

Emergency Water Supply Master Plan & Policies

PRESENTED TO ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE COMMISSION

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Agenda

Goals

Master Plan Outline

Proposed Policies



2020 Emergencies

Global Pandemic

Widespread Social Unrest

Historical Wildfires

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The Seattle Times

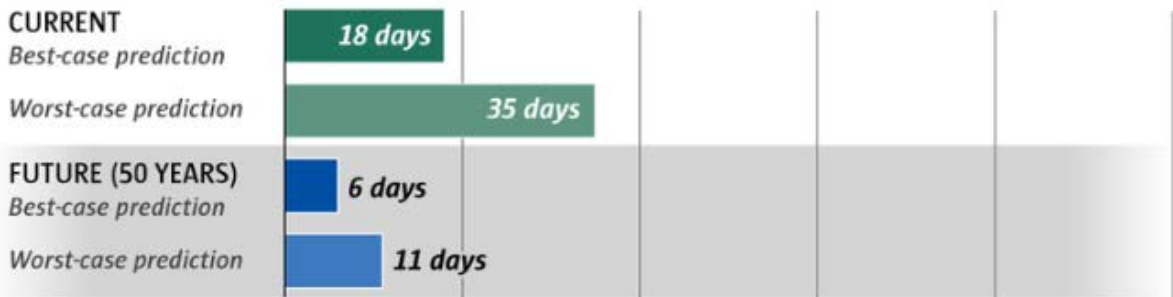
Seattle, suburbs would lose all water pressure within 24 hours of catastrophic earthquake, city study says

Originally published December 2, 2018 at 6:00 am

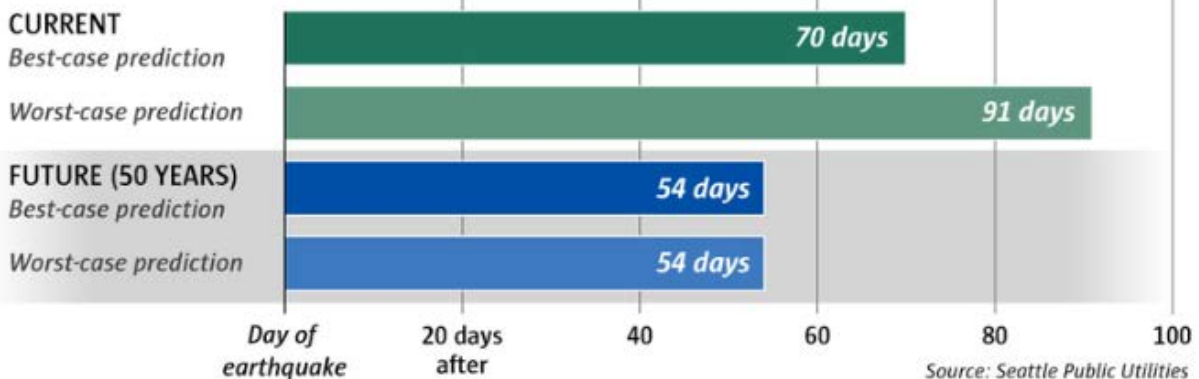
Earthquake upgrades for Seattle's water system

A new Seattle Public Utilities study says the city should spend \$850 million through 2075 to improve the resiliency of its water system in the event of a catastrophic earthquake. The upgrades would allow the system to recover more quickly after a quake, according to the study.

DAYS TO RESTORE SERVICE TO 70% OF SEATTLE CUSTOMERS



DAYS TO RESTORE SERVICE TO 100% OF SEATTLE CUSTOMERS

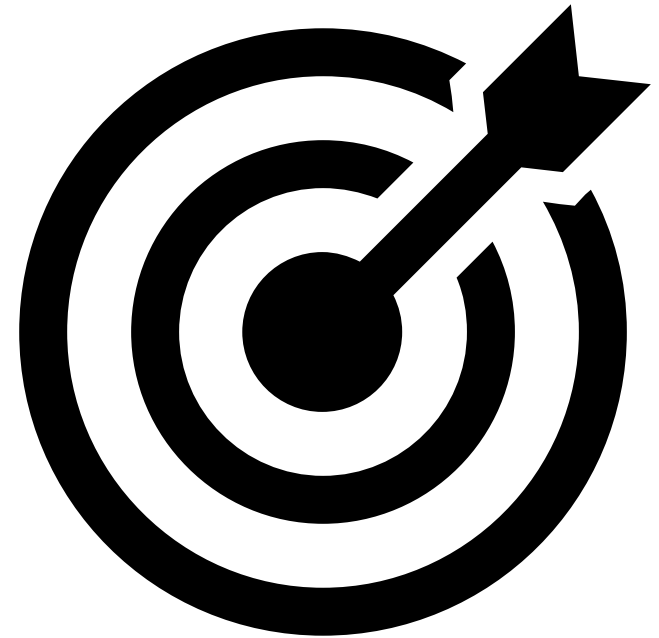


Source: Seattle Public Utilities

EMILY M. ENG / THE SEATTLE TIMES

Goals

- PUBLIC AWARENESS AND CONSENT
- POLICIES FOR EMERGENCY MITIGATION
- GUIDANCE FOR FUTURE INVESTMENT

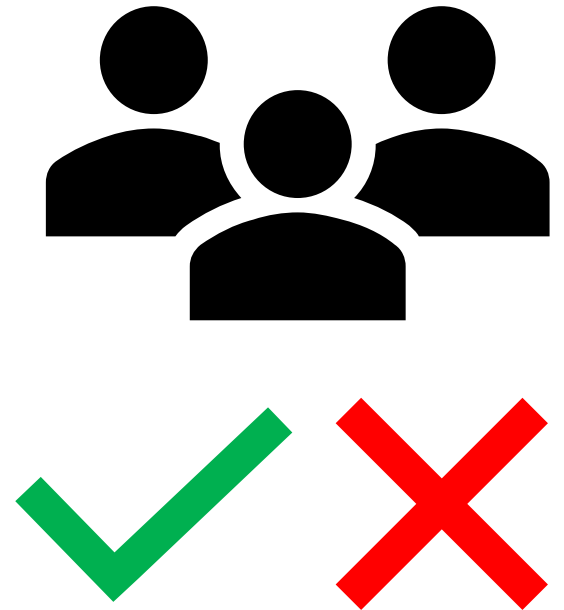


Public Awareness and Consent

Washington Administrative Code (WAC) has only one requirement for emergency levels of service:

It must be approved by vote of customers or governing body (e.g. City Council)*

*WAC 246-290-420



Public Awareness and Consent

STAKEHOLDERS

ESC and City Council

Customers

Emergency responders

Adjacent utilities

Regulators

OUTREACH STRATEGY

Briefings, meetings, review/comment

General and targeted outreach

Direct engagement

Coordinate and share

Submit for approval

Public Awareness and Consent

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL STAKEHOLDERS

Parks Department

Fire (Operations)

Fire (Emergency Management)

Development Services

City Manager's Office

INTEREST/COORDINATION

Irrigation water rights

Parks as potential distribution points

Water use curtailment

Alternative water supplies/strategies

Awareness and consultation

Land use restrictions

Comprehensive Plan and policy alignment

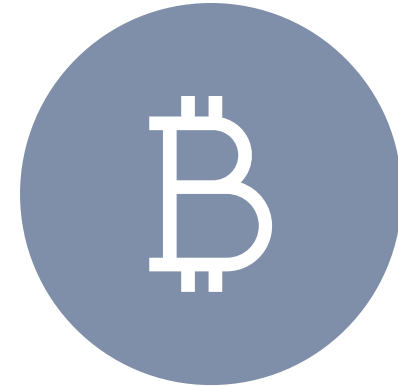
Why Include Policies?



INFO NEW TO COMMUNITY;
INFORMED CONSENT



CITE FOR FUTURE CIP

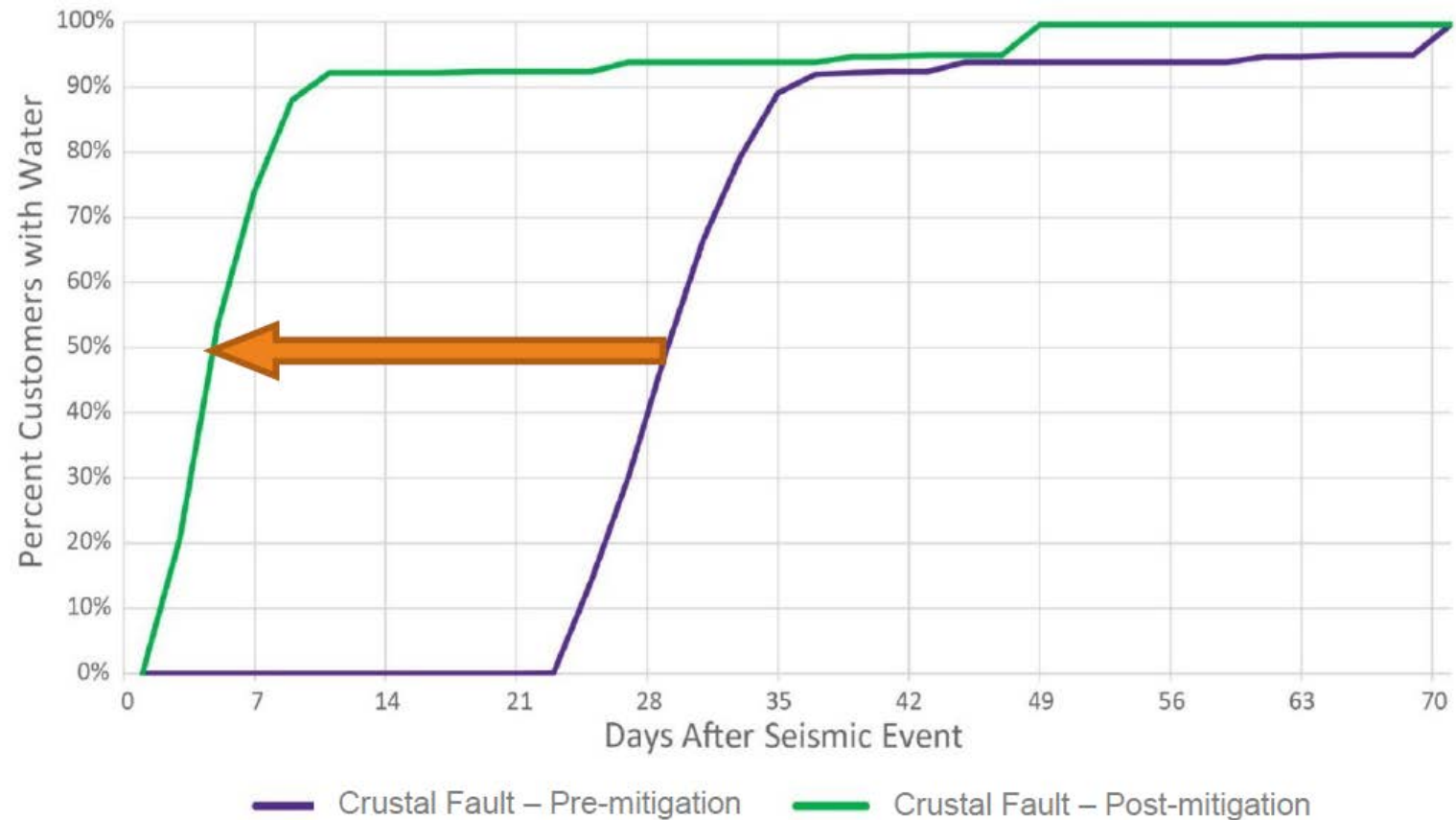


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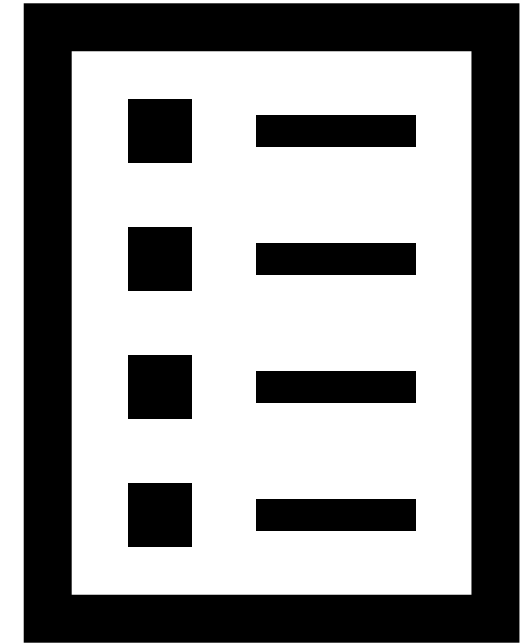
Guidance for Future CIP

The Master Plan will recommend improvements that reduce the time to restore water service.

Projects must have positive return on investment (risk benefit > cost).



Master Plan Outline



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- TOPICS COVERED
 - ORGANIZATION
 - REFERENCES

Outline

Executive Summary

Guiding Principles / Policies

Existing Water Sources

Hazards

Emergency Water Needs

Regional Coordination

Mitigation and Alternative Supply Opportunities

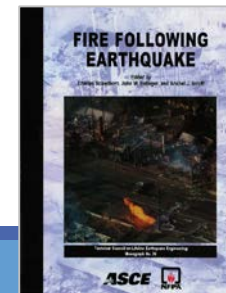
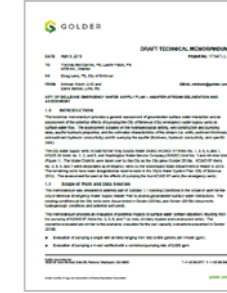
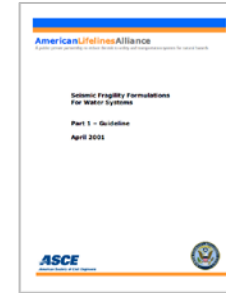
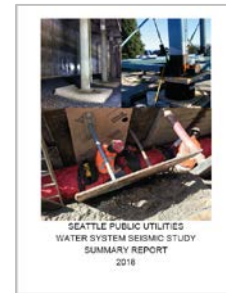
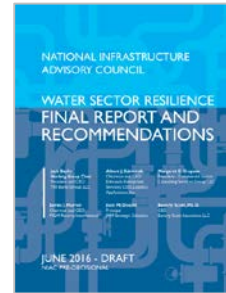
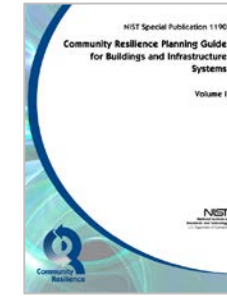
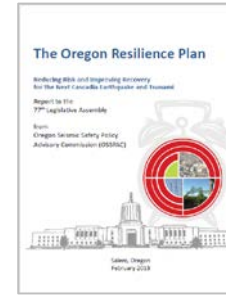
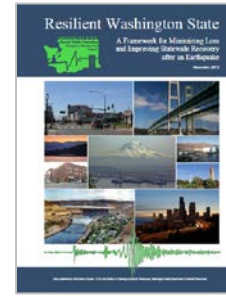
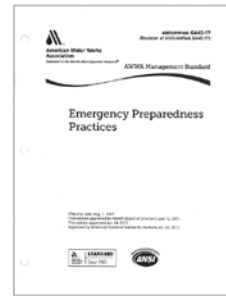
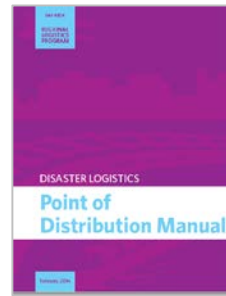
Recommendations

Appendixes (technical reports)

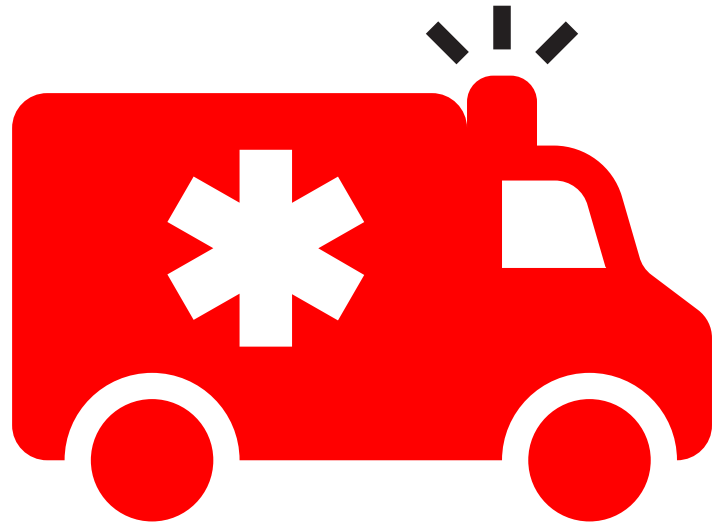
Planning for an Emergency Drinking Water Supply



References



Policies



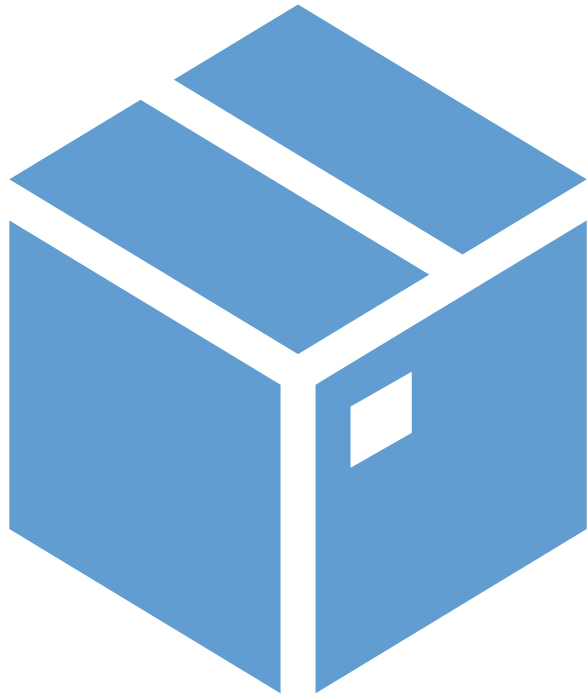
Health Care Providers

Invest in resiliency with the goal to provide uninterrupted water service at emergency rooms, and prioritize service restoration to other health care providers.



Alternative Fire Fighting Methods

Coordinate, facilitate and develop alternative fire-fighting strategies identified by the Fire Department for use during disaster recovery, prior to full system restoration.



Personal Preparedness

Encourage residents to store 14 days of water.

Shelters and Points of Distribution

Prioritize mitigation and response efforts to support the readiness of pre-identified shelters and points of distribution.



Business Continuity

Establish water service restoration goals to support business continuity.



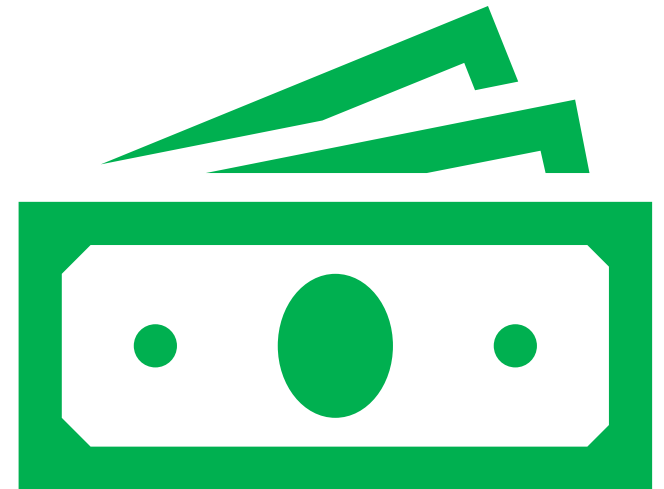


Inter-Dependent Sector Coordination

Coordinate and optimize emergency preparation with inter-dependent infrastructure sectors (power, transportation, communications, etc).

Emergency Mitigation Investments

Identify and invest in water system reliability and resiliency improvements where the benefits of reduced risk to the community exceed the costs of the improvement. Prioritize improvements with the highest benefit per cost.



	Event	1-Day	3-Day	7-Day	14-Day	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month
Emergency Room Hospitals	●	●	●		●			
Hydrants at Designated Resilient Supply Points								
Community Recovery Facilities ²³								
Essential Businesses ²⁴								
Basic Domestic Service to All Customers								
Fire Flow Restored to All Hydrants								

● = 20%-30% Operational. ● = 50%-60% operational. ● = 80%-90% operational. ● = Current Performance

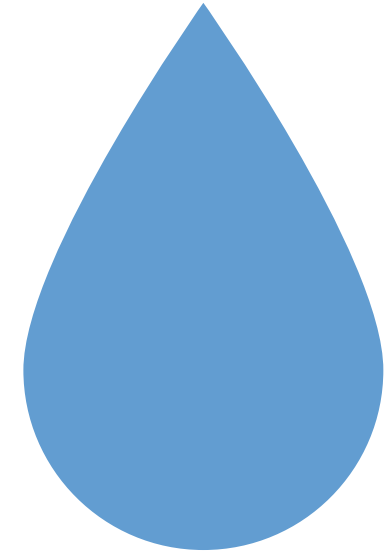
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Post-Event Level of Service Goals

The City will establish medium-term (2040) and long-term (2070) post-event level of service (PE-LOS) goals, and invest as needed in resiliency to meet those goals.

Groundwater Supplies

The City should invest capital and maintenance to provide reliable and resilient wells.





Well Head Protection

Restrict land use and establish Critical Areas near wells to preserve water quality.

Questions?
