Coastal communities are facing ongoing threats from coastal hazards, such as storms and flooding. These hazards have many effects, including flooded or damaged homes and buildings and erosion and loss of beaches, dunes, and coastal wetlands. Hurricane Sandy is a recent example. Scientists expect these threats to continue in the future.

There are many ways that coastal communities can respond to the risk of coastal storms and flooding, but all of these involve tradeoffs. This survey asks for your opinion about these tradeoffs. The goal of the survey is to identify the type of policies that would be supported by you and coastal residents. Your answers will be compiled with those of other respondents and sent to local officials to help them decide how to best protect your community.

This research study is being conducted by \_\_\_\_\_ on behalf of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Your participation is voluntary and you may stop at any time. The survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete. You will not be individually identified and your responses will be used for statistical purposes only. If you have questions about your rights as a participant in this survey, or are dissatisfied at any time with any aspect of the survey, you may contact \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree that the following are major problems facing your community.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neither | Agree | Strongly  Agree |
| Coastal storms |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coastal flooding |  |  |  |  |  |
| Riverine flooding |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shoreline erosion |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Please indicate whether you think the following will increase or decrease in the next 10 years.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Decrease | Stay about the same | Increase | Unsure |
| Coastal storms |  |  |  |  |
| Coastal flooding |  |  |  |  |
| Riverine flooding |  |  |  |  |
| Shoreline erosion |  |  |  |  |

1. Please rate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly  disagree | Disagree | Neither | Agree | Strongly  agree |
| It is important to restore estuarine and coastal lands in coastal New Hampshire, no matter how high the costs. |  |  |  |  |  |
| I am against any more regulations and government spending. |  |  |  |  |  |
| My household should not have to pay any amount to restore estuarine and coastal lands in coastal New Hampshire. |  |  |  |  |  |
| It is often difficult for me to find time to take surveys. |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What is your sex?

* Male
* Female

1. In what year were you born? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Do you own or rent property on a shoreline?
   * Yes
   * No
3. Are you a seasonal or year-round resident of coastal New Hampshire?

* Seasonal resident (I live in coastal New Hampshire only part of the year)
* Year-round resident (I live in coastal New Hampshire all year)
* Neither, I do not live in coastal New Hampshire during any part of the year

1. Are you Hispanic or Latino?

* Yes
* No

1. What is your race? (select all that apply)

* White/Caucasian
* Black/African American
* Asian
* Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander
* American Indian/Alaskan Native
* Other, please specify \_\_\_\_\_\_

1. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

* Less than 9th grade
* 9th to 12th grade, no diploma
* High school graduate (includes equivalency)
* Some college, no degree
* Associate's degree
* Bachelor's degree
* Graduate or professional degree

1. What was your annual household income in 2019?

* Less than $10,000
* $10,000 to $19,999
* $20,000 to $29,999
* $30,000 to $39,999
* $40,000 to $49,999
* $50,000 to $59,999
* $60,000 to $74,999
* $75,000 to $99,999
* $100,000 to $149,999
* $150,000 to $199,999
* $200,000 or more

1. How many people, including yourself, live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. How many of these people are at least 18 years old? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_