

Coastal Management Supporting Data

The purpose of the Coastal Management element is to provide for the protection of residents and property in those campuses within the coastal area of the host community, and to limit expenditures, and where appropriate, restrict development, in those areas subject to destruction by natural disaster within the coastal high hazard area.

Coastal High Hazard Zone

The Main Campus, Southwest Campus and related properties in Tallahassee are inland and are not subject of the Coastal Management issues.

The Panama City Campus sits on North Bay. However, the local or regional government agencies involved have not declared a high hazard zone. Except for just a fringe at the water's edge, the campus is not within the 100-year floodplain according to the FEMA maps.

The other properties along the coast, such as St. Teresa and Alligator Point are discussed in the State Lands Management Plan. (See the accompanying volume entitled "An Inventory and Analysis of Land Use Suitability of the Parcels under the Control of The Florida State University.")

Emergency Sheltering

In 2003, the Department of Community Affairs surveyed the University's Main Campus to determine available shelter space and the capacity available. The results of that survey are available from the Division of Emergency Management, Executive Office of the Governor.

The University's existing recreation and athletic fields are potentially available for staging emergency operations, but they are in the 100-year floodplain that could be inundated in times of severe storms. Expansion plans would add large open areas to the east along the north side of Gaines Street that should be out of the floodplain.