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New Insights into Sea Level Dynamics and Coastal Erosion

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Coastal storms and sea-level rise are widely recognized as increasingly severe threats to coastal communities and ecosystems. Intensive scientific studies on sea-level dynamics and coastal geomorphology are revealing complex sedimentologic, vegetative, and anthropogenic responses that vary over space and time. However, tipping points, thresholds, and non-linearities in the evolution of coastal systems continue to cloud our ability to forecast evolution in these dynamic settings. To improve our understanding of coupled natural-human dynamics on coasts, it becomes attractive to develop conceptual frameworks, numerical models, and diverse observational approaches. Concomitantly, enormous volumes of data from Earth observations, in situ sensors, and Uncrewed Autonomous Systems (UAS) are proving valuable for databased analyses and validation of modeling and simulation. There is a need for the synthesis of short- and long-term processes for sustainable coastal development, which presents a demand and opportunity to bring together the current theory, practice, and methodological advances in coastal systems.









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