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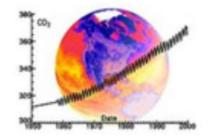
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# Let's remember what is happening...



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# Let's remember where we are



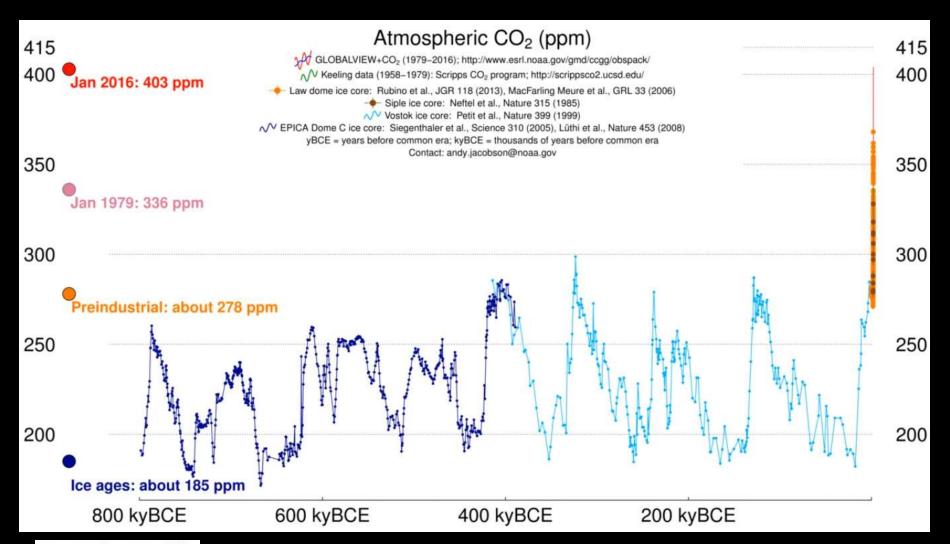
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# Let's remember where we are ... in Earth's unfolding history...



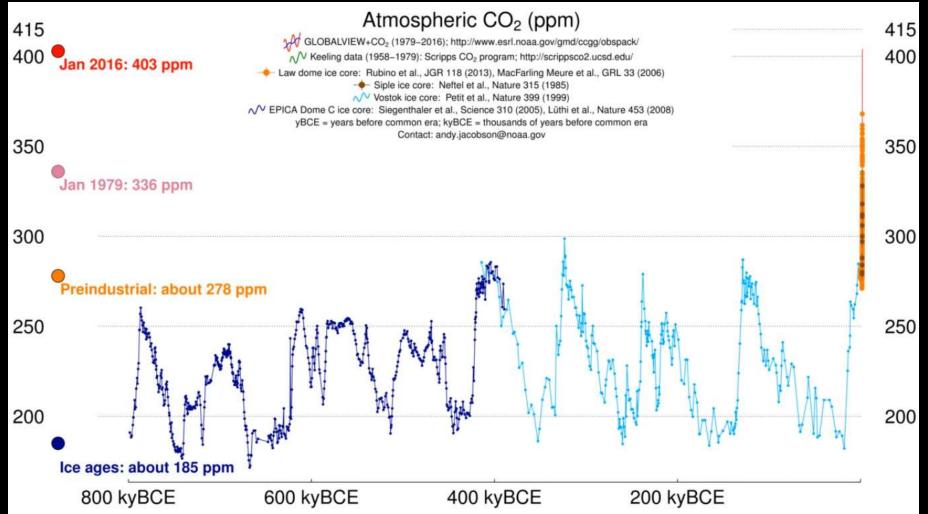
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### There are patterns in the data...





# There are patterns in the data... What are the significant ones?





# Inside the Experiment: Abrupt Change and Ice Cores

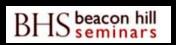
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# Comparing coastal cities... Miami & Atlantic City, for example





# What about Boston? "The City on a Hill..."



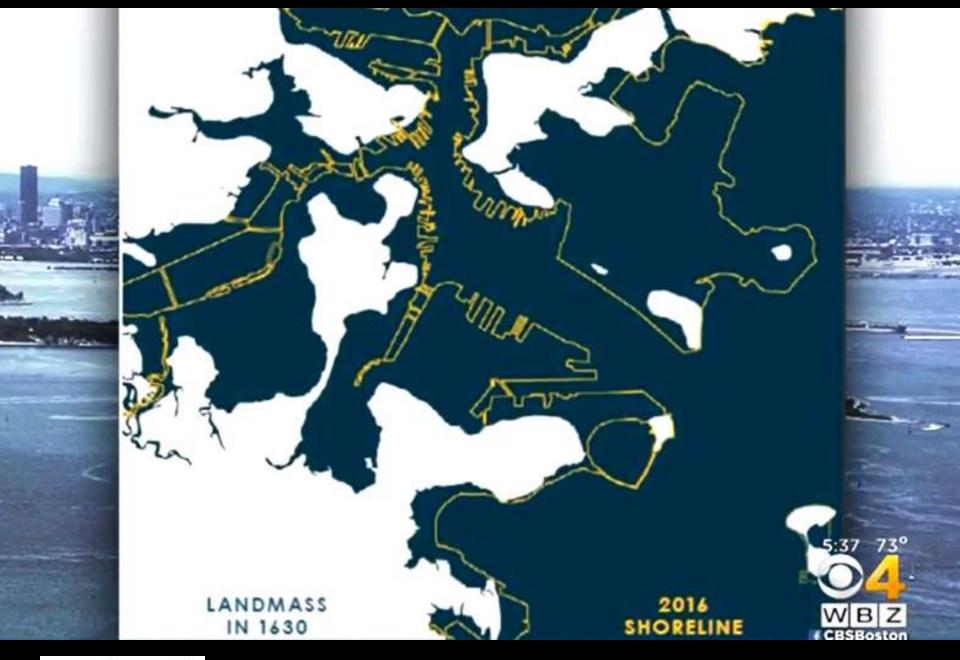
# What about Boston? "The City on a Hill..." Does "Beacon Hill" see what is coming?





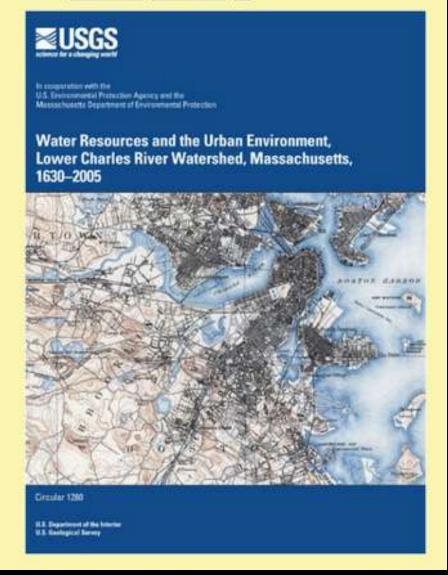
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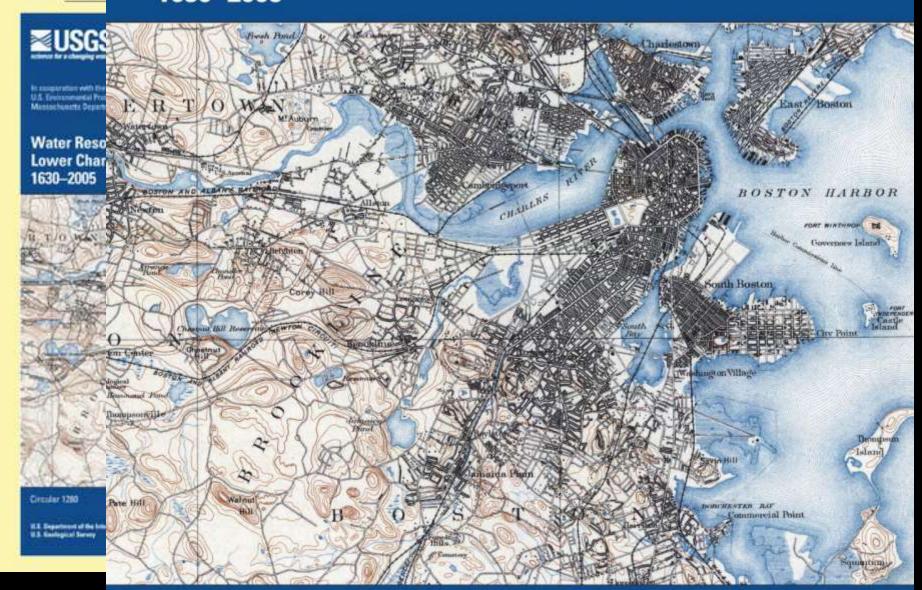
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# Whose "future" does this represent?







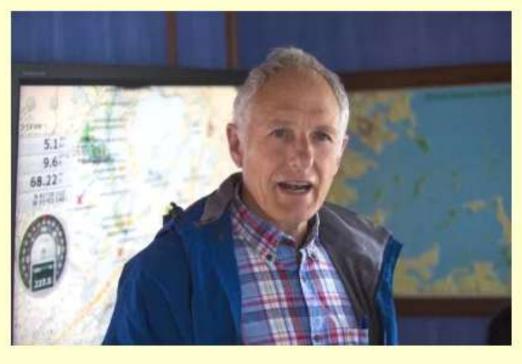
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With sea levels rising, a team at the University of Massachusetts Boston is researching harbor barriers to protect the city from flooding.

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### Greater Boston Group (GBG)

Join the Greater Boston Group and Biodiversity for a Livable Climate for a one-day conference on what we can do to conserve, restore and strengthen ecosystems in our region:

### Revitalizing Ecosystems in Greater Boston to Survive Climate Change



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