GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

**BACKGROUND**

Dr. Sheridan from URI’s Landscape Archicture department shared with SMILE a Capstone PowerPoint presentation on redesigning the Newport Storer Park.

The mission statement of the project is to connect people from the waterfront to the downtown area with a landscape that will protect from storm surge as well as adapt to a fully submerged environment without threatening the bay’s ecosystem.

**ACTIVITY (CHALLENGE)**

Student groups will review the different designs and choose one of them that seem intriguing. They have to pretend that they have to pitch one of these designs as their own to the planning board for approval. The planning board will be the members of the SMILE club.

By doing their presentation, they will have to familiarize themselves with the design features and why the feature will be valuable in the face of rising waters. The group who gets approval by the town council wins the challenge.