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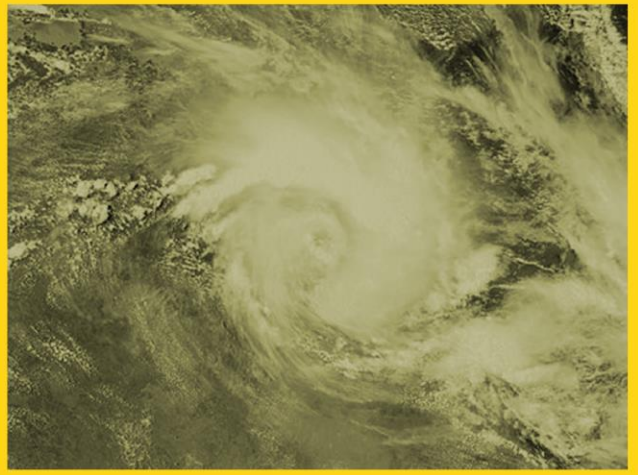

NATURAL HAZARD DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM

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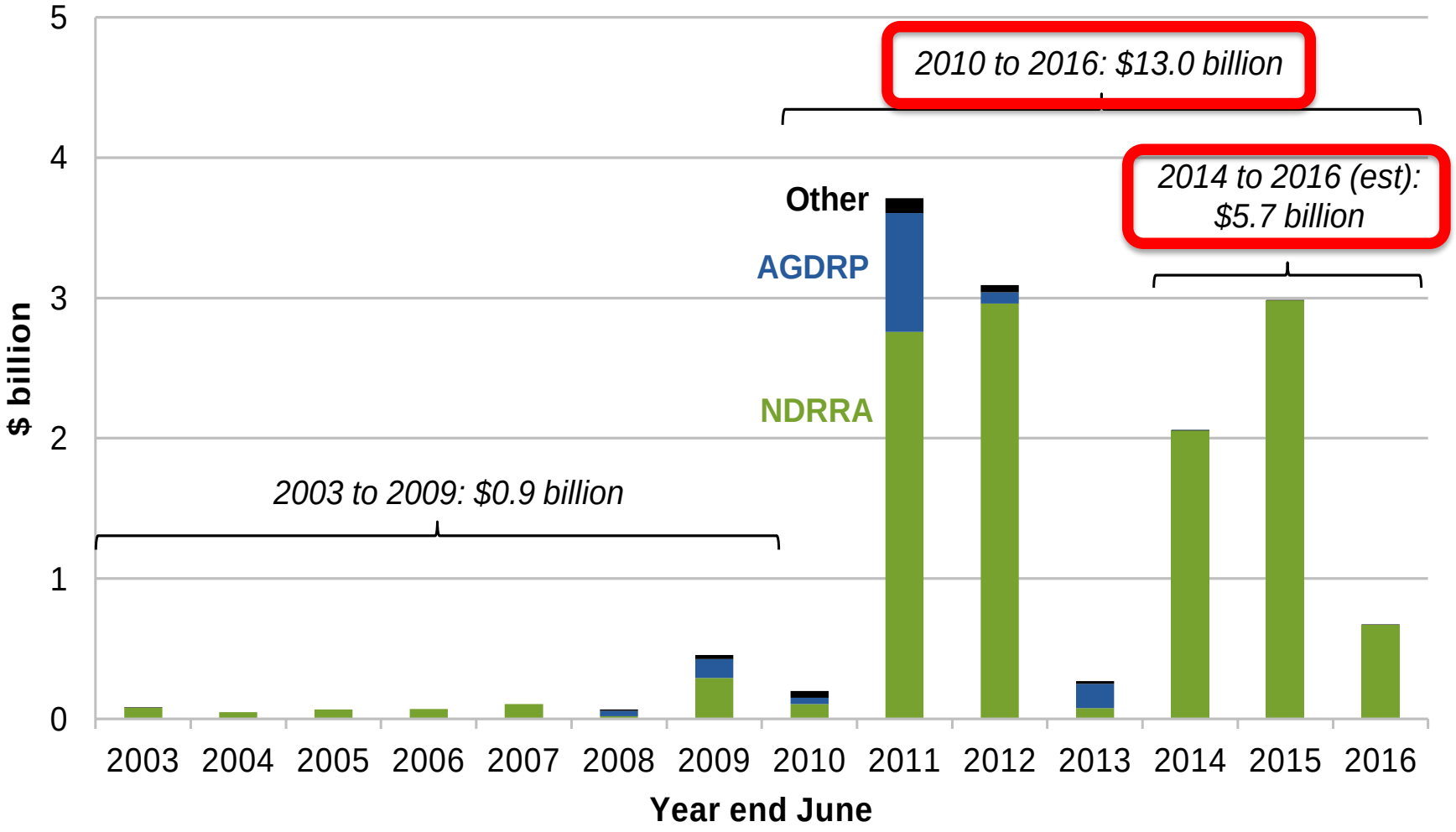
BACKGROUND

NATURAL DISASTERS ARE EXPENSIVE



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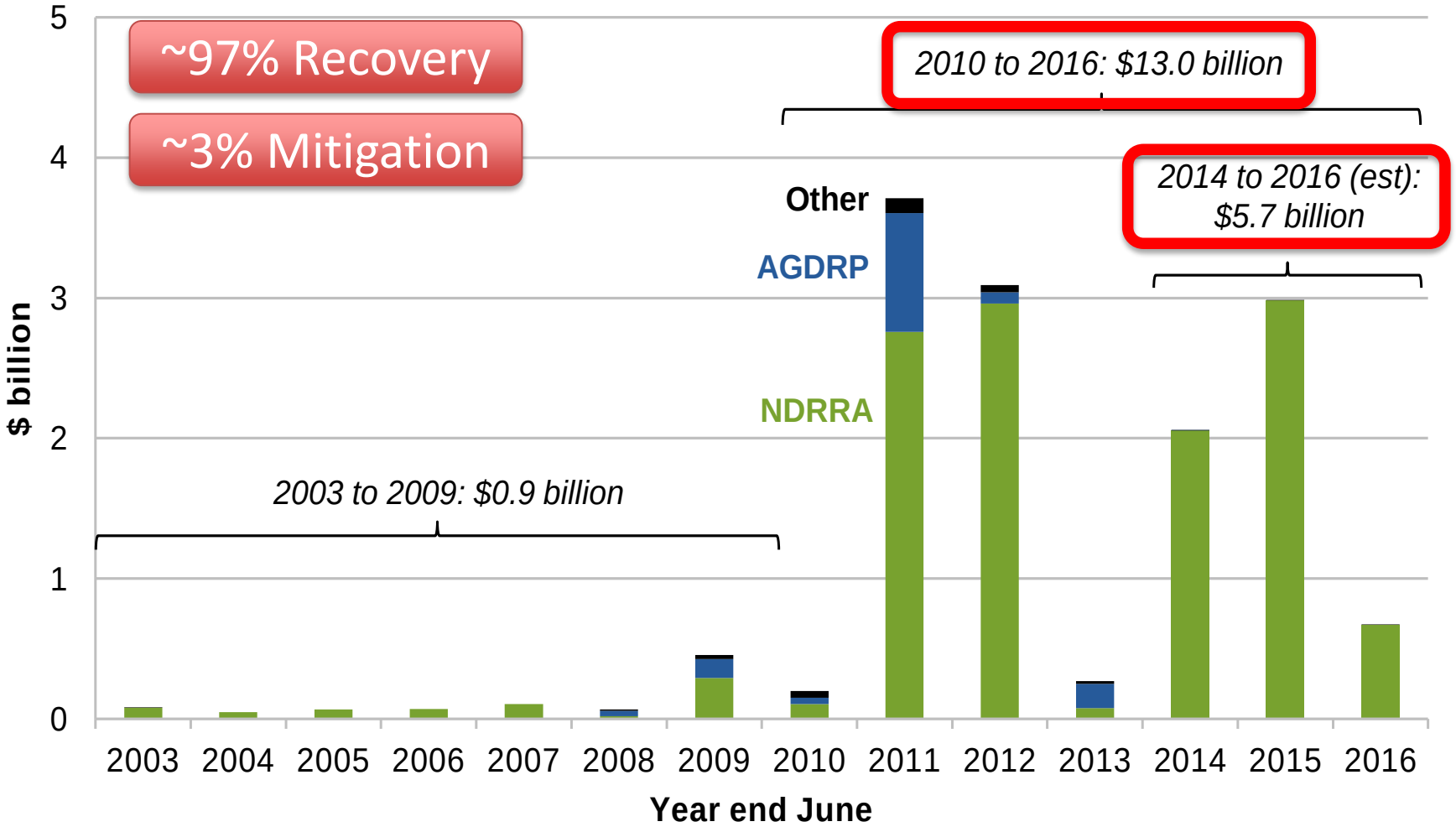
THE MAJORITY OF SPENDING IS ON RECOVERY



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WE NEED TO INCREASE INVESTMENT IN MITIGATION

*"On balance, total **mitigation expenditure** across all levels of government is more likely to be **below the optimal level** than above it, given the biased incentives towards recovery under current budget treatments and funding arrangements."*

The Australian Government *"…should **increase annual mitigation expenditure gradually to $200 million**, distributed to the states and territories on a per capita basis."*

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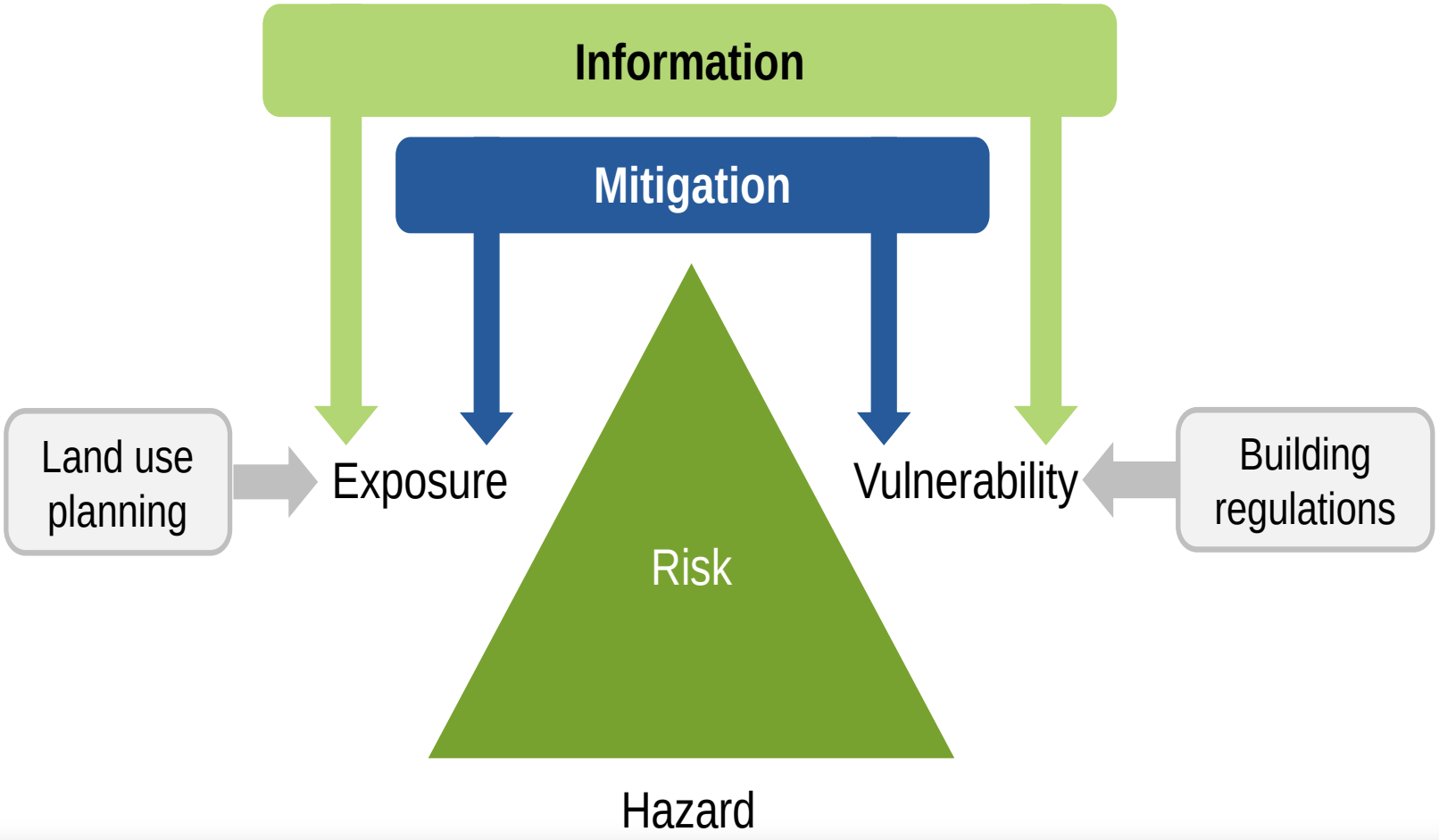
DISASTER RISK CAN BE MITIGATED BY REDUCING EXPOSURE & VULNERABILITY



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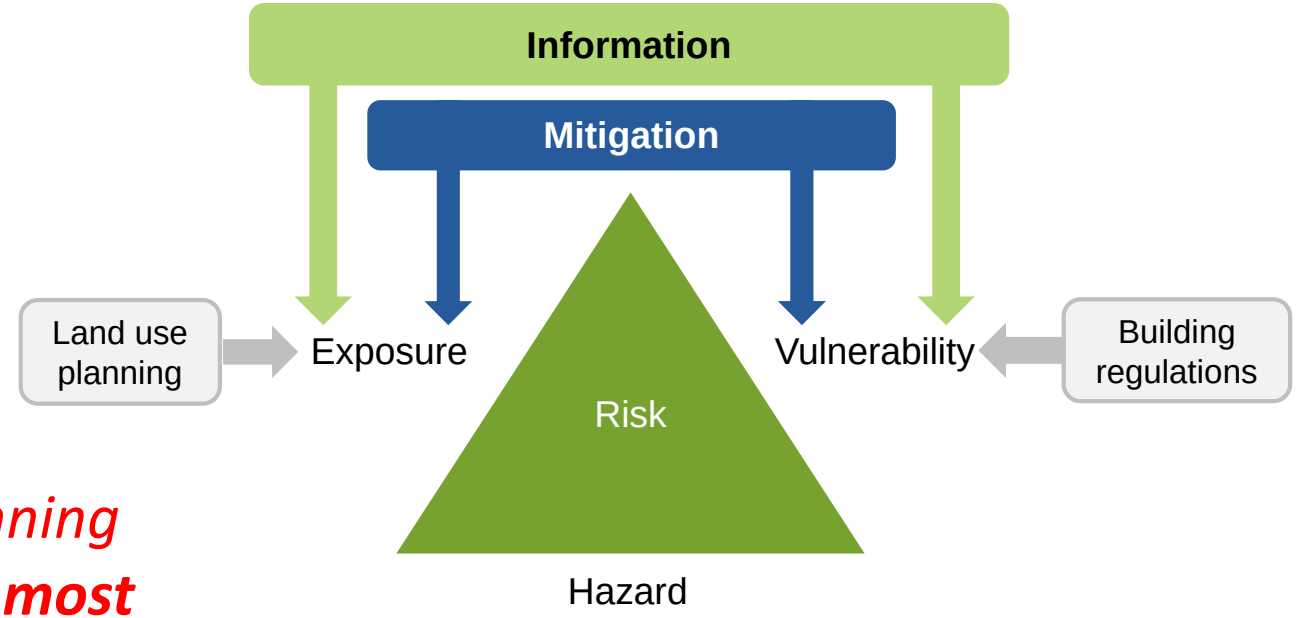
LAND USE PLANNING IS VITALLY IMPORTANT



*"Land use planning is perhaps **the most potent policy lever** for influencing the level of future natural disaster risk"*

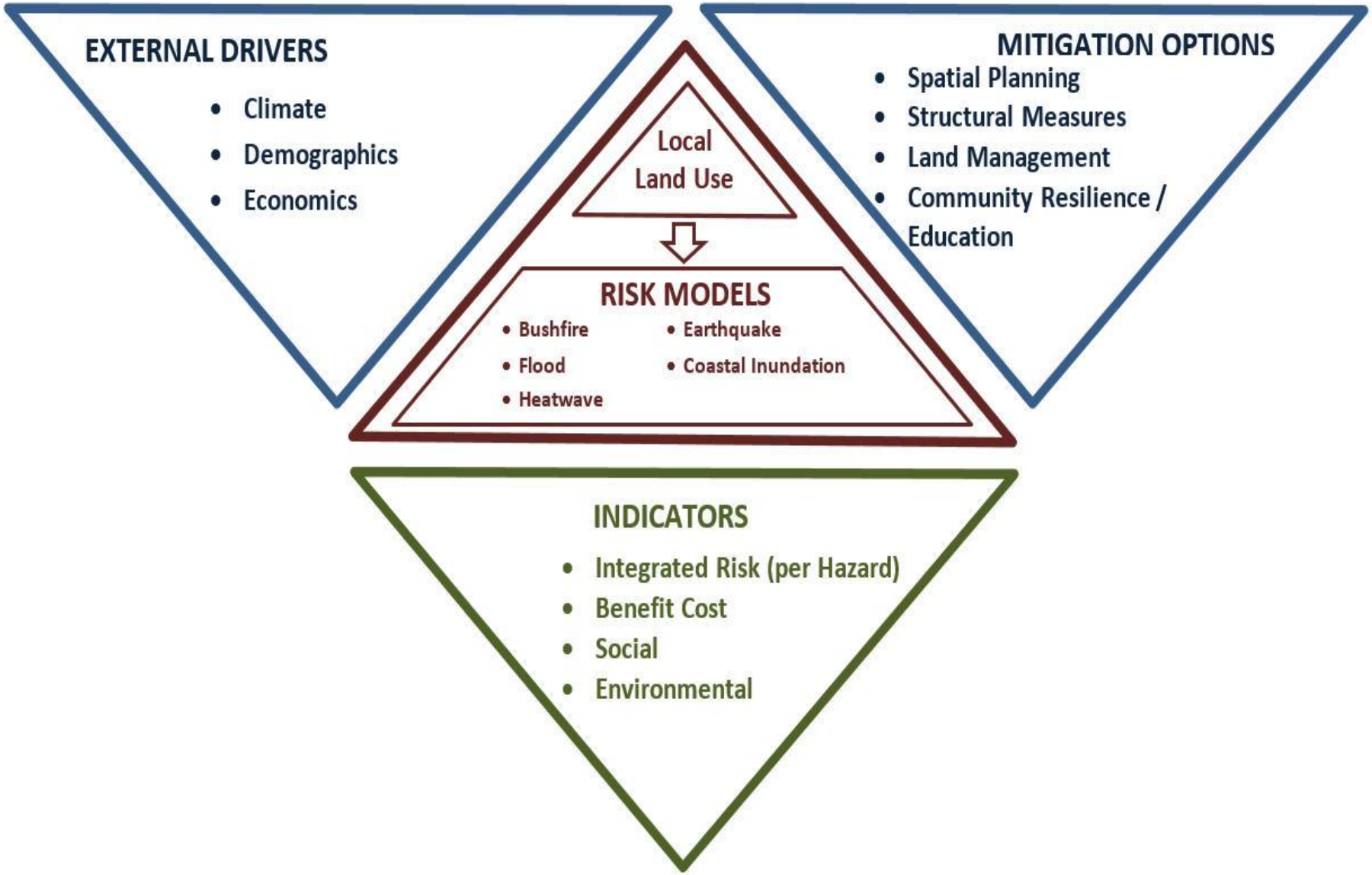
(Source: Productivity Commission Draft Report)

SELECTING THE BEST MITIGATION OPTIONS IS A COMPLEX TASK

*"Natural disaster risk management is **complex**, and decision makers need to deal with **uncertainty**, **long time frames**, **unquantifiable costs and benefits**, and **stakeholder values and expectations**"*

(Source: Productivity Commission Draft Report)

OUR CONCEPTUAL APPROACH TO THE DISASTER MITIGATION DSS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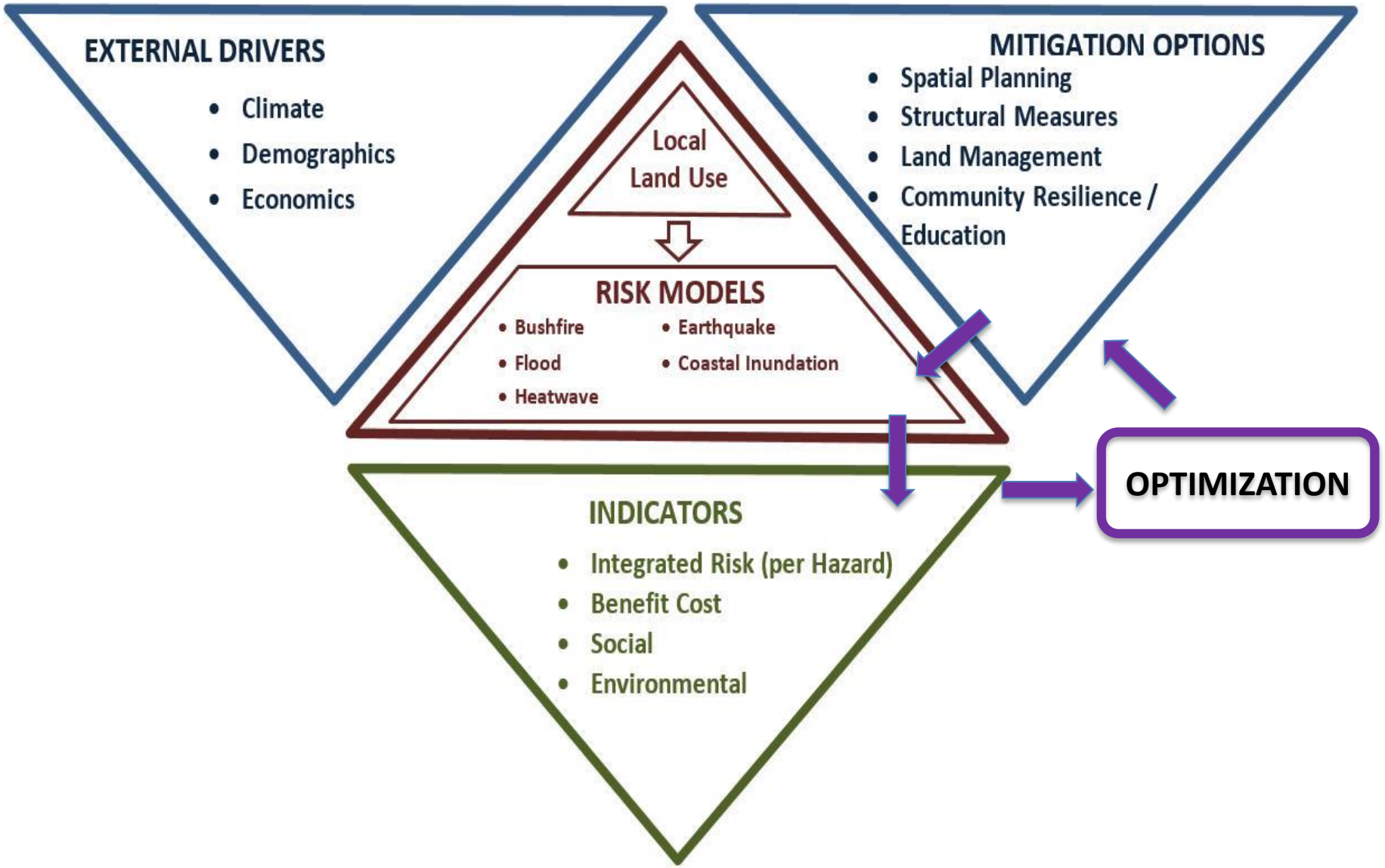
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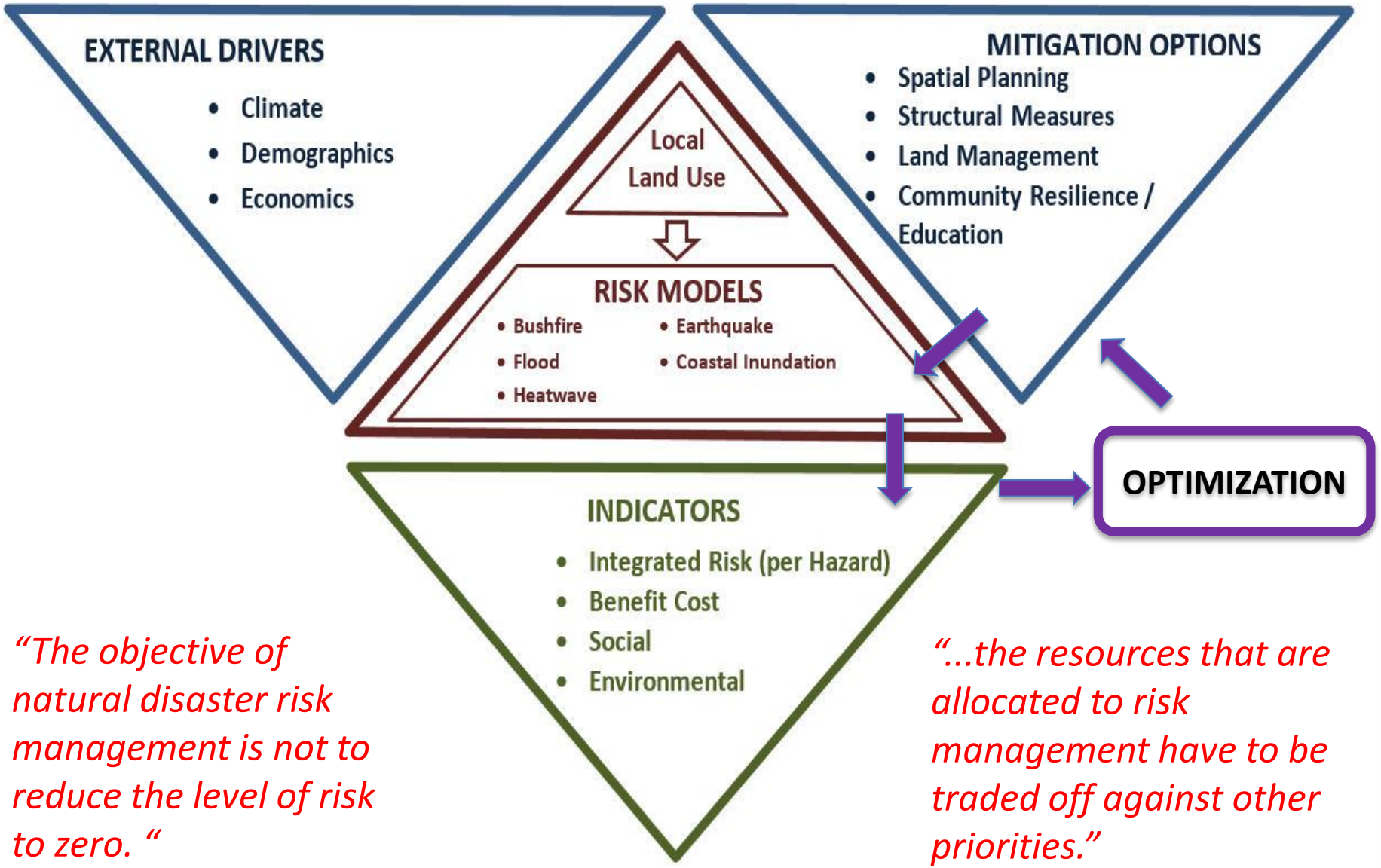

"The objective of natural disaster risk management is not to reduce the level of risk to zero. "

"...the resources that are allocated to risk management have to be traded off against other priorities."

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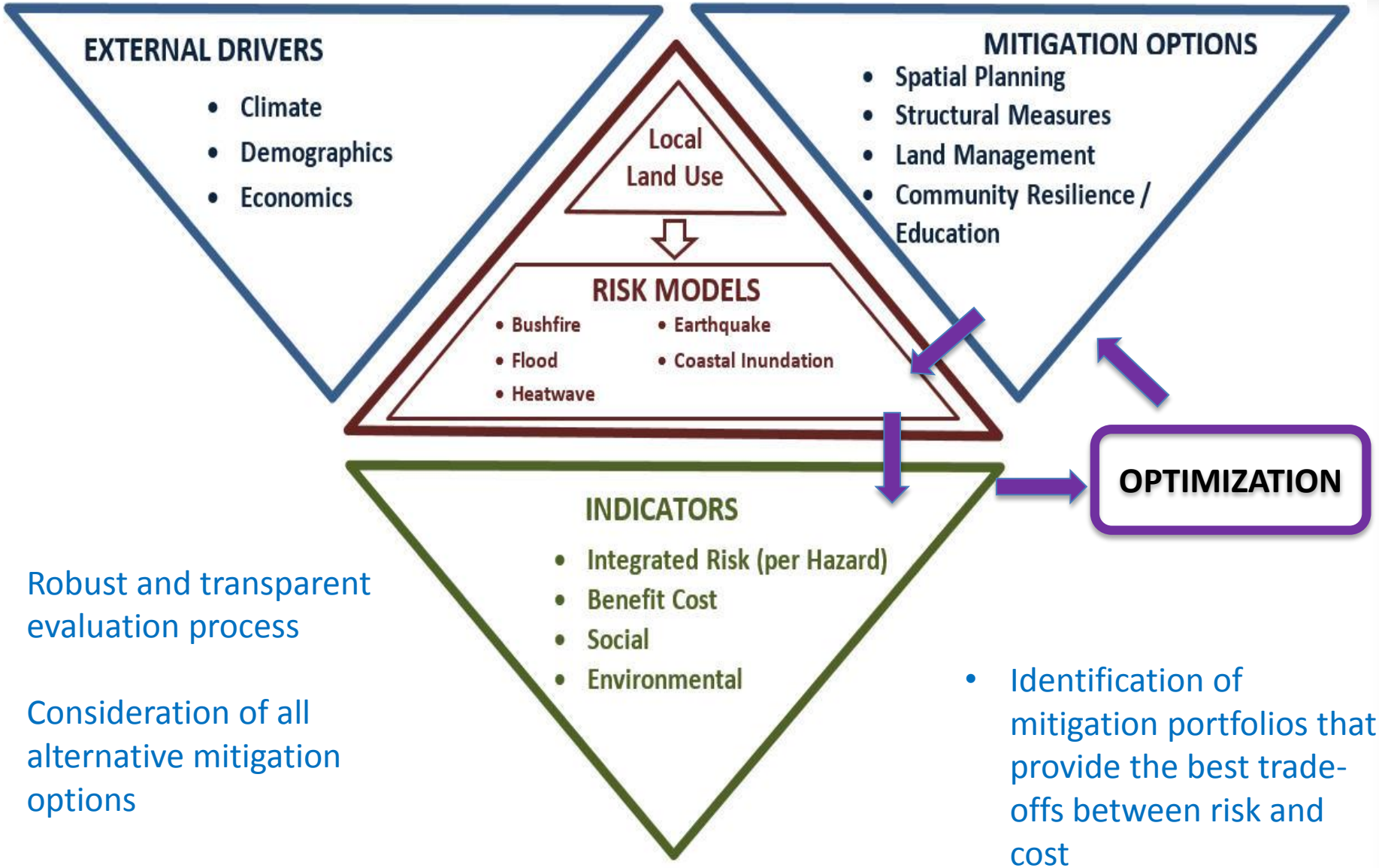

- Robust and transparent evaluation process
- Consideration of all alternative mitigation options
- Consideration of multiple hazards

- Identification of mitigation portfolios that provide the best trade-offs between risk and cost


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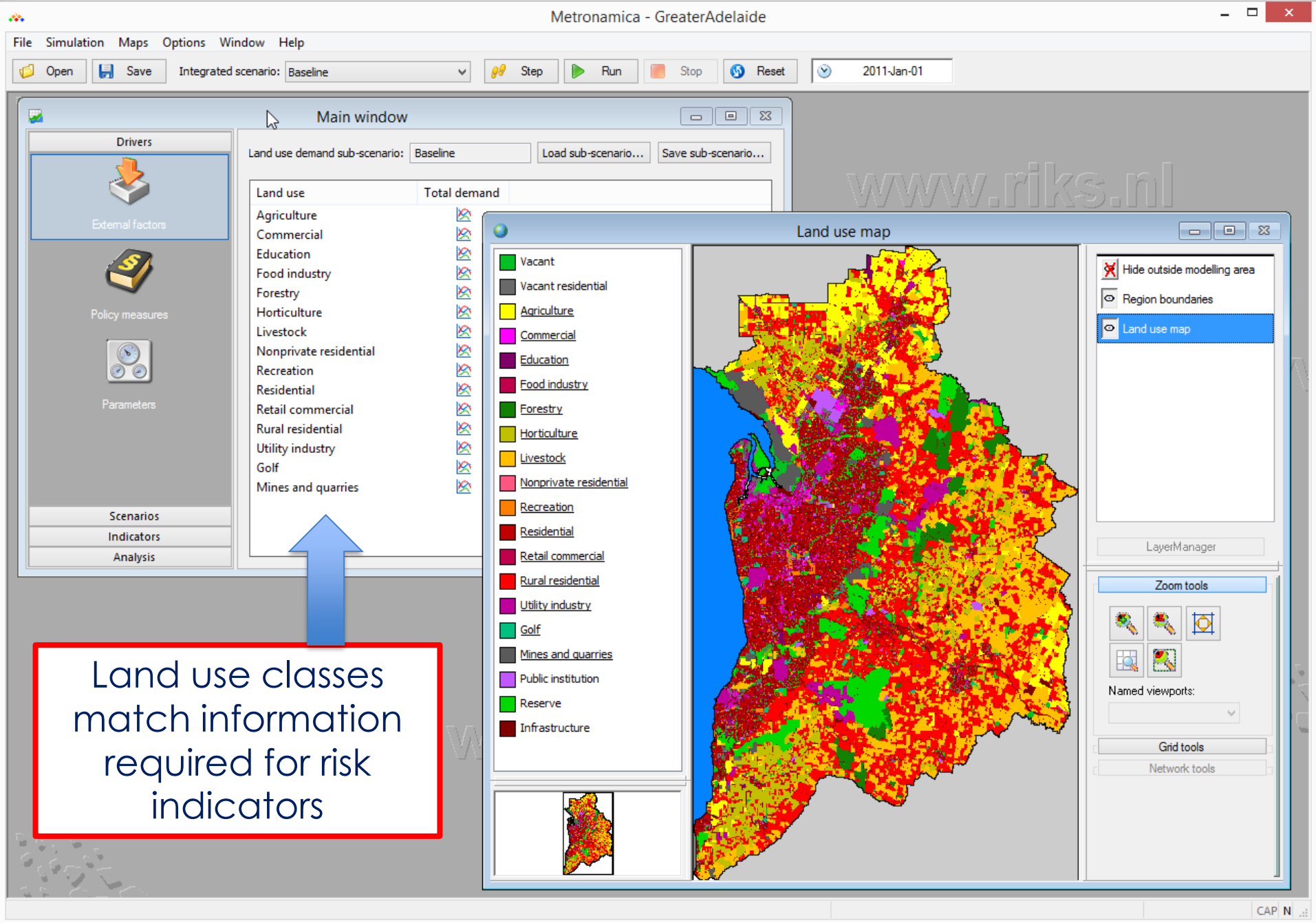
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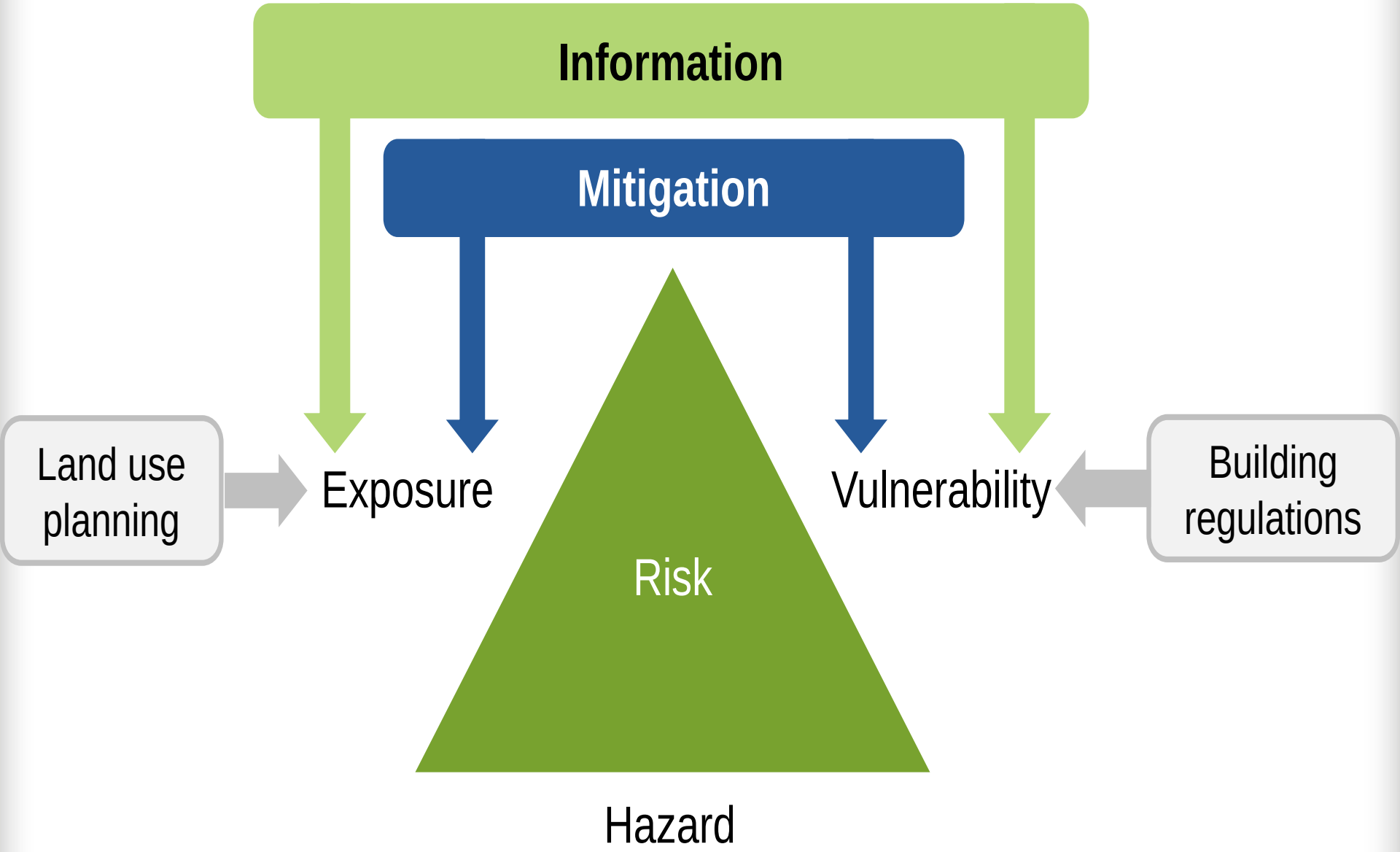

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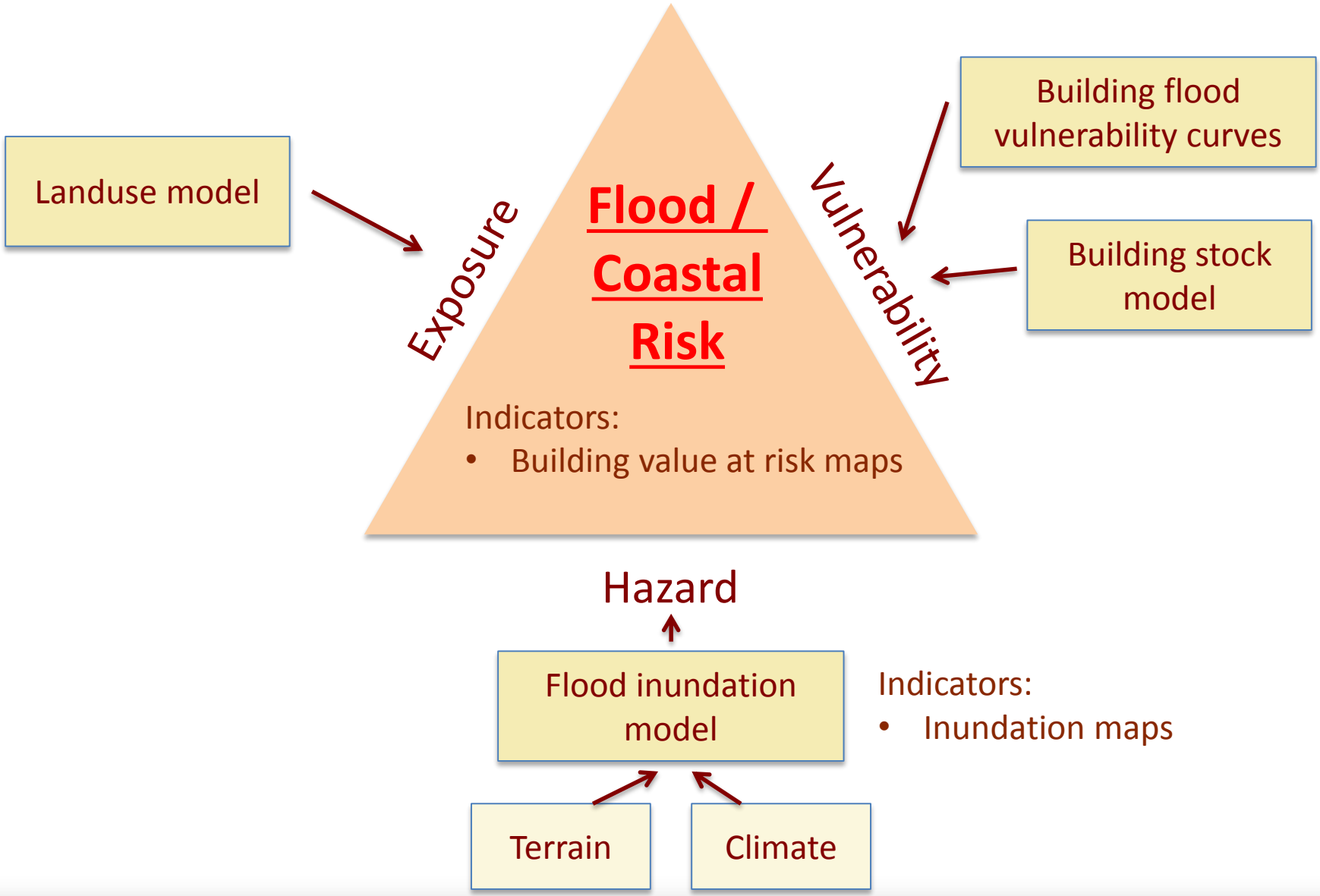
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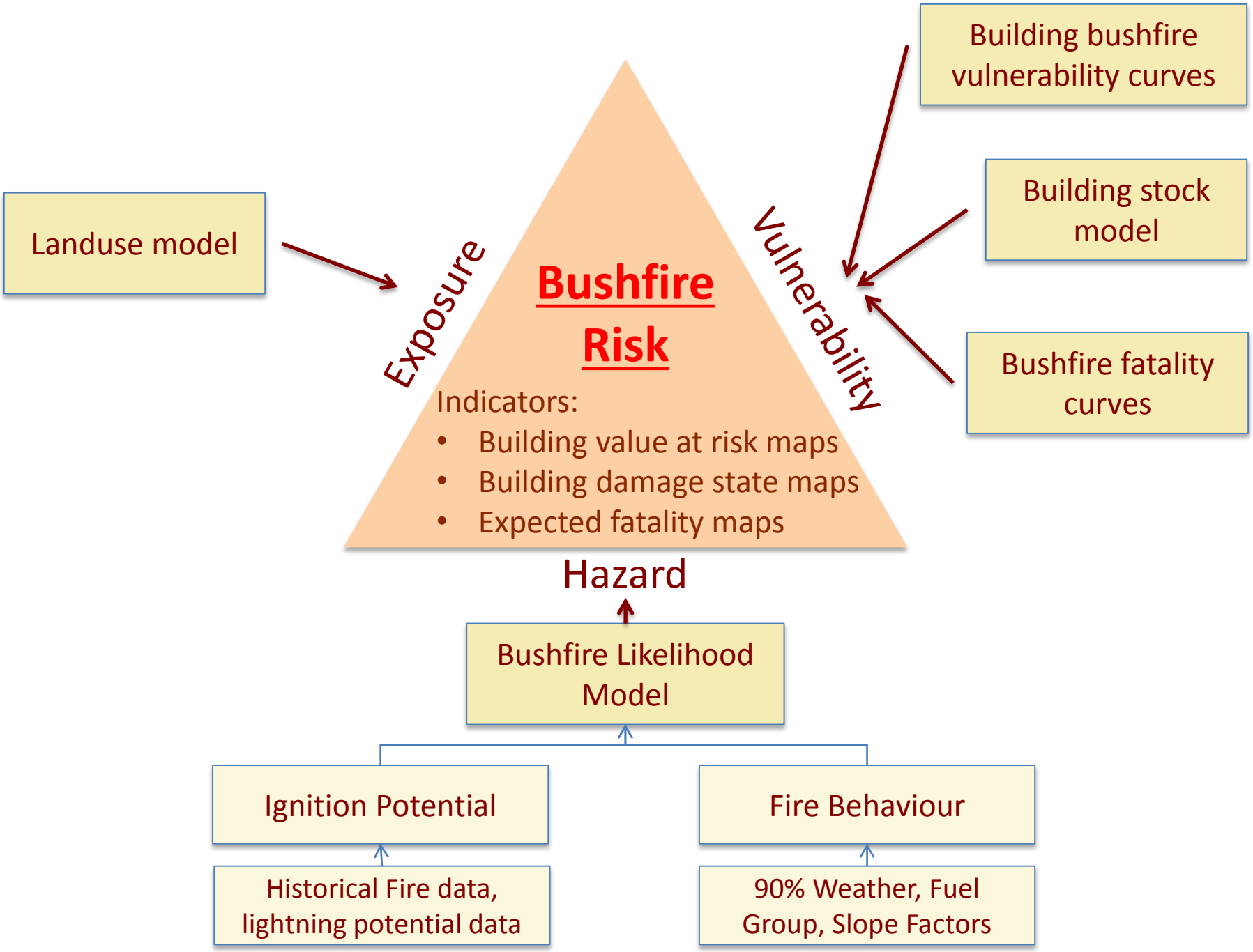
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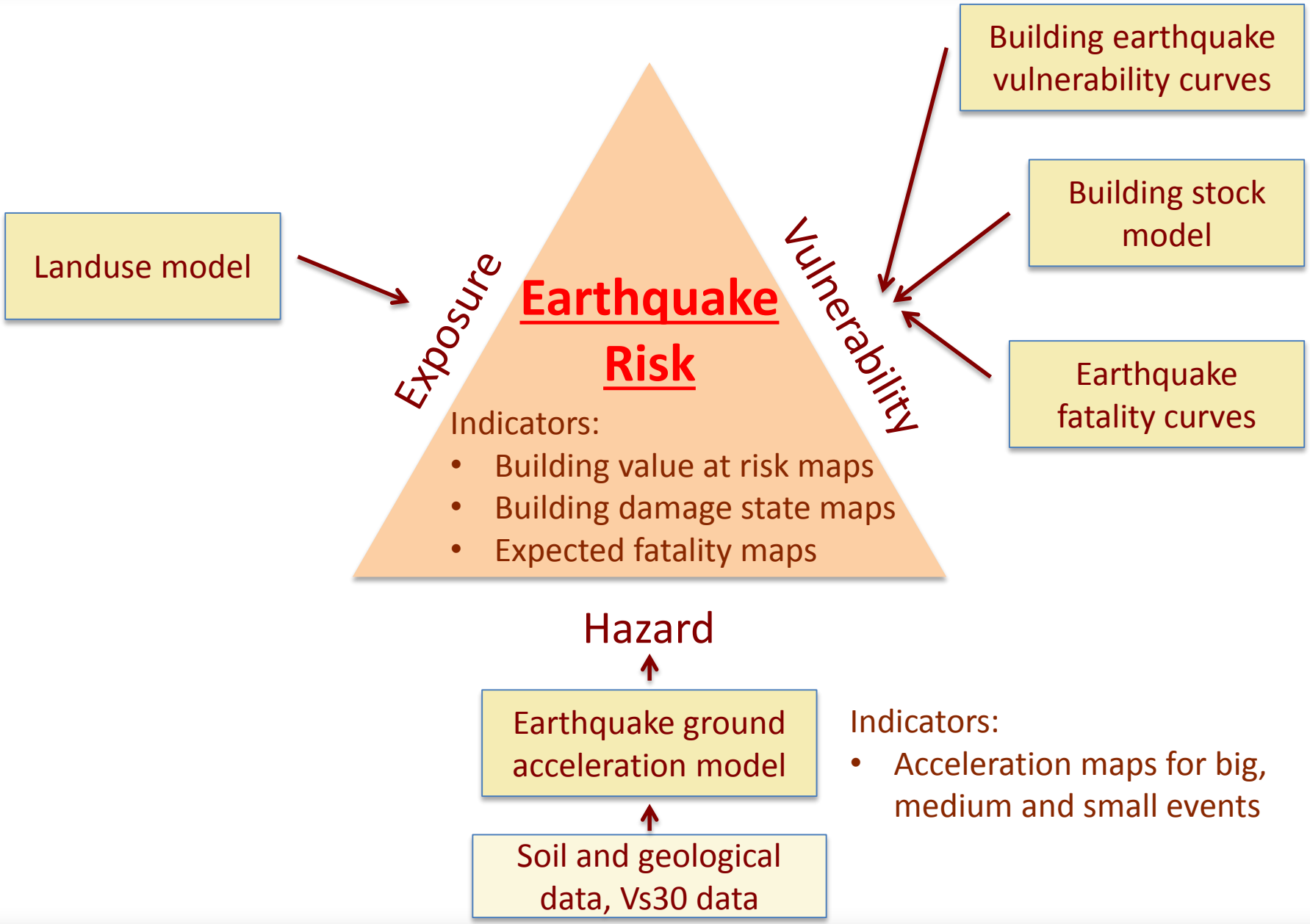
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Hazard
Earthquake ground acceleration model
Soil and geological data, Vs30 data
Indicators:
• Acceleration maps for big, medium and small events

OUR PROPOSED INTERFACE FOR THE DISASTER MITIGATION DSS

Hazard DSS

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- Demographics
- Economics

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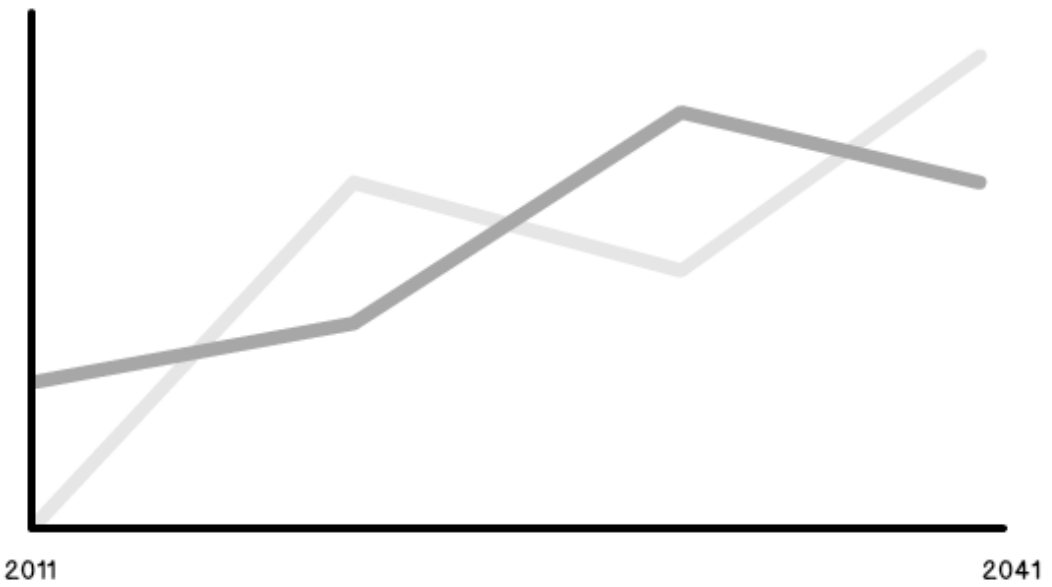

Hazard DSS

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- External drivers
- Policy levers
  - Spatial planning
  - Land management
  - Structural measures
  - Community resilience
- Scenarios
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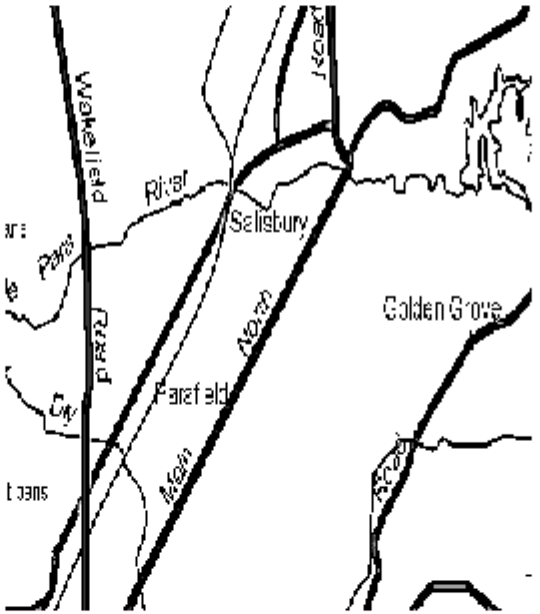
Land management sub-scenario: Baseline | Load... | Save...

Draw land managment interventions:

- (•) Planned burning
- ( ) Vegetation clearance
- ( ) Change in vegetation type

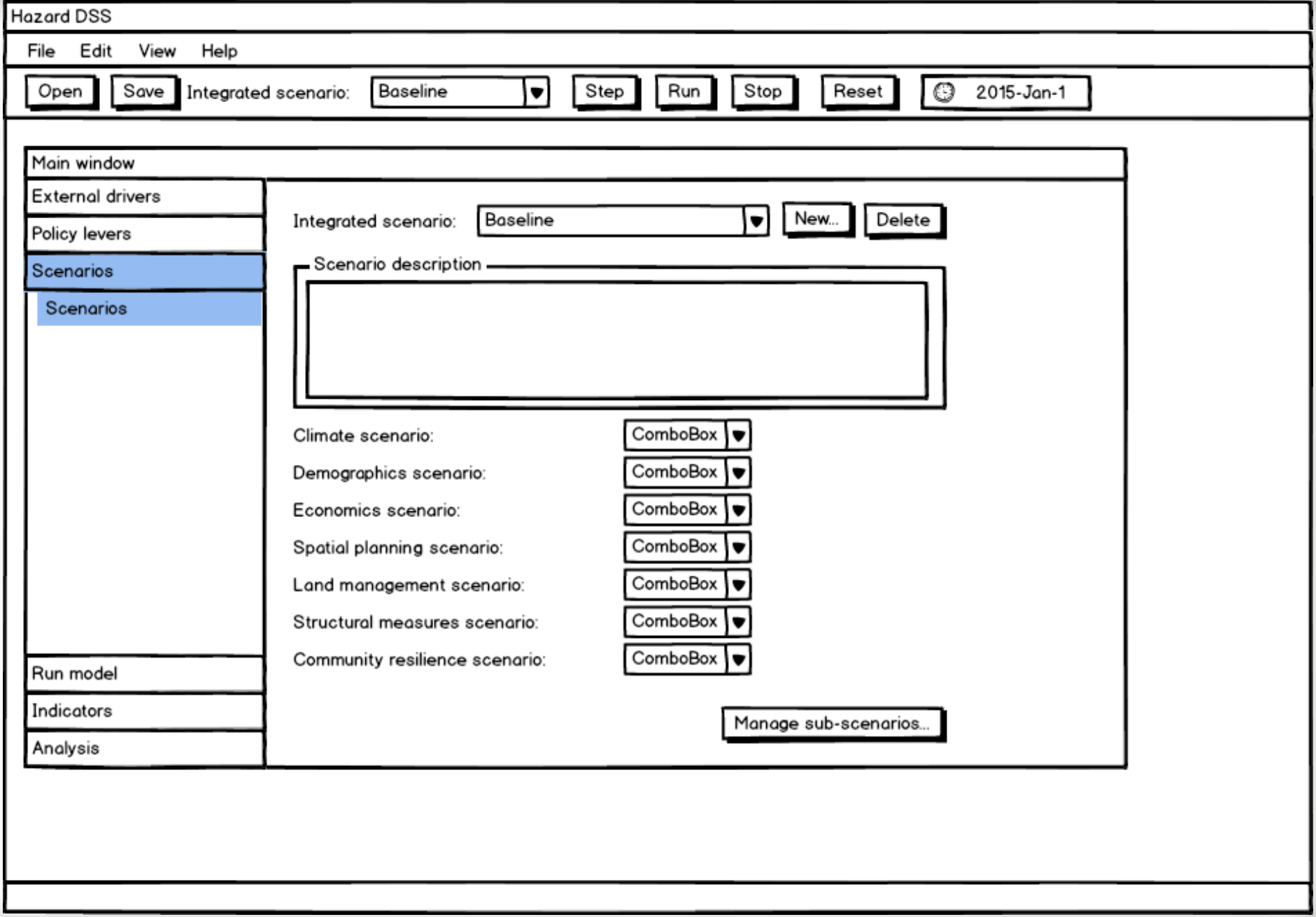


Map layers

- Land use
- Vegetation
- Management

Grid tools

- Pen
- Flood fill
- Copy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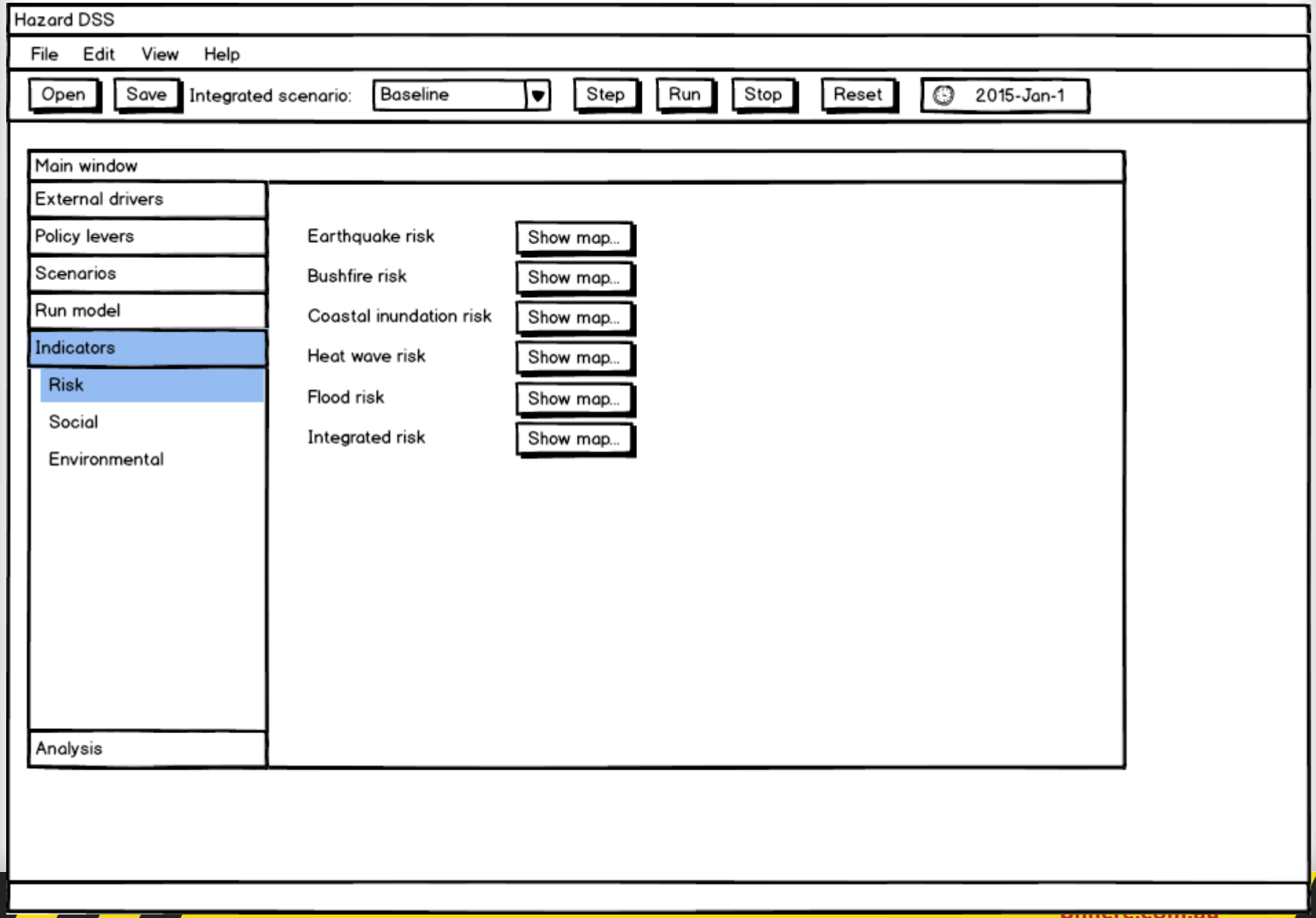
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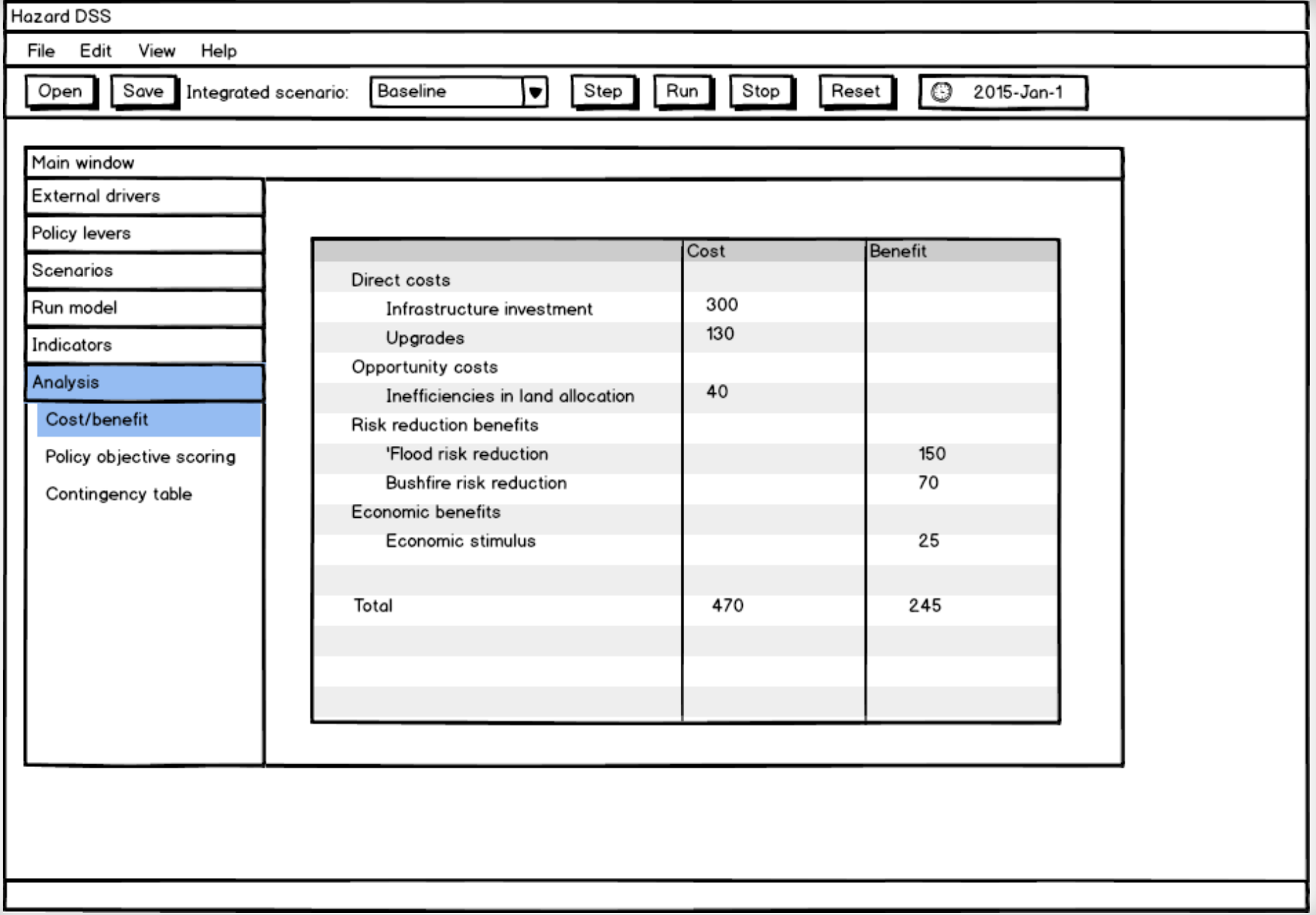
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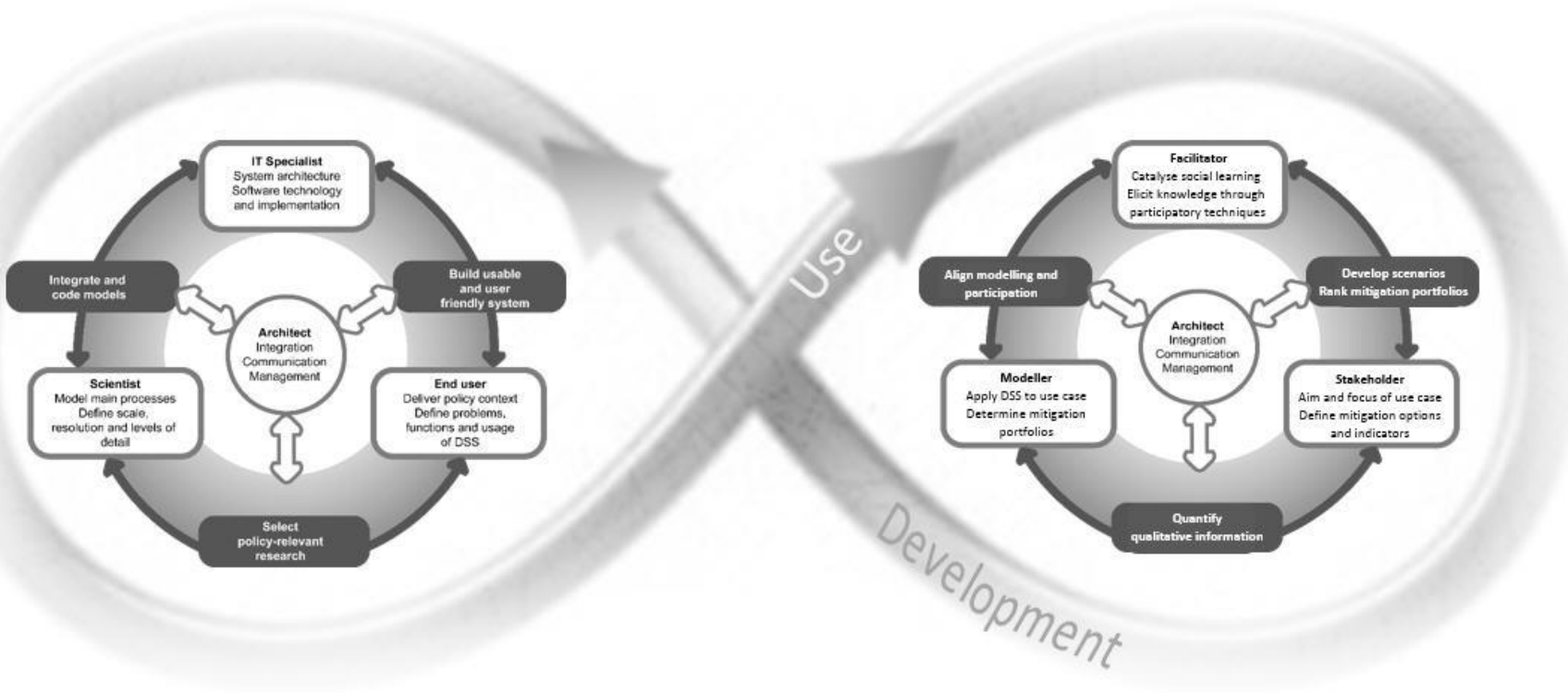
PROPOSED DSS DEVELOPMENT PROCESS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End user
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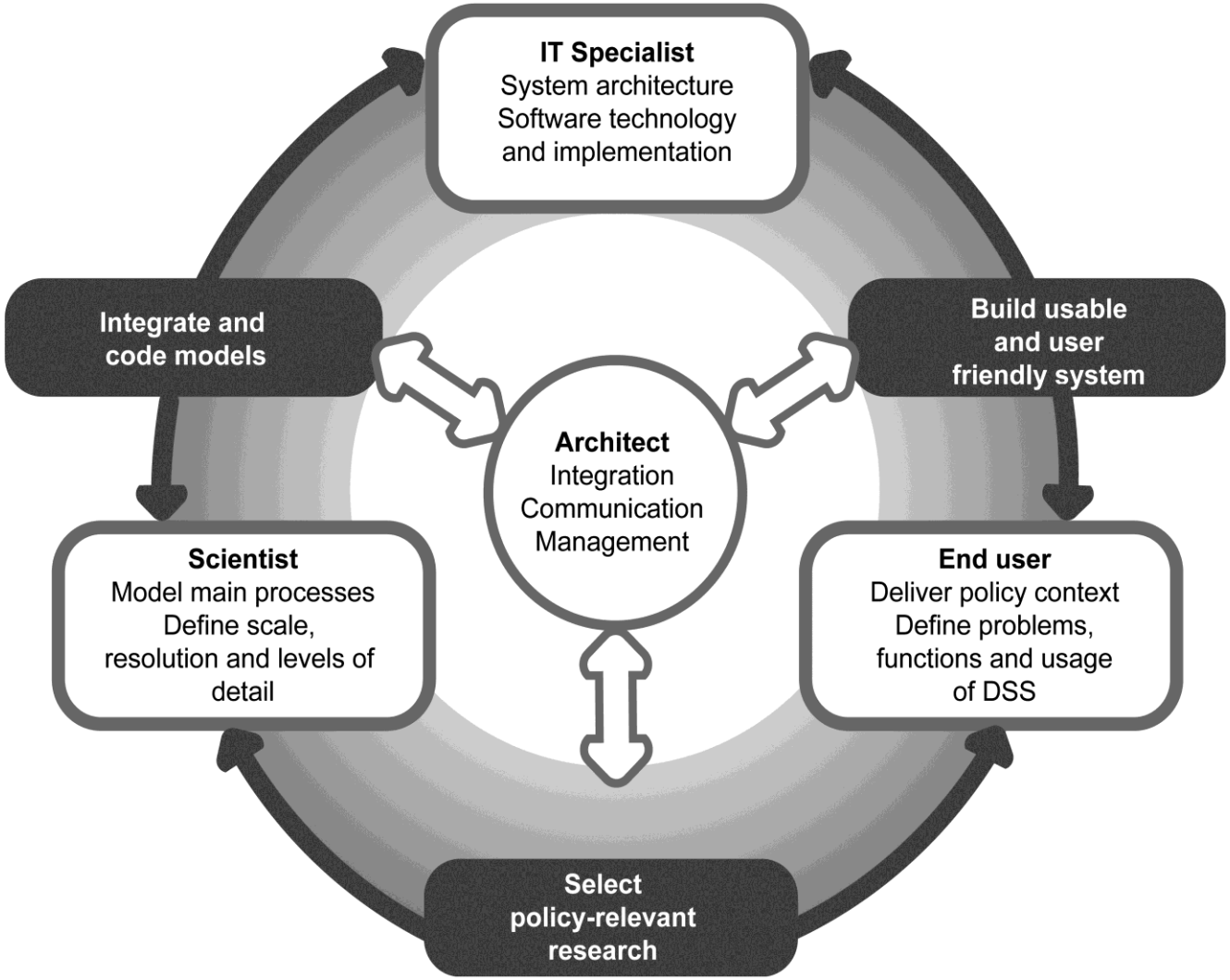
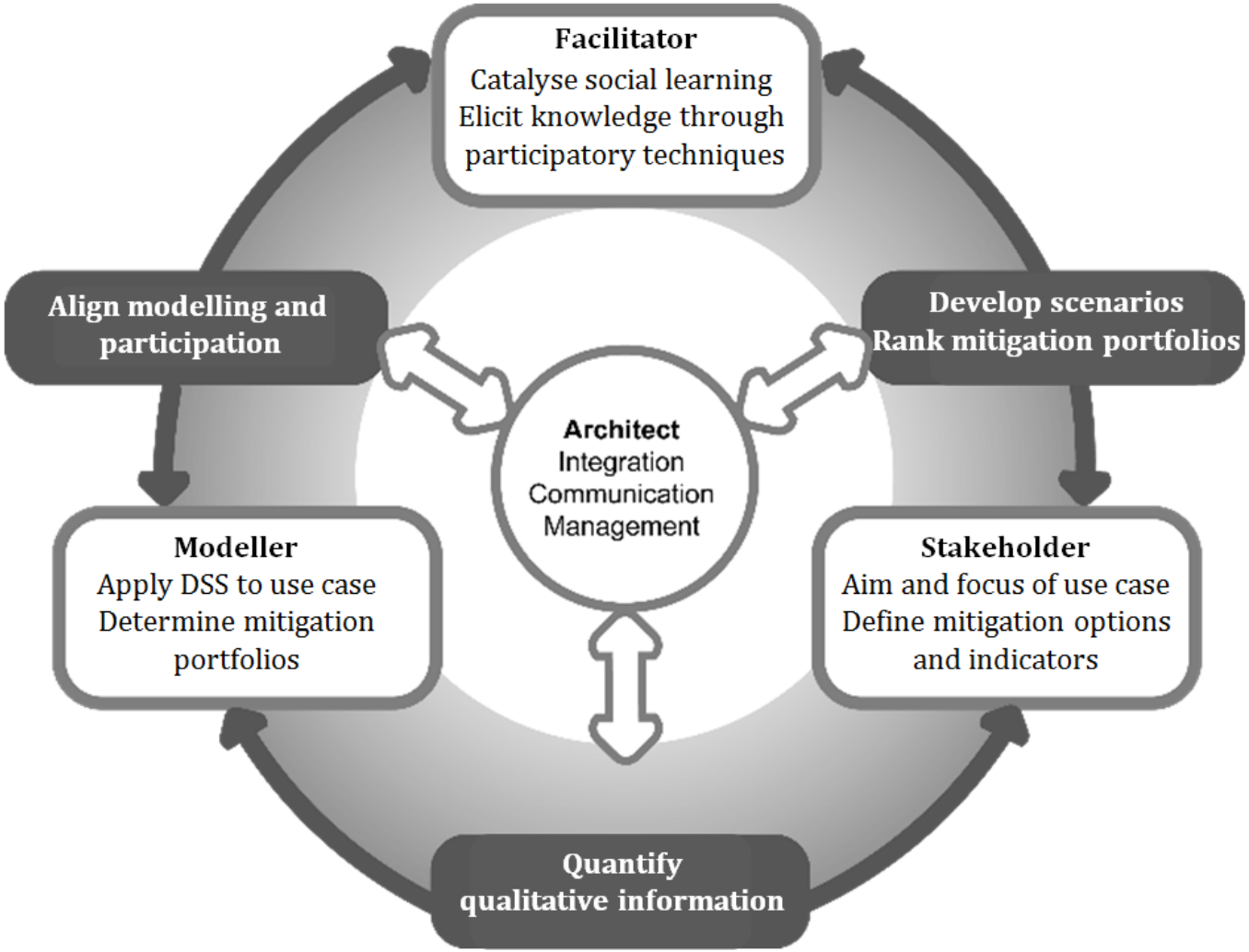



HAZARD
MEASURE
Multi-Hazard
Community Education
Fire Prevention
Extreme Heat, fire, flood, etc...
ICT
Infrastructure
Business + Government

USE PROCESS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OUTPUTS

1) Literature review (Delivered)

2) Framework report (Delivered)

3) Workshop report for Adelaide (Delivered)

4) Strategy report for Adelaide (in progress)

NEXT STEPS

- Scoping of other two case studies
  - Victoria
  - Tasmania
- Workshops 2 and 3 for Adelaide case study (Oct/Nov 2015)
- Workshop 1 for other two case studies (Oct/Nov 2015)

MAJOR OUTCOMES (1)

1) Utilisation of a **systematic** and **transparent** approach to evaluating disaster and natural hazard mitigation options (e.g. infrastructure, land use, policy).

2) The ability to make **more strategic** and **less responsive** decisions in relation to mitigating the impact of disasters and natural hazards as a result of the availability of better information.

MAJOR OUTCOMES (2)

3) The availability of **prototype decision support software tools** for **three** end-user defined **case studies** to enable recommended options to be identified by sifting through and evaluating and ranking a large number of options).

4) A better understanding of the **trade-offs between economic and risk objectives** for different mitigation options for three end-user defined case studies.

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