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#### Understanding Complexities in Emergency Management in Order to Mitigate Cascading Consequences

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**MIDWEST FLOODING** 

ATLANTA SNOWSTORM

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**OKLAHOMA TORNADOS** 

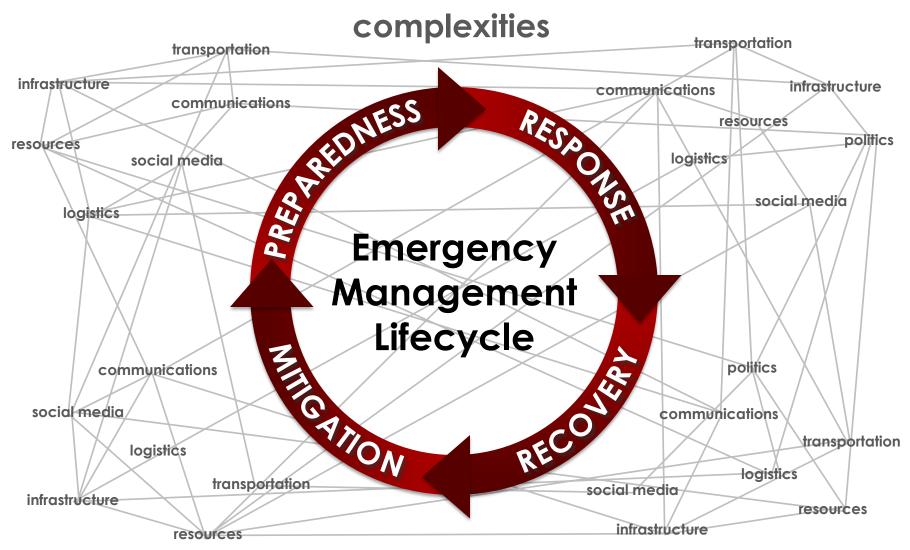
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## Challenges

#### RAPID CHANGE

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### UNCERTAINTY

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DECISION MAKING

# TIME

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### Time-constrained events effect on ...

Electric Power

Water

Lifeline Infrastructures Fuels

Hospitals

Transportation



## Improving the Emergency Management Software Tools



## Response time faster with less cost

## Proposal...

# Software Developers, Analysts & Emergency Management Personnel TOGETHER for collaboration on needs for improvement.

# **Collaboration Topics**



- Emergency Response Events
- Logistics
- Information Assurance
- Concerns of operations personnel
- Decisive and informed decision making
- Time constrained decision making

# Summary



- S/W developers, analysts and emergency management personnel work together to find solutions than problems
- Include emergency responder's expertise/experience to provide a better picture of the problem/set of problems



The complexities of Emergency response events can be improved ...

"When we collaboratively apply systems engineering into emergency management."