

**FLORIDA** Water & Climate Alliance

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<http://FloridaWCA.org>

Increasing the regional relevance and usability of climate science, data, models, and tools for water suppliers and resources managers in Florida.



# Working Group

## Community of Practice

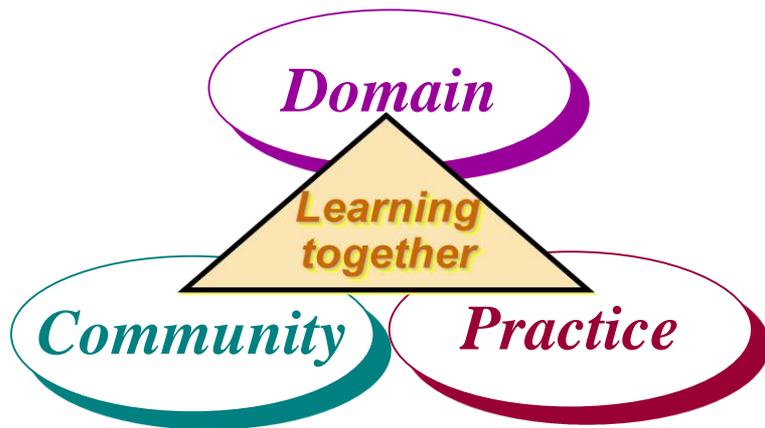
## Learning Network

- Start small and evolve
- Use a “light hand”
- Keep things simple and as informal as possible
- Success hinges on trust between and among its members
- Send a continuing message reinforcing the “business value”
- Stay focused on learning from each

# Purposeful Process

community of practice

- ❑ Define a shared focus
  - ❑ issues/interests, problems, goals/outcomes
- ❑ Participate in Mutual Engagement
- ❑ Develop a shared repertoire—methods, tools, techniques, language
- ❑ Learn from and with each other
- ❑ Participate in a way that contributes to the group
- ❑ Improve abilities to do what they care about
- ❑ Recognize different “frames” and inputs
- ❑ Revise, enlarge, reframe their perspectives
- ❑ Create a vocabulary that can support mutual understanding and common action
- ❑ Learn how to innovate and adapt or respond to changing social and environmental conditions



# Purposeful Process

experiential learning

## UNDERSTANDING STAKEHOLDERS

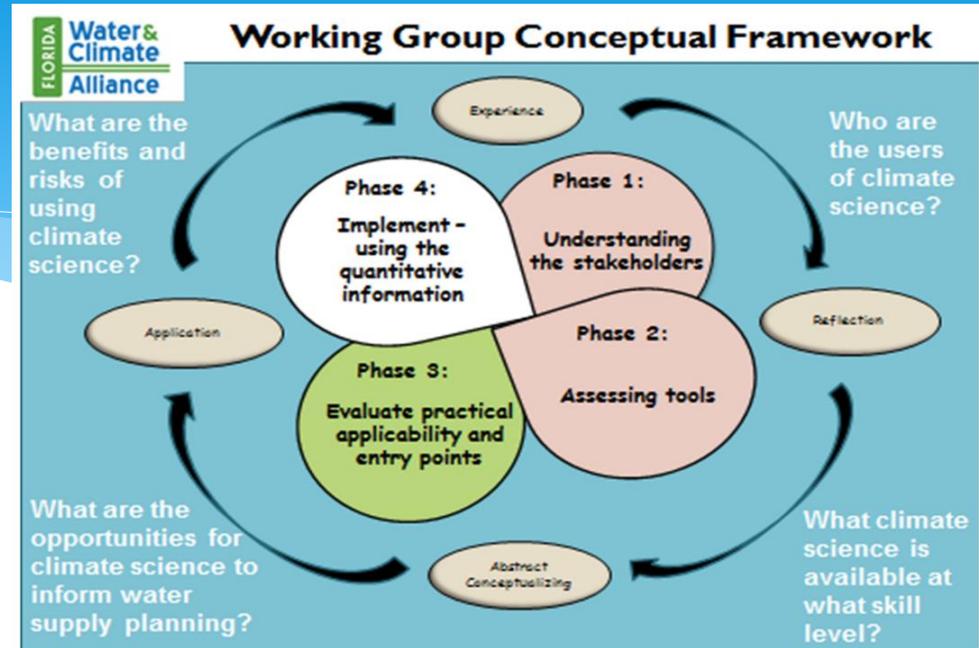
Who are we, what is our network? Who are the users of climate science and what do they want?

**ASSESSING TOOLS** What do we know about available climate information/tools ?

## EVALUATING PRACTICAL

**APPLICABILITY** What are institutional challenges and opportunities to using climate science?

**IMPLEMENTATION** How have you used the information that we have gained? Are there better ways to do things that are not currently available?



Includes learning activities to help participants

Experience together

Reflect on meaning

Conceptualize why it matters

Apply to real life

# Lifecycle of COP's



- Negotiate Support
- Provide Support
- Manage Relationship
- Evaluate Relationship
  
- Continue Support
- Withdraw Support

Do we want  
FloridaWCA  
to continue?  
For what  
and how?

# TODAY'S OBJECTIVES



1. Share and discuss relevant research and programs focused on FloridaWCA participant interests.
  
2. Determine FloridaWCA future ways of working together and strategic efforts.
  - Explore “governance structures,” why they matter, and what could work for FloridaWCA.
  - Determine specific next steps, activities, speakers, responsibilities for future efforts for FloridaWCA