

Uncovering indicators of adaptive water governance capacity

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The pathway to a more sustainable, equitable and just water future depends significantly upon the ability of groups to develop adaptive water governance capacity. Indeed, the OECD asserts that ‘water crises are primarily governance crises’ and highlights the need for tools and approaches for benchmarking and tracking trends in adaptive water governance capacity. Although several indicator frameworks have been developed, the goal of a low-cost, practically useful and consistent indicator framework for tracking water governance capacity remains somewhat elusive. This research therefore reports the results of a rapid review of the literature on adaptive water governance to support the development of an indicator framework for water governance in Canada.