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Climate Change Could Leave Obama's Possible New Mansion Underwater, According To Researchers Funded By Obama Admin



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Former President Barack Obama's possible new mansion on Martha's Vineyard could be totally underwater by the year 2100, according to a climate change model relying on government data.

The Obamas are reportedly in the process of **buying the island property**, which was originally listed at listed at \$14,850,000, from Boston Celtics owner Wyc Grousbeck. Though the deal has yet to be finalized, both **TMZ** and the Boston Herald have **reported** that the Obamas are in escrow.

Climate Central, a research group funded by the government during the Obama administration, projects the Obamas' possible new mansion to be well underwater in its "Extreme Scenario 2100" model.



Obama's possible new Martha's Vineyard mansion could be underwater by 2100 (Screenshot/Google Earth/Digital Globe using Climate Central data)

Climate Central allows users to map the group's model over Google Earth to see what flooding in specific areas could look like by the year 2100.

The Daily Caller News Foundation plugged the street address of the Obamas' possible new mansion into the model, which projects the waterline to have advanced well past the property's house and private beach footpath by 2100.

Climate Central's **model** is based off of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) "extreme rise" scenario, which Climate Central **described** as "unlikely but increasingly plausible" in an April 2017 report.

Climate Central's less pessimistic models still paint bleak pictures for the future of Obama's potential new property.



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The research group's "Unchecked pollution" model shows the waterline **approaching** where the house would be on the map. Even the "Sharp carbon cuts" model shows the waterline surpassing the private beach, encroaching into the tree line.

The National Science Foundation (NSF), a federal agency, provided grants to **Climate Central** in 2009 and 2014, **prompting criticism** from Republican lawmakers at the time.

Former U.S. President Barack Obama waves during the World Travel and Tourism Council Global Summit on April 03, 2019 in Seville, Spain. (Marcelo del Pozo/Getty Images)

The New York Times has repeatedly leaned on Climate Central's data in reporting on the environment. **(RELATED: Bernie Sanders, Climate Hawk, Spends Nearly \$300K On Private Jet Travel In Month)**

The NYT cited Climate Center data in a compilation of graphs **meant to be used as teaching resources** in schools, published in February.

"In many coastal states, flood-prone areas have seen the highest rates of home construction since 2010, a study found, suggesting that the risks of climate change have yet to fundamentally change people's behavior," **read** a July NYT article, citing Climate Central.

"Washington, D.C., for example, may well be a flood zone by 2100," the NYT **reported** in September 2014, linking to Climate Central's data.

Neither Obama's personal office nor Climate Central returned emails seeking comment for this article.

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