

Panel Discussion:

RISING TIDES AND STORMY SEAS

Exploring the Future of the American Coastline

December 4, 2019 • 5:00pm - 6:30pm • Reception to Follow

1800 M Street NW, Suite 400N, Washington D.C.

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Join Meridian Institute for a discussion exploring the future of coastal development and resilience as communities grapple with accelerating sea level rise, increasingly destructive storms, and more frequent floods. Some policies even encourage development in our most vulnerable places, while communities are confronting hard choices including relocation to higher ground. As the planet continues to warm, how can we best manage coastal flooding and its often devastating impacts?

Panelists



Gilbert M Gaul, Two-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize and author of *The Geography of Risk*, which explores unchecked coastal development, devastating storms, and the impacts of rising seas.

Jeffrey Peterson, Former EPA Senior Policy Advisor and author of *A New Coast: Strategies for Responding to Devastating Storms and Rising Seas*.

Velma Smith, Senior Officer in Government Relations with The Pew Charitable Trust's Flood-Prepared Communities Initiative.

Katie Spidaleri, Senior Associate at the Georgetown Climate Center.

Madelyn Smith, Ruckelshaus Fellow at Meridian Institute.

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