IMPACTS OF WEATHER & CLIMATE ON COASTAL TOURISM IN NORTH CAROLINA



Weather & Climate Conditions

Aesthetic
Ex: Clear or sunny day
Physical
Ex: Rain, wind, humidity
Thermal
Ex: Comfort level of temperature



Extreme Weather Events

> Hurricanes Tidal Floods



Climate & Weather Sensitivity

Air Temperature Sea-Surface Temperature



Climate & Weather Dependent Tourism Businesses

Fishing/Boating Charters
Marinas
Kayak/Canoe Services
Vacation Rental Homes



NC Coastal Tourism

~4,000 Tourism Related Businesses in NC's 20 CAMA Counties



Effect on NC Coastal Tourism

Economic loss
Change in hours of operations
Threats to tourists' participation
in leisure activity