



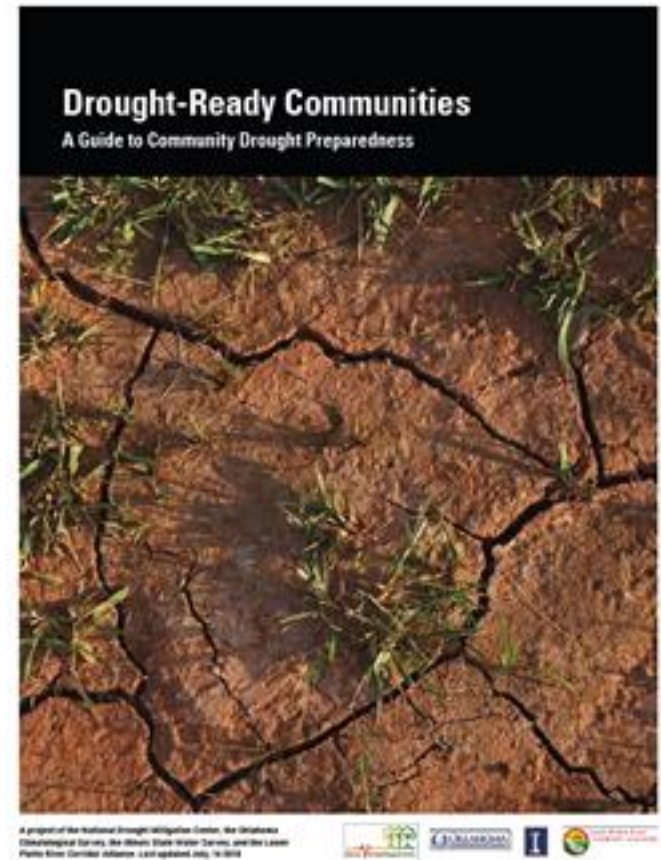
Drought-Ready Communities

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The Pilot project

- 2 years (June 2008-June 2010)
- Funded by NOAA's Climate Program Office, Sectoral Applications Research Program (SARP)

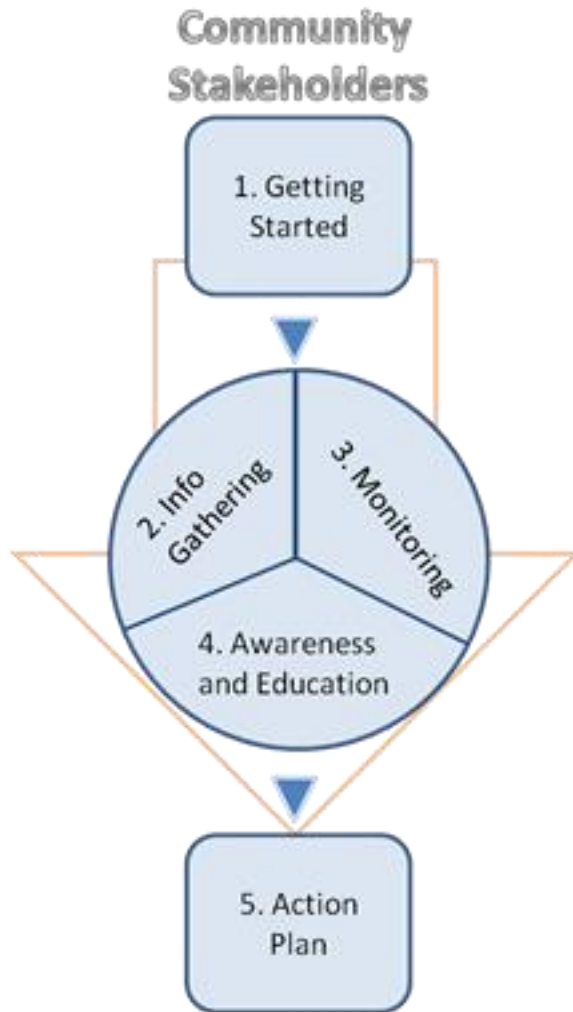


The pilot Communities

- Nebraska City, Nebraska, pop. ~ 7,000
 - Wells draw from Missouri River
- Decatur, Illinois, pop. ~ 82,500
 - Surface water
- Norman, Oklahoma ~ 100,000 +
 - Surface and ground water



Drought Risk



Unique features

- Worksheets
 - Benefits of Drought Planning
 - Contact List
 - Perceptions of Drought
 - Available Water supplies
 - Top Water Users
 - Cost-Benefit Comparison
 - Linking Thresholds to Actions

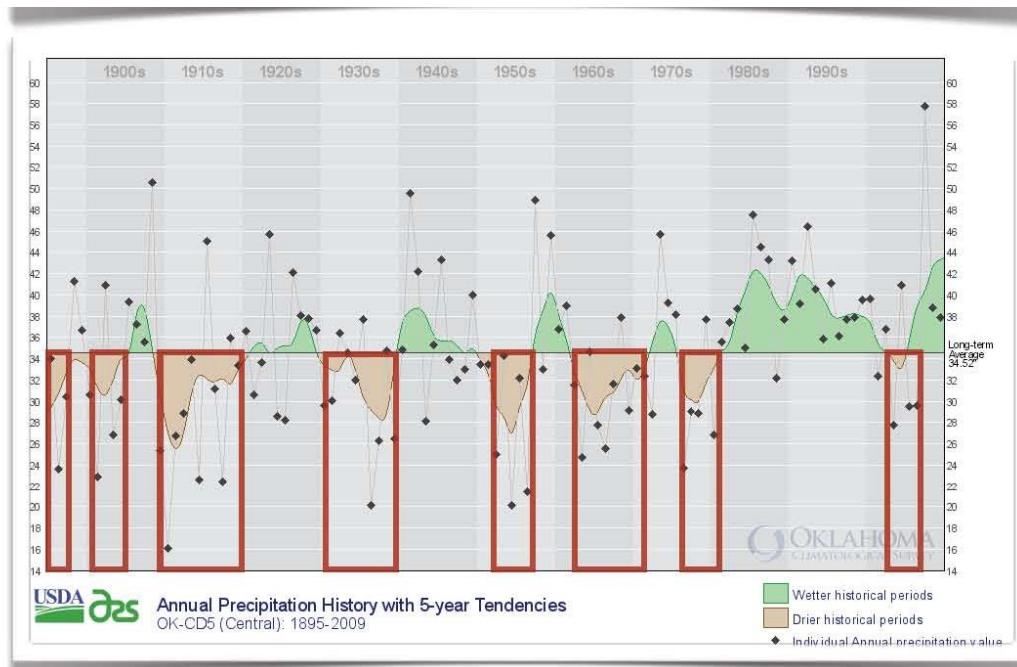
Section 1: Getting Started

- Form a leadership team
- Identify stakeholders
- Start drought contact list
- Gather community drought perceptions



Section 2: Information gathering

- Identify water sources and uses
- Learn about past drought in community
- Gather data on water and climate



Guide: Drought Ready Communities

<http://drought.unl.edu/plan/DRC.htm>

