State of the art modeling shows that a single extreme winter storm in California could cost on the order of $725 billion – with total direct property losses of nearly $400 billion and devastating impacts to California’s people, economy and natural resources.
What is ARCCA

- A network of 5 regional adaptation collaboratives
- Brings members together to amplify voices, share information, and advance adaptation practices in California.
- Works collectively with state and federal agencies to improve dialogue and opportunities
Goals

- Encourage greater local/regional coordination and cooperation
- Bring together community leadership
- Share Information and foster partnership
- Develop system-wide climate and sustainability strategies

Structure

- A collaborative organization housed at the UCLA Institute of the Environment, governed by the LARC Steering Committee, which is made up of LARC Members
- 27 member organizations
- Formed in 2009

Project example

Goals
- Create stronger, sustainable, and economically viable communities
- Promote greater climate change resilience planning coordination
- Create a forum for community leaders
- Share information, identify vulnerabilities and gaps, leverage resources
- Advance comprehensive solutions

Structure
- An informal network of stakeholders from the 6-county Sacramento region, overseen by a steering committee. LGC serves as the fiscal agent
- 8 member organizations
- Formed in 2013

Project Example
- Business continuity planning for small/medium enterprises
San Diego Regional Climate Collaborative

- **Goals**
  - Support regional efforts and advance comprehensive solutions
  - Expand membership and effectiveness of the Collaborative.
  - Communicate outcomes locally and more broadly
  - Build capacity within regional public agencies

- **Structure**
  - A member-based network that supports San Diego-based public agencies. Governed by a Steering Committee, and the University of San Diego operates as its fiscal agent and administrative home
  - 14 member organizations
  - Formed in 2011

- **Project Example**
  - “San Diego, 2050 is Calling. How will we answer?”
Bay Area Climate & Energy Resilience Project

- **Goals**
  - Support and enhance the local climate adaptation efforts of cities, counties and other organizations.
  - Pursue specific actions that will help stakeholders to move forward in a more efficient and powerful manner.

- **Structure**
  - An informal network of private, and non-profit stakeholders. Operated as a project of the Bay Area Joint Policy Committee
  - Over 100 organizations are in the network. No formal membership
  - Formed in 2011

- **Project Example**
  - 9-county needs assessment
Sierra Climate Adaptation & Mitigation Partnership

- **Goals:**
  - Communicate the value of local environment & resources
  - Convene government, business, academia & community groups
  - Empower Sierra leaders to share best practices
  - Identify critical needs & strategies
  - Leverage efforts/resources & funding
  - Build & strengthen connections within the region & downstream cities

- **Structure**
  - very likely a modified consensus decision-making model (consensus-minus-two)
  - 10+ member organizations (currently forming)
  - Formed in late 2014

- **Project Example**
  - participation in Climate Solutions University (CSU). As a participant in CSU's Model Forest Policy Program
What does Collaboration Mean to ARCCA?

- Our common voice will increase the credibility and effectiveness of our efforts to inform state and federal policy, guidance and resource allocation. Through Collaboration we can
  - Accomplish more than by working alone and better help the State succeed
  - Accelerate regional efforts through best practices sharing, pilots and coordination
  - Support regional differences while still finding common ground
  - Embrace other regions in the state
  - Increase regional funding opportunities
ARCCA Outcomes

- **Fostering Regional Development**
  - Sharing of best practices
  - Development of case studies and resources
  - Support for new California Collaboratives
  - Participation in a national dialogue on regional collaboration
  - Development of Regional Collaboration Toolkit

- **Coordination with State**
  - Safeguarding California Plan
  - State Climate Change Research Plan
  - Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program
  - President’s Taskforce on Climate Resilience and Preparedness
Thank You!