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"Priority" versus "other" strategies and actions

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Here are some notes that you could share with the Task Force about what "priority" and "other" categories mean:

- **Deciding whether to put something in the "priority" or "other" category:**
 - You might put an action in the "priority" category because:
 - It received a particularly high overall score.
 - It addresses a major, near-term climate change vulnerability and would be highly effective.
 - It addresses a major source of emissions and would be highly effective.
 - It got strong public support in the survey or at the public event in November.
 - It is a necessary action to lay the foundation for other actions in the plan (those other actions would go under "other").
 - It is feasible to do in the short-term with existing resources.
 - You might put something in the "other" category because:
 - It received a lower score.
 - You need to wait for other actions to be taken first.
 - The overall package of things in the "priority" bucket makes it unrealistic to add more things to be implemented in the near term.
 - The public isn't enthusiastic about it and it wasn't rated as highly effective.
 - There is some public opposition and work needs to be done to get people on board first.
 - In many cases, you'll have a strategy with several actions underneath. You can prioritize at the level of action unless there are entire strategies that are not high priority. So under each strategy, there might be some actions that are "priority" actions and others that are not. Below I have pasted an example of how we laid this out in the draft Flagstaff CAAP.
 - Given how many actions are in the current draft, I'd suggest aiming for 10-15 actions in each focus area (across all strategies) that are in the "priority" bucket and the rest under "other." And/or, consider trying to put 20-30% of the actions under each strategy in the "priority" category.
- **In the CAAP:**
 - "Priority" actions will be detailed in the implementation plan (responsible party, timeframe, partnerships needed, next steps, etc.).
 - "Other" actions will not be detailed in the implementation plan in that way. You could decide to still include something about timing (e.g., phases).

STRATEGY 4. Maximize passive and active community rainwater infiltration.

Promotion of natural drainage systems and low impact development can curb flooding and stormwater issues that may be exacerbated under future climate conditions, as well as recharge aquifers that serve as a critical water source for humans and ecosystems.

Priority Actions

WR-4-A	Increase implementation of low impact development and water programs, including rainwater harvesting, the low impact development ordinance, and the NPDES/ADEQ Clean Water Act Section 402 Permit Program.
WR-4-B	Maintain the rural floodplain ordinance.

Other Actions

WR-4-C	Commit funding for new and the replacement of old stormwater infrastructure to ensure adequate sizing to accommodate anticipated precipitation changes.
WR-4-D	Create a watershed management plan.

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