

A photograph of four children wading through a marshy area. They are walking on a wooden boardwalk that is partially submerged in water. The children are wearing rain gear and carrying rifles. In the background, there are several small, simple houses and utility poles under a cloudy sky.

Newtok Planning Group Meeting

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Timeline of Newtok Relocation Activities 2006 - 2016

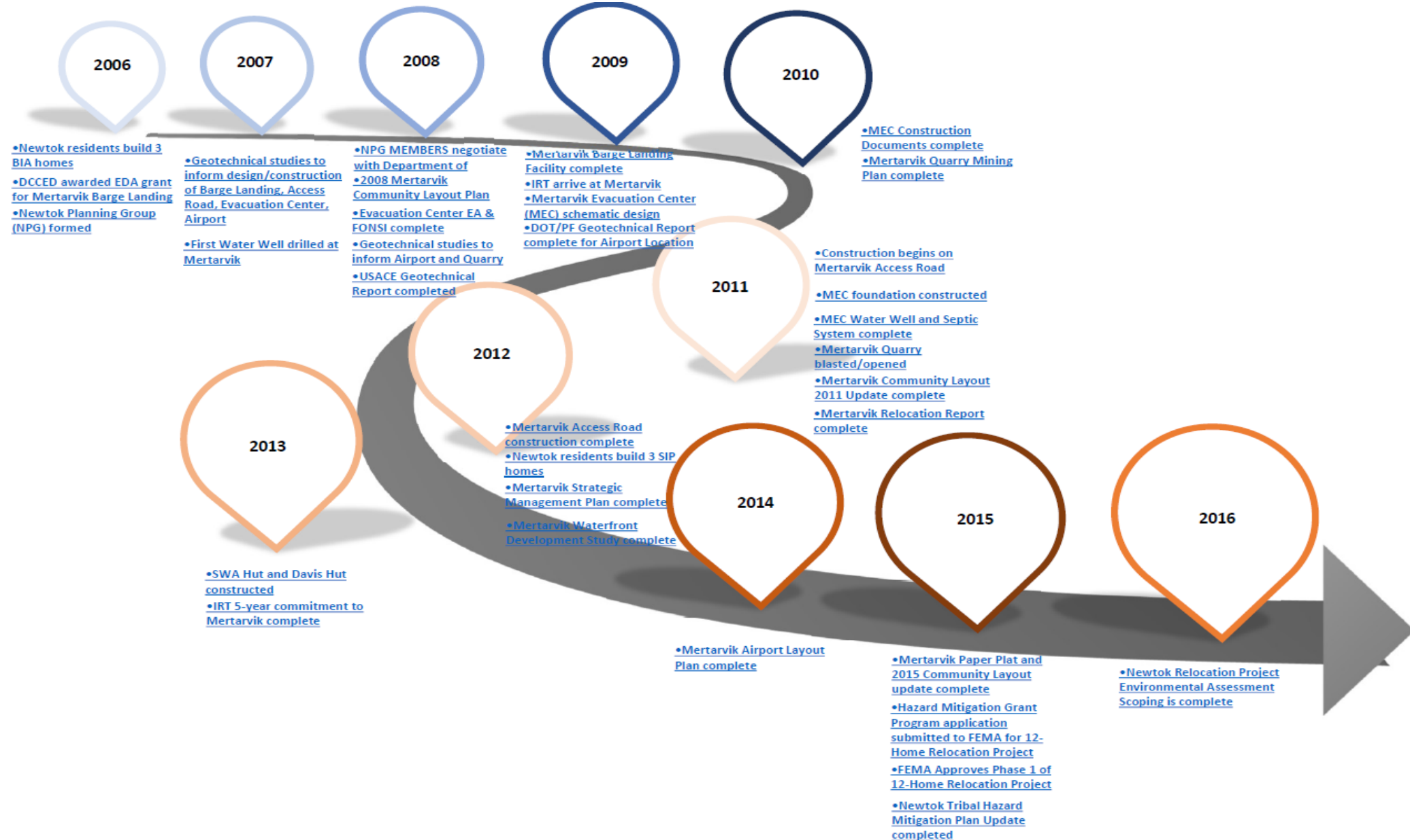




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Mertarvik:

- Seven homes have doors that that get stuck.
- Clean up on Mertarvik side - many construction items left that need to be disposed of.
- Three homes need to be demolished on Mertarvik side. They were the very first homes, but they are not suitable to live in.
- No permanent clinic
- No plumbing system in place yet.
- Overcrowded homes.
- No store
- No washeteria
- Mail: sometimes we have no mail for 20 days.
- Shortage of places for construction workers to stay.

Newtok:

- Rest of community needs to move to Mertarvik
- No homes for people living in Newtok to move to Mertarvik
- No homes at Mertarvik for families in home buyout
- Power poles are leaning to one side. The wires are so low they are a hazard to the community.
- School being demolished
- Small landing strip. Bigger planes refuse to land on their strip because it is too narrow.
- Dump site needs to be decommissioned