Public Climate Change Adaptation Process Driven by Public Input Using Public Participation Games, Interviews, Pre and Post Surveys and Other Tools, Jim Beever, Principle Planner IV, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council.

The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council has strong history of climate change adaptation planning in southwest florida beginning with the Comprehensive Regional Vulnerability Assessment that provides a assessment base for adaptation planning. To date three adaptation plan have been completed inlcuding the City of Punta Gorda, Lee County, and Spring Creek in the city of Bonita Springs. Current efforts in adaption planning include the community of Pelican Cove in Sarasota County and the City of Cape Coral. We have also assisted adaptation planning efforts around the state of Florida and elsewhere in the United States. Climate change planning in Southwest Florida is a public process driven by public input using public participation games, interviews, pre and post surveys and other tools. It is consensus based and pragmatic being implementable and currently being implemented. It is cost conscious (Cost/Benefit) and favors no regrets actions and incorporated; not separated from Comprehensive and Transportation Plans.