

Climate Change and Sea Level Rise:

Delawareans say they are convinced and ready to act.

In 2014, Delaware residents were surveyed about their thoughts on climate change and sea level rise. Delawareans believe that climate change and sea level rise are happening and are a threat to our state. They think we should Delawareans report having personally experienced the impacts of climate act now and they believe that their own actions change and sea level rise. make a difference. Delawareans think immediate action should be taken to reduce the impacts of climate change and Residents in Delaware believe climate change and sea level rise are happening sea level rise. Have experienced Have experienced and are a threat. climate change sea level rise Residents support local and 79% state governments spending 70% more money on public construction projects if it means that the structures Are convinced that Are convinced that could withstand sea level rise. climate change is sea level rise is happening happening **72%** 76% Support Say to act now Say to act now on climate change on sea level rise Delawareans agree that they can personally take actions to reduce 20% climate change. 65% Not Sure Delawareans support key strategies to respond to and prepare for sea level rise. Increase funding for research Change building codes and

The full report is available online at WWW.DE.GOV/CLIMATESLRSURVEY





regulations to reduce risk in

flood prone

areas



Elevate

buildings

in areas of

risk using

private funding



new structures

in areas

at risk from

sea level rise



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64%

Allow beaches

and wetlands

to naturally migrate inland