

Update on OBWB 2012

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Valley-wide action and leadership since 1970

OBWB: water for all uses



- Actions with valley-wide benefits
- Science and information to decision makers
- Okanagan voice to senior government
- Public education

Sewage facilities grants



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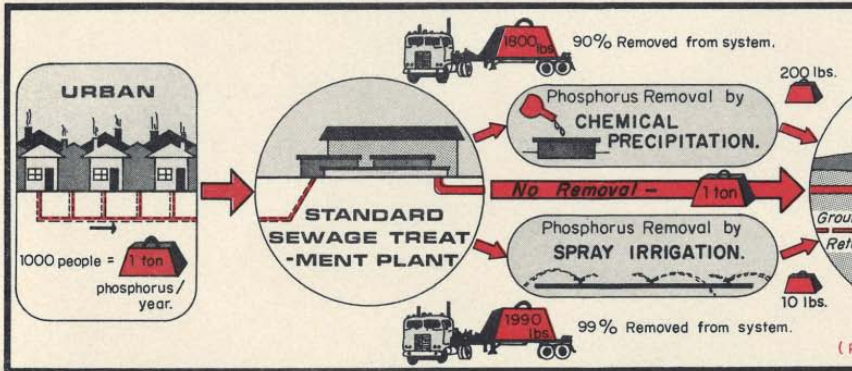
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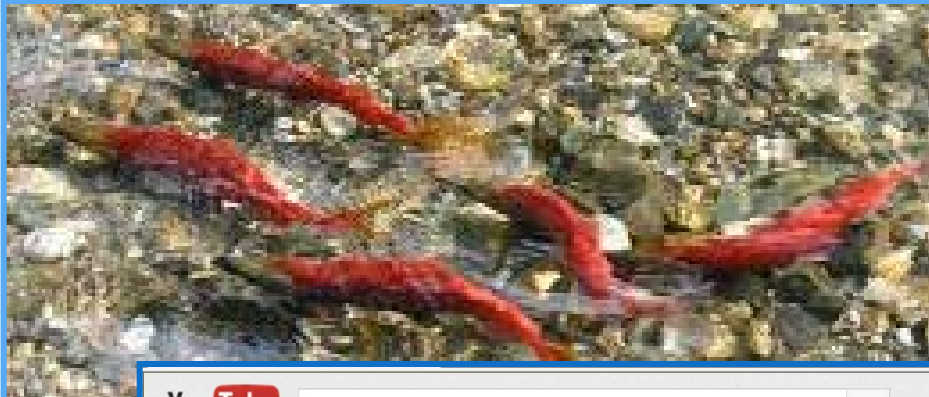
MUNICIPAL WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT leads to LAKE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

One of the main recommendations of the Okanagan Basin Study of 1969-74 was that phosphorus should be removed from municipal effluents to improve lake quality for recreation and aesthetic purposes.

Phosphorus is a nutrient necessary to aquatic growth. Together with nitrogen and carbon elements make water weeds



Milfoil Control program

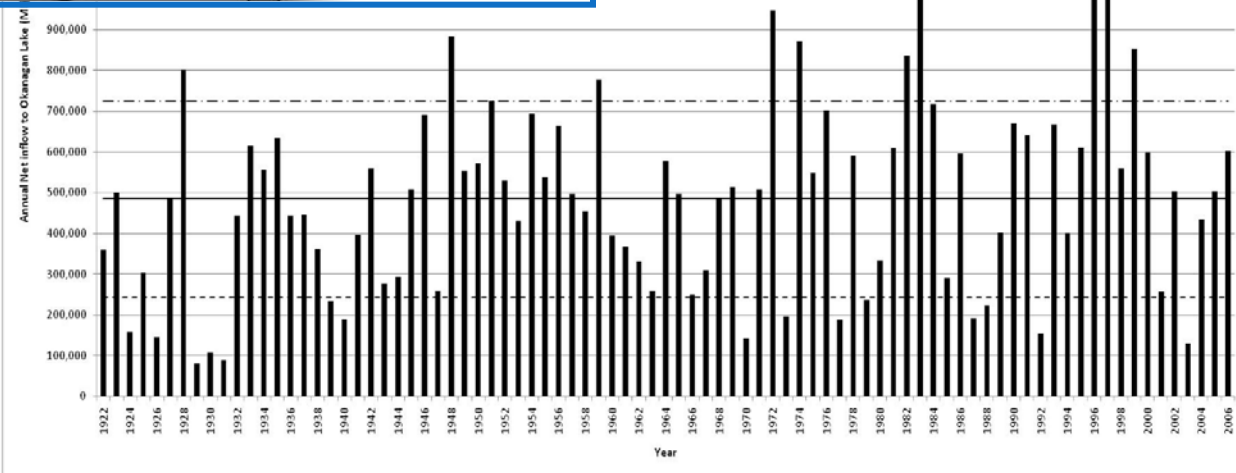
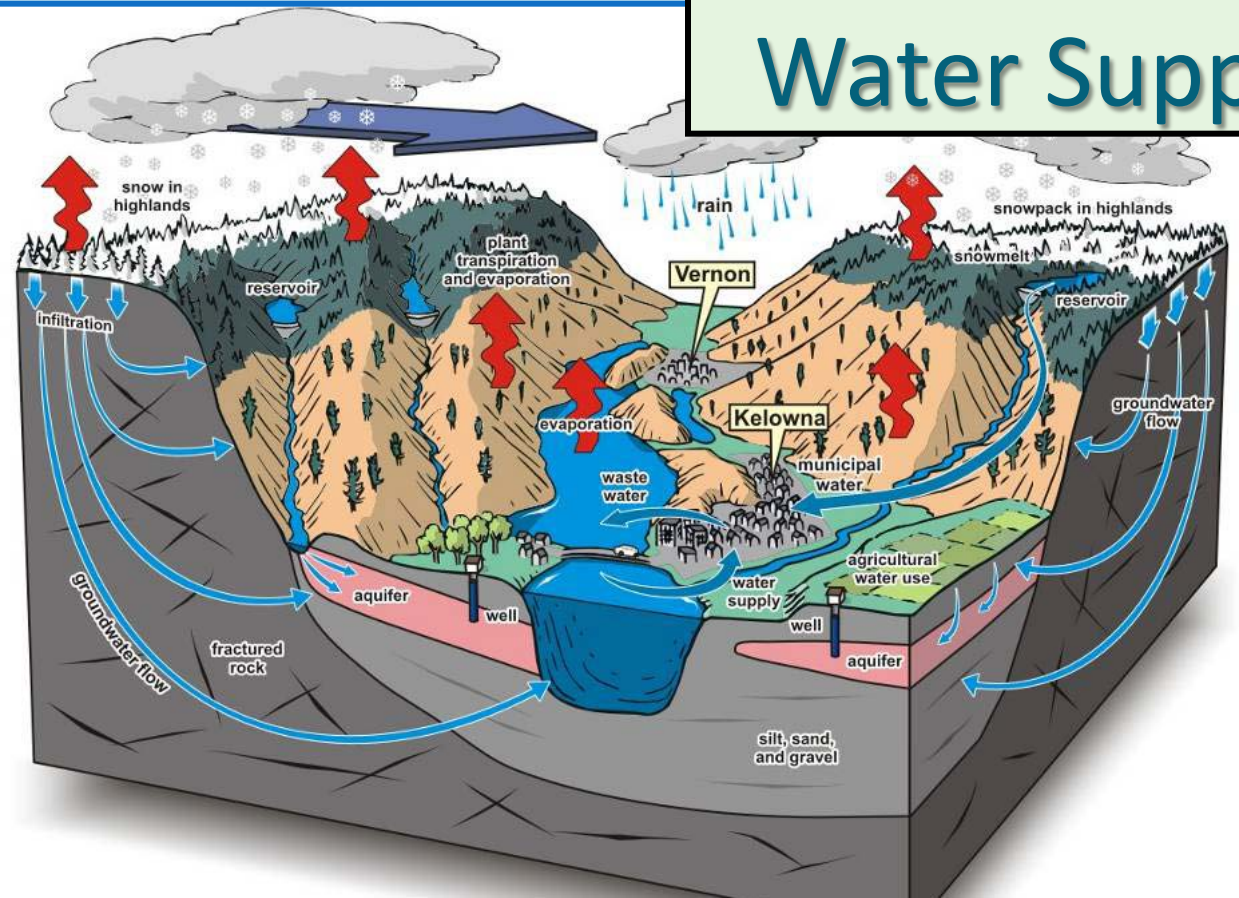


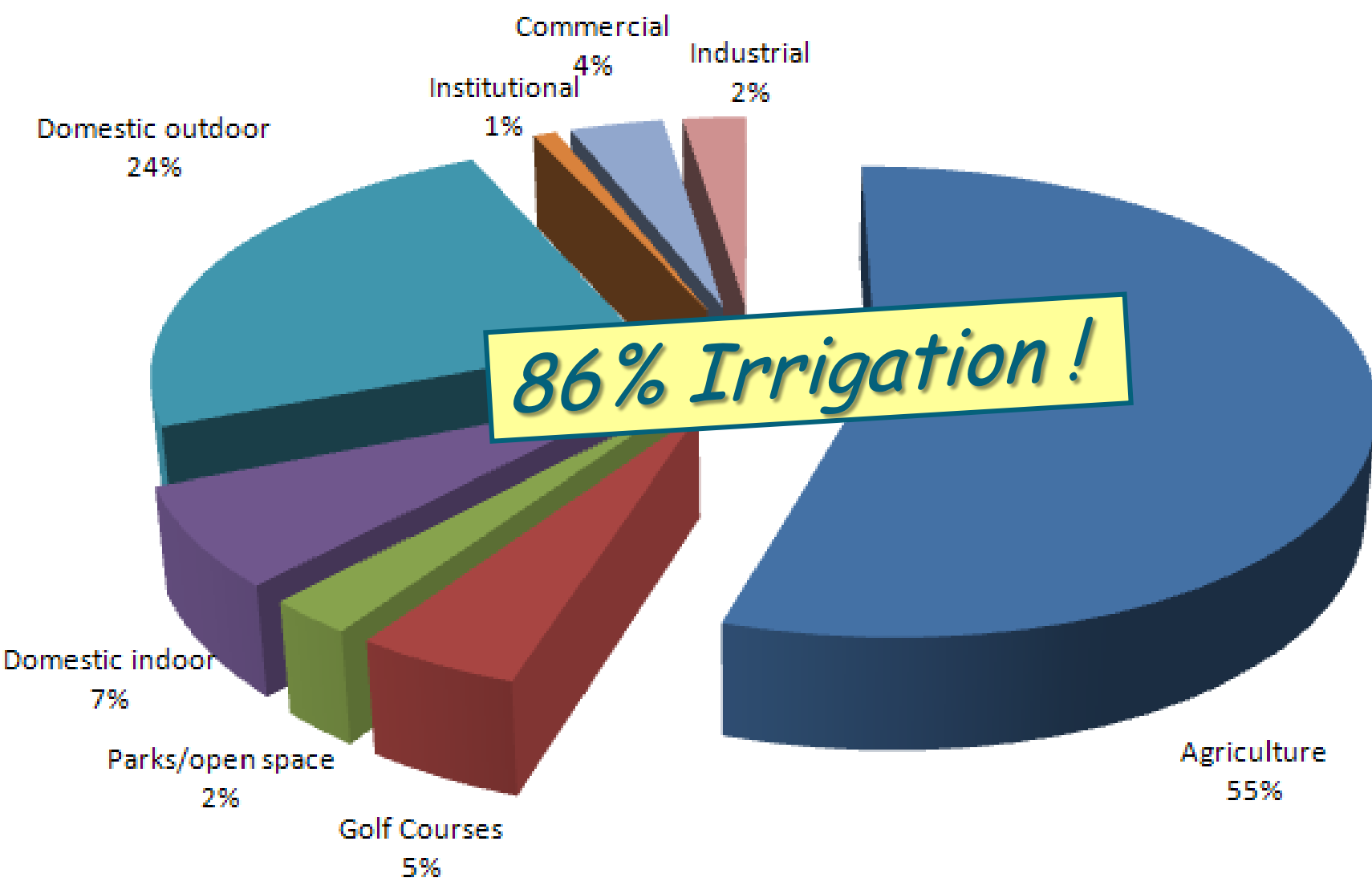
Water Management Program

Grants
Science & studies
Education
Communication



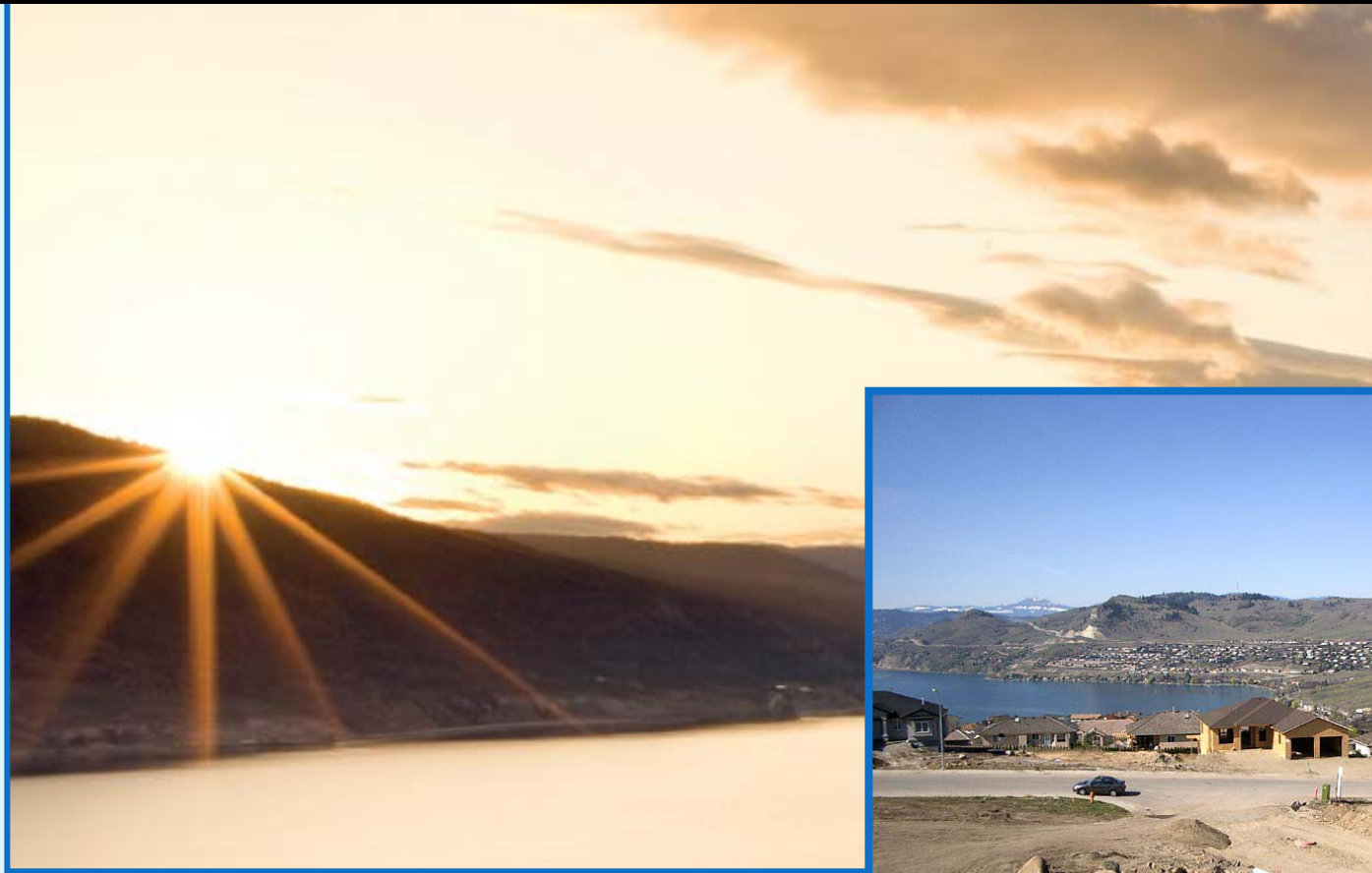
Water Supply & Demand



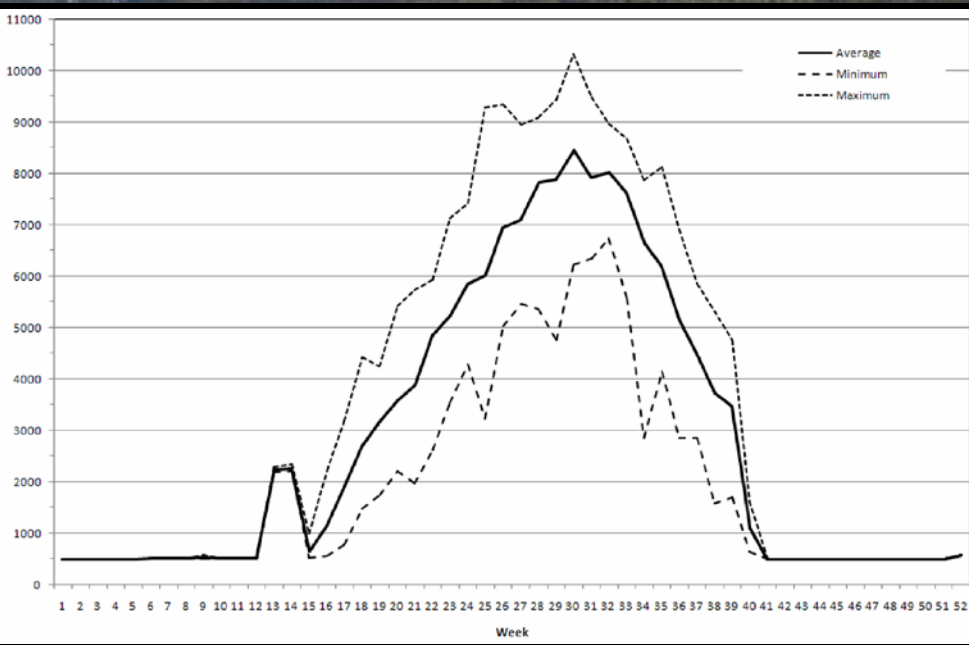


Current water use

What about climate and population change?

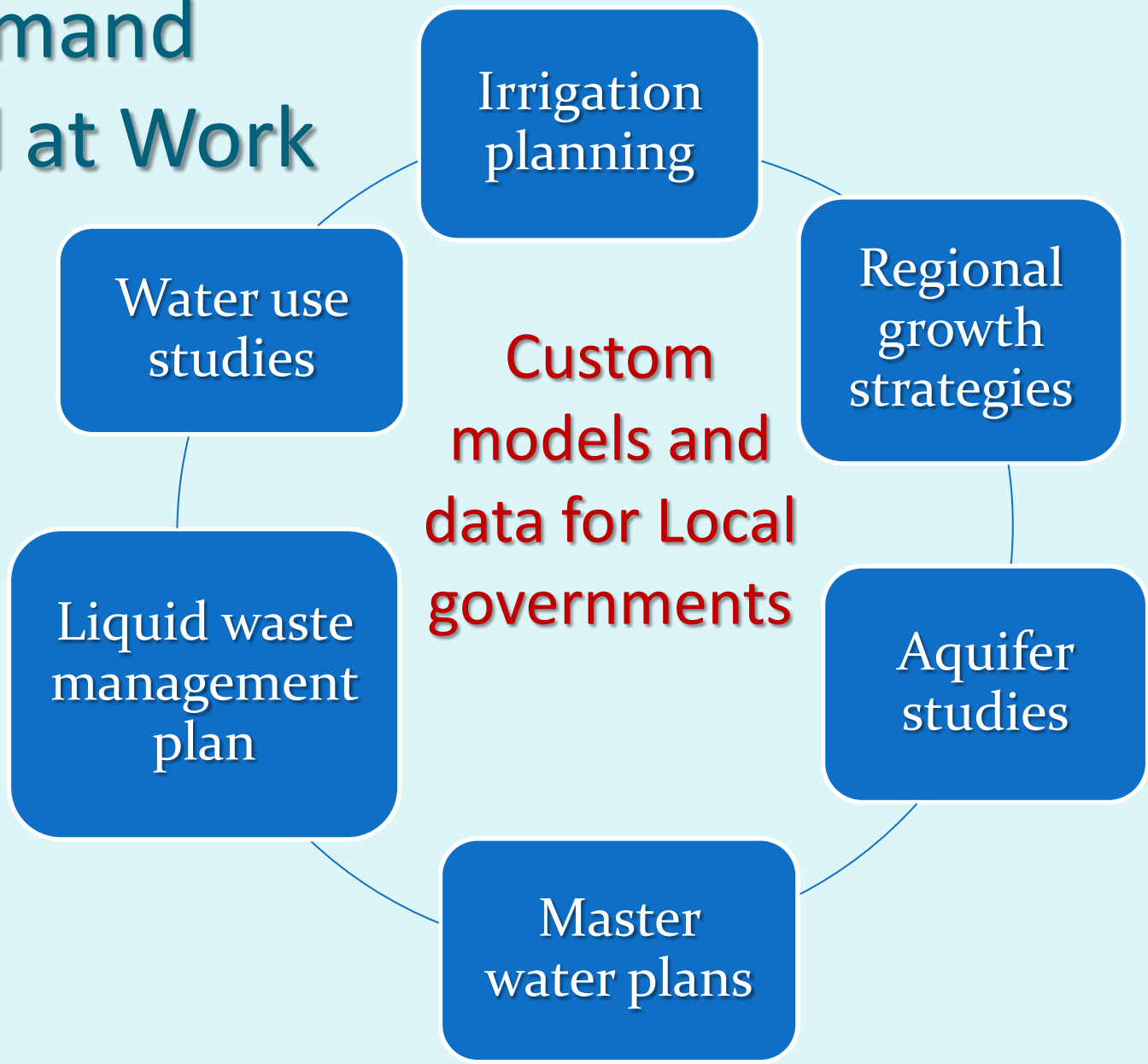


Warm air, less snow



- 30 more frost-free days per year
- Potential storage shortage
- *Where* people live matters

Demand Model at Work



Osoyoos Lake – international agreement

An aerial photograph showing a large, winding lake (Osoyoos Lake) in a valley. The lake is surrounded by a mix of green and brown vegetation, with some buildings and infrastructure visible along its shores. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a cloudy sky.

- Orders renewed in 2013
- Water for U.S. fish flow?



New studies



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how blue are you?  

One valley. One water.

TO ENSURE AN ONGOING WATER SUPPLY WE CAN ONLY USE WHAT IS NATURALLY REPLENISHED.



Local Government Guide

Local Government User's Guide

NOW AVAILABLE!

Okanagan Water Supply & Demand Project

Download the OBWB's Local Government User Guide to the Okanagan Water Supply & Demand Project (4.3Mb PDF)

Business

Conserve & see the benefits!

Use a lot of water to run your business? Learn how to cut your costs and improve your image.



Schools

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Slow it. Spread it. Sink it!

An Okanagan Homeowner's Guide to Using Rain as a Resource

Practical and Eco-Friendly Ways to Protect Your Property and the Environment from the Effects of Rainwater Runoff




Okanagan Basin

A black and white photograph of a person in a small boat on a river. The person is wearing a hat and a light-colored shirt, and is using a long pole to navigate the boat. The river is surrounded by reeds and grasses on the banks. In the background, there are hills and a road. The overall scene is peaceful and scenic.

Thank You!

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