Integrating Climate Change in Multi-Objective Floodplain Management: Whatcom & Snohomish Counties

Working with integrated floodplain management efforts in each County, our goal is to identify key climate change issues and opportunities to address climate impacts on floodplain management, policy, and planning.

What we’re doing

We are working with local stakeholders to identify key climate vulnerabilities and potential solutions. Based on what we learn, we will synthesize existing climate adaptation resources and work with each community to develop priorities for future work – all aimed at improving the resilience of the regions floodplains.

Why is this issue important

Rivers are a focal point of climate change impacts – affected by declining snowpack, heavier rain events, rising sea levels, and a host of other changes. Although many good efforts are underway, floodplain stakeholders and managers need more support to build capacity and coordinate efforts to prepare for these changes.

What you can do

If you have ideas, concerns, or resources that you think we should be considering in our work, we’d like to hear from you. Please contact us using the information listed below.

About us

The UW Climate Impacts Group (CIG) works with decision makers to develop the fundamental scientific understanding, data, tools, guidance and capacity needed to manage climate risks.

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