Climate Change Adaptation Roadmap

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Adaptation Roadmap

Outline

- Project overview
- Climate Change Risk Assessment
- The Adaptation Roadmap
- Next steps



Project Overview

Aims

1. Embedding Adaptation

Embed climate change risk management and adaptation responses across council operations and decision making processes

2. Identifying Regional Responses

Harmonise regional planning, create economies of scale, enable sharing and pooling of resources



Project Overview

Milestones



Climate Change in Melbourne's East

CSIRO Projections



1. Embedding Adaptation

Regional Climate Change Risk Assessment

- 70 priority regional risks grouped by service area
- Risks to every aspect of Council business, not just sustainability or emergency management
- Immediate not just emerging risks
- Decision making needs to consider a different climate future
- Preparing can lead to many co-benefits to Council and community

Adapting to Climate Change in Melbourne's east

A Regional Risk Assessment for Member Councils of the Eastern Alliance for Greenhouse Action August 2014



1. Embedding Adaptation

Communicating risks

- 1. Risk assessment report
- 2. Workshops and interviews
- 3. Climate science roadshow
- 1. Online risk videos

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Climate Change Adaptation Roadmap

EAGA is currently developing a Climate Change Adaptation Roadmap for decision makers in Melbourne's sant. The project aims to raise awareness, build capacity and identify regional opportunities for addressing climate risks to Council assets, operations and service delivery responsibilities. The project receiven funding through the <u>Websitan Adaptation Extended livery</u> responsibilities.



In August this year, EAGA delivered a regional risk assessment that identified 50 priority risks to local government atising from climate change. These risks are diverse and affect every aspect of Council. For more detailed information on risks to each service area, click on one of the links below:

Community planning

The Roadmap



VISION

GOALS

OBJECTIVES

REGIONAL ACTIONS

The Roadmap



VISION

Melbourne's east is home to resilient communities that take proactive steps to reduce risks from climate change and realise the opportunities for regional adaptation

The Roadmap



GOALS

- 1. Raise Awareness
- 2. Build Capacity
- 3. Identify Responses

The Roadmap



OBJECTIVES

10 regional adaptation objectives

REGIONAL ACTIONS

10 priority actions w/ supporting actions

Who is the roadmap for?

Implementation

- 1. Actions that EAGA can pursue subject to funding and other windows of opportunity
- 2. Actions that EAGA can advocate, facilitate or promote through other networks and regional bodies
- 3. Actions that can adapted and linked to individual council strategies and policies

N.B. Not all actions will be carried out by EAGA, but roadmap provides a set of achievable no regrets options that can be pursued in the short term



Objective 1:

Improve the resilience of built infrastructure



Action:

Conduct a regional building vulnerability assessment and conduct targeted upgrades

Objective 2:

Reduce urban heat throughout the region



Action: Develop a regional greening strategy



Objective 3:

Reduce impacts of heatwaves on communities



Action: Solar rates for low income households

Objective 4:

Improve emergency preparedness and response



Action:

Work with Emergency Management Victoria to improve heat wave preparation and response

Objective 5:

Improve the adaptive capacity of the regional economy



Action:

Understand the economic impacts of climate change on strip shopping precincts and identify opportunities for building resilience

Objective 6:

Improve the resilience of electricity infrastructure to projected increase in extreme weather events



Action:

Work with Distribution Network Service Providers (DNSPs) to identify initiatives for improving electricity network reliability and community resilience

Objective 7:

Improve regional resilience to droughts and flooding



Action:

Work with Melbourne Water and water retailers to maximise opportunities for alternative water use including identification of regional stormwater capture and reuse opportunities

Objective 8:

Build organisational capacity across EAGA Councils to respond to climate change risks



Action:

Develop a regional adaptation capacity building program to champion adaptation through collaboration

Objective 9:

Improve biodiversity and open space management responses to climate change



Action:

Seek further funding for reporting and analysis of the EAGA biodiversity monitoring framework and develop regional responses



Objective 10:

Improve regional food security



Action:

Understand the regional food network and work together to diversify and promote urban food production

Monitoring and Evaluation

Framework for Roadmap implementation

Embedding Adaptation

Delivering Adaptation Actions

Where are we at? Where could we do better? What new options could we pursue?

Thank you

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Videos

