CASCO BAY MONITORING NETWORK

<u>Habitats – Salt Marsh</u> <u>Online</u> <u>4/14/2020</u>

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2019 Assessment & Monitoring

Site	Town	Surf. Water Hydro/sal.	Veg comm.	Channel	Marsh surface	Soil salinity	lnv. Phrag.
Small Pt Marsh	Phippsbur g	2 units, 12 weeks	~60 plots	LP, 6 cross sections	6 transects	15 wells X 3 samples	
Thomas Bay Marsh	Brunswick	2 units, 7+ weeks		LP, 6 cross sections			
Appletree Marsh	Harpswell		~100 plots	LP, 10 cross sections		12 wells X 5 samples	Х
Mill Creek	Falmouth	3 units, 3+ weeks					
Cousins River	Freeport	1 unit, 10 weeks					
Long Marsh	Harpswell					12 wells X 3 samples	Х
Back River	Woolwich	2 cond. units, 7+ weeks					

2020 Assessment & Monitoring



- Living shorelines
 demonstrations, Brunswick
 - Pre (spring), as built, post (fall)
 - Maquoit Bay CL; Wharton
- Small Point Marsh,
 Phippsburg
- Other work TBD depending on "essential"

Fit with monitoring plan models



 Coastal habitat; potential to build upon existing salt marsh program

Stressors

- Human impacts
- Climate response
- Invasive Phragmites

Status

- Health / sentinel sites
- Sea level impacts
- Response
 - Species / SGCNs