

# *Water System Adaptation to Hydrological Changes*

## Module 1

### Introduction to Water System Adaptation

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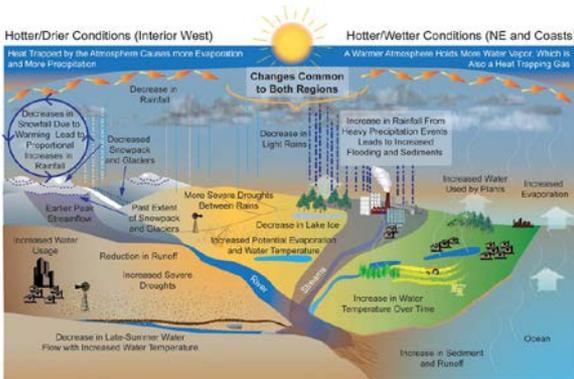
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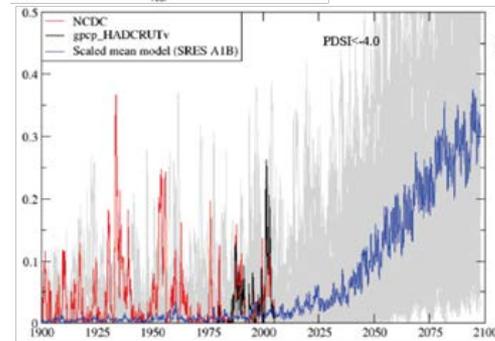
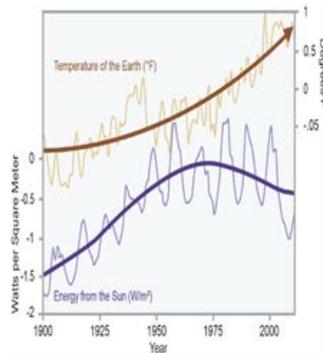
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# Key Topics: Module 1

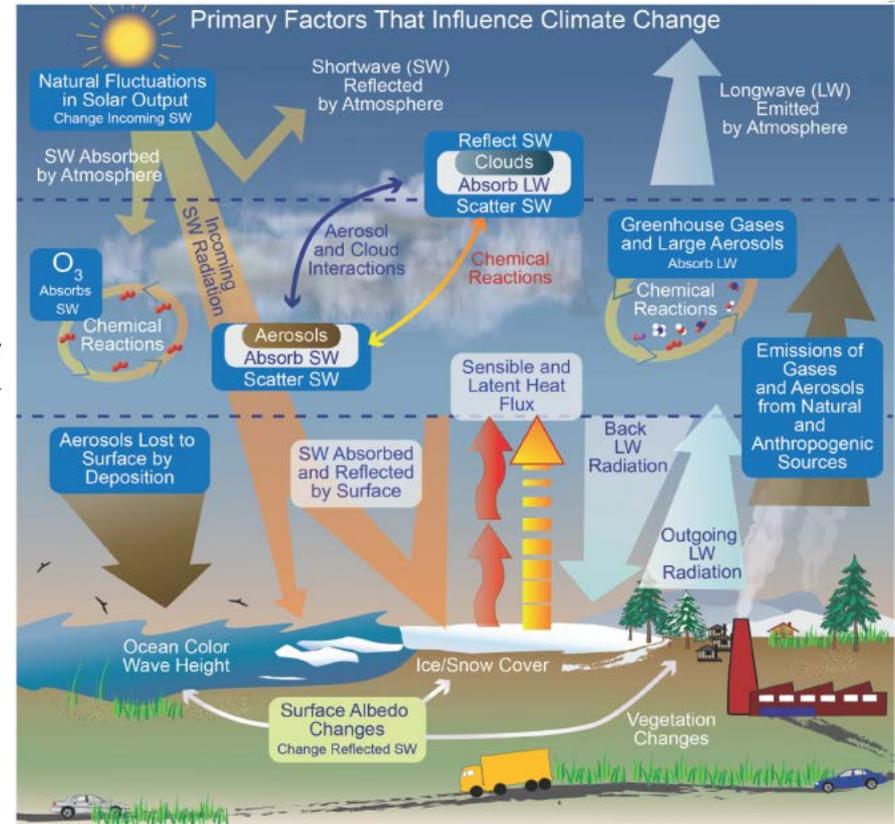


Climate Process

Climate impacts

IPCC (2013)

## Atmospheric and hydrologic responses



- Course overview
- Learning objectives
- Format
- Expectations
  - Participation
  - Assignments
  - Project
  - Feedback
- Topical preview
- Keys for success

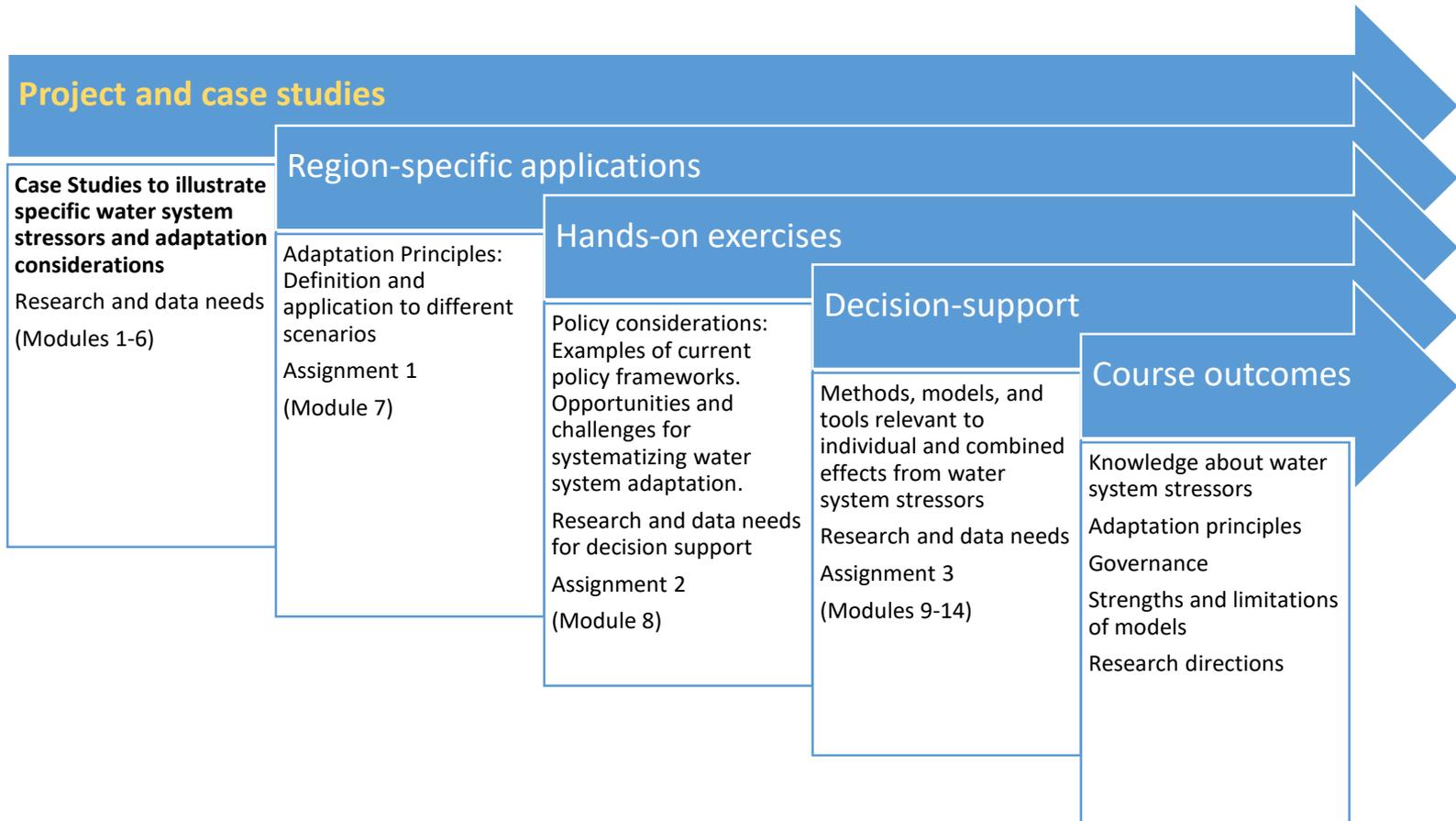
Water infrastructure condition, development/urbanization, and socio-economic patterns

Adaptation



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Adaptation and feedback

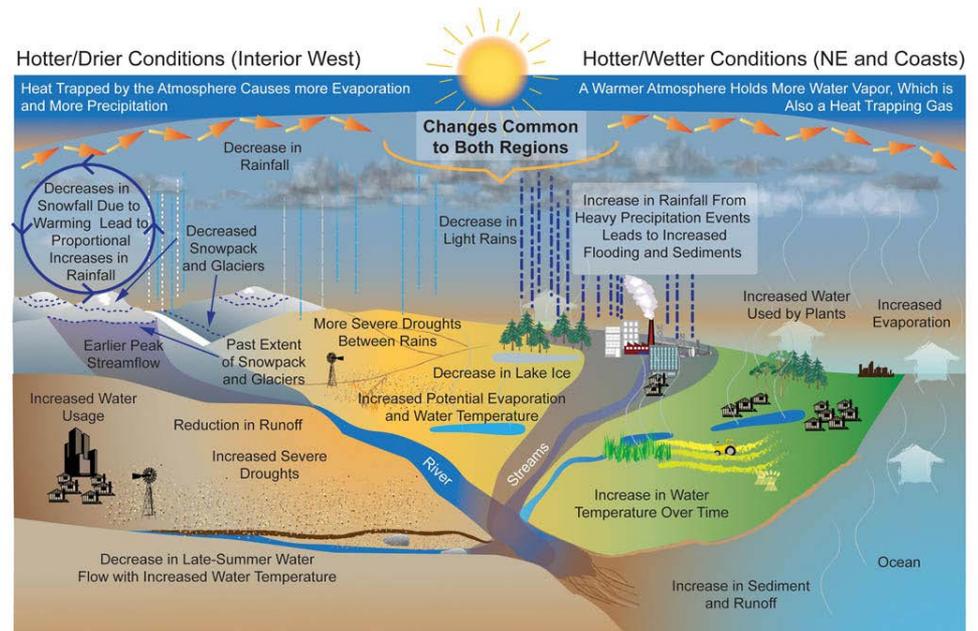
# Course Roadmap



# Water System Adaptation: Guiding Principles



- Develop framework for systematic and comprehensive analysis of the source, intensity, duration, and frequency of hydrologic disruptions at local, regional, and watershed scales
- Establish short-, medium-, and long-term goals, benchmarks, and milestones
- Evaluate and triage integrity, resilience, and security of water systems
- Define vulnerability to hydrologic threats and identify points-of-control
- Review literature and available decision-support tools
- Determine data and information needs and sources
- Develop actionable short-, medium-, and long-term adaptation plan

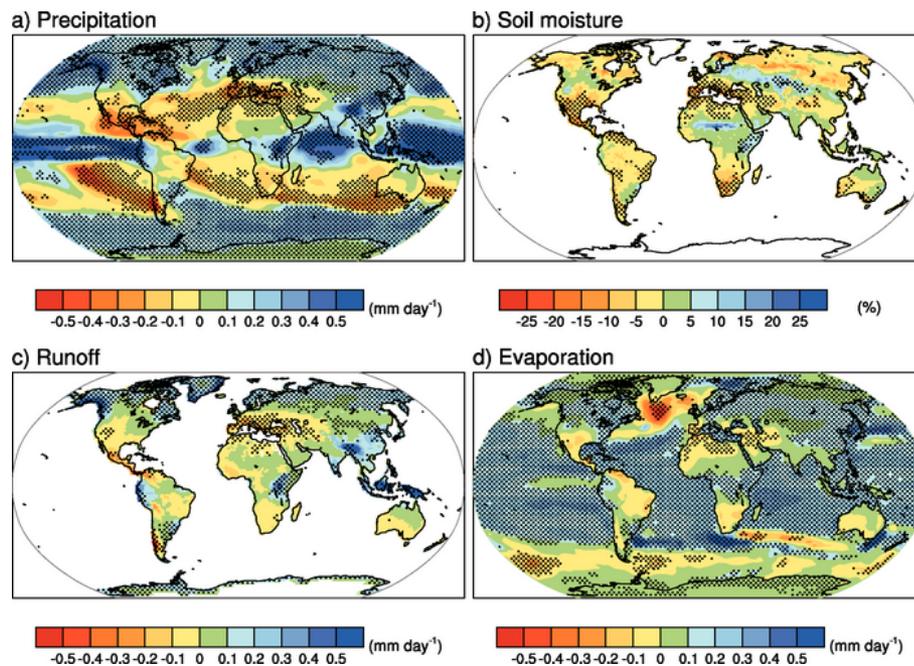


# Learning Objectives



- Linkages between water systems, multiple stressors, and actionable adaptation plans
- Water system resilience under stressors that vary in intensity, duration, frequency, and uncertainty
- Constraints and opportunities related to regulatory policies and governance
- Capacity reserve and adaptive planning
- Methods, techniques, and models to examine watershed hydrology and develop water system engineering solutions

## Multi-model mean changes in 4 principle hydrological parameters



[https://www.ipcc.ch/publications\\_and\\_data/ar4/wg1/en/figure-10-12.html](https://www.ipcc.ch/publications_and_data/ar4/wg1/en/figure-10-12.html)

# Course Format and Expectations



- Thematic presentations:
  - Case studies (modules 1-6)
  - Adaptation principles (module 7)
  - Policy considerations (module 8)
  - Models, methods and tools (modules 9-14)
- Course project
- Assignments
- Supplemental reading (optional)

# Course Project

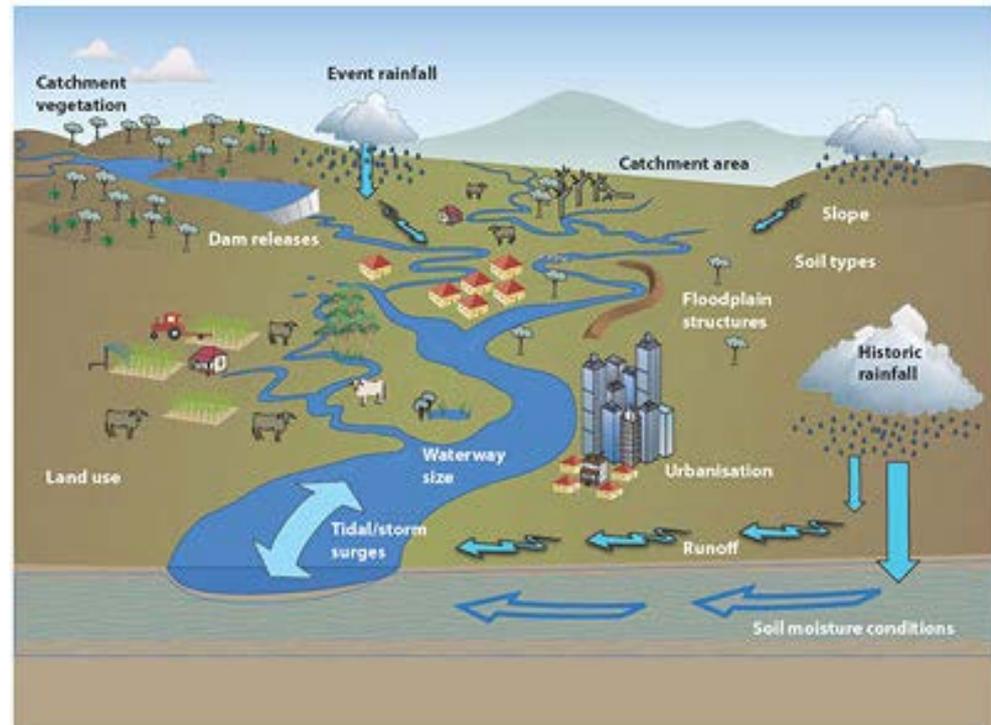


- Scope
  - Individual or group effort
  - Topic and approach must be approved by course instructor
  - Example topics
    - Local or regional adaptation case study
    - Literature review of specific topic
    - Data analysis and modeling
    - Other topic relevant to course content
- Milestones
  - Topic selection and approval (prior to module 3)
  - Proposal (prior to module 6)
  - Progress update (prior to module 14)
  - Presentation (module 15)

# Water System Stressors to Be Covered



- Intense storms
- Prolonged drought
- Land-use changes/Urbanization
- Storm-surge
- Sea level changes
- Salt water intrusion



# Case Studies



- Recurring floods in urban environments
- Prolonged drought conditions
- Urbanization and fragmented land-use planning
- Coastal infrastructure vulnerabilities
- Multiple concurrent threats



# Water System Adaptation Goals



- Public health protection and emergency response
- Water system integrity
  - Infrastructure resilience to:
    - Sewer overflows
    - Water main breaks
    - Water use variability
  - Continuity of flow
- Water quality management
  - Monitoring
  - Upstream controls
  - Treatment system reliability and multiple barriers



# Risk Assessment/Risk Management of Water Systems



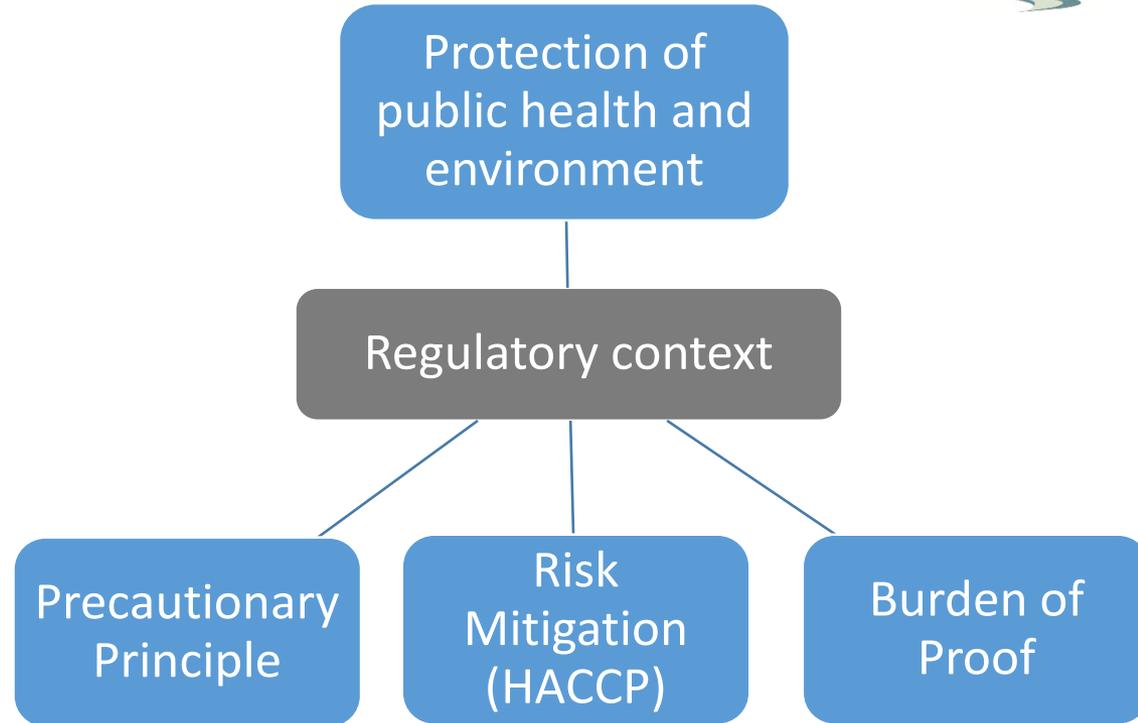
- Engineered water systems
  - Provisioning water
    - Drinking water
    - Irrigation
    - Industrial and commercial water use
  - Collection, treatment, and reuse
    - Wastewater
    - Storm water
  - Storage
    - Surface storage
    - Managed underground storage
- Ecosystem protection and enhancement
- Managing chemicals and wastes to protect public health and the environment



# Regulatory Philosophies



- Data requirements
- Baseline conditions
- Control points
  - Source/Upstream
  - Multiple Barriers
  - Critical Points
  - Point-of-use
- Enforcement



Environmental Release

Environmental Concentration

Individual Exposure

Internal Dose

Biological Event

Effect

# Risk Management Framework Example: Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP)



- Systematic review of physical, chemical, and biological threats/hazards
- Seven Principles
  - Hazard Identification and preventive measures
  - Identify Critical Control Points (CCP)
  - Establish Critical Limits
  - Establish Monitoring system for each CCP
  - Establish Corrective Actions
  - Documentation and record keeping
  - Verification/validation

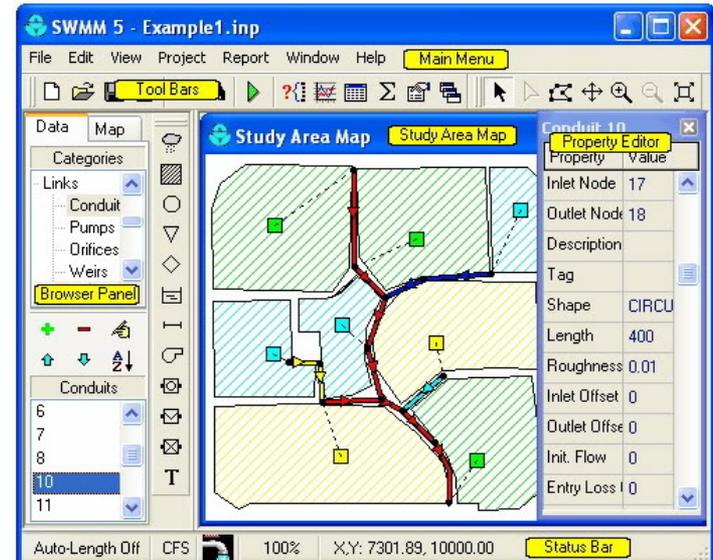


# Models

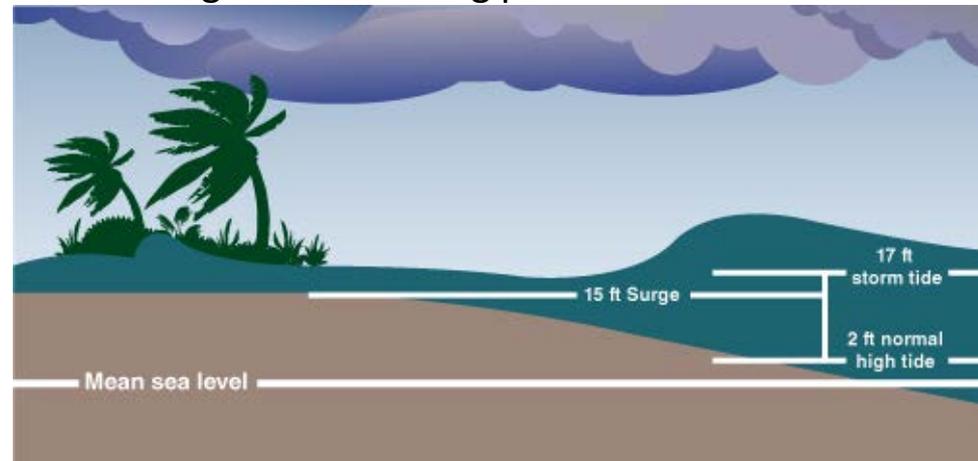


- Watershed Hydrology
  - Storm water
  - Storm surge
  - Sea level rise
  - Drought
- Water quality
  - Surface water
  - Groundwater
  - Salt water intrusion
- Water infrastructure
  - Integrity
  - Quality
- Process engineering

Design software (e.g., SWMM)



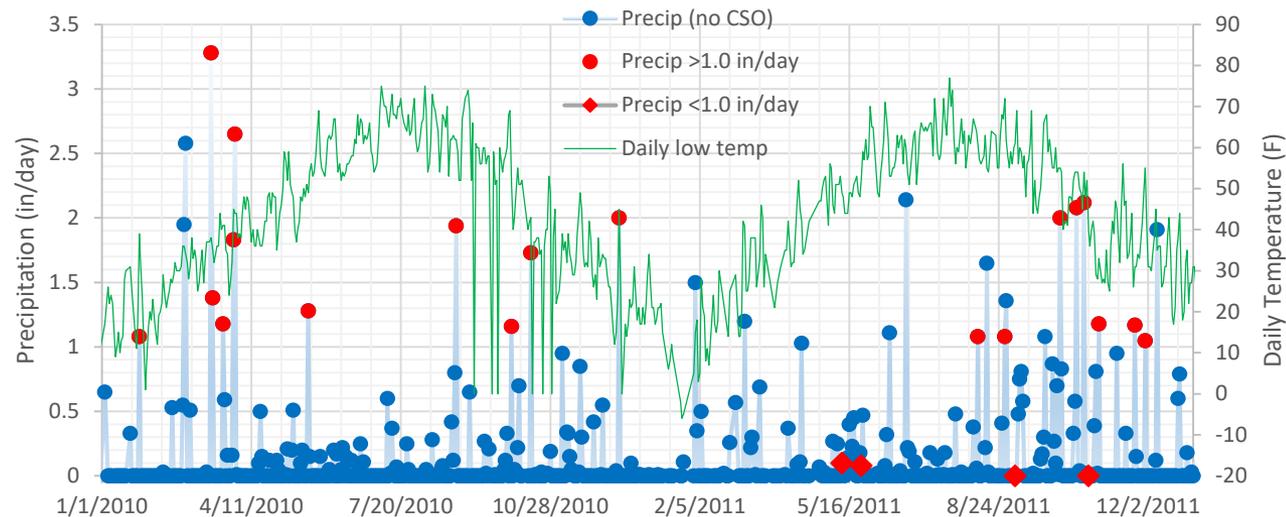
Storm surge and modeling platforms





# Data and Information Needs

- Scale
  - Temporal (frequency)
  - Spatial (specific locations)
- Baseline (historic data availability, statistics)
- Parameters
  - Water quantity and availability
  - Water quality





# Looking Ahead to the Next Module.....

- Identify locally-relevant climate stressors
- Initial scoping of project topic
- Review background resources

