## **CHARLESTOWN FLOOD RESILIENCE PROJECT**

FLOOD RESILIENCE MITIGATION PLANNING, FEASIBILITY & DESIGN STUDY FOR CHARLESTOWN NAVY YARD & LITTLE MYSTIC CHANNEL

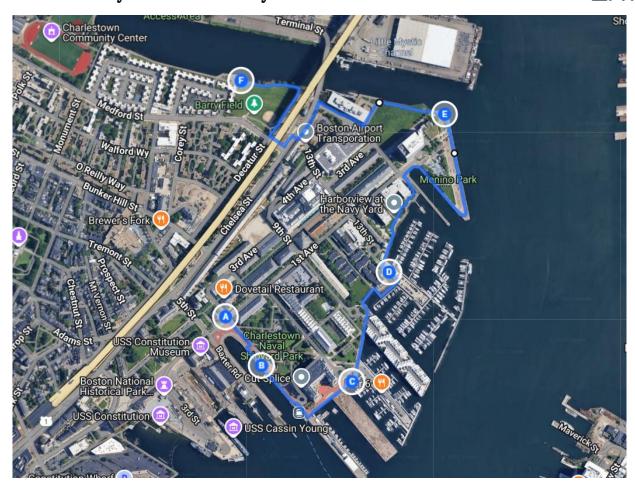
Do-It-Yourself Site Walk - Fall 2025





Join us on a tour of the Charlestown Navy Yard and Little Mystic Channel areas to explore design options to make us resilient to current and future flooding. Go at your own pace and scan this QR code (or click this link) to let us know what you think when you're done!





A 5TH STREET TIE-IN
1st Ave and Terry Ring

B DRY DOCK 2
5th Street and Baxter Avenue to the Ferry Terminal

**C** FLAGSHIP WHARF, PIERS 5 & 6 The Ferry Terminal to Constellation Wharf

CONSTELLATION WHARF / HARBORVIEW WATERFRONT
The edge of Constellation Wharf to 16th Street and 1st Avenue

**E**MENINO PARK AND SPAULDING REHABILITATION HOSPITAL 16th Street and 1st Avenue to the Tobin Memorial Bridge

F LITTLE MYSTIC CHANNEL
The Tobin Memorial Bridge to Little Mystic Channel Park

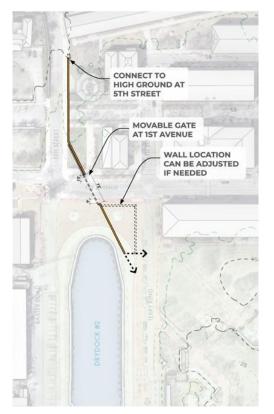




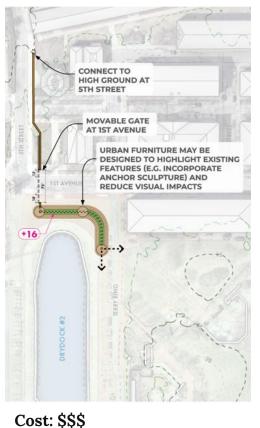
Stop Near Here (Scan QR or click link for map): 1st Ave and Terry Ring – 1st Ave and Terry Ring, Charlestown, MA 02129

District-wide flood protection needs to tie into high ground. The 5th St tie-in completes the flood protection, so it does not depend on the adjacent National Park Service site.

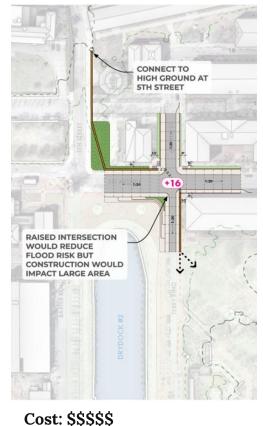
## Option 1: **Flood Wall**



Option 2: **Urban Furniture** 



Option 3: Raised Grade



Cost: \$

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- Easier to operate and maintain
- Easier to construct
- Can be built over time

## Cons:

- More impact to existing waterfront character
- More impact to waterfront views
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- Harder to construct

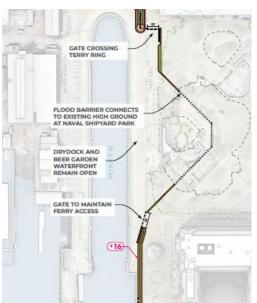




Stop Near Here (Scan QR or click link for map):

<u>Charlestown Naval Shipyard</u> <u>Park</u> – 20 Flagship Way Ave, Charlestown, MA 02129, USA The drydock is next to the Naval Shipyard Park, which has some high ground to tie into. If not tying into the high ground, the design option can be built along the dock front.

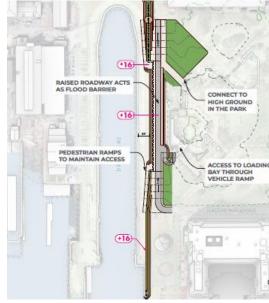
## Option 1: **Buried Flood Wall**



Option 2: **Urban Furniture** 



Option 3: **Raised Grade** 



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Urban Furniture

Raised Grade



Stop Near Here (Scan QR or click link for map): 8th Street
Circle Garden - 197 8th Street,
Charlestown, MA 02129, USA

The piers here present a unique challenge. The district design must maintain access to the piers, while ensuring continuous flood protection.

# MINIMAL CHANGES TO LANDSCAPE BEHIND HARBORWALK PAISON HARBORWALK RAISED TO MINIMIZE VISUAL IMPACT OF FLOOD WALL

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## **CONSTELLATION WHARF / HARBORVIEW WATERFRONT**

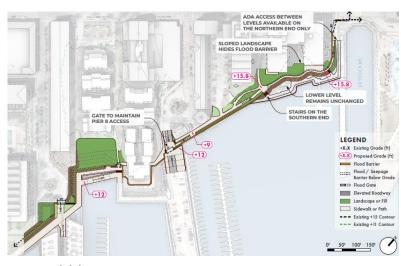




Stop Near Here (Scan QR or click link for map): Pier 8 – Pier 8, Charlestown, MA 02129, USA

Shipway Place has a unique waterfront space with a historic submerged dock. Harborview boasts an already elevated Harborwalk to integrate flood protection into.

## Buried Flood Wall at Harborview



**Cost:** \$\$\$

## Cons:

Pros:

character

More impact to waterfront access

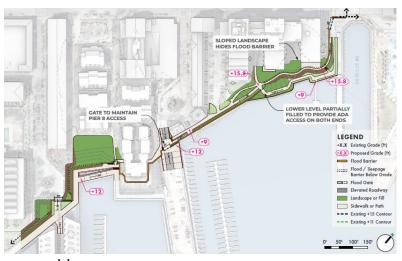
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## Buried Flood Wall + Raised Grade

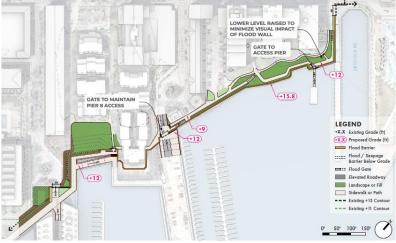


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Option 3: Waterfront Wall + Raised Grade



Cost: \$\$\$\$

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## MENINO PARK AND SPAULDING REHABILITATION HOSPITAL

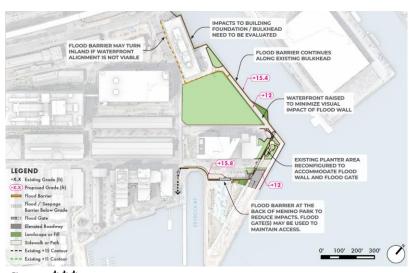




Stop Near Here (Scan QR or click link for map): Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital on the waterfront – 300 1st Ave, Charlestown MA 02129

Menino Park and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital were recently built, and both include features to dissipate wave energy. Spaulding also has designs to protect it from flooding.

# **Bulkhead Flood Wall**



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## Cost: \$\$\$

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## IMPACTS TO BUILDING FOUNDATION / BULKHEAD NEED TO BE EVALUATED FLOOD BARRIER CONTINUES ALONG EXISTING BULKHEAD ALIGNMENT IS NOT VIABLE MPACT OF FLOOD WALL PASSIVE FLOOD RAISED PLATFORM AND PLANTER AREA OUTBOARD OF FLOOD BARRIER TO MAINTAIN WATERFRONT ACCESS LEGEND +X.X) Proposed Grade (ft) Flood Barrier Flood Gate Elevated Road Landscape or Fill Sidewalk or Path

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**Bulkhead Flood Wall** 

**Inland Urban** Furniture



Stop Near Here (Scan QR or click link for map): <u>Little</u>

<u>Mystic Plaza</u> - 21 Old Landing
Way, Charlestown, MA 02129

The Little Mystic Channel has narrow frontage between the water and the residential Charles Newtown Cooperative making it challenging to add flood protection.

Option 1: Flood Wall + Flood Gates

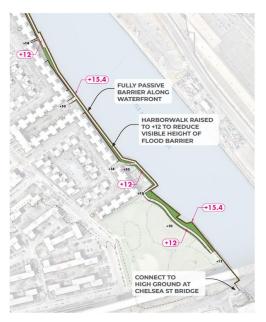
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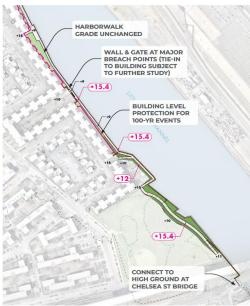
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CONNECT TO
HIGH GROUND AT
CHELSEA ST BRIDGE

Option 2: **Bulkhead Flood Wall** 



Option 3:
Flood Gates + Property
Level



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