Mapping Infrastructure Climate Risk and Resiliency Opportunities

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Proposed Project: Mapping Infrastructure Climate Risk & Resiliency Opportunities







Recommendation: Governor Walz recommends \$5 million from Supplemental General Fund Appropriation to create a web-based planning tool for use by metro area communities and watersheds to protect local infrastructure from the adverse effects of extreme weather events.



Extreme Weather Is Impacting the Region

From 2014 to 2019, in 5 years we received 7 years of rainfall

and stressed our built environment:

- Basements flooded
- Rivers and streams left their banks
- "Localized flooding" was common

In 2021, the metro area experienced a drought

- Minnesota Statewide Drought Plan activated
- Metro-wide water restrictions





Protecting Our Infrastructure Investments

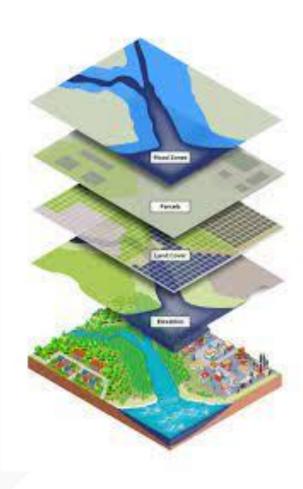
Local infrastructure is needed for:

- Transportation
- Energy / internet / utility services
- Stormwater management
- Government and public safety services





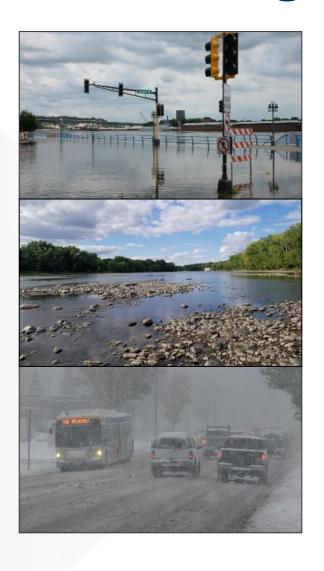
Bringing Together Data to Assess Risk



- Historic precipitation statistics
- Projected climate modeling
- Groundwater Modeling
- Storm sewer mapping
- 2022 land use data
- Infrastructure location information
- Water routing/ hydrology flow paths
- Risk calculations



A Planning Tool for Metro Partners



- Local governments: prioritize and target community public works projects and grant opportunities
- State agencies: prioritize state bonding funds and award climate and resiliency grants
- Private property owners: make informed decisions
- Communities and advocacy organizations: identify areas of risk that might affect those that are economically or socially disadvantaged.

Questions?

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