

Building Resilience in Partnership with Vulnerable Communities

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While many communities are dealing with increased risk of extreme weather and natural disasters, the ability of a community to respond, recover and bounce back is not distributed. When an environmental justice lens is applied recognize that some communities experience higher exposure to local water pollution, degraded local waterways and higher impervious surface area on top of other social factors that increase vulnerability. A challenge watershed managers is to develop strategies which support resilience and integrate an environmental justice that effectively targets the most vulnerable communities. Heavy rain and catastrophic flooding in Colorado, 2013



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This webinar will look at the environmental justice factors that contribute to vulnerability and provide examples of how EPA and its partner programs have effectively worked to help build resilience with vulnerable communities. We will also explore how the Urban Waters Partnership model can build networks of resilience and introduce other userfriendly tools and resources that help support resilience.

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