**Table #**

**Panel 2, Political, Psychological, Public Health and Ethical Response to SLR**

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***Question 1****: Politically, how can the U.S. and the EU move beyond gridlock in addressing sea level rise?*

***Answer/Notes:* Right definition, Dutch have a small population, homogeneous population. Would be like us convincing a state. But it needs to be local in action. We can’t wait around for national sol’n, CC will affect more than just coastal. Metropolitan revolution? Maybe incorporate water (fresh water; flash flooding, etc) that will.. Norfolk is plagued by concept of money—we know what needs to be done. VA governors actually want to turn money back in. Norfolk—comes down to money—how do we get out of the box—can’t ? Dutch use 50% tax rate to finance these programs? Local governments get money from real estate taxes—yet values going down w/SLR. Nice thing about SLR is that it’s slow—but we’re wasting time funding convention center, etc—need seawall more than library. ODU master plan is not incorporating…but coal piers to terminal—we should have a sea wall—like Netherlands—recreation is a good component—make it fun, maybe incorporate private interests. Norfolk—keep talking to people, flood zones not selling well—negative impact on selling. City real estate assessors slower than time—not keeping up.**

***Question 2:*** *In what ways can the discussion move beyond politics* *in order to address environmental, social, spatial, and economic risks?*

***Answer/Notes: We’ve got to educate people, get their attention, local, keep it simple, and how does it affect us? We need to wake up and say do you want to live in your house for 30 more years? 50% of Norfolk is not taxed—income stream affected. Renters also affected. IS there a way to affect pods of people that will work together. The most expensive neighborhoods are on the water, and that’s also the most vulnerable. What can we expect from those residents to help themselves. Legislatures are now making a mistake in lowering Flood insurance rates!***

***Question 3:*** *What role should citizens’ perceptions of risk play in the conversation about sea level rise, its impacts and in adapting to it and how can we broaden their understanding of the issues?*

***Answer/Notes: Making it real to them. Keep it simple***

***General Question:*** *Given what you've learned during this panel, what types of collaborative research and action might be most useful in affecting adaptive policy?*

***Answer/Notes: Last series emphasized challenge of getting people to understand and take action. Average citizen will like pictures—tell a story as well—like “ I couldn’t get to school today…etc.”***

*Consensus Points:*

*Takeaways/Action Items:*

*Points of dissent:*

*Miscellaneous/Interesting:*