

USGS Coastal Water Level Monitoring

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USGS Surge Wave and Tidal Hydrodynamics Network (SWaTH)

- Network of stations along the East Coast
- Pre-installed infrastructure with stations surveyed to common NAVD 88 Datum
- Long-term publicly accessible database and viewer









The SWaTH Network

- Consists of a variety of technologies; High water marks, short term flexible low-cost sensors, high frequency short term sensors, rapid deployment short-term real-time gages, and continuous real-time USGS gages
- The real-time equipment can be configured with a variety of telemetry platforms including satellite and cell modem
- The network also consists of several locations that are set up on transects from the shoreline inland



- Flexible low-cost methods for water level data collection
- Hobo Loggers 1 hertz or longer
- True Blue Loggers 4 hertz
- High-water marks validated with surveyed points quickly









Data Collection Methods

- Rapid Deployment Gages (RDG's) flexible network, install quickly transmit data in real-time
- USGS permanent tidal water elevation only gages
 USGS WaterAlert allows for public to get notifications <u>https://accounts.waterdata.us</u>

gs.gov/wateralert







USGS New England SWaTH Network





SWATH Network long-term database with searchable viewer application

https://www.usgs.gov/mission-areas/waterresources/science/surge-wave-and-tide-hydrodynamicsswath-network













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Surge, Wave, and Tide Hydrodynamics (SWaTH) Network

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Other USGS Products and Publications

- <u>https://wim.usgs.gov/geonarrative/newenglandnoreaster20</u> <u>18/</u>
- https://www.usgs.gov/publications/documentation-andmapping-flooding-january-and-march-2018-noreasterscoastal-new







