

I posted [last week](#) about the Secure Water provision of [S 22](#), the Omnibus Public Lands bill that has passed the Senate, which would mandate federal planning for the effects of climate change on water resources.

✖ Federal water agencies are already looking at how water planning needs to adapt to climate change. The US Geological Survey, Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, and NOAA have issued a new interagency publication, [Climate Change and Water Resources Management: A Federal Perspective](#).

Among the key recommendations: long-term monitoring at the right locations is key to understanding the impacts of climate change; water planning should incorporate projections of future climate conditions rather than relying solely on the historical record; adaptive management may be useful for dealing with the added uncertainties introduced by climate change; and more research is needed to fill important knowledge gaps.

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