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Diagnosing Governance Effectiveness of Agricultural Water Management

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Drainage

- Important climate adaptation strategy
- A governance issue that involves upstream/downstream and trans-boundary concerns



Objectives

- 1. Develop new knowledge on how people develop water governance institutions and policy
- Produce novel approaches to socio-hydrological modeling by linking social-ecological governance models with hydro-climate models for scenarios planning



Questions

- 1. What social institutions, whether formal or informal, allow for effective and equitable drainage management?
- 2. How do these institutions and policies shape risk and influence resilience and adaptability to change?
- 3. To what extent do conflicts shape and/or undermine these institutions?
- 4. How can policy variables and scenarios for drainage management be coupled with existing modeling efforts to better predict change?



Framework for Rules-based Modeling



The Institutional Analysis and Design Framework, Ostrom, 2005, McGinnis & Ostrom 2014



Data Framework for System Model



The Social-Ecological Systems Framework, for modeling the human dimension, Ostrom, 2009; Epstein et al 2013;