

Climate Change & The Facilities Management Organization

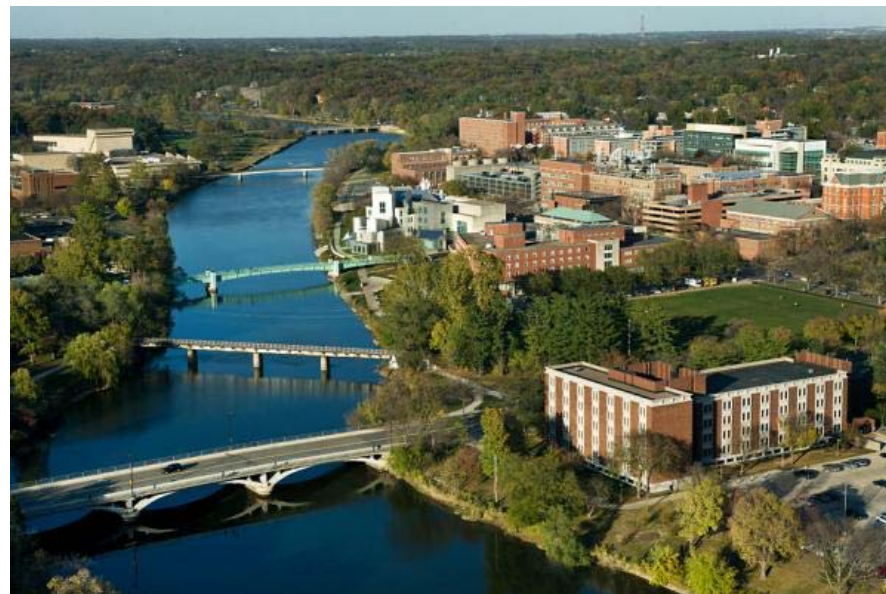
Risks & Responsibilities

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Including the creation of the Office of Sustainability

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- Facilities Management was tasked with creating the Office of Sustainability
- Charged with all matters related to sustainability
- Chartered as a no-growth organization
- Identified three key positions

But 40 days later and
before the first person could be hired...



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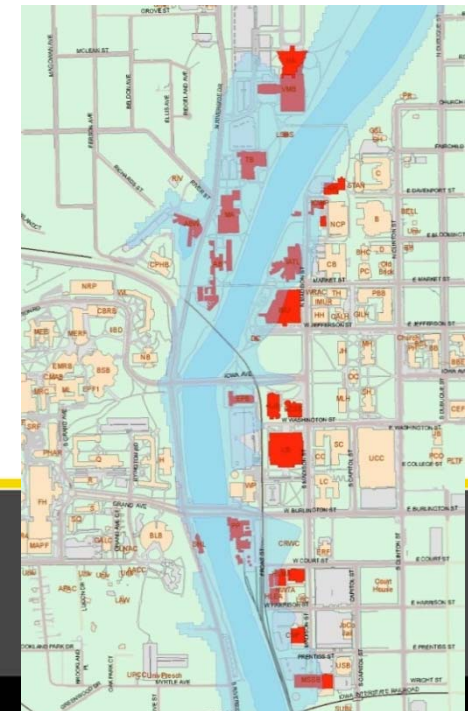
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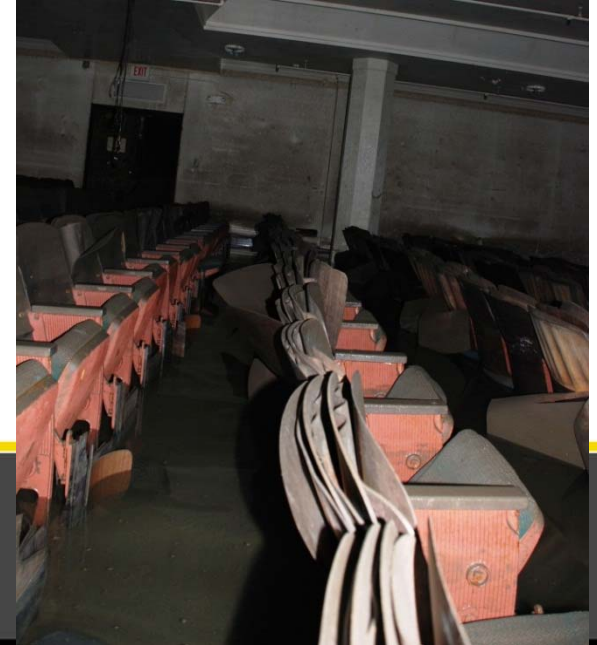
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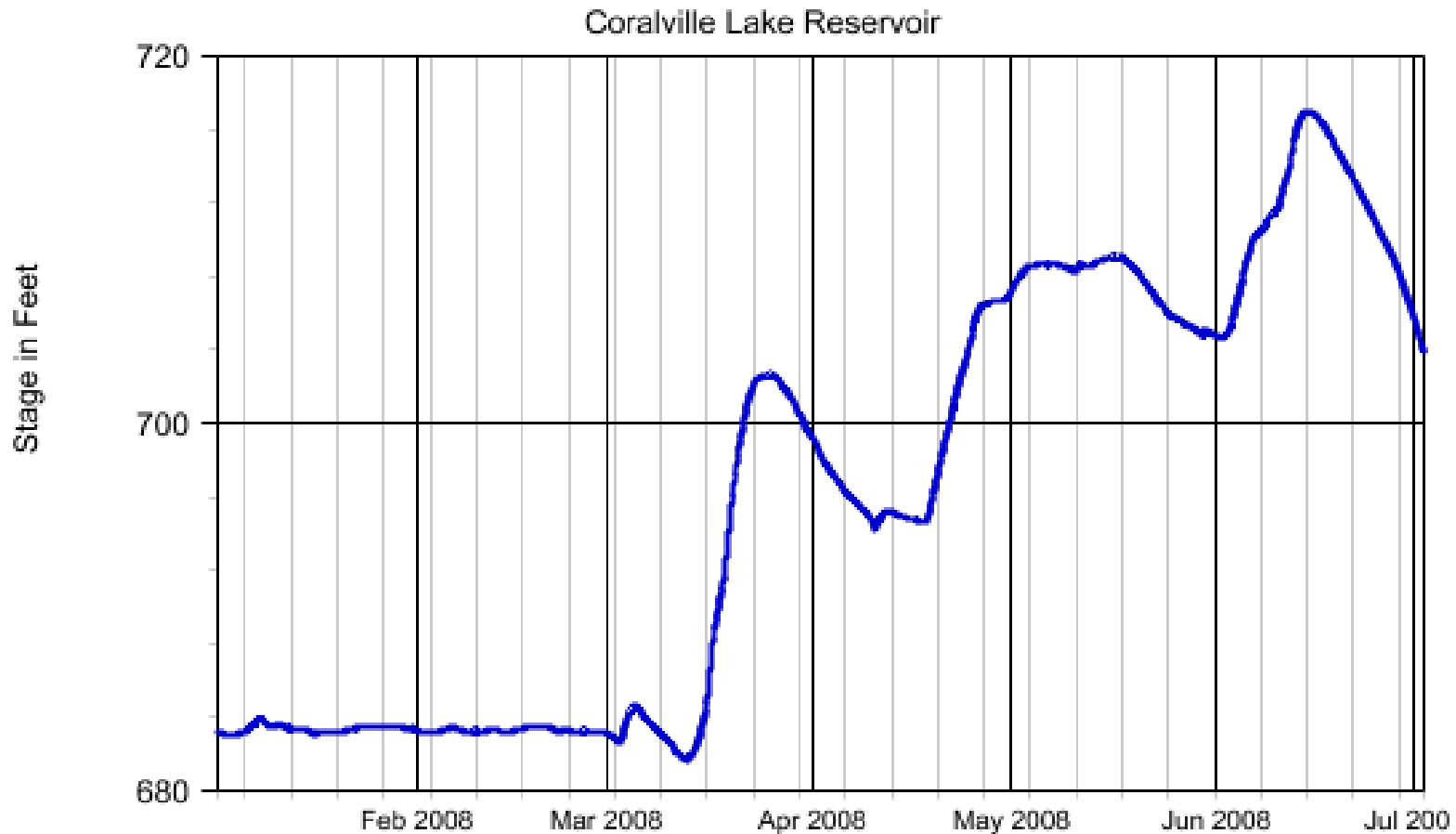


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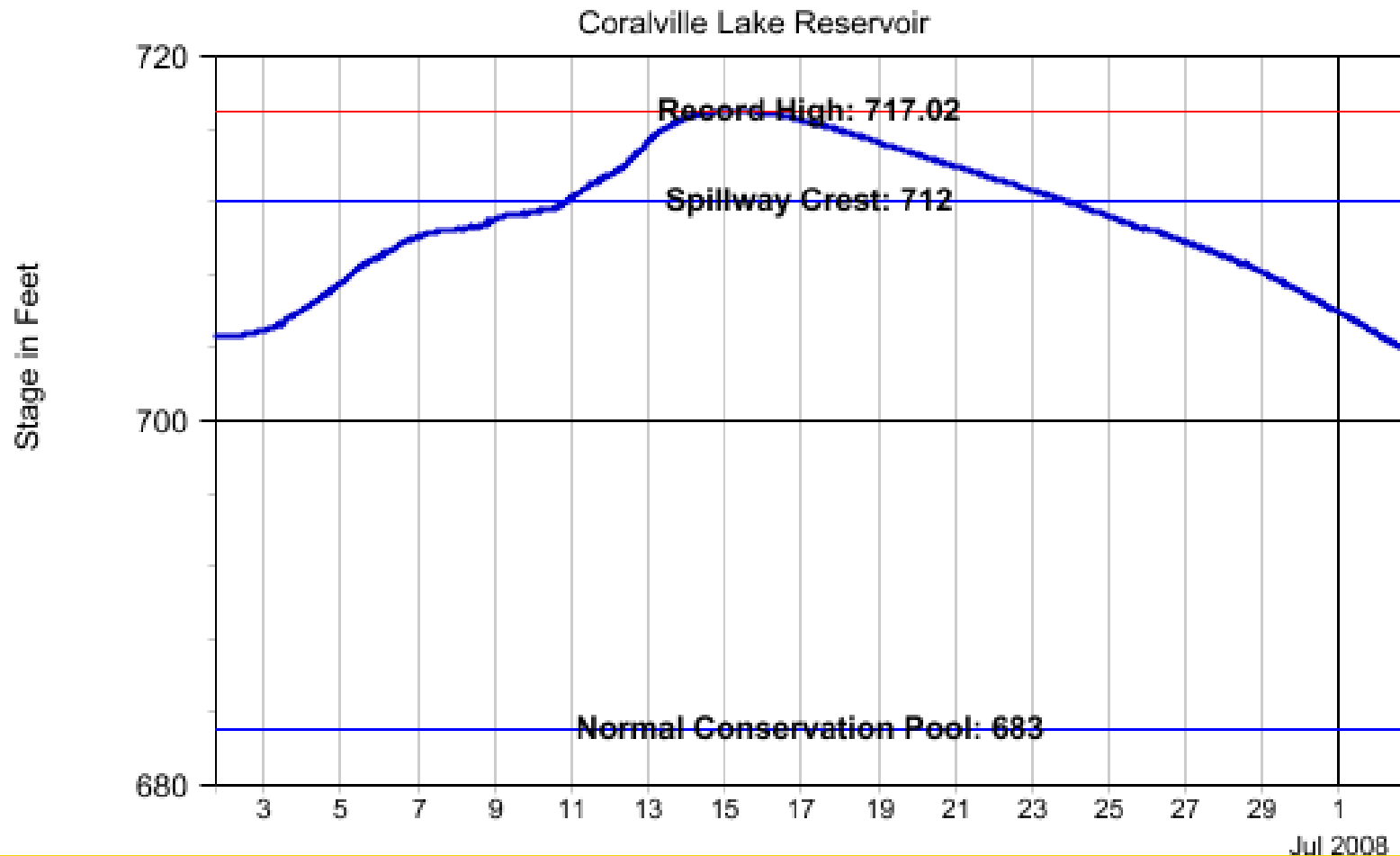
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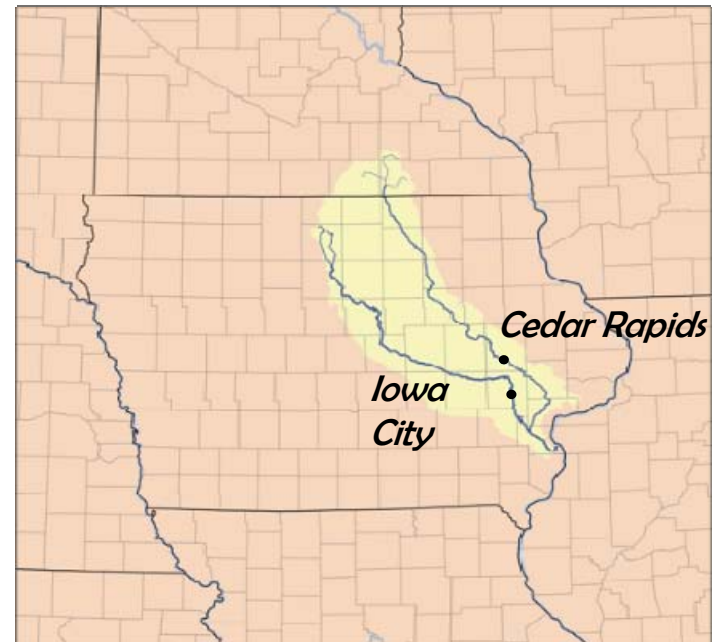
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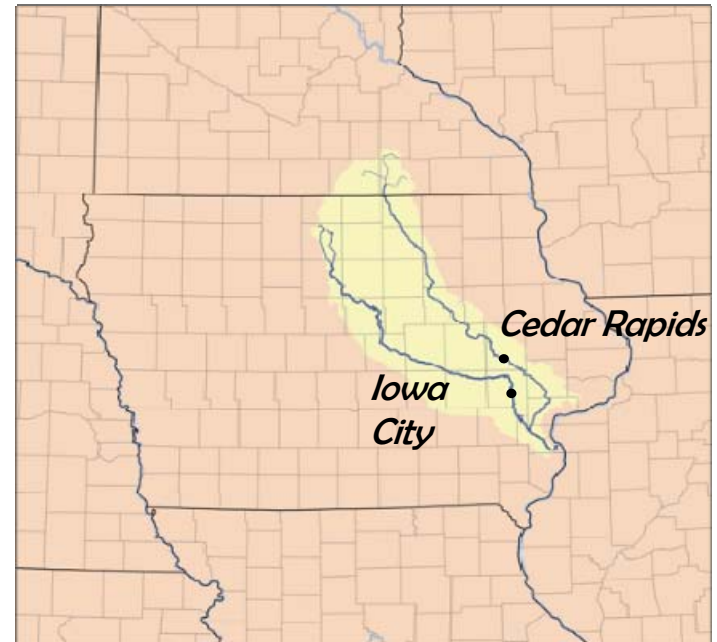
Overflowing of the dam and the flooding of the Iowa River was dramatically impactful, but only part of the story...

A Tale of Two Cities & Two Rivers



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Unlike previous floods, this one was affecting surrounding communities and thus impacting the University's efforts



Lesson Learned #1

Broaden the context for emergency planning

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Natural disasters affect communities and greater regions, not just campuses.

Tornados Derechos Hurricanes
Earthquakes Fires Pandemic Flu

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How Prepared Were We?

Flood of '93



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- Virtually all statistical flood elevations are outdated

The Water is Rising with Time

According to the Iowa Flood Center:

- 500 year = 80 year, 100 year = 25 year, 10 year = 2 year
- Changes are related, over time, to the built environment and climate changes
- A 120-year plot of peak flooding has been steadily climbing over time
- Last ten years a noticeable increase in rain severity for April, May, June, September and October and a decrease for July and August

Out-scaled Previous Disasters

The 500-year Flood of 2008 was of a magnitude not seen with any of the several 100-year floods experienced in the University of Iowa's 165 year history.



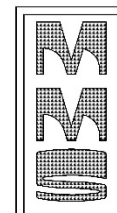
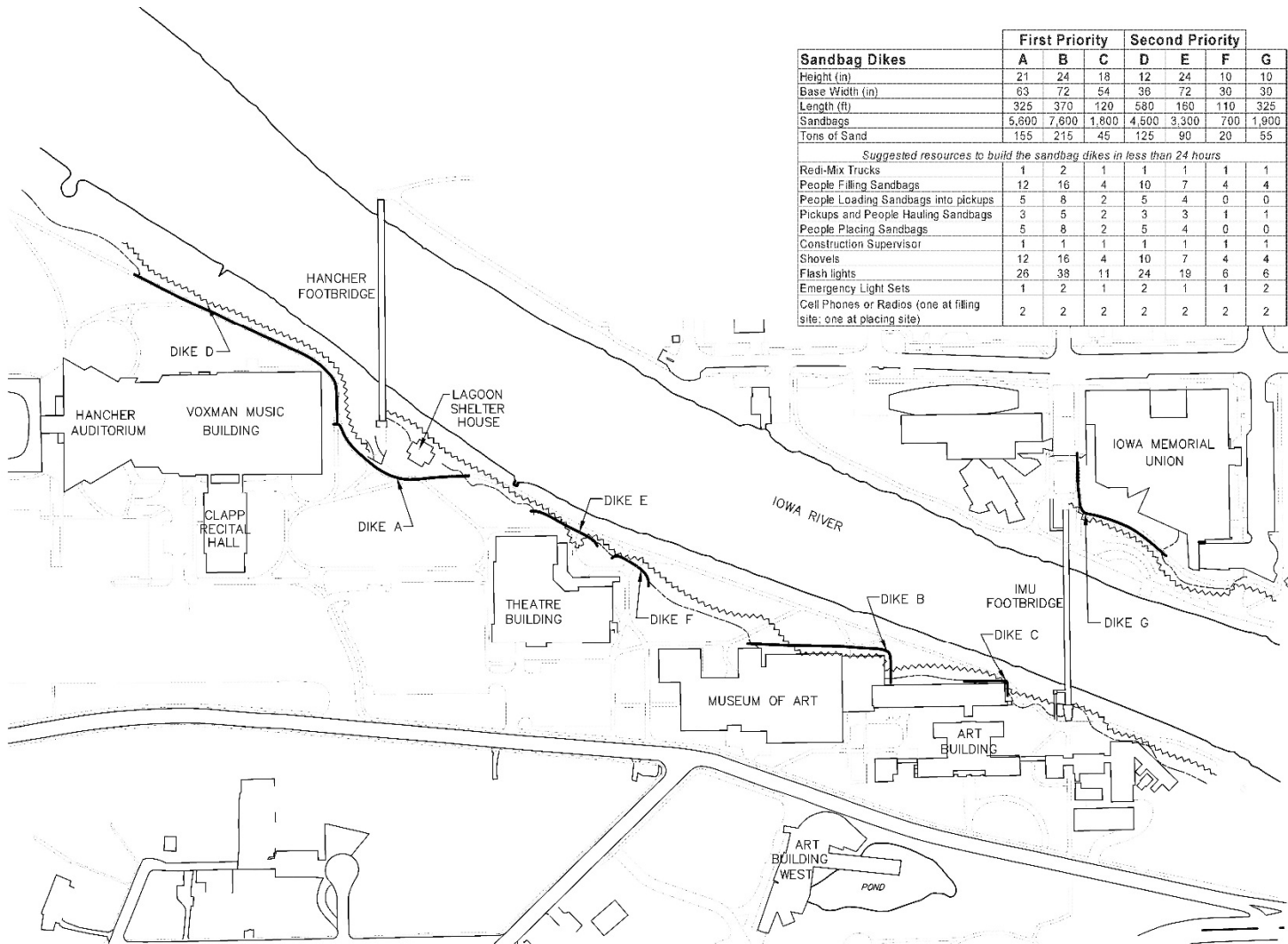
Lesson Learned #2

Plan for your next disaster, not your last one

Flood Emergency Response Plan

The 2006 UI Flood Emergency Response Plan:

- Developed in response to our 1993 flood
- Put in place a structure for responding to a disaster
- Was too narrow in scope and vision
- But served us well throughout the event even when it grew beyond the planning parameters



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Mission Accomplished?



The Flood Emergency Response Plan was a resounding success in protecting the University against another 1993 type 100-year flood

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Ever Increasing Threats



Lesson Learned #3

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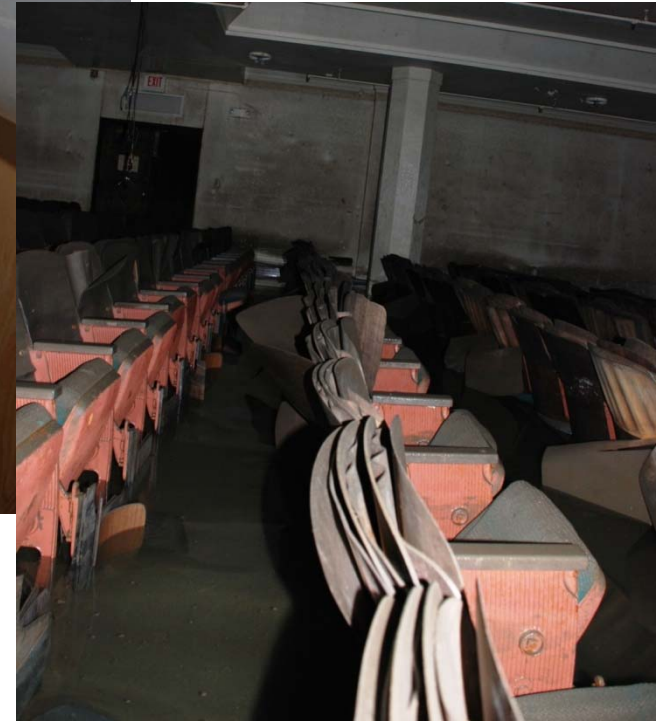












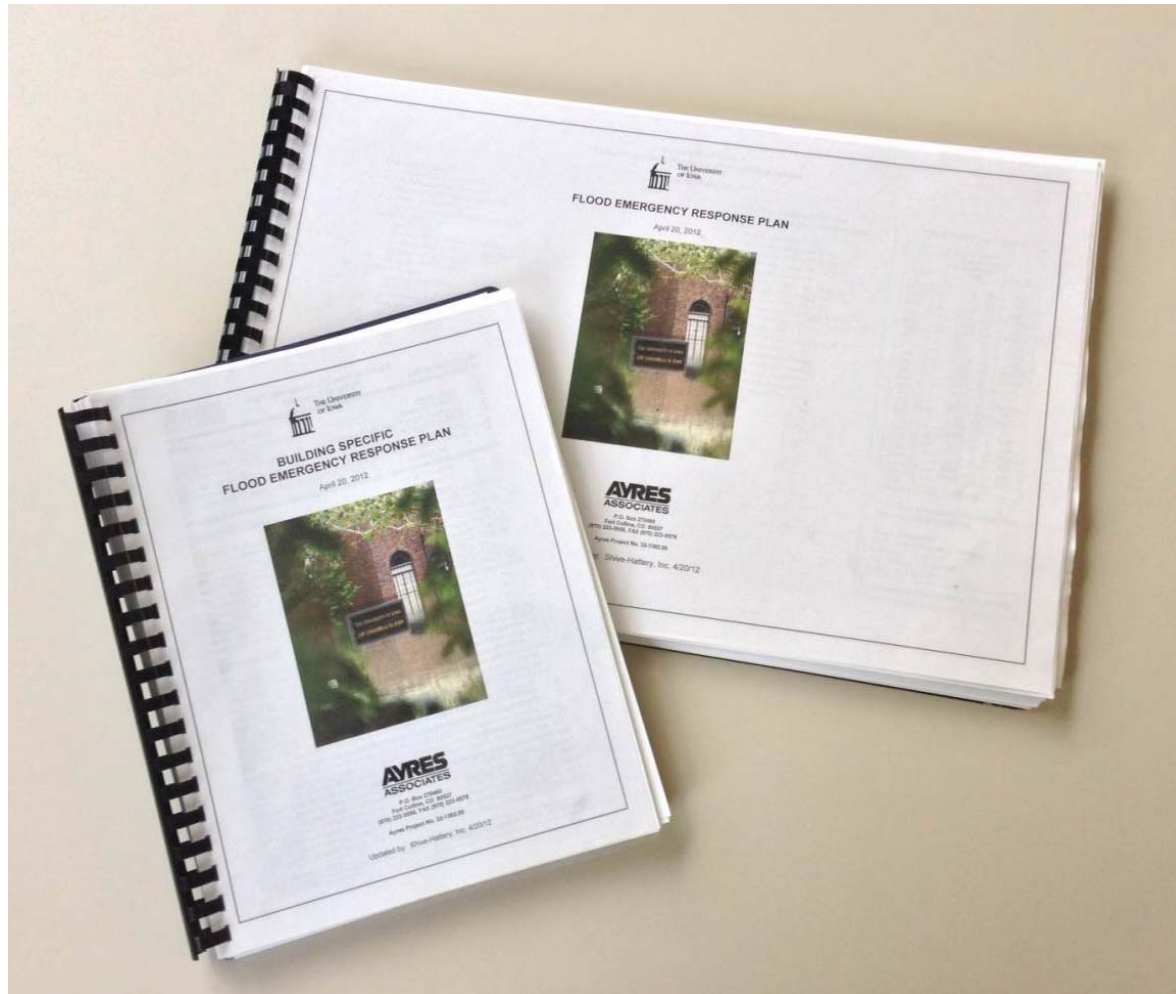


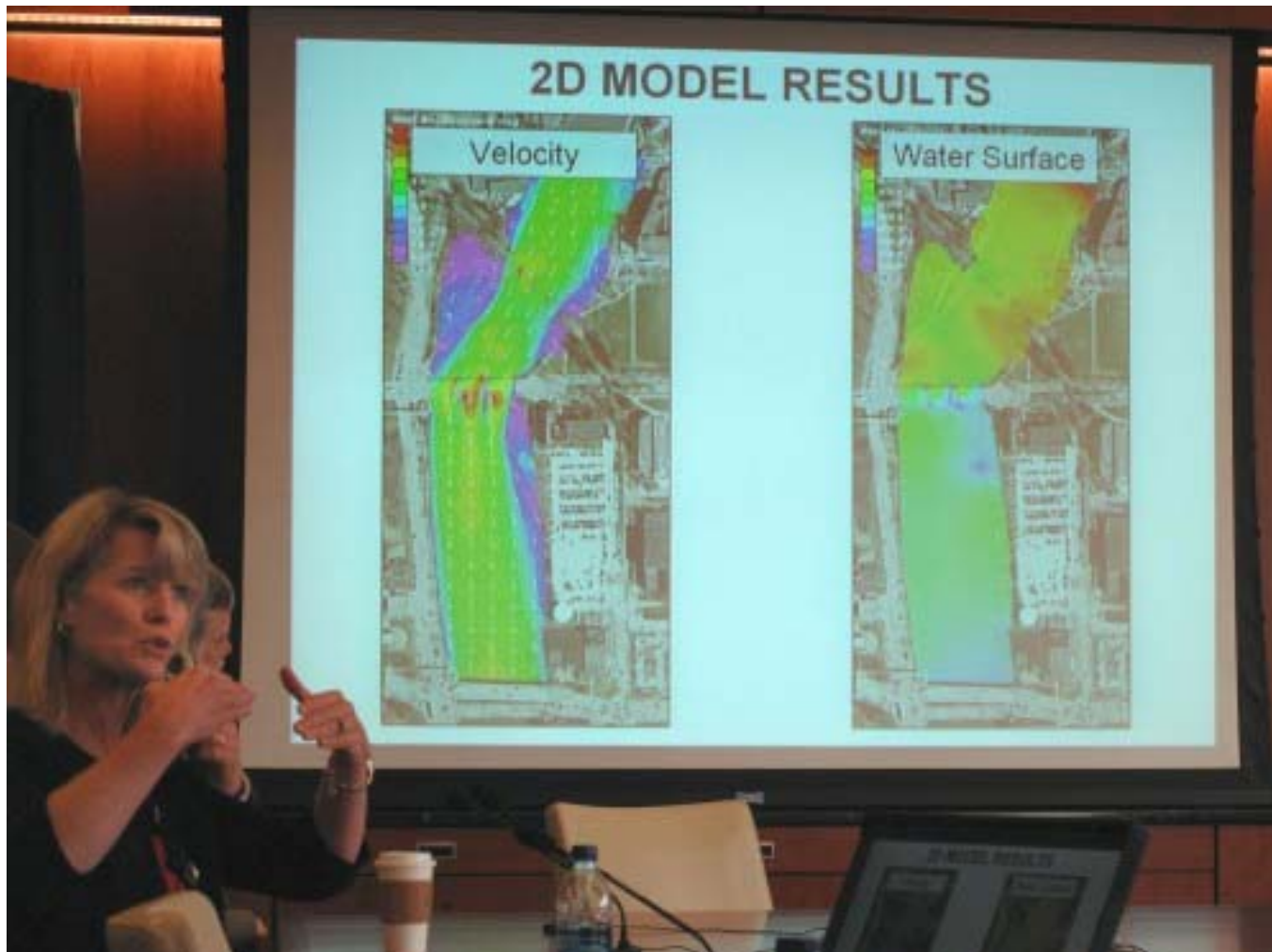
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Lesson Learned #4

Be prepared





















NIMS

National Incident Management System

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Consistent nationwide approach to work effectively and efficiently together to prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of the cause, size, or complexity.

A component of NIMS is the Incident Command System (ICS).

Incident Command System

- *Organizes field-level operations*
- *Manages resources during incidents*
- *Applicable to small, large and complex incidents*
- *Defines an organization structure and key roles*

ICS Key Roles

- *Incident Commander*
- *Planning Section Chief*
- *Operations Section Chief*
- *Financial Section Chief*
- *Safety Officer*
- *Liaison Officer*
- *Information Officer*

Lesson Learned #5

Contribute to the Solution





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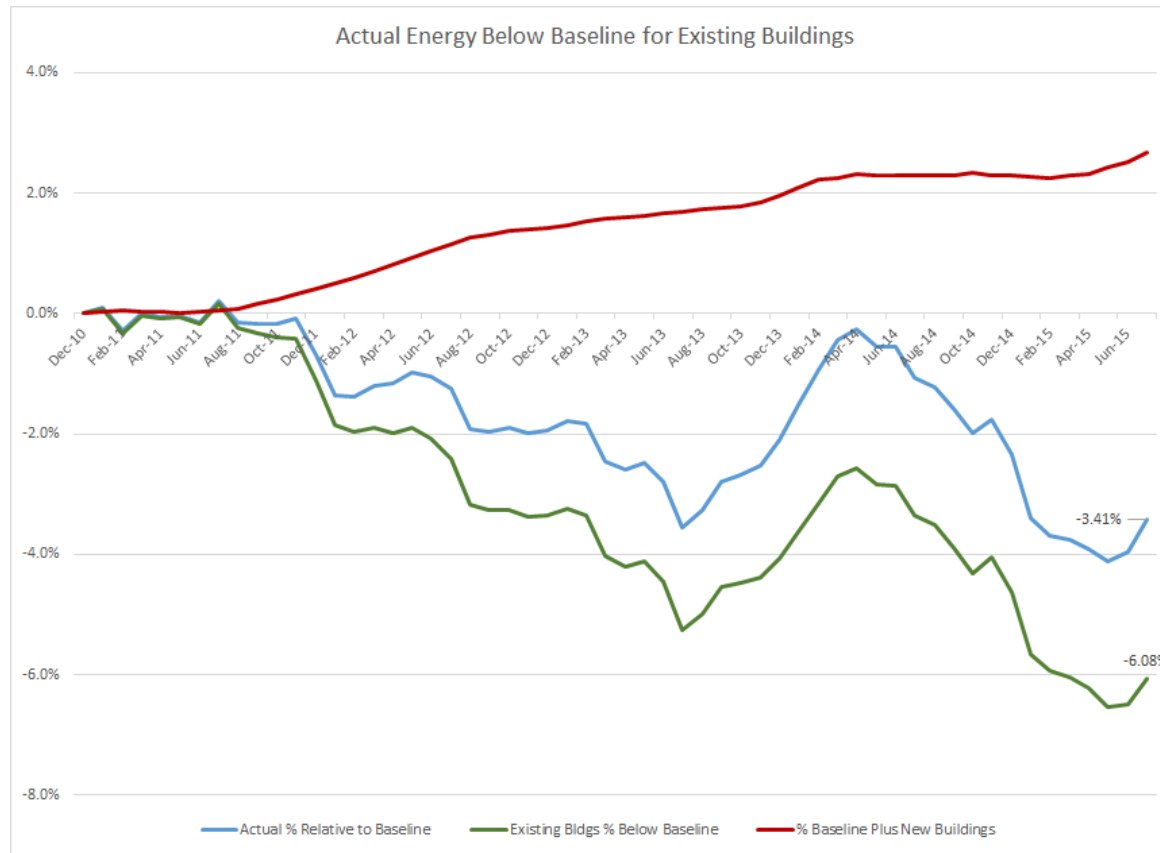
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Net Negative Energy Growth

The 2007 Energy Conservation Plan Provided Strategy for:

- Sustainable Design & Total Cost of Ownership Framework
- Commissioning & Recommissioning
- Energy Conservation Projects
- Energy Conservation Funding
- Reinvestment of Savings and Utilities Rebates
- Creation of the Energy Control Center
- Organizational Capacity
- Outreach & Education

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Renewable Energy

Reduce our Carbon Footprint

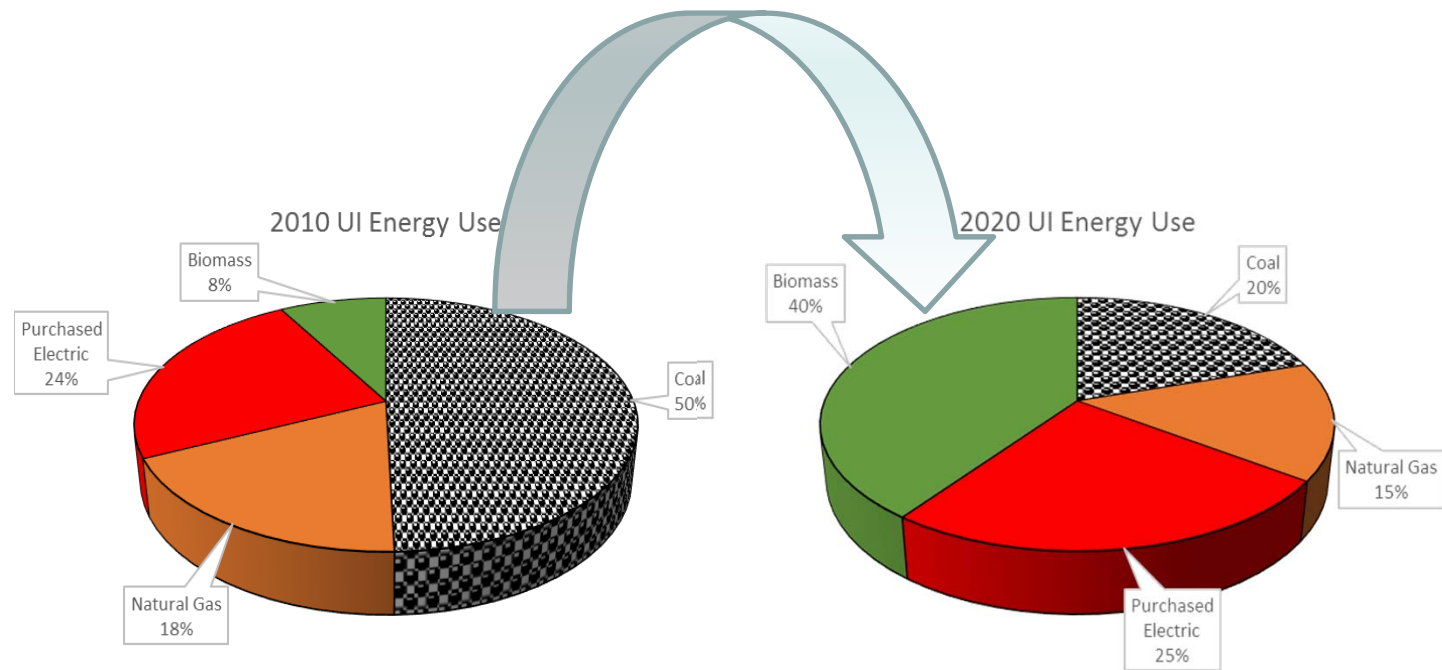
Manage Costs and Avoid Future Price Increases

Stay ahead of Coal Market Developments

Diversify our Fuel Portfolio



Renewable Energy



Biomass Fuel Portfolio

Industrial byproducts:

Current: oat hulls

Future: cardboard recycling sludge, scrap from furniture making

Wood chips:

Current: pallet remanufacture

Future: opportunity wood, short rotation woody crops

Energy grasses:

Current: Miscanthus

Future: prairie and switchgrass



Oat Hulls

- UI has been burning oat hulls for energy since 2003
- Sourced from Quaker Oats in Cedar Rapids, IA
- Expected to contribute 10%



Wood Chips

- Co-Fired with coal in solid fuel boilers
- Expected to contribute 10%
- Increasing supply projected



Miscanthus

- Creating an energy crop
- Targeted as 10% energy source
- Partnership with Iowa State University
- Garnering increasing farmer interest
- *Planting 350 acres in 2015*
- *2500 total acres over next three years*



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