Climate Fast Forward

Climate Resilience and Adaptation May 20, 2020 Megan Levy Local Energy Programs Manager & Energy Assurance Coordinator

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CLIMATE BREAKFAST SERIES

Climate Resilience & Adaptation

Climate <u>resilience</u> is the ability to anticipate, prepare for, and respond to hazardous events, trends or disturbances related to climate.

Improving climate resilience involves assessing how climate change will create new, or alter current, climate- related risks, and taking steps to better cope with these risks.

Climate <u>adaptation</u> is the "adjustment in natural or human systems in response to actual or expected climatic stimuli or their effects, which moderates harm or exploits beneficial opportunities."



Department of Defense (DoD) concern about energy resilience is being captured in policy, directives, and instructions

DoD Directive 4180.01 – DoD Energy Policy is to strengthen energy security by improving the energy performance of installations

DoD Instruction 4170.11 Installation Energy Management

Establishes requirements for energy resilience on military installations and allows for the use of integrated, distributed, and renewable energy sources for energy resilience
 Requires alignment between energy requirements and critical mission operations, ad maintaining primary and emergency energy systems

□ DoD Directive 4715.21: Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience (2016)

requires DoD to:

- Consider climate change resilience in installation planning to include impacts on built and natural infrastructure
- Engage with subnational government to promote compatible development
 Assess and manage risks to built and natural infrastructure

Source: Converge Strategies: Summary briefing for energy officials July, 2019



https://convergestrategies.com/



Military Service Energy Resilience Policies

Army

- Army Directive 2017-07 14 days energy and water requirement for critical missions
 - Army Energy Security and Sustainability (ES2) strategy provides a roadmap to foster a more adaptable and resilient force

Air Force



- Air Force Policy Directive (AFPD) 90-17 7 days power requirement for mission essential critical infrastructure
- Air Force Energy Flight Plan sets goal that all mission critical functions have assured access to a reliable energy supply at all times by 2036

Navy

- Navy Energy Security Framework (ESF) describes the three pillars of energy security: 1) resiliency, 2) reliability, 3) efficiency
- Up to 7-day back-up power requirement, depending on type of facility



What Does Climate Change Mean to Wisconsin?

□ Flooding

- More hotter days coupled with an increase in annual precipitation of 3.1 inches, primarily in south and west with some drying in north
- □Economic impacts
- Society & the built environment
- Changing habitat





Projected Change in the Frequency of 90°F Days Per Year from 1980 to 2055





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Climate Resilience: Anticipating Impacts

Urban

- Increases in population shift land use from pervious to impervious
- Urban heat island effect
- Increased stress on aging and vulnerable critical infrastructure

Rural

- Highly dependent on natural resources for livelihoods and economic activities
- Physical isolation, limited economic diversity, aging populations all increase vulnerability
- Rural government structures may not have the funding or capacity to plan for and respond to impacts of climate change

Source: https://www.wisconsinacademy.org/sites/wisconsinacademy.org/files/Track%203.pdf, Wisconsin Office of Energy Innovation

The Big Audacious Goal That Will Make A Difference In The Next Decade?

Develop strategies and steps to build Wisconsin's capacity for

community and ecological resilience and adaptation to climate change

Identify, frame, and strategize approaches focused on <u>anticipation</u>

and prevention-not just disaster recovery

Quantify and communicate the <u>economic impact</u> of doing nothing

vs well-thought out climate adaptation and resilience strategies.



Challenges & Barriers to Pursuing Solutions

- A regulatory framework to advance and support resilience in the face of climate change in Wisconsin
- Coordination across agencies (local-county-state-federal)
- Capacity to develop and implement solutions
- > Becoming proactive rather than being reactive
- Building public support
- Some of the topics we discussed in small groups:
- 1. Flooding
- 2. Human health & safety
- 3. Agriculture & land use
- 4. At-risk species & habitat
- 5. Energy security
- 6. Resilience in rural communities
- 7. Institutions & support

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Questions?



Part II

Recommendations





Climate Fast Forward Recommendations

- Climate Fast Forward Report (<u>Download PDF</u>)
- Video of Climate Fast Forward Report
- Briefing | with Jane Elder, Chelsea Chandler, and panelists
- •Dominic Holt, Wisconsin DNR
- •Joe Fontaine, Public Service Commission
- •Amber Meyer Smith, Clean Wisconsin
- Wenona Wolf, Lt. Governor's Office





Climate Fast Forward Recommendations

- •Resilience Recommendations: {Near term 1-3 years}
- Create a state-funded and state-run AmeriCorps-like program to coordinate resilience
- Pilot microgrids for critical infrastructure {Long term 4-10 years}
- Develop a new message for community engagement and education





What is Critical Infrastructure?

Combined Heat & Power- Texas Medical Center in Houstoncirca 2012





What Can You Do?

What has been done? Review case studies- Combined Heat & Power- Texas Medical Center in Houston- circa 2017

Lots of examples from Sandy in Lower Manhattan





What Can You Do?

Local Governments, Tribal Nations & Facility Operators/Owners

Think outside the macro-grid- consider alternatives, particularly public purpose microgrids, community resilience centers, flexible grid

■What could the impact of privately owned microgrids be? ■COMMUNICATE- with utilities, emergency management, local government.

Be CreativeBe PracticalBe Prepared



What Can You Do?

Local Governments & Tribal Nations

□ Set a Goal

Plan with electric, water, wastewater utilities, critical infrastructure owners, businesses,

□Understand <u>and prioritize</u> infrastructure in your jurisdiction □What facilities perform life safety functions?

- □What facilities enable responders to function during emergencies?
- □What facilities provide basic essential services (water, wastewater, power, etc.)
- Which facilities already generate renewable energy? Is it all grid-tied?
- □Consider the ¹ value of resilience



OEI NEXT STEPS

□Statewide Assistance For Energy Resilience and Reliability (SAFER2 grant)

- Recruit Tribes and Communities to participate in "deep-dive analysis"
 - Deep-dive components (customized to participants' needs and goals):
 - □Wisconsin Clean Cities fleet assessment
 - Grant review- provided by OEI & WEM- listing of all available funding sources
 - □Micro-grid feasibility study of critical infrastructure
 - Current project example:

The Oneida Nation has already deployed a significant amount of solar PV, this analysis will consider linking loads to storage, associated costs, and practicality of alternative back-up power to diesel or propane generators.



RESOURCES

- FEMA Building Resilience Infrastructure and Communities BRIC program.
- Public Comment period just closed 5/11
- □Training and NOFA release expected summer 2020
- Grant period should open October 2020

Disaster Recovery Reform Act(DRRA) Section 1234, which amends Section 203 of the Stafford Act

- Funded by a 6% set-aside from federal post-disaster grant funding
- Eligible applicants major disaster declaration in seven years prior

□Will replace existing pre-disaster mitigation (PDM) program

Questions?

