

Smith Island: Social Research Article 01

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Answer the following questions on the islanders' point of view:

Page 1 and 2:

1. How do the islanders feel about "being labelled climate refugees?" Why do they feel that way? Answer in a complete sentence.

Denial

2. How much higher is sea level rise projected to be in the Chesapeake Bay?

3. What does Eddie Evans, 75, think is causing the land to disappear (page 3)?

4. (Page 4): What proof does Evans have to support his claim that the sea level is not rising? Do you agree or disagree? Support your claim.

Anger

5. Why did Smith Islanders think the buyouts offered were "Stupid?" (Page 4):

Bargaining

6. How much money is Poplar Island getting? (page 5)

7. Why does that bother the Smith Island Residents?

8. What other projects are going on that make the Smith Island residents feel like the environment is cared for more than they are?

Depression:

9. How many people were living on Smith Island when it had its biggest population?

10. Why do people leave?

Acceptance:

11. How does Tom Horton say Smith Islanders handle the fact that their home is disappearing?

12: In your own opinion, should the island be saved or not? Please justify your response in 2-3 sentences.