

From below and above (LoPresti Park)

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Introduction

What is the artwork about?

This artwork is about air pollution and sea level rise. It describes our situation currently with air pollutants affecting us, where they have shown up, and how much of the pollutants there are. This artwork also shows how sea level will increase and how it would look if it were 3 feet higher.

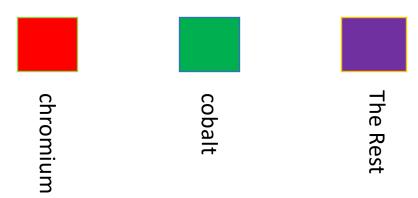
Why is air pollution/sea level rise important?

How is this affecting East Boston?

East Boston's future is on the line. This town will see serious flooding within the next 3 decades if precautions are not made soon. Also, the air pollution is hurting our health and causing many chronic diseases to develop in children.

KEY

- Chromium can cause cancer to the respiratory tract. Overall it is bad for the air.
- Cobalt can cause asthma or pneumonia and hurt human lungs when released into the air.
- The rest of the particles can be cancerous or hurt the lungs in some way.

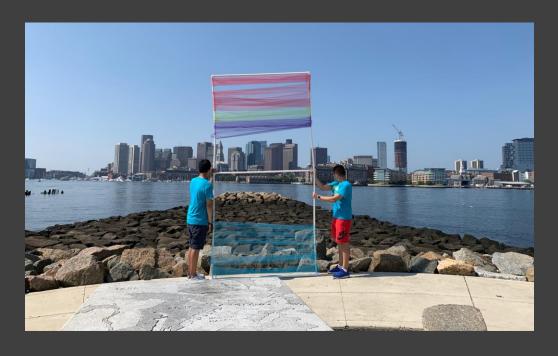


This photo shows that with sea level rise the base of LoPresti Park will be fully flooded, making it impossible for the community and the residents to spend their time enjoying the space.

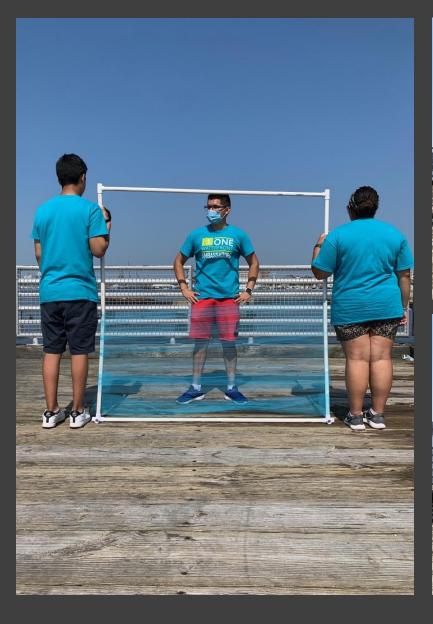


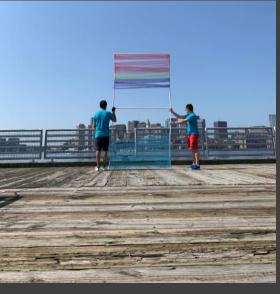


In this picture you can see that in the following 3 decades or more this whole area will be flooded and overtaken due to sea level rise. The air pollutants will increase and there will be more danger to the people relaxing and walking by this area.











This picture is on the Lopresti docks and overlooking Boston.

What can we do about these issues?

- Talk to community members about sea level rise and air pollution
- Send pictures on social media platforms of the artwork
- Talk to family or friends about this issue
- Schedule petitions and talk to community outreach groups about this