsunami Ready Program
Date of population/economic data	2010, 2011	200, 2006	200, 2006	200, 2006	2008, 2010, 2012
Geographic extent	Open-ocean coast and San Francisco Bay	Entire coastline	Entire coastline	Olympic Peninsula counties	Entire coastline
Tsunami-hazard zone	Maximum based on multiple scenarios	Maximum based on multiple scenarios	Cascadian subduction zone	Cascadian subduction zone	Maximum based on multiple scenarios
Number of residents in hazard zone	267,347	80,443	22,201	42,972	247,696
Numer of employees in zone	168,565	67,113	14,857	24,934	110,091
Number of public venues in zone	1,152	603	231	252	1,152
Number of dependent-care facilities in hazard zone	1,388	313	43	121	336
Average estimated daily visitors to coastal State and/or National Parks	166,322	.	53,714	17,029	6,338.00 ↑
Average estimated daily visitors to city or county beaches	384,801	.	.	.	13,401 ↑

# ***What has worked in the partnerships?***

- A. Sharing Cartographic and GIS Data to develop different products and web services.***
- B. Defining and specify main goal for scheduling the procedures over the time.***
- C. Subdivide huge project in a small components to develop more realistics and expected products.***

***Did you have a champion to spearhead or support the work?***



- A. Government of Puerto Rico***
- B. Government of US Virgin Islands***
- C. Government of Anguilla***
- D. Government of St. Kitts and Nevis***
- E. Puerto Rico Seismic Network***

# ***What were the strongest aspects?***

- A. Team work Professionalism (Caribbean Region)***
- B. Team Responsibility and well know To Do's***
- C. Data sharing – Trouble less***
- D. Communication and conference thought the web platforms (WebEx)***
- E. Data Publishing through different format and platforms***

# ***What's been accomplished so far?***

- A. Massive Data and Product Online available 365/24/7***
- B. Massive Training and Education programs (live or WebEx)***

# ***What opportunities exist for future partnerships associated with these activities?***

- A. Educational Programs using You Tube Platforms (Moment to Teach concepts)***
- B. Apple and Android Apps to show real time information on Mobile Device***



# US Virgin Islands Tsunami Ready Program

## Accomplishments

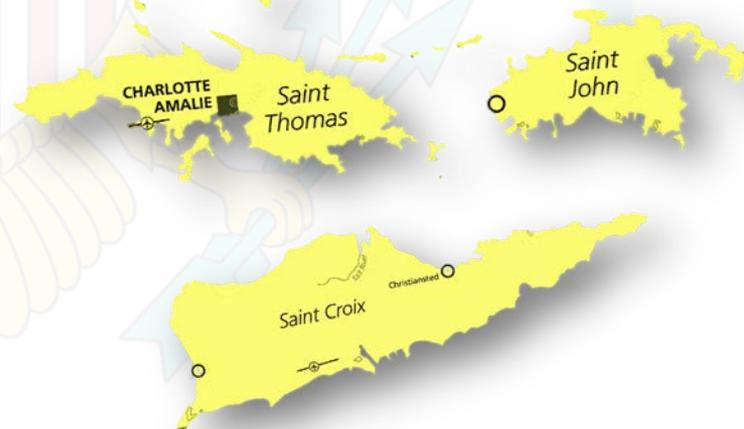
- ✓ Tsunami Incident Annex
- ✓ 24 outdoor warning sirens
- ✓ Tsunami signage
- ✓ USVI Tsunami Evacuation Maps
- ✓ Robust tsunami awareness program
- ✓ Annual participation in Caribe Wave
- ✓ Tsunami Preparedness Maritime Task Force
- ✓ IPAWS

## Future Endeavors

- Tsunami Inundation Modeling
- Maritime Playbook
- Updated Tsunami Evacuation Maps
- Additional Sirens at Highly-Populated Areas/ Water Island
- Community Awareness & Education

## Contributing Factors to Tsunami Program Successes

- ❖ Caribbean Tsunami Warning Program – NOAA NWS
- ❖ National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program – NOAA
- ❖ Puerto Rico Seismic Network
- ❖ Roy Watlington, TsunamiReady Champion
- ❖ FEMA- R2-CAD



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# FEMA Caribbean Area Division (CAD)

## Puerto Rico Catastrophic Plan

- Completed in 2012, reviewed annually
- Includes Emergency Support Functions (ESFs)
  - Operations
  - Logistics
  - Search & Rescue
  - Communications
  - Mass Care (shelters, feeding, pets, special needs populations, etc.)
  - Medical Services

## Catastrophic Planning Analysis

- Sea and Air Port Assessment, Opening and Operation
- Survivor Sheltering, Feeding, and Responders Billeting
- Commodity Distribution/Staging
- Search and Rescue Operations
- Medical/Veterinary/Mortuary Support
- Responder Support/Billeting
- Power Generation
- Debris Management



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## Additional Plans

- Threat and Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment (THIRA)
- Multi Hazard Mitigation Plans

## Emergency Management Phases

- Preparedness
- Response
- Recovery
- Mitigation



## Funds disbursed

- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) - \$280,854,523.00
- DHS/FEMA Preparedness Grants - \$194,966,221.00
- Disaster Assistance - \$3,373,030,573.00



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QUESTIONS?