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Sediment Dynamics and Related Bio-Physical Interactions of Coastal Wetlands

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Coastal wetlands (tidal flats, salt marshes, and mangrove swamps) are typically composed of hydrographic net, fine-grained sediments, and diverse organisms. Sediment erosion, transport, and deposition in coastal wetlands are very frequent and active. Sediment dynamics usually influences and is influenced by benthic communities in coastal wetlands. Coastal wetlands worldwide are under a great deal of pressure from the dual forces of sea-level rise and human intervention. The conservation and restoration of coastal wetlands must be based on in-depth understanding of processes and mechanisms of morphological evolution and bio-physical interactions. Recent advancements in techniques for in situ observation (e.g., acoustic and optical instruments, pressure sensors, real-time kinematic GPS units) and monitoring (remote sensing, unmanned aerial vehicles) enable us to obtain high-resolution datasets of currents, waves, suspended sediment concentrations, bed-level changes, and evolution of vegetation cover, which are expected to improve[...]

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