

Theme 5 Update: Droughts- Addressing Critical Issues Important to Society

Canada Drought Research Initiative

DRI Workshop #2 Theme 5

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Objectives



Ê What organizations are affected by drought?

Ê What is the nature of their impacts?

Ê How can the impacts be alleviated and benefits increased?

Ê How can Canada DRI address drought impacts on affected organizations?

Some steps taken

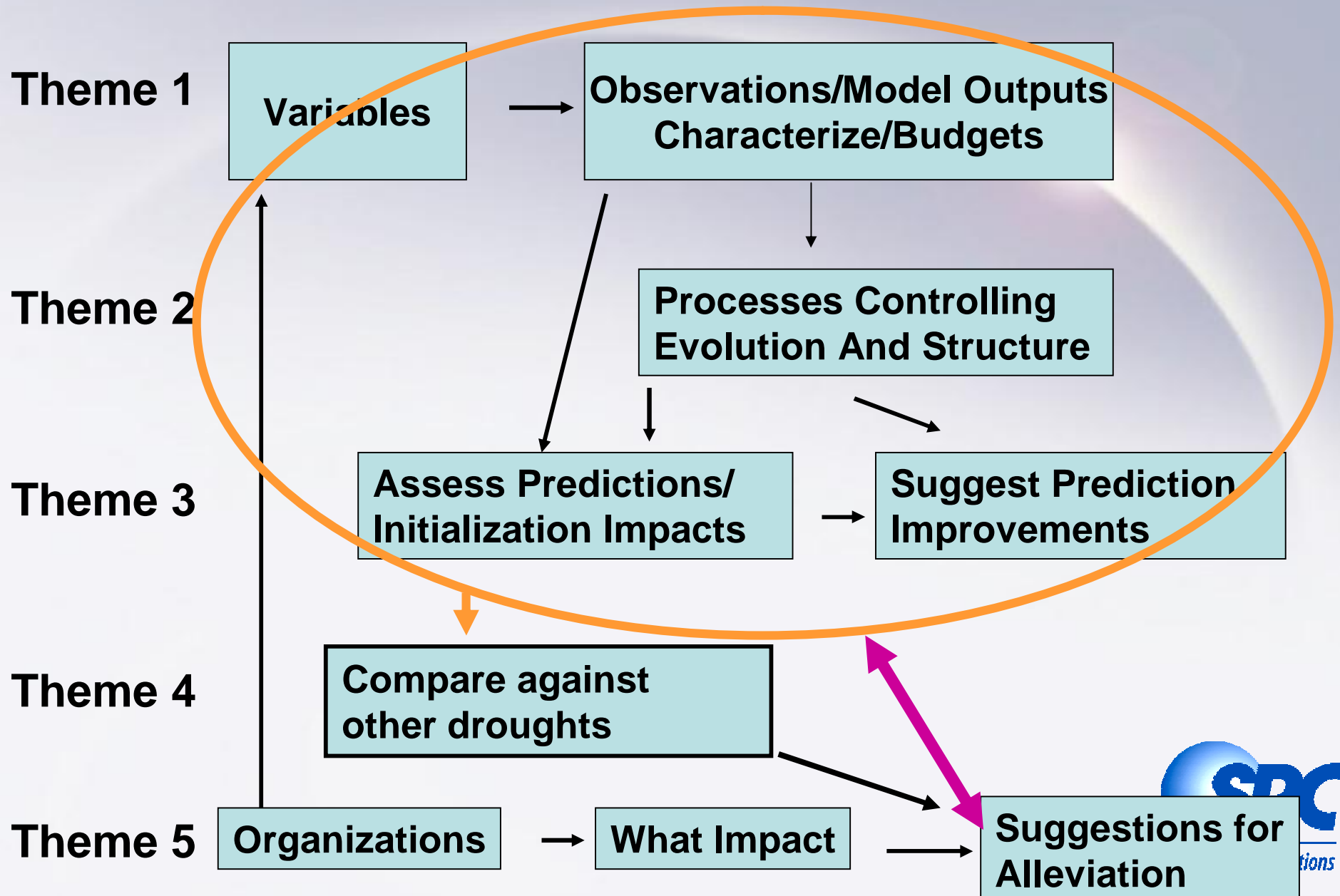


- Considering a Partner advisory group
- Linking DRI with other projects
- Getting input from partners
- Completed test survey of DRI researchers re benefits

POTENTIAL AREAS OF PRIORITY FOR THEME #5

1. DATA/ INFORMATION FOR USERS
2. APPLICATIONS BASED ON DRI RESEARCH
3. EXPERIENCE IN VALIDATING DRI PRODUCTS
4. LINKS WITH POLICY DEVELOPMENT SO DRI SCIENCE CAN SUPPORT POLICY DEVELOPMENT

DELIVERABLES AND INTEGRATION OF THEMES



BREAKOUT Summaries

Working Group 4: Themes 4/5 and Partner Interactions

- What are our objectives?
- What have we accomplished?
- What do partners need/expect from DRI?
- What aspects of DRI can partners use?
- What else could DRI do for partners?
- What avenues exist for enhanced DRI-related research in support of partners?
- How do we 'organize' to accomplish these issues?

Conclusion

Canada DRI can have a critical role in working with partners to achieve progress in adapting to drought

