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BREAKWATER RECONSTRUCTION AT CAP-DES-ROSIERS HARBOR



PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Site Description
 - Existing conditions
 - Proposed concept
 - Available data
- Design Wave Height Modeling
- Wave Agitation Assessment
- Sediment Transport Assessment
- Conclusions and lessons learned



Storm January 7th 1983

SITE DESCRIPTION

— Since 1980, repair works on the road or locally within the harbor were required every ~2 years





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Storm December 6th 2010



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- Sea level rise :
 - +1mm/yr felt at the nearest water level station



- Reduction in ice cover
 - Winter storms can now generate high waves that will reach the shoreline



Prior 2014 - Vertical wall





After 2014 - Rock revetment



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Existing Conditions (2016)



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— Typical boat

- 3-4 m width
- 8 m length
- 1-1,5 m draught

— Navigation (Harbor Entrance)

- North-North-East oriented entrance sheltered by lighthouse rocky cliff
- South-West approach not possible due to multiple rock outcrops
- East approach → exposition to large fetch and waves
- Wave breaking at the entrance at low tide

— Wave Agitation

 Wave reflection inside the entrance within the berlin wall and along the main navigation channel





Existing Conditions

Proposed concept



- Key Features of Proposed Concept
 - Berlin walls replaced by breakwaters (Reduce agitation)

— Channel entrance width increased by 0,8 m (Navigation maneuvrability)

— Minimum channel width increased by 3,1 m (Navigation maneuvrability)

— Inner basin adjacent to southern breakwater to dissipate wave energy before it reaches the other end of the harbor (Reduce agitation & sedimentation)

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- Step 1:
 - Generation of a synthetic buoy offshore (deepwater) using local wind data



- Use of wave hindcast model validated in Great Lakes and in Gulf of St-Lawrence
- Hs max ~ 7,5 m
- Dominant offshore wave direction = NE



- Step 2 :
 - Nearshore wave propagation using SWAN for hundreds of wave conditions (Hs, Tp, Dir) and water levels

 Result extraction in zones adjacent to toe of proposed structures



- Step 3 :
 - Model result organized in solution space (multidimensional matrix)
 - 4D linear interpolation using solution space, offshore wave and water level timeseries
 - Final result :
 - Hourly nearshore wave climate





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Wave agitation Assessment

- Steps 1-2-3 :
 - Wave propagation inside the harbor using CGWAVE
 - Solution space and wave timeseries for each mesh calculation nodes inside the harbor
 - Production of wave agitation chart for different probabilities



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Sediment Transport Assessment

- Grain-size Classification
 - Sediment distribution indicates two transport mechanisms
 - -Sediment supply contribution from the Whalen River during flood
 - -Contribution from the longitudinal drift during storms

	SAMPLINGS		
	INNER HARBOR	MAIN CHANNEL	ENTRANCE
Gravel	5.8%	0.0%	3.1%
Coarse sand	37.7%	12.2%	79.4%
Fine sand	2.9%	64.8%	13.0%
Silt and clay	64.0%	23.0%	4.5%



Sediment Transport Assessment

 Contribution from longitudinal drift





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Northeastern storm, Hs ~= 4 m, Tp ~ = 9 s, Duration approx 24 hours

Silt Simulations

Sediment Transport Assessment

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 - PSed (Lagrangian particle-based sediment transport model)
 - Hydrodynamics generated in Telemac-2d for multiple tidal cycle and including salinity gradient effects
 - —Silt simulations show less accumulation in inner harbor in future conditions due to enhancement of the 90 deg bend





Fine Sand Simulations

Sediment Transport Assessment

- Contribution from Whalen River
 - PSed (Lagrangian particle-based sediment transport model)
 - Hydrodynamics generated in Telemac-2d for multiple tidal cycle and including salinity gradient effects
 - -Silt simulations show less accumulation in inner harbor in future conditions due to enhancement of the 90 deg bend
 - Fine sand simulations show loss of flushing capacity in future conditions due to widening of the main channel for navigation safety purposes





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Lessons Learned

- Storm December 30th
 2016
- Huge storm, lots of damage
- Maximum water level since 1969 in between two hours
- Importance of verifying high temporal resolution water level data when available!

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— (1min to 6 min dataset)



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CONCLUSIONS

- Different modeling strategies and simulation results allowed to :
 - Provide key design parameters
 - -extreme water levels, wave heights and preliminary calculation for rock sizing
 - -future wave agitation conditions to assess navigation conditions
 - -Understand sediment transport mechanisms in future conditions
 - Provide guidelines to support the decision-making process and future harbor design
 - Gain confidence in the proposed reconstruction option

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