Gatekeeper

Welcome to the Colorado 2013 Floods Survey! The purpose of this survey is to gather information from local-level water managers and experts both in the government and non-government sectors about community responses to Colorado's 2013 floods over the course of three years. If you have previously participated in a survey for this project, we appreciate your input and hope you will participate in this third and final survey.

It is entirely your choice whether or not to participate in this survey. This online survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

There are no direct benefits from participation in this study.

Risks associated with this study are minimal and include the possibility that you may choose to divulge embarrassing information. There is minimal risk associated with a series of questions that asks your community and professional experience. However, these data will only be used and reported in aggregated form and will not be used to identify any individual.

You have the right to skip most questions in the survey, if you choose. There are only a few questions that are required as part of this survey, and they are indicated clearly.

If you should have questions or concerns before, during, or after your participation, please contact Deserai Anderson Crow, Ph.D., a faculty member in the University of Colorado Denver's School of Public Affairs, Campus Box 142, P.O. Box 173364, Denver, CO 80217-3364; or Elizabeth A. Albright, Ph.D., a faculty member at Duke University's Nicholas School of the Environment and Earth Sciences, Durham, NC 27708. Deserai Crow can be reached at (303)315-0146 or Deserai.crow@ucdenver.edu. Elizabeth Albright can be reached at (919)613-8153 or elizabeth.albright@duke.edu.

If you have questions regarding your rights as a participant, any concerns regarding this project or any dissatisfaction with any aspect of this study, you may call Deserai Crow. You may also call the Multiple Institutional Review Board (IRB) at 303-724-1055.

Do you agree to participate in this study?

Intro

Start of Section 1 (of 4)

Note: Please, if at all possible, go through the survey all the way through to the survey completion screen so that we can collect the highest quality data on Colorado's flood recovery process. Thank you.

you.
Have you previously participated in a survey associated with this project in either 2014 or 2015?
○ Yes
○ No
At which level do you primarily work or volunteer on flood recovery issues?
○ City/town
O County
In which community do you primarily work or volunteer on flood recovery issues?
O Boulder
Lyons
Longmont
Loveland
○ Estes Park
○ Greeley
○ Evans
In which county do you primarily work or volunteer on flood recovery issues?
Boulder County
Larimer County Weld County
Weld County
In what department, division, commission or board in your community do you work or volunteer?
City administration
 Transportation
Parks and recreation or open space
 Environment

\bigcirc	Housing and human services
	Planning
	Economic development
\bigcirc	Water and sewers
	Fire or emergency response
\bigcirc	Electric utilities
	Flood Task Force
	Other
In v	vhich community do you live?
	Boulder
	Lyons
	Longmont
\bigcirc	Loveland
\bigcirc	Estes Park
\bigcirc	Greeley
\bigcirc	Evans
\bigcirc	Other
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\bigcirc	Mayor
\bigcirc	City manager
\bigcirc	Environmental manager
	Engineer
	Planner
	Economic developer
\bigcirc	Board or Commission member
	Flood Task Force member
0	Other
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	None	Little	Some	A lot	Total loss
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o your community?			0		
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Waste water infrastructure					
Drinking water infrastructure					
Power infrastructure					
Commercial					
Agriculture					
Parks					
Trails and bike paths					
Open space					
Roads and bridges					
Stream bed/Natural infrastructure					

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For each item listed below, rate each resource on a scale of Not at All Important to Very Important for your community during the flood RECOVERY process.

	Not at all Important	A little bit important	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Geographic Information Systems (GIS) or mapping capabilities	0	\circ	0	0	
Floodplain maps in place prior to September 2013		\bigcirc			
Landuse plans or other planning documents in place prior to September 2013	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Technical assistance from FEMA		\bigcirc			
Financial assistance from FEMA					
Human resources from FEMA					
Technical assistance from other federal agencies		\bigcirc			
Technical assistance from the State of Colorado agencies					
Financial assistance from the State of Colorado		\bigcirc			
Human resources from the State of Colorado		\bigcirc			

For each item listed below, rate each resource on a scale of Not at All Important to Very Important for your community during the flood RECOVERY process.

			Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Relationships with non-governmental organizations within your community	0	0	0	0	0
Relationships with non-governmental organizations outside your community	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Relationships with other flooded communities in Colorado					
Relationships with non-flooded communities in Colorado					
Relationships with private contractors, engineers, technical experts	0	0	0	0	0
Relationships with community members					
Relationships with the businesses in your community					
Other	0	\bigcirc		\bigcirc	\bigcirc

For each item below, please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements:

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recover from the 2013 flood (not including resources from outside your community).	Disagree	Dis@ree	Ne_tral	Ag⊜e	Agree	Know
Our community had adequate pre-existing technical resources to recover from the flood (not including resources from outside your community).	0			0	0	0
Our community had adequate pre-existing human resources (such as government staff) to recover from the flood (not including resources from outside your community).	0		0	0	0	0
FEMA has provided adequate financial resources to our community for recovery.	0	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ
The State of Colorado has provided adequate financial resources to our community for recovery.	0	\circ		\circ	\circ	\bigcirc

To the best of your knowledge, tick whether availability of each resource has decreased, stayed the same, or increased in your community as a result of the September 2013 floods.

	Decreased significantly	Decreased	Stayed about the same	Increased	Increased significantly	Don't know
Geographic information systems or mapping capabilities	0	0	\circ	0		
Financial resources from FEMA						
Technical resources from FEMA	0					
Human resources (e.g., staff) from FEMA	0	0	0	0		\circ
Financial resources from the State	0					
Technical resources from the State	0					
Human resources (e.g., staff) from the State	0	0	0	0		0
Financial resources from your county government	0	\circ				\circ
Technical resources from your county government	0	\bigcirc				\bigcirc

To the best of your knowledge, tick whether availability of each resource has decreased, stayed the same, or increased in your community as a result of the September 2013 floods.

	Decreased significantly	Decreased	Stayed about the same	Increased	Increased significantly	Don't know
Support from community members	0			\bigcirc	\circ	
Support of local non-governmental organizations	0	0		\circ	\circ	\circ
Support of non-governmental organizations that are based outside of your community	0				\circ	0
Support of faith-based organizations	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc		\circ	

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Technical resources from academics or universities	0	\circ		0		
Community staff working on flood- related issues	0	\circ		0	\circ	
Financial resources from other communities in Colorado	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	0
Technical resources from other communities in Colorado	0	\circ	\circ		\circ	

On average, how often did you meet with these individuals or groups to discuss flood-related issues PRIOR TO the September 2013 floods?

	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Can't Remember
Individuals within your department or organization						0
Government staff within your community but outside your organization, department or board.	0	0	0	\circ	\bigcirc	0
Board or Commission Members						
Your city manager						
Your mayor						
Other communities		\circ	0	\circ	\circ	\circ
Staff from your county government		0				
Staff from the State of Colorado						
Staff from FEMA						
Staff from the Army Corps of Engineers						
Staff from the Bureau of Reclamation						
Contractors	0	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ		\circ
Academics/researchers		\circ	\circ			0
Local non-governmental organizations						
Local businesses						
Faith-based organizations						
Community members						

On average, how often did you meet with these individuals to discuss flood-related issues IN THE WEEKS/MONTHS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING the September 2013 floods?

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Individuals within your department or organization							0
Government staff within your community but outside organization, department or board.	your		\bigcirc		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ
Board or Commission Members							
Your city manager							
Your mayor							
Other communities		\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0
Staff from your county government							
Staff from the State of Colorado							
Staff from FEMA							
Staff from the Army Corps of Engineers							
Staff from the Bureau of Reclamation							
Contractors		\bigcirc		\circ	\circ		
Academics/researchers							0
Local non-governmental organizations							
Local businesses							
Faith-based organizations							
Community members							\bigcirc

On average, how often did you meet with these individuals to discuss flood-related issues in the YEARS FOLLOWING the September 2013 floods?

	Never	A few times per year	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Can't Remember
Individuals within your department or organization	0	0	0	0	0	0
Government staff within your community but outside your organization, department or board.	\circ		\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	
Board or Commission Members						
Your city manager						
Your mayor						
Other communities			\circ	\circ		
Staff from your county government			\circ		\circ	
Staff from the State of Colorado						
Staff from FEMA						
Staff from the Army Corps of Engineers						
Staff from the Bureau of Reclamation		\bigcirc	\bigcirc			

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Contractors			0	0		0
Academics/researchers						\circ
Local environmental non-governmental organizations	C		\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Local businesses						\bigcirc
Faith-based organizations	C				\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Community members						

On a scale of one (lowest level of trust) to seven (highest level of trust), how strongly do you trust the following when dealing with flood issues:

	Lowest level	A little bit	Some trust	A moderate level	A good deal	A lot	Highest level
Individuals within your department or organization			0				
Government staff within your community but outside your organization, department or board.	0		\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ
Board or Commission Members							
Your city manager							
Your mayor							
Other communities	0		\circ		\circ		\circ
Staff from your county government	0						\circ
Staff from the State of Colorado							
Staff from FEMA							
Staff from the Army Corps of Engineers							
Staff from the Bureau of Reclamation							
Contractors	0						\circ
Academics/researchers	0		0			\circ	\circ
Local environmental non-governmental organizations						\bigcirc	
Local businesses						\bigcirc	
Faith-based organizations							
Community members							

50% of survey questions complete

To the best of your ability, please institutions, and communities with		e September Prizationaly Lahayahad			engies about f		Septembe alustiate Divissional		Daily
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If you are aware of any groups or September 2013 in response to the					at forme	ed or e	merged	after	
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,	Before	e September	2013 Floc	od		After S	Septembe	er 2013	
	Never Ye	arly Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Never	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
I organized a flood-related public meeting.	0	0	\circ	\circ		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

	Ве	fore Se	ptember 2	2013 Floo	od		After S	Septembe	r 2013		
	Never	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Never	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	
I organized a flood-related public meeting.	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	
I facilitated a flood-related public meeting.	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ		\bigcirc	0	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
I attended a flood-related public meeting.	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	
My department or organization organized a flood-related public meeting.	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	
My community organized a flood- related public meeting.		\bigcirc	\circ			0	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	

Please tick the appropriate answer for both <u>before</u> and <u>after</u> the September 2013 flood. **We define any flood-related task force or working groups as a group of individuals from inside and/or outside of government who meet regularly to discuss flood-related issues.** Please leave blank if you do not remember.

Before September 2013 Flood

After September 2013

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I organized a flood-related task force or working group meeting.	Never	Yearly	Monthly	Strongl Disagre Weekly	y e Dis Daily ti	but will hadree	Agree nor Disagree Year, Iyon		Stro Ses Agi Weeklet	ngly ree Wally
I facilitated a flood-related task force or working group meeting.	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
I attended a flood-related task force or working group meeting.	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc		\circ	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc
My department or organization organized a flood-related task force or working group.				0		0	\circ	0	\circ	0
My community organized one or more flood-related task force or working group meetings.	0	\circ		\circ	0	0		0		0

Tick all that apply. In the years following the September 2013 floods, my department or organization (e.g., board, task force, commission, non-profit organization):

	has	posted	flood	recoverv	material	on	our website.
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- has sent out one or more flood recovery press releases.
- has posted flood recovery material to Facebook.
- has posted flood recovery material on Twitter.
- has conducted a flood-related citizen survey.

Please tick how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our community's flood recovery process has been transparent.	0	0	0	0	0
Our community's flood recovery process has been open.					
Our community's flood recovery process has been fair.					
We have had a high-level of community participation in the flood recovery process.	0	\circ	\circ		\circ
We have sought the opinion of the public in the flood recovery process.	0	0	0	\circ	\circ
We have sought the opinion of the business community in the flood recovery process.	0	0	\circ	\circ	\circ
Communication with the public on flood recovery issues has been clear.	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ
Communication with the public on flood recovery issues has been frequent.	0	\circ		\circ	\circ

For each statement below, select whether your community will complete, is in the process of completing, or has completed the following activities.

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My department or organization (e.g., board, commission, force or non-profit organization) has discussed previous fl related policies or plans.		No Strongly Disagree	in the futur	re Nemengo Agree nor Disagree		ompleted Strongly Agree
My department or organization has commissioned flood-related scientific or technical studies.		0	Disagree	0	Agree	0
My department or organization has conducted flood-relate scientific or technical studies.	ed	0	\circ	0		
We have reorganized our organization's or department's internal organization because of the floods.		0		0		\circ

For each statement below, select whether your community will complete, is in the process of completing, or has completed the following activities.

	No	No, but will in the future	Yes, ongoing	Yes, completed
My community has updated our floodplain maps as a results of the floods.	0	0	0	0
My community has updated our land use plans as a result of the floods.	0	\circ		
My local government has purchased homes in the floodplain as a result of the floods.	0	\circ		
My community has purchased businesses in the floodplain as a result of the floods.	0	\circ		
My community has redesigned park, trails or open space as a result of the floods.	0	\circ		
My community has conducted a creek restoration project as a result of the floods.	0	\circ		

For each statement below, select whether your community has made significant changes to the following as a result of the floods (e.g., your city revised the city charter based on the flood experience):

	No	No, but will in the future	Yes, ongoing	Yes, completed
Our building codes	0	\circ		
Our road infrastructure				
Our drinking water infrastructure				
Our wastewater infrastructure				
Our electrical infrastructure				
Our gas infrastructure		\bigcirc		

Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements.

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We are approaching the limit of the number of people the earth can support.	Strengly Disagree	\bigcirc	Agre nor Disagree		Strengly Agree
Humans have the right to modify the natural environment to suit their needs.	0	Disagree	0	Agree	\circ
When humans interfere with nature it often produces disastrous consequences.		\circ	\circ		\circ
Human ingenuity will insure that we do NOT make the earth unlivable.		\circ	0	\circ	\circ
The earth has plenty of natural resources if we just learn how to develop them.		0	0	0	0
Despite our special abilities humans are still subject to the laws of nature.	0	0		0	0
The so-called "ecological crisis" facing humankind has been greatly exaggerated.		\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ
The balance of nature is very delicate and easily upset.					
Humans will eventually learn enough about how nature works to be able to control it.		\circ		\circ	\circ
If things continue on their present course, we will soon experience a major ecological catastrophe.	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ

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Start of Section 3 (of 4) -- 70% of survey questions complete

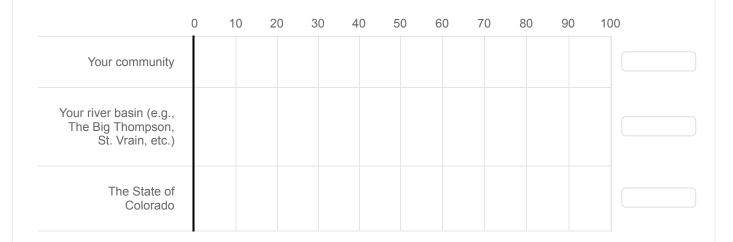
Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The risk of <u>flooding</u> in Colorado has increased over the past 20 years.	0	0	0	0	0
The risk of <u>flooding</u> in our community has increased over the past 20 years.		\circ	\circ	\circ	0
Flooding in our community is a severe problem.					
The risk of <u>drought</u> in Colorado has increased over the past 20 years.		\circ	\circ	\circ	0
The risk of <u>drought</u> in our community has increased over the past 20 years.	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	0
<u>Drought</u> in our community is a severe problem.			\bigcirc		
The risk of <u>wildfires</u> in Colorado has increased in the last 20 years.	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0
The risk of <u>wildfires</u> in our community has increased in the last 20 years.				\circ	0
Wildfires in our community are a severe problem.					

Neither

Please indicate your level of agreement with each of	Agree	Strongly Agree			
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Flooding in our community is an infrastructure problem.	0		0		0
Flooding in our community is an economic development problem.	0	\circ	0	\circ	0
Flooding in our community is a public health problem.					
Flooding in our community is a land use planning problem.					
Flooding in our community is a floodplain management problem.	0	\circ	0	\circ	0
Climate change is a concern of our community government.					
Climate change is a concern of our community members.					

Below is a set of three sliders. Please indicate, based on your opinion, the likelihood of an extreme flood occurrence (greater than a 100-year flood) over the next ten years in each of the regions listed below. Use the slider below to indicate a percentage chance.



Please use the sliders below to indicate a percentage chance of likelihood for the following statements.

		Extremely unlikely				e	Extremely Likely likely			y	
	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
The risk of flooding in our community is increasing.											

No use

A little use

Some use

Heavy use

Climate change increases the likelihood of flooding in our community.					
The risk of wildfire in our community is increasing.					
Climate change increases the likelihood of wildfire in our community.					
The risk of drought in our community is increasing.					
Climate change increases the likelihood of drought in our community.					

Currently, in what ways does your community use the floodplain? To what extent?

	No use	A little use	Some use	Heavy use
Flood damage prevention	0	0	0	0
Habitat protection		\circ		
Water quality improvement		\circ		
Recreational opportunities		\circ		
Bicycle or pedestrian trails		\bigcirc		
Agriculture		\bigcirc		
Utility/municipal infrastructure placement (e.g., drinking water pipelines, natural gas, etc.)				
Residential infrastructure placement		\circ		
Commercial infrastructure placement				
Road placement		\circ		
Other				

What do you think <u>should be</u> the important uses of the floodplain in your community? Please rate each category on a scale of 0 (not at all important) to 100 (highly important).

		Not impo	ortant	So im	mewhat poteat	gly ree	Dligggre	Α	Neither gree nor Disalgeeye	impor /t ą	ntee	Strongl Agree
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Flood damage prevention												
Habitat protection												
Water quality improvement												
Recreational opportunities												
Bicycle or pedestrian trails												
Agriculture												
Utility/municipal infrastructure placement (e.g., drinking water pipelines, natural gas, etc.)												
Residential infrastructure placement												
Commercial infrastructure placement												
Road placement												
Other												
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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Flood-damaged homes located in a floodplain should be removed in our community	0		0	\circ	0
Communities in the Front Range should prohibit development in the floodplain	0		\bigcirc	\circ	
Creek corridors in our community should be used as vegetated open space or parklands	0			\circ	\circ
Flood risk should be incorporated into our community's land-use plans	0	\circ		\circ	
Our community should change building codes to require raising buildings in the flood zone	0		\circ	\circ	
Our community should decrease the amount of impervious surface throughout our town/city	0	0		\circ	

In your opinion, who has the primary responsibility for flood risk reduction?

- The individual citizen
- The city or town government
- The state government
- The Federal government

In your opinion, who has the primary responsibility for damage recovery after a flood?

- The individual citizen
- The city or town government
- The state government
- The Federal government

Profile

Start of Section 4 (of 4) -- 86% of survey questions complete

What is your highest level of education?

- High school diploma or GED
- Some college
- An associate's degree
- A Bachelor's degree
- Some post-graduate study

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A graduate degree (e.g., JD, MD, MA	A, PhD)
What is your gender?	
Female	
○ Male	
Prefer not to answer	
What is your political affiliation?	
Democrat	
Republican	
Independent	
Other	
s there anything you think is impo	rtant related to flood recovery or processes that we have not asked
We are interested in your views, th	noughts, and perceptions of flood recovery in your community.