Building Resilience to a Changing Climate:
A Technical Training in Water Sector Utility Decision Support

Key Takeaways, Reflections, and Wrap-Up

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Training Reflections

• What was one of your “ah-ha” moments during the training?

• How might what you have learned here influence or alter your approach to climate adaptation planning and decision making?

• How do you think you will apply skills and information learned during the training?
Day 2: Key Takeaways: Planning (DMDU)

• DMDU methods ARE about being prepared for whatever happens in the future
• DMDU methods ARE NOT about envisioning what we want to happen in the future or predicting what will happen in the future
• DMDU methods and tools help water managers address uncertain conditions of today and for the future
Day 2: Key Takeaways: Planning (DMDU)

• Basic DMDU principles:
  – Consider multiple futures in your planning – choose futures to stress test your organization
  – Seek robust strategies that perform well over many futures, not optimal strategies designed for a single, ‘best-guess’ future
  – Make your plans flexible and adaptive, which often makes them more robust

• No one-size-fits all approach

• Pick the parts and pieces that work for you

• Goal is adaptive planning
Day 2: Key Takeaways: Communications

• Focus on audience needs
• Share no more than 3 pieces of information at a time
• Aim for incremental changes that build toward a clearly refined objective
• Be persistent, patient and passionate
• Let it be someone else's idea
• Talk about climate change!
Training Feedback and Wrap-Up

• Stay tuned for a follow-up message – materials available on Web
• Please complete your Day 2 feedback form

Thank you for participating!