

Nature Improves Resilience to Climate Change

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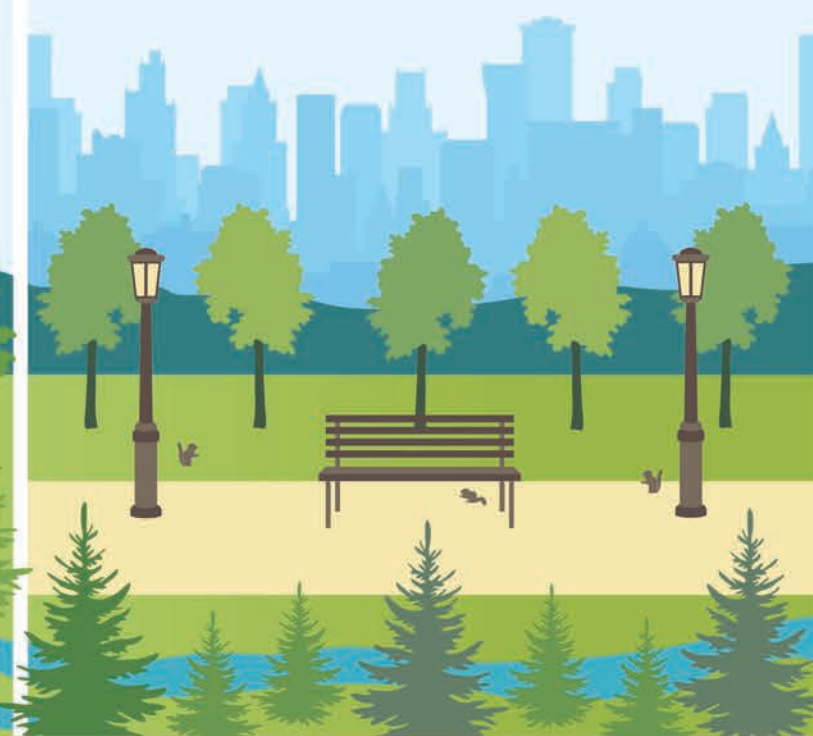
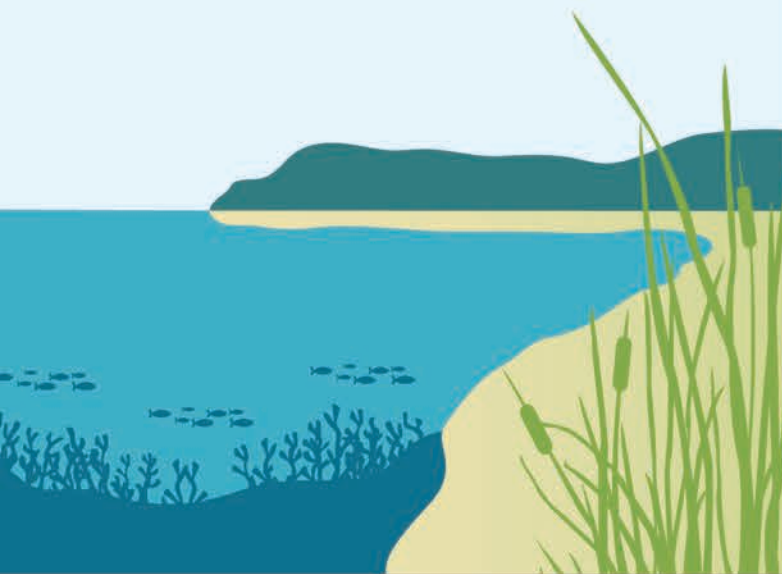


- **CORAL REEFS** can reduce 97% of incoming wave energy, which helps reduce erosion and storm-surges.
- 1 acre of **WETLANDS** stores 1-1.5 million gallons of floodwater.

- Protecting undeveloped **FLOODPLAINS** would cost < \$160 billion, but prevent nearly \$400 billion in damages.

- Ecological **FOREST** management can protect drinking water supplies and mitigate wildfire risk.
- Over 1/2 of the nation's water supply comes from **FORESTS**.

- **URBAN AND COMMUNITY TREES** reduce over 7% of residential energy use. Urban trees and green spaces absorb stormwater and provide habitat for wildlife.



Coastal Ecosystems

Floodplains

Forests

Urban Forests