

Investigate Options | Facilitation Recommendations

WHO

Recommendations for the practitioner in the Investigate Options step.

WHAT

These are recommendations around recording options and facilitating the brainstorming exercise.

The following are some facilitation recommendations for the practitioner when working with the planning team to record options.

- Encourage the planning team to compile as much information as possible for each option.
- It may be helpful to record options in a workshop setting alongside or after the planning team has been introduced to the Investigate Options step and after the initial research and brainstorming step.
- Depending on the group size, it may be helpful for the planning team to break out into smaller groups to allow for discussion and sharing of perspectives. Groups can focus on certain topic areas (e.g., by hazard, resilience objective, or type of option).
- If working in smaller teams, have each team work on their own copy of [4.2 Develop Resilience Objectives - Worksheet](#) based on their area of focus. Then plan to compile each team's work into one master record of options.
- If working in smaller teams, identify one notetaker for each team. This person will record input from the group.
- As facilitator, try to ensure team member voices are being heard and groups are not being dominated by a single perspective. Also, try to encourage teams to move on if they are getting stuck. Flag where further discussion or work may be needed.
- Have the planning team keep in mind that this is an iterative process and may take multiple work sessions to identify all options. Encourage teams to continue working on the options in work sessions after/ between the main workshops.

IMPLEMENTATION EXAMPLE

Review vulnerability and risk findings

Similar to the executive summary found in the [Southeast Palm Beach County Multi-jurisdictional Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment](#), the team will have the synthesis report from the Assess Vulnerability and Risk step to review.