

WORKSHOP ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND CITY PLANNING: ESSENTIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT TOOLS FOR CITY PLANNERS TO MITIGATE RISKS AND BUILD RESILIENCE

Session 2: Strategic Tools for city planning

# THE GREEN BOOK: Adapting Settlements for the Future

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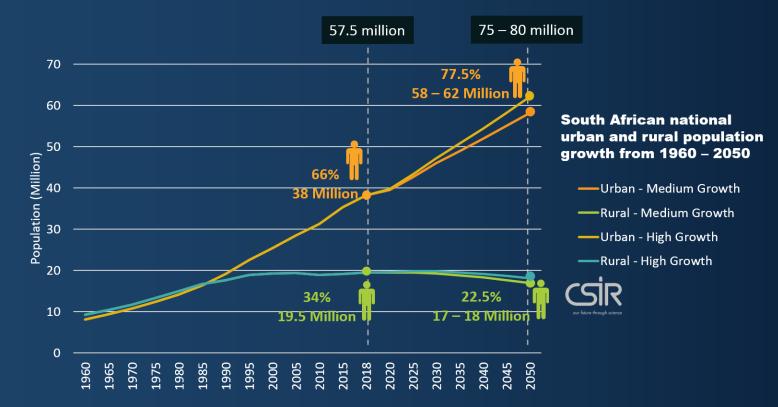
Project partners since 2016







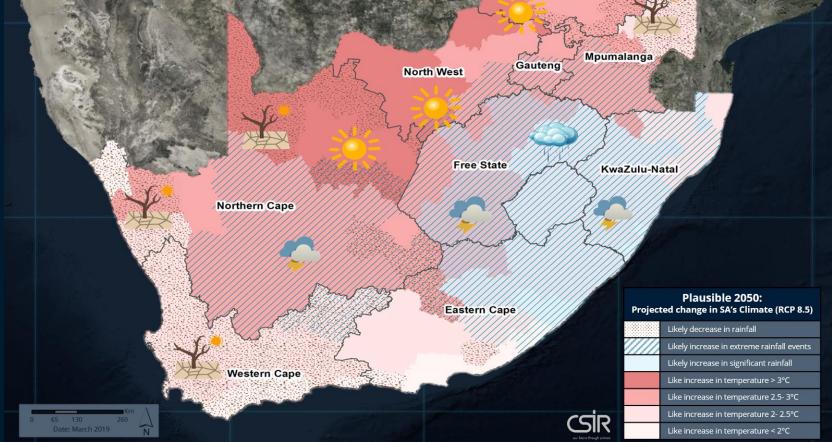
### Population growth 1960-2050



## Projected population change



## 2050 Projected changes in South Africa's climate (RCP 8.5)



Limpopo



## **THE URBAN CONTEXT**



Extreme weather events are becoming more frequent and intense with climate change

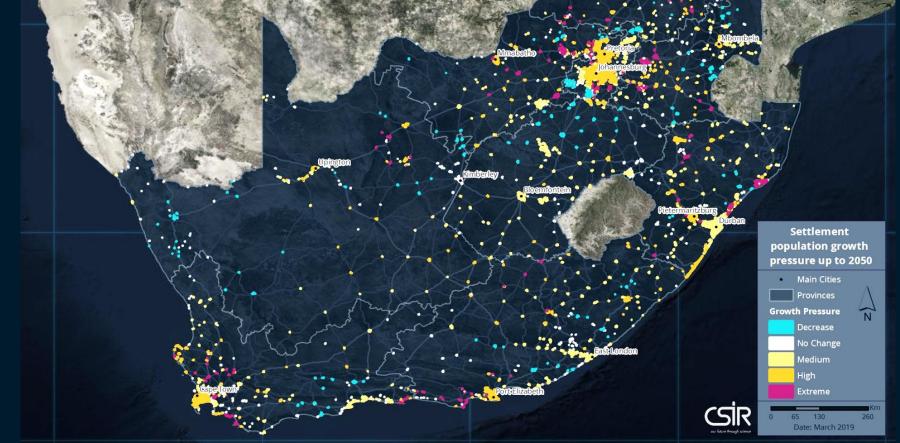


Growing & urbanising population will continue to place pressure on cities and local government



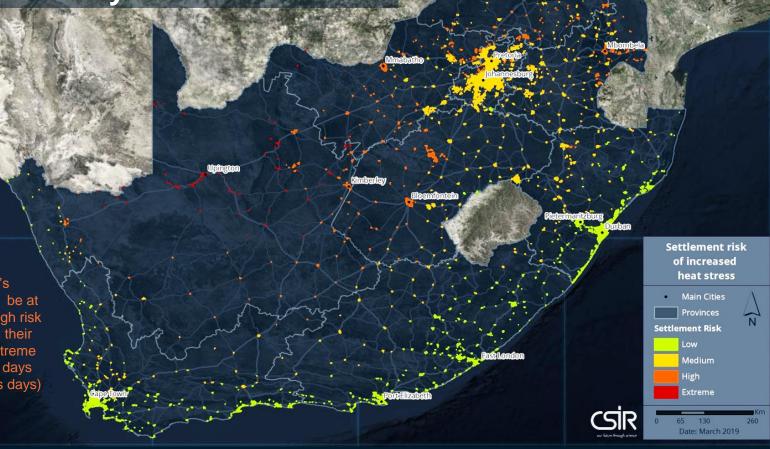
Exacerbate vulnerabilities and place more people, infrastructure and ecosystems at risk

# 2050 Settlements at risk of increasing population pressures



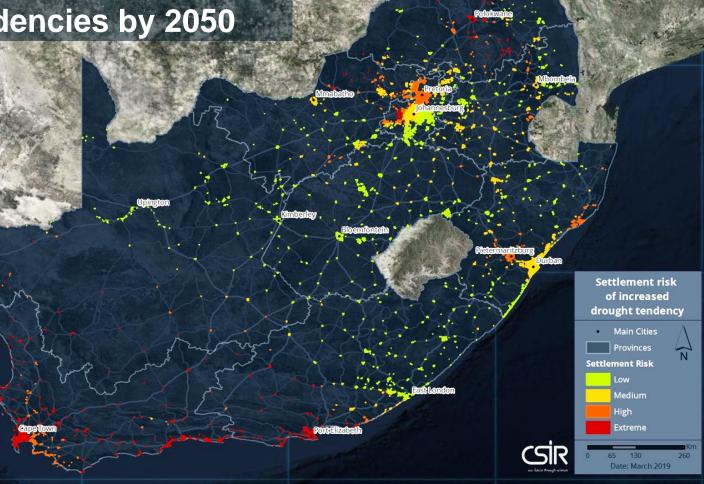
# Settlements at risk to increase in extreme heat by 2050

28% of SA's settlements will be at high and very high risk of increases in their exposure to Extreme Heat (very hot days and heat waves days)



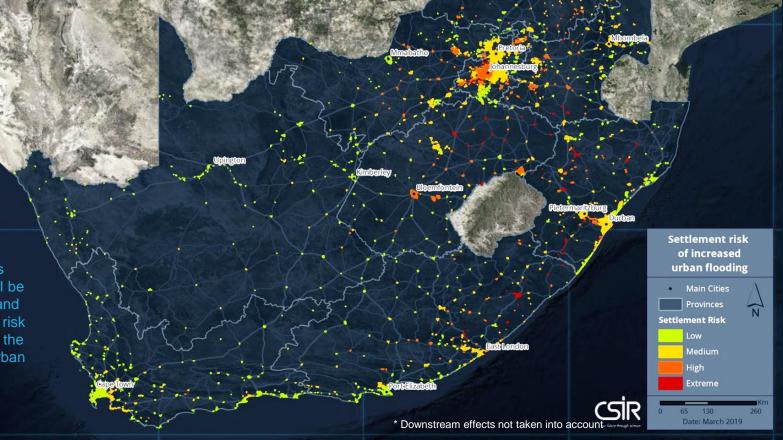
# Settlements at risk to increase drought tendencies by 2050

30% of SA's settlements will be under a high and extremely high risk of increases in the frequency droughts



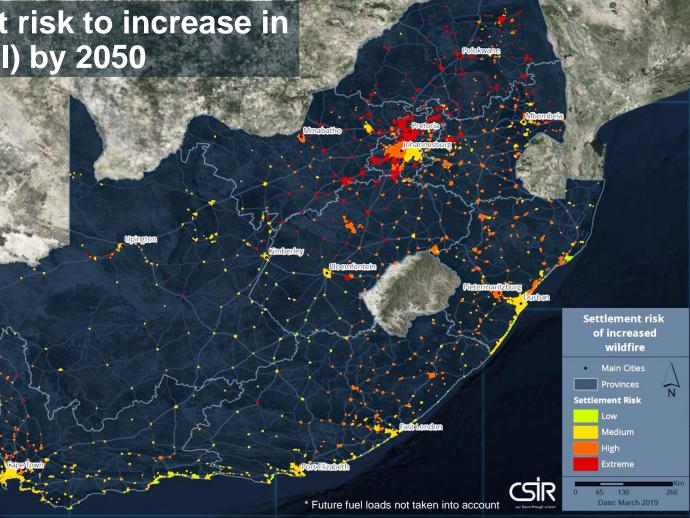
# Settlements at risk to increase in urban floods by 2050

21% of SA's settlements will be under a high and extremely high risk of increases in the frequency of urban flooding



## Settlements at risk to increase in wild fires (WUI) by 2050

60% of SA's settlements will be under a high and extremely high risk of increased exposures to wild fires

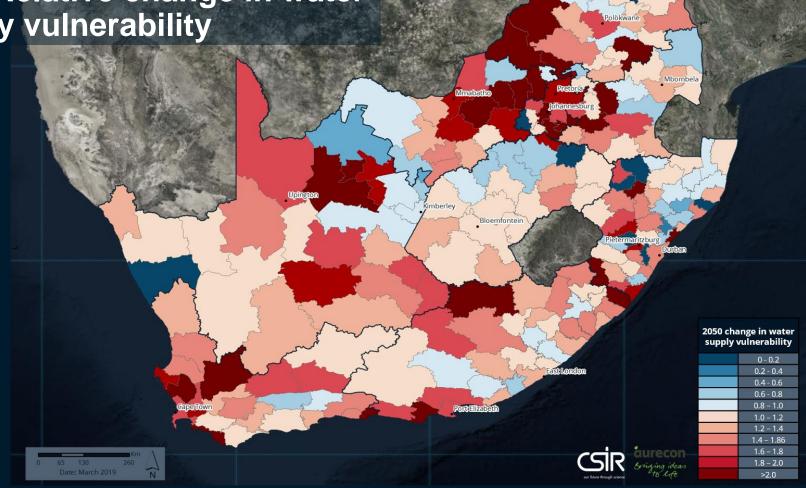


### Settlements at risk to decreasing groundwater supply & increasing population pressure by 2050

29% of SA's groundwater dependent settlements will be under a high and extremely high risk of groundwater depletion



## 2050 Relative change in water supply vulnerability





https://greenbook.co.za/

# **GREEN BOOK ONLINE PLANNING SUPPORT SYSTEM**

# GREENBOOK adapting settlements for the future

The Green Book online tool supports municipal planning with the development of climate resilient settlements. It ultimately facilitates the mainstreaming of climate change adaptation into local government planning instruments and processes.

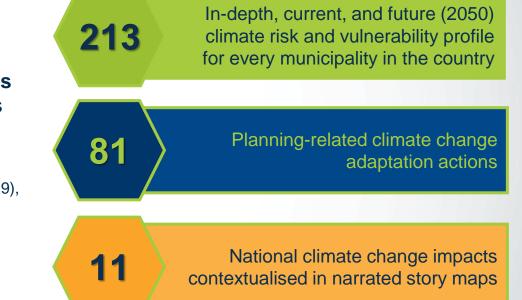
YOUR GUIDE TO THE GREEN BOOK

A CALL TO ACTION



### **BACKGROUND TO THE GREENBOOK**

- The GreenBook is a multi-disciplinary, openaccess planning support system that provides evidence to South African municipalities to adapt their cities and towns to current and future climate change impacts based on their risk assessment.
- Initially co-funded by the IDRC and the CSIR (2016-2019), and in partnership with the NDMC. With more partners coming on board since 2019.









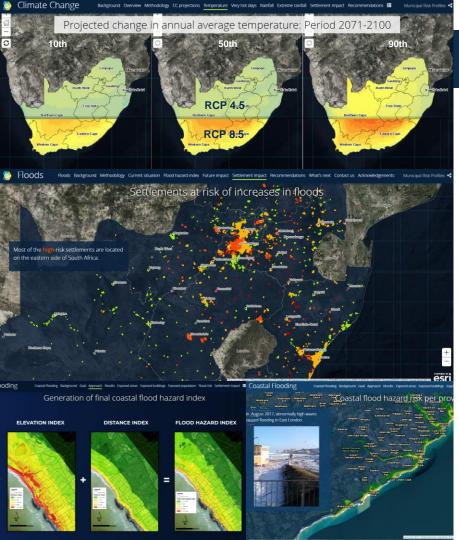
### **INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH DESIGN**

More than 50 scientists of difference disciplines involved.



### **Elements of the GREENBOOK**





### STORY MAPS

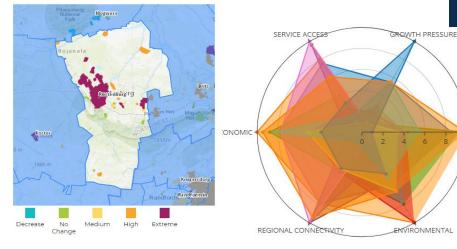
- 11 Interactive story maps to communicate the research methodologies and main findings from the research streams.
- Developed using the ESRI Story Map application which allowed a narrative around scientific findings to be supported by custom maps, images and statistics.
- Story maps for climate change, flooding, wildfire, coastal flooding, urban growth, settlement vulnerability, surface water, groundwater, drought, the economy, and agriculture.

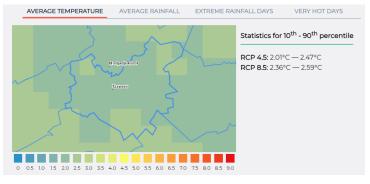
https://greenbook.co.za/story-maps.html

#### SETTLEMENT VULNERABILITY



#### POPULATION GROWTH PRESSURE





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## **RISK PROFILE TOOL**

https://riskprofiles.greenbook.co.za/

- Combines scientific evidence produced from multiple • domain-specific research streams into interactive, composite profiles covering current and future (2050) climate risks, impacts and vulnerabilities for all municipalities in South Africa and their settlements.
- Uses different data communication methods to distil information to be relevant to local municipal actors, and to support evidence-based planning and decision-



## **ADAPTATION ACTIONS TOOL**

	BOOK Search for an adaptation action		ent planning and design actions to adapt their settlements and
	& CLIMATE IMPACTS MUNICIPAL PLANNING FUNCTION		
Coastal Flooding			
Inland Flooding			·····
Heat Stress			~~~~
Wildfire			
□ Increased Wind Speed	Determine urban edge	Identify all open spaces	Identify all key ecosystems and protected areas
Drought			
Groundwater Depletion			
Surface Water Depletion			
Biodiversity Loss		<b>T</b>	
PLANNING FUNCTION	• • •		
STRATEGY	Connect open spaces	Identify areas where vegetation coverage can be increased	Identify areas for vegetated windbreaks



#### HAZARDS & CLIMATE IMPACTS



### **ADAPTATION ACTIONS TOOL**

- Provides 81 different planning and design actions for municipalities to adapt their settlements and environments.
- Users can filter through the list of adaptation actions by climate risk, impact, adaptation strategy, or planning function.

https://adaptationactions.greenbook.co.za/



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## **ADAPTATION ACTIONS TOOL**

Implement water conservation measures

Design a water pressure management system



DESCRIPTION GOALS BENEFITS COSTS EXAMPLE CREDITS L

Water conservation interventions reduce the demand on water resources. Interventions include pressure management; replacing non-functional water meters; re-using treated effluent; installing flow-limiting devices; and increased water storage. Other water conservation measures (such as clearing alien invasive vegetation from infested catchments) can increase the amount of surface water run-off and also the recharge to groundwater sources, whilst rainwater harvesting in agriculture and homes (especially those in rural areas) could reduce reliance on municipal/formal water supplies by optimising rainfall. There is significant potential in the domestic and agricultural sectors for minimising inefficient water use by reducing leakages from piped and open channel distribution systems.

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- Descriptive information on what the adaptation action entails, its benefits and co-benefits, possible costs and implications, and an image is provided for each adaptation action.

SUPPORTING ACTIONS

- Interlinkages between adaptation actions are highlighted and users are able to identify
  multiple actions that are able to support each
  - other when implemented.

### GREENBOOK

#### https://adaptationactions.greenbook.co.za/



### **METROVIEW**

- GreenBook MetroView provides spatialised and quantified climate risk, vulnerability, and demographic evidence, linked to place-based climate response measures.
  - Climate Risk & Vulnerability Profile
  - Climate Actions Tool
- Supports communication and analysis of evidence to assist practitioners, policymakers, and decision-makers to effectively inform and add value to climate change adaptation.
- Openly accessible through an online planning support system.
- City of Tshwane pilot.

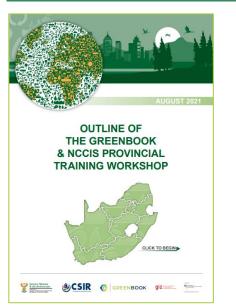
Risk & Vulnerability Profile: <u>https://tshwane-riskprofile.greenbook.co.za</u>

Climate Actions Tool: https://tshwane-climateactions.greenbook.co.za/

### GREENBOOK TRAINING

Green Book training events aim to build enduring capacity in all spheres of government (and beyond) to proactively adapt South African settlements to the impacts of hydrometeorological hazards. Mainstreaming climate change adaptation into sector plans and policies are critical to build resilience, and reduce the exposure of people, infrastructure, buildings, and the environment to the long-term impacts of climate change and severe weather events.

#### GO TO EVENTS & RESOURCES



### TRAINING

- Duration: 2 days, is paid for by clients and partners.
- Focusses on awareness raising about the climate risks associated with a changing climate, and the need for adaptation.
- The GreenBook planning support tools are demonstrated in detail.
- The concept of mainstreaming is explained, and Greenbook & NCCIS training obstacles and guidelines toward mainstreaming are provided.



https://greenbook.co.za/green-book-training.html.

### **GREENBOOK 3.0: THE FUTURE STORY**

- Several gaps have been identified and will be addresses in the future:
  - changes in the underpinning science of climate models (i.e., IPCC AR6);
  - probabilities of extreme event occurrences under different scenarios;
  - coastal flood risk and erosion modelling;
  - the impact of climate change on health, food security and the energy sector;
  - green infrastructure as adaptation strategy;
  - and a decision-model around adaptation efforts based on evidence.





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