

Jumpstart Adaptation Actions with Lessons from your NH Peers



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1. Base actions on best available information

- **Use outside expertise as needed to provide scientific and economic information.**
 - Presentations from local experts
- **Move forward with the best available information.**
 - There is a lot of great information available for NH communities already
- **Don't get caught up in the climate debate.**



2. Focus on immediate risks & impacts

- **Focus on immediate and recognizable impacts to your community.**
 - Flooding, warmer temperatures, failed infrastructure
- **Understand local values.**
 - Emergency preparedness, water quality, historic landmarks



3. Engage the right people

- **Seek out people who manage community resources and make community decisions.**
 - Planning boards, emergency managers
- **Identify your local champions.**
- **Involve elected officials early.**
- **Look for leadership in unexpected places.**



4. Start with an existing process

- **Tap into existing processes**
 - comprehensive plans, hazard mitigation plans, state and local policies.
- **Leverage limited capacity and resources.**



5. Use CAW as a resource

- Contact local NH experts.
- Access federal, state, and regional resources available to help your community.
- Learn more about science, data, and information available for NH.
- Follow the Crow's Nest blog for news and announcements.
- <http://nh.stormsmart.org>



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