

Developing a COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN

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Resilience and Risk Perspectives

Resilience Analysis based on Emerging Best Practices

Description of Climate Resilience Plan

Methodology for Developing and Monitoring the Plan

Why the Recent Focus on Resiliency?

http://www.wmdt.com/news /maryland/parts-of-crisfieldstill-underwater-followingsecond-noreaster/713429036

https://wtop.com/howardcounty/2018/06/ellicott-citykeep-flooding-local-areas-risk/

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http://www.baltimoresun.co n/news/maryland/bs-md-harecovery_20180901-story.html A RASH OF EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS...



Why the Recent Focus on Resiliency?

LOOMING CHALLENGES...

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Applied Assessment Approaches

| MATRIX | | | | Impact - | | |
|---------|---------------|------------|---------|----------|-------------|--------|
| | | Negligible | Minor | Moderate | Significant | Severe |
| Î | Very Likely | Low Med | Medium | Med Hi | High | High |
| | Likely | Low | Low Med | Medium | Med Hi | High |
| kelihoo | Possible | Low | Low Med | Medium | Med Hi | Med Hi |
| - | Unlikely | Low | Low Med | Low Med | Medium | Med Hi |
| | Very Unlikely | Low | Low | Low Med | Medium | Medium |

INDICATOR



Scoring and weighting

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CLIMATE VULNERABILITY

Technical Assessments of Risks to Assets and Communities





VULNERABILITY RANKING

QUANTIFIED ASSET RISK





Asset Ranking

| Exposure Score | | 24 |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----|
| Sensitivity Score | | 28 |
| Adaptive Capacity Score | | 29 |
| | Total Asset Score | 81 |

Impact Assessment for 100 Year Flood

| Repair Costs | \$15M |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Outage Period (Days) | 28 |
| Households in Service Area | 500 |
| Low Income | 200 |
| Business Impacted | 290 |
| Community | 125 |

Understanding Risk Investment Assessment Methods

Risk: Flooding Likelihood: 1:500 Year Event Discount Rate: 7% Analysis Period: 80 Years

Resiliency Investment: \$**30**M



"Houston is experiencing its third '500-year' flood in 3 years. How is that possible?" —Washington Post, 2017 We are 99% sure that the future (storm, climate, etc.) will be **not exactly** like **the calculated** conditions **derived from the model** we are showing here.

Considerations for Modeling

Risk Assessments – Considerations/Measure of Equity Current Practice



Results of Relying on Cost Metrics Alone

Needed Transition for Effective Resiliency

Historical perspectives

Limited data basis

Precedent-based

RISK TOLERANCE

TRADITIONAL



ASSET VALUE

Needed Transition for Effective Resiliency

Repair/outage periods

Social and environmental costs

True asset value

Event damage

Changing stressor conditions

Recurrence uncertainties

Potential future conditions

RISK-BASED APPROACH



ASSET VALUE

Climate change could end cheap credit for local governments, Moody's reports."

— David Pendered, SaportaReport December 4, 2017 "Governments that are at risk for higher risks of climate shock are asked to explain how they are prepared to deal with the weather events associated with climate shocks."

Key Driver of Change



A Community Climate Resilience Plan



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Community

Ultimately – It Requires Choices



Risk Analysis = Better Information



TRAINING AGENDA

Description of Climate Resilience Plan

Key Steps of a Successful Methodology for Building the Plan

- » Provide general background knowledge of each of the steps
- » Identify best practices

Wrap up with Q&A

What is a Climate Resilience Plan?

Identifies actions that can be taken to reduce the impacts of a climate-related hazardous events and increase the ability to return to "normal" as quickly as possible.

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Methodology to Inform an Effective Climate Resilience Plan



ENGAGE WITH COMMUNITY & STAKEHOLDERS THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS

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Key Stakeholders

1. **Identify:** A few key questions can be drivers for public or private entities for this process

| | SERVICES | INDUSTRY | COMMUNITY | LEADERS | |
|---------------|--|--|---|---|------|
| Key Questions | What key services does your organization rely on? | What key industries does your organization rely on? | Who is your community that supports your organization and may be impacted? | Who are the influential leaders at your organization or in your sphere? | Loc |
| Examples | Sewer & wastewater management, utility providers, transportation agencies, etc. | Tourism, fishing, farming, food and freight distributors, unions, etc. | Civil society, non-profits, neighborhood associations, employees, customers, etc. | Shareholders, executives, community leaders, elected officials, etc. | Glob |



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Socially vulnerable populations may be defined by:



Individuals who are unequally exposed to the impacts of climate change within the context your organization operates within.

Identify

The Importance of Identifying Socially Vulnerable Populations



Socially vulnerable populations are unequally at risk of climate stressors and shocks.

Socially vulnerable populations may experience:

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- Preparedness:
- Higher likelihood of living in substandard housing
- Higher likelihood of living near industrial facilities

Response:

- Higher likelihood
 to face
 - challenges
 - evacuating &
 - finding shelter

Recovery:

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- Higher financial risk/cost burden
- Limits to mobility
- Limited access to public services

Mitigation:

- Higher likelihood of moving to other at-risk locations
- Higher likelihood of being impacted by variations in housing prices
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Engagement

2. ENGAGE: Continue to engage with these groups throughout the entire lifecycle of developing a climate resilience plan to:

✓ Build awareness

- ✓ Gather feedback to inform the process
- ✓ Build political will and legitimacy



What are strategies to communicate with unequally vulnerable populations?

- Work with non-profits and local groups to develop trust
- Identify relevant leaders

- Develop multi-lingual materials and community forums
- Provide meaningful opportunities for dialogue

Articulate The "Vision" and The "Goals"

Determine the "Vision"

What do you want to achieve...

- a) A functioning system that mirrors today (aka, status quo but resilient to climate)
- b) An "improved" future environment that is resilient

Building on a legacy of innovation, Boulder will cultivate a creative spirit to adapt to and thrive in a changing climate, economy, and society. Boulder, CO

In supporting our shared values, as our company builds forward we will ensure resiliency to climate change as well as healthy and safe conditions for our employees under existing and future hazards.

Determine the goals

- Functioning facilities during and after hazard events
- Economic vitality such as attracting businesses or continuing our net growth
- Social vitality such as recreational facilities
- Climate equity

Identify

Key Elements in Your System





AGENCY



Identify

Identify Climate Hazards

Hazard Mitigation Plan

- » Identifies climate-related natural hazards
- » Quantifies how often observed past events happen and by location
- » May further provide information:
 - Potentially vulnerabilities in your system
 - Future changes in climate

Recent Events

- » NOAA Storm Event Database
- » Recent experiences

Future Conditions

» National, state, and local reports» Online resources (e.g., climate.gov)



TRENDS NOW: Relative Sea Level Rise



TRENDS NOW: Observed Temperature



Surface Temperature Change



1986-2016 relative to 1901-1960

USGCRP 2017

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Identify

Leading To Changes In





- Heavy precipitation
- Extreme heat
- Underground coastal inundation

- Increased drought
- Less snow and more rain
- Storm intensification

- Flooding
- Sea level rise and erosion
- Changes in freeze/ thaw cycles

Ohio & Varying Weather Extremes

- Warm, humid summers and cold winters
- Locations near Lake Erie
 - Warmer in winter / cooler in summer
 - Lake effect snow
- Without large mountain barriers, no blocking mechanisms against:
 - Very cold air masses from the Arctic in the winter
 - Warm and humid air masses from the Gulf of Mexico in the summer





| Overall Hazard Ranking | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|------|--|--|
| Hazard | Score | Rank | | |
| Flooding | 21.09 | 1 | | |
| Winter Storms | 20.54 | 2 | | |
| Severe Summer Storms | 18.44 | 3 | | |
| Tornado | 18.04 | 4 | | |
| Drought | 16.91 | 5 | | |
| Earthquake | 15.67 | 6 | | |
| Dam/Levee Failure | 14.71 | 7 | | |
| Invasive Species | 12.02 | 8 | | |
| Landslide | 11.97 | 9 | | |
| Land subsidence | 11.97 | 10 | | |
| Wildfire | 11.21 | 11 | | |
| Coastal Erosion | 10.39 | 12 | | |



High incidence High susceptibility

Low incidence

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Source: State of Ohio Enhanced Hazard Mitigation Draft Plan (2019)

Shelby flooding, 2011

State's Top Ten Hazards of Concern



Recent Changes in Observed Temperature

Annual Temperature



For Ohio:

- Annual temperatures have risen from 0.5°F to greater than 1.5°F rise across the state
- Greater temperature rise during winter months than summer

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Ohio's Changing Temperatures



Rise of about 1°F since the beginning of the 20th century but not a steady rise (orange line)

 Increase in warmer nights (temps above 70°F), statistically significant warming in Cleveland and Columbus

Emissions

- By mid-century, temperatures are projected to exceed historical record levels
- By end of century, annual average temperatures may rise an additional 2 to 14°F

Recent Changes in Seasonal Precipitation



Source: NOAA/ NCEI

Projected Changes in Seasonal Precipitation

- Winter and Spring precipitation increase 10-20% by 2100, high scenario
- Summer precipitation is projected to decrease up to 10% by 2100, high scenario
- Intensity of future summer droughts projected to increase



Recent Changes in Precipitation Events

For Ohio:

- 18% increase in Maximum Daily Precipitation
- 42% increase in 99th Percentile in Daily Precipitation
- 63% increase in 2 day events expected to occur every 5 years over the entire observation record
- 53% increase in 2 day events expected to occur every 5 years since midcentury





Events getting "wetter"



Projected Change in Daily, 20-year Extreme Precipitation



Source: NCA4

Top Concerns over the next few decades

- Continued increase in heavy precipitation leading to more flood events
- Increase in summertime droughts
- Rising temperatures and warmer nights



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Heat, Changes in Precipitation, Storm Events, Coastal Flooding Impact...



Life & Property



Aviation



Maritime



Space Operations



Forests



Identify

Emergency Management



Commerce



Ports



Energy



Hydropower



Reservoir Control



Infrastructure



Construction



Agriculture



Recreation







Health



Environment

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Assessing from a Risk Perspective

Why Risk-based? Allows for informed decision making on investment decisions and project prioritization under future uncertainties...



Climate Hazards and System Vulnerabilities

Hazards of Concern Now

- Discussion with stakeholders of past events (anecdotal evidence) and any notable trends in impacts over the past few decades
- Recorded costs and/or loss of operation associated with past events
- Drawing from analysis conducted at similar organizations

Hazards that could Impact the System

- Design standards (if values are surpassed)
- Published depth/damage, fragility curves, etc.
- Published impact information (e.g., mortality rates)



| Depth (m) | Damage (%) | Explanation |
|--------------|---------------|---|
| -0.05 | 0 | Very slight damage |
| 0 | 0 | Presume there is no damage to the surface layer until water level is above paved elevation |
| 1 | 0.05 | Including slight damage due to water on asphalt surface |
| 2 | 0.1 | Higher degree due to floodwaters inundating paved surface |
| 5 | 0.25 | Upper boundary of road damage |

Plain/Portland Concrete Road Stage Damage (London CC, 2011)

* references made to elev'n of road surface; anything below which is assigned a (-)ve value and anything above the datum (+)



Conceptual Diagram: Maritime Transport



Infrastructure Costs and Recovery



Relate level of damage to climate hazard

» Estimate costs of repair or rebuild» Estimate recovery time

Consequences

number of

impact)

evacuated

disadvantaged

populations affected

Percent of population

and disadvantaged

populations being

stress, causalities,

and mortality

heritage

(using the building

stock as a proxy of



Economic Impacts

Event-driven

- » Physical damage costs (repairs and/or replacement to transportation, buildings, energy, water, septic tanks, vehicles)
- Displacement costs of residents for extended >> period post event (e.g., loss wages, increased living expenses)
- Relocation costs of residents that are in areas >> projected to be inundated (the implied social impacts of loss of community and heritage)
- » Loss of service operation (water, energy)
- Lost productivity through business >> interruption
- Number of flooded businesses based on >> building stock
- » Debris removal costs

Long-term

- » Reduction in property values based on event occurrence and increase in insurance costs
- » Increase beach nourishment costs to maintain a "no action" scenario
- » Increase maintenance costs on sectors to maintain operation and services

Environmental Impacts



Event Driven

- » Impacts on water and air quality
- » Damage to ecosystem with migration or displacement of animals into population centers

Long Term

- » Loss of ecosystem services
- » Impacts on greenhouse gas emissions
- » Change in vegetation and the physiological effects on plants and insects

Translate into quantifiable physical, economic, and social impacts

PERCENT OR NUMBER OF THE population impacted

COST ASSOCIATED WITH DURATION OF OUTAGE for essential services

COSTS FOR POPULATION being displaced

NUMBER OF MORTALITIES associated with event

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Assessing Future Climate Hazards

- Next, how will these risks change in the future
- Now assess how climate hazards may change in the future
 - » Recognizing there is inherent uncertainty in capturing future hazard exposure
 - » Results of change need to reflect this uncertainty



Global Warming by 2100 due to Heat-Trapping Gases



Stop emissions today, committed to additional rise ~1.1°F

USGCRP 2017 \\\\)

Variability across Climate Models



Source: NOAA GFDL; Alder et al. 2013



Change in Annual Mean Temperature ("C) 2030-2074 vs 1980-2004 (RCP 8.5

Mean



IPSL-CM5A-MR



NorESM1-ME



Change in Annual Mean Temperature (°C) 2050-2074 vs 1960-2004 (RCP 8.5) -1 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 5 10 11 12 HadGEM2-CC



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Change in Mean Annual Temperature 2050-2074 vs 1980-2004 RCP8.5



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Variability across Climate Models



Mean





Change in August Precipitation (mm/day) 2050-2074 vs 1980-2004 RCP8.5

Source: USGS CMIP5 Global Climate Change Viewer, Oregon State

HadGEM2-CC

Change in August Precipitation (mm/day) 2050-2074 vs 1980-2004 (RCP 8.5)

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Confidence in Results



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NorESM1-ME



NCA4 Climate Science Special Report

NOAA's Sea Level Rise Viewer

Regional, state, and/or local climate data processed
 » Example, <u>California Heat Assessment Tool</u>

It's important to utilize climate data tailored for your climate metrics
 » Provide information on conditions may change to measure of harm/threat that has inherent uncertainty

Analyze the data from a risk perspective:

» What is the future likelihood the thresholds will be met under a given scenario?

Communicate Climate Hazards to Non-technical Audiences

- Findings are easy to identify and understand
- Visuals are simple and consistent in shading
- Uncertainty and confidence is spelled-out

Key Findings

- » Hot summer days with little relief in temperatures
- » Increased evaporation, particularly in the summer, potentially affecting water availability
- Increase in coastal flooding extent, frequency, and duration during high tide conditions
- » Increase in storm surge inundation







Future Consequences of Climate Vulnerabilities

Visualize using a GIS-platform

- Within a region, what services are potentially comprised?
- What's the collective impact on your system or community?



Develop a schematic and identify consequences





Assessing Social Vulnerability & Climate Change

Assess capacity to prepare for a flood or storm event

- » Evacuation communication
- » Access to evacuation routes
- » Ability to be mobile
- » Access to shelters

Assess capacity to deal with immediate damage

- » Access to food
- » Access to shelter
- » Access to medical attention

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» Ability to be mobile

Recovery & Mitigation*

- » Financial stability
- » Health & wellbeing
- » Ability to be mobile
- » Continued access to employment

RECOVERY & MITIGATION*

PREPAREDNESS

RESPONSE

Assessing consequences to socially vulnerable populations

Here again, you can develop a schematic or community map and identify consequences

Key Resources to Identify Socially Vulnerable Populations

- Community census data
- ✓ Stakeholder & public engagement meetings
- Historical and contemporary narratives
- Interviews



Evaluate and Determine Top Risks

Review the assessment findings

» Rank based on what matters most to you (consistent with vision/goals)

- Costs and economic impacts
- Population / employees impacts
- Services for the community impacts
- Level of disruption to business continuity
- Impacts on supply chain
- Reputation
- Environmental impacts

Costs under Hazard Condition 1





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Example Strategies:

- » Evaluate and upgrade all facilities and infrastructure identified at risk
- » Consider measures for strengthening "weak links" in the supply chain

- » Incorporate climate risk into future project design and location selection
- » Hazard-proof new facilities and infrastructure
- » Expand employee or community safety plans

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|--|-------------|-------|
| Dry flood-proofing instance | | (0-3) |
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| E.5 Shift to submersible assumes supply available) | \$\$\$ | |
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Strategize

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1. Consider the feasibility of resilience strategies with respect to socially vulnerable communities:

Assess risk → Strategize → Who will be able to carry out the strategy? Who will be left out the strategy? Who will the strategy benefit?

Example: Elevating homes

- » Restrictions to socially vulnerable populations:
 - Access to money
 - Property ownership

 » Identify ways to mitigate these restrictions during strategy development.



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Timescale of Solutions

Consider



- Cost/financial feasibility can it be incorporated into an investment plan/capital projects?
- Timeline of hazard (& likelihood) is it already occurring or not projected until far into the future?
- Degree of Impacts and Consequences How bad is the severity of impacts?



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Evaluate and Identify Top Strategies



Relative costs to implement

Losses avoided due to reduced risk

Level of protection

No regrets

Community acceptance

Environmental benefits

Benefits to vulnerable populations

Time and disruption to implement





Prioritize

Roles/ Responsibilities of Strategy Implementation



Prioritize

Financial

Logistical

Environmental

Political

Social (Community-Oriented)



Limitations and Barriers / Political Savviness



Political pressures – needs buyin/ownership early

"Frame" community sensitivities in the system – e.g., nuclear power plant that's vulnerable

Process for buy-in across stakeholders/leadership



Prioritiz

Develop and Finalize Climate Resilience Plan

- Executive Summary
- Description of the System
- Current and Future Climate-Related Hazards
- Hazard-Related Risks & Consequences
- Strategies for Climate Resilience
- Implementation Plan of Strategies

Detail prioritized strategies to reduce climate risk

Identify timeline and milestones for strategy implementation

Identify responsibilities

Identify funding contributions

Develop succinct and telling graphics and text

Ensure draft plan is vetted with appropriate stakeholders and there is "buy-in"



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Climate Resilience Plan

| Produce Plan | an Implement Plan Review and Revise Pla | | n Q | |
|---|---|--|-----|--|
| » Detail prioritized strategies to reduce climate risk » Identify timeline and milestones for strategy implementation » Identify responsibilities » Identify funding contributions | <list-item><list-item><list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item> | » Every few years monitor and revise as needed | | |



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