**Table #**

**Panel 2, Political, Psychological, Public Health and Ethical Response to SLR**

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***Question 1****: Politically, how can the U.S. and the EU move beyond gridlock in addressing sea level rise?*

***Answer/Notes:* Vote. Easier to move at the local level, depoliticizing. Shared language – shared concern. Creating new dialogue from cities that have the real problem. Case studies in scales – biteable chunks. Energy must be addressed at some point. Taking this discussion to outside this room. Maybe not a political issue as much as it is locality dependent.**

***Question 2:*** *In what ways can the discussion move beyond politics* *in order to address environmental, social, spatial, and economic risks?*

***Answer/Notes*** Cultural challenge can also drive this. Proximity to the issue can drive. Mayor Fraim comes to mind. Design studies (NY, SF), collaborative with the Dutch, can help.

***Question 3:*** *What role should citizens’ perceptions of risk play in the conversation about sea level rise, its impacts and in adapting to it and how can we broaden their understanding of the issues?*

***Answer/Notes*** Personalizing the risk. Valuing their property in the future. Civic organizations, neighborhoods. Community capital.

***General Question:*** *Given what you've learned during this panel, what types of collaborative research and action might be most useful in affecting adaptive policy?*

***Answer/Notes*** Getting it on everybody’s radar scope. If not affecting day to day, education, discussion groups, civic groups, etc. It is a marathon, not a sprint. Segmenting the msg based on the audience. Targeting the group being addressed.

*Consensus Points:* taking it to the local level

*Takeaways/Action Items:* Getting it on everybody’s radar scope. If not affecting day to day, education, discussion groups, civic groups, etc. It is a marathon, not a sprint. Segmenting the msg based on the audience. Targeting the group being addressed. Sell. Sell. Sell.

*Points of dissent:* Hurricanes and Nor’easters are not the sole problem.

*Miscellaneous/Interesting:*