

*Policy Summit*  
**"One California, One Coast"**

State Policy on Sea Level Rise: Ocean Protection Council, Cal Cities,  
Coastal Cities Group

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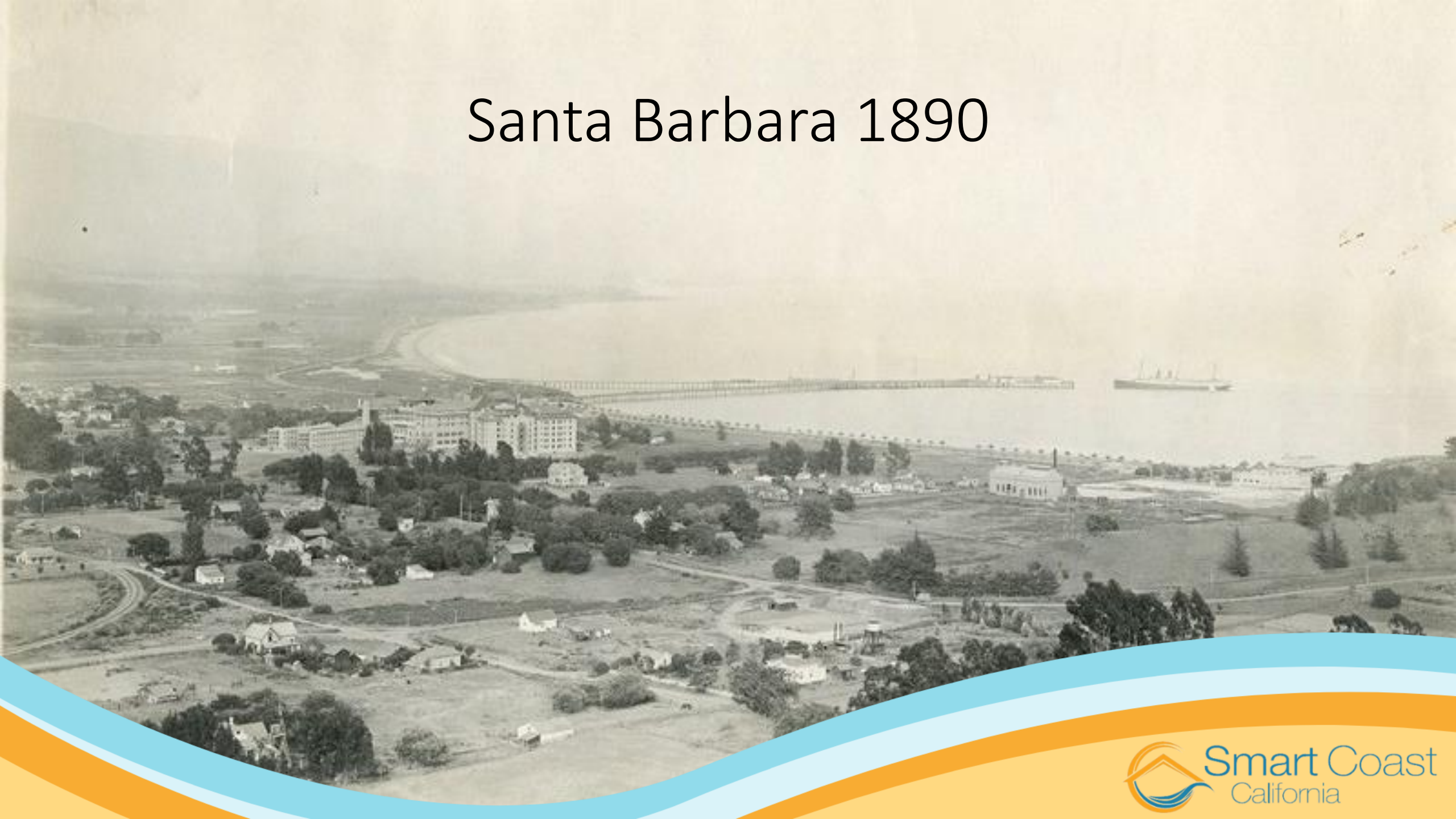
# Local Government Working Group

- Outline of Presentation:
  - Context
  - What is the Coastal Commission Local Government Working Group?
  - Why is it important?
  - What are the major policy issues?
  - Goals and objectives
  - Accomplishments to date
  - What's next?

# Composition

- Coastal Commission Executive Director
- Coastal Commission senior staff
- Two Coastal Commissioners
- Two County Supervisors
- Three City Councilmembers
- Staff support from local governments
- League of Cities support staff

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# Importance

- Building relationships and trust between Coastal Commission and Local Governments
- Improve communication
- Collaboration
- Establish mutual goals to improve the LCP update process and SLR Adaptation strategies



# Policy Issues

- LCP update process
- Short Term Rentals
- Sea Level Rise Planning
- Existing Development



# Objectives

- Improve the Local Coastal Plan Update Process
- Foster Regional Collaboration
- Identify Sea Level Rise Adaptation Strategies
- Statewide consistency
- Local Flexibility



# Accomplishments

- Coastal Commission Local Government Workshops
- Phase 1:
  - August 2009
  - December 2012
  - December 2015
- Phase 2:
  - July 12, 2019 –Established the Local Government Working Group
  - December 17, 2020 – Adopted Joint Statement on Adaptation Planning
  - August 12, 2022 – Presentations to CCC on LCP Update Processes



# Accomplishments

- December 15, 2021 - Adoption of Working Group SLR and LCP Documents
  - Phased Approach to LCP updates and SLR
  - Regional Approaches to resiliency and adaptation
  - Elevation and concurrence process for LCP updates
  - Quick links document reference
- January 27, 2023 – Neighborhood Approach Workshop
  - Working Group and external stakeholders
  - Introduction to Neighborhood Approach to planning



# Neighborhood Approach

- What is it?
- How is it a useful tool?
- Public Infrastructure
- Private
- Leads to improved planning and outcomes
  - Coastal access
  - Sets expectations



# What's Planned for 2023?

- Neighborhood Approach to SLR planning
- Regional Collaboration
- Outreach and discussions with select cities/counties and stakeholders

# Thank You



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