Supplementary Material to the article entitled

The influence of wind and basin geometry on surge attenuation along a microtidal channel in the western Baltic Sea

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1 Supplementary Figures and Tables

1.1 Supplementary Tables

Table S1: Summary of data used to setup the hydrodynamic model for The Schlei. This table was taken from Kiesel et al. (2023).

Dataset	Resolution	Source	Accuracy	Availability
Bathymetry	50 m	Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (BSH)	NA	free, www.geoseaportal.de
Elevation	10 m	ATKIS [®] DGM 10 (LiDAR); State Office of Geoinformation, Surveying and Cadestre MV and State Office for Suveying and Geoinformation SH	0.5 - 2.0 m	
Elevation	1 m	ATKIS [®] DGM 1 (LiDAR); State Office of Geoinformation, Surveying and Cadestre MV and State Office for Suveying and Geoinformation SH	< 30 cm horizontally and 15 - 20 cm vertically in flat terrain	
Land cover	100 m	Corine (© European Union, Copernicus Land Monitoring Service 2018, European Environment Agency (EEA))	Geometric accuracy < 100 m; Thematic accuracy > 85 %	free, https://www.copernicus.eu/en

Dikes SH	shapefile	ATKIS®; State Office for Suveying and Geoinformation SH	The dataset contains full coverage of flood protection dikes in SH. We used the layers"rel01" and "geb03". Selected shapes are "Hochwasserdeich", "Hauptdeich", "Landesschutzdeich", "Überlaufdeich", "Leitdeich", "Schlafdeich", "Mitteldeich", "Binnendeich", "Hauptdeich 1. Deichlinie" and "2.
			Deichlinie".

Table S2: Reclassification scheme of Corine land cover classes ((© European Union, Copernicus Land Monitoring Service 2018, European Environment Agency (EEA)). This table was taken from Kiesel et al. (2023).

Corine land class	Model land class		
continuous urban fabric	urban		
discontinous urban fabric	urban		
industrial or commercial units	urban		
road and railway networks and associated land	traffic		
port areas	urban		
airports	urban		
mineral extraction sites	urban		
dump sites	urban		
construction sites	urban		
green urban areas	green urban areas		
Sport and leasure facilities	green urban areas		
non-irrigated arable land	agriculture		
fruit tree and berry plantation	agriculture		
pasture	agriculture		
complex cultivation patterns	agriculture		
land principally occupied by agriculture, with significant areas of natural vegetation	agriculture		
borad-leaved forest	forest		
coniferous forest	forest		
mixed forest	forest		
natural grassland	fallow/natural grasslands		

moors and heathland	wetland		
transitional woodland-shrub	fallow/natural grasslands		
beaches, dunes, sand	unvegetated coastal sediment		
sparseley vegetated areas	fallow/natural grasslands		
inland marshes	wetland		
peat bogs	wetland		
saltmarshes	wetland		
intertidal flats	unvegetated coastal sediment		
water courses	Inland waterbodies/courses		
water bodies	Inland waterbodies/courses		
coastal lagoons	Inland waterbodies/courses		
estuaries	Inland waterbodies/courses		
sea and ocean	sea and ocean		

Table S3: Different setups of Manning's n coefficients taken from the literature and adapted from Kiesel et al. (2023). The coefficient in bold letters is the only one that changed between the setups moderate and moderate 2.

		Manning's <i>n</i> coefficie	ent	
Land Use Class	High	Low	Moderate	Moderate 2
Agriculture	0.06 ¹	0.03 ^{3,5}	0.04 ¹	0.04 ¹
Forest	0.2 ¹	0.1 ^{4,5}	0.15 ^{3, 6, 7}	0.15 ^{3, 6, 7}
Urban	0.15 ¹	0.015 ⁶	0.07 ³	0.07 ³
Wetland	0.08 ¹	0.035 ¹	0.06 ¹	0.06 ¹
Sea and ocean	0.03 ²	0.012 ²	0.02 ²	0.02 ²
Inland waterbodies/courses	0.06 ²	0.02 ²	0.035 ²	0.02 ²
Green urban areas	0.12 ¹	0.035 ^{1, 7}	0.07 ¹	0.071
Natural grasslands	0.042 ¹	0.034 ⁴	0.035 ⁷	0.035 ⁷
Traffic	0.032 ¹	0.013 ⁵	0.016 ^{6, 7}	0.016 ^{6, 7}
unvegetated coastal sediment	0.094	0.03 ¹ /0.025 ⁶	0.04 ^{1, 3}	0.04 ^{1, 3}
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2013; ⁵Papaioannou et al., 2018, ⁶Hossain and Jia, 2009; ⁷Dorn et al., 2014

1.2 Supplementary Figures



Figure S1: Results of the model validation. Top: Modelled vs. measured water levels at tide gauge Schleswig. Bottom: Timeseries of modelled and measured water levels in Schleswig.



Figure S2: Comparison of flooding extents simulated with the hydrodynamic model and extracted from SAR-imagery for the storm surge of 2nd January 2019. We find that our model systematically overpredicts the flooding extent along the coastline. According to Kiesel et al. (2023), we ascribe this deviation to two main aspects; (1) the model resolution may not be fine enough to resolve the morphologically complex shoreline of The Schlei, featuring a mixture of wetlands such as saltmarsh and reed belts with extents often less than 50 m in width; (2) The suitability of using SAR imagery to map surface waters can be compromised if the contrast between water and adjacent (semi-)terrestrial areas is low. For instance, Mason et al. (2009) found that the accuracy of positioning the shoreline by means of SAR imagery was compromised by similar return signals of unflooded short vegetation and adjacent floodplains.



Figure S3: Elevation and bathymetry of The Schlei's inlet. Left: With sandspit and right, interpolated, counter-factual bathymetry without sandspit.



Figure S4: Along-channel attenuation for the storm surge from 2nd January 2019 and three sea-level rise scenarios. The effects of wind, the sandspit and managed realignment are indicated by different colours.

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Figure S5: Flooding extents for SLR-scenario SSP5-8.5 high and the four landscape scenarios. Top left: Status quo. Top right: All dikes in the study region were increased in height by 1.5 m. Bottom left: The counter factual removal of the sandspit. Bottom right: Dikes were realigned where physically plausible.

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