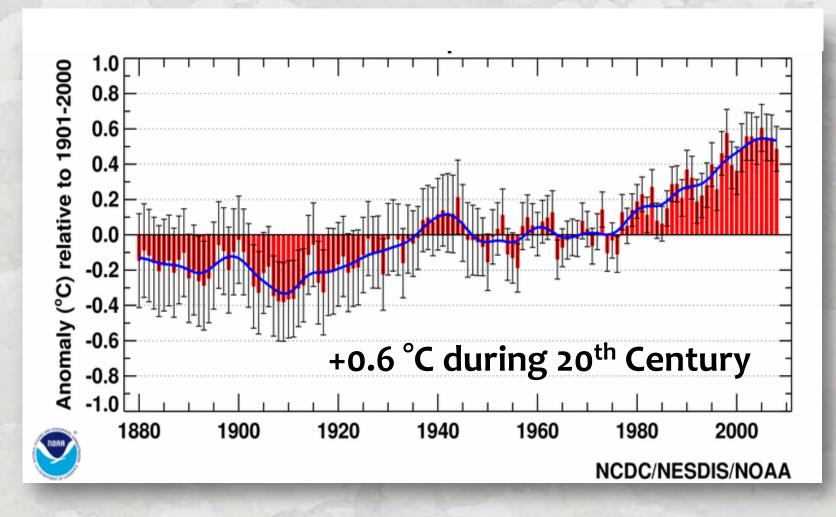
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Dan Isaak, US Forest Service Rocky Mountain Research Station

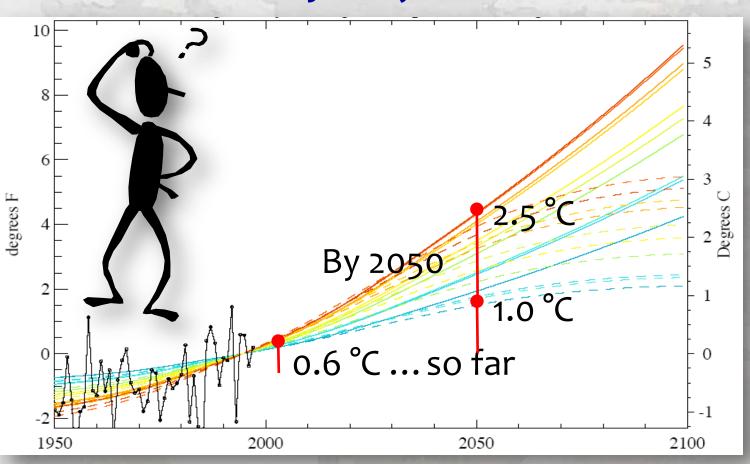


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## The New Reality 20<sup>th</sup> Century Observed Trend

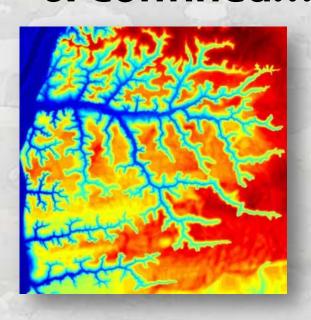


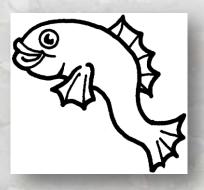
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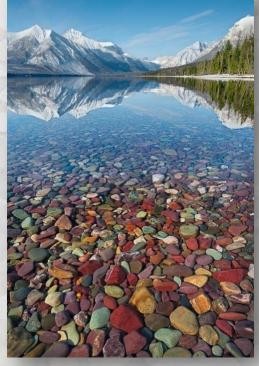




Our Constituents are Cold-Blooded & Confined...



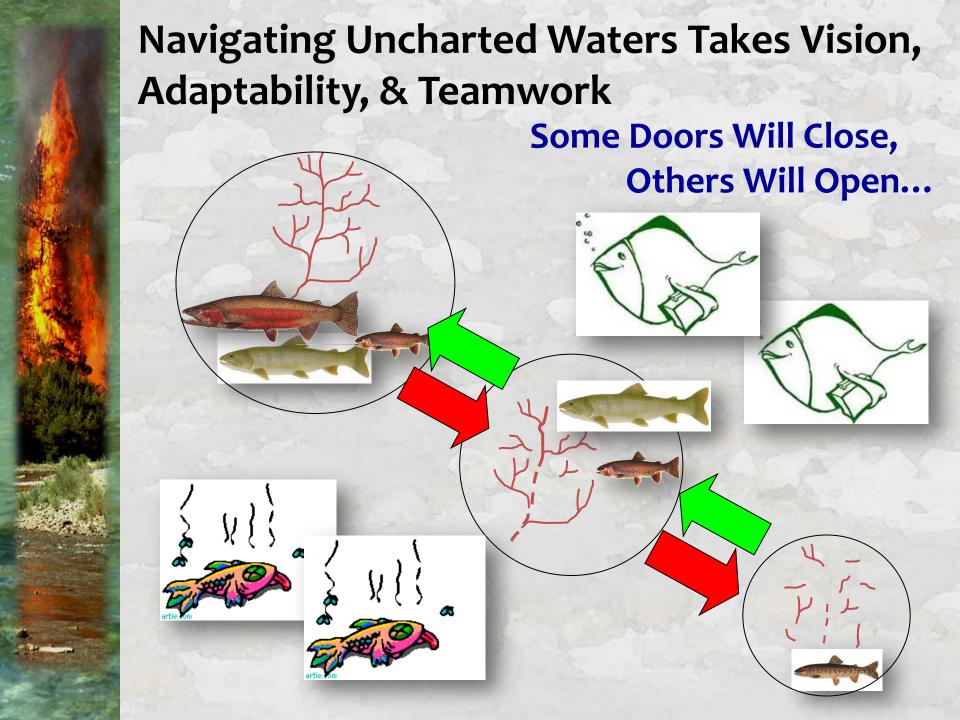








## Faster Changes Will be the "New Normal" **Urbanization & Climate Change Population Growth** 1900 2000 1880 1960 1980 NCDC/NESDIS/NOAA Fisheries **Biodiversity**





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## Creative/Innovative/Out-of-the Box Thinkers & Leaders





#### "Read & think broadly"

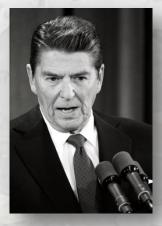
- Important fish questions/issues
- What does new technology make possible?
- World & natural history
- Human nature/psychology
- How does the world around you operate?



#### **Super Communicators**

Writing/Speaking/Inter-Personal









### & Teambuilders/Networkers

Leverage resources/skills within/among agencies/people

 Climate change is too big for any one, or any one agency.





# Good Teammates & Selfless Role Players

Someone throws the ball, someone catches the ball

Digital revolution enables hyperconnectivity & precise workflow

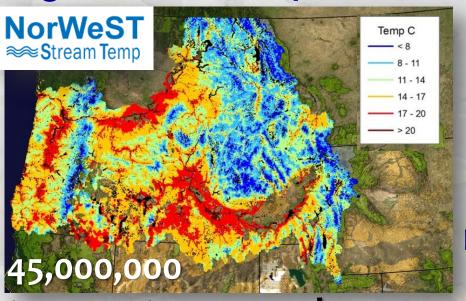


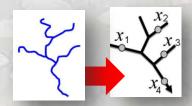




## Information Creation is Required at Unprecedented Scales & Resolution

Regional stream temperature model

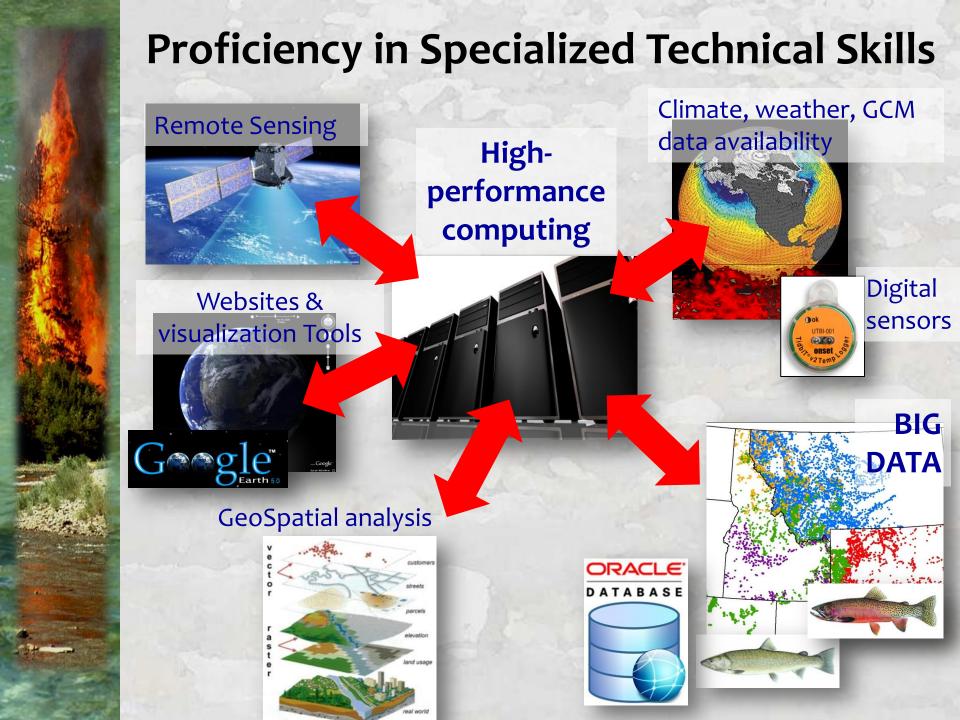




National Stream Internet Network Geostatistics

temperature records



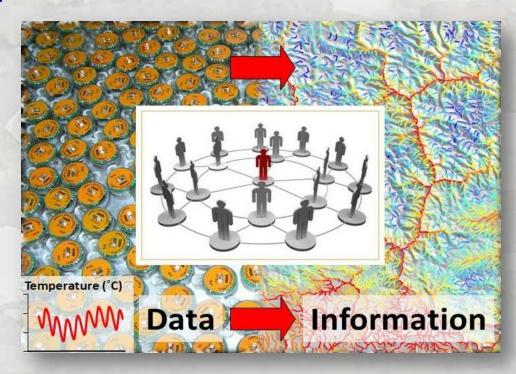




## We Don't Hire "fish biologists" Anymore The other skills are at least as important

#### Technical teams (4 - 10 people)

- Fish biologist
- Hydrologist
- Fluvial Geomorphologist
- Database engineer
- Data technicians
- Geospatial analyst
- Web-designer
- Spatial ecologists
- Statisticians







### Diversity is Good, but...





... being "Best" at Something Important

Makes you Essential to an Organization



### Find & Team With Other "Best" People

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

- Margaret Mead



- Many organizations still in denial
- Many organizations feel helpless
- Cultures change from within



## Climate Change & Your Career



**Achieving Strategic Goals Requires Tactical Actions** 

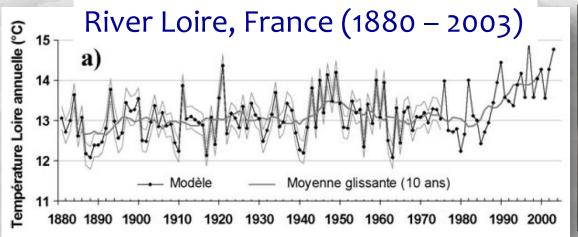


What do you want to accomplish in 30 years? (It goes by quickly...)



### **Commit to Quality & Building Something**

**Long-term Monitoring is Difficult but Essential** 





**Collecting Data is Fun...** 

Archiving it & Maintaining a Monitoring Program are Not





### **Commit to Quality & Building Something**

Are you investing in/pushing yourself?

(challenges are how you grow)











Don't let complacency creep in...



## Lessons are Universal Climate Change is Just another Context



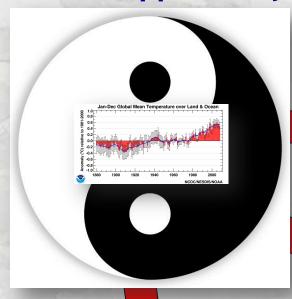


### & a Huge Opportunity

**Today's Decisions Make Tomorrow's World** 

**Onus or Opportunity?** 

**Future Fisheries** 





**Biodiversity / Life on Earth** 









