



Communities and climate

WHAT ARE WE 'COMMUNICATING' AND
HOW DO WE 'SUPPORT'?

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Climate and Flood Risk

- Risk is as diverse as our communities
- Changeable, dynamic in nature
- Shifts with our own context, reality, set of circumstances
- Can be greatly influenced by a number of social and cultural settings as well as physical ones



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Communication of Risk

- Must be just as diverse to engage multiple audiences (alarmed, concerned, cautious, doubtful)
- Multi-dimensional, multi-platform, accessible
- Based on up to date, transparent, trustworthy, living information

Key Questions Around Resilience

- Who is defining resilience and vulnerability?
- What are we asking communities to be resilient to?
- How are communities accessing resources that may be available to them?
- What are the barriers that hinder resilience for many communities?



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Realities of Resilience

- Different communities hold a huge variety of context-specific, locally-critical knowledge
- Wanting communities to develop and build resilience to policies and processes that lock-in vulnerabilities and inequalities fails the communities
- Decision makers need to be more responsive to narratives and local contexts



If communities are going to feel like they are valued as partners within a resilience vision, then people and the partnerships that sustain them need to be acknowledged as foundational to resilience-building efforts