



Award-winning documentary presented in Westford on Friday, April 4

On Friday evening, April 4 at 7:30, Westford Climate Action will present a free showing of the award-winning documentary ***Inundation District***, by filmmaker and *Boston Globe* journalist David Abel and Ted Blanco. Their film predicts that if the City of Boston ignores warnings of climate change, sea-level rise will cause significant flooding in the Seaport district with disastrous consequences for residents, businesses and taxpayers. For more information, please visit InundationDistrict.com

Global warming is affecting the entire world faster and more intensely than even scientists estimated. According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Climate Program, "The cost of the 173 largest extreme weather disasters between 2014 and 2023 was over \$1 trillion."

Flooding caused by climate change is not just a coastal problem. In 2023, Leominster experienced 11 inches of rain in less than five hours resulting in unprecedented flooding, tearing out roads, bridges, and railroad tracks. Last July, Vermont experienced three devastating flooding events, washing out roads, destroying homes and businesses and requiring the help of FEMA. And last September, Asheville and the entire Western North Carolina region experienced catastrophic flooding, which contaminated drinking water, left millions without power and displaced thousands.

The documentary screening, on **Friday, April 4 at 7:30 pm** at the **First Parish Church United, 48 Main Street, Westford**, will be followed by a Q&A with David Abel. This event is free, generously co-sponsored by the J.V. Fletcher Library, First Parish Church United, Sustainable Westford, League of Women Voters of Westford and Westford's Clean Energy and Sustainability Committee. Refreshments will be served. Donations will be welcome. WestfordClimateAction.org