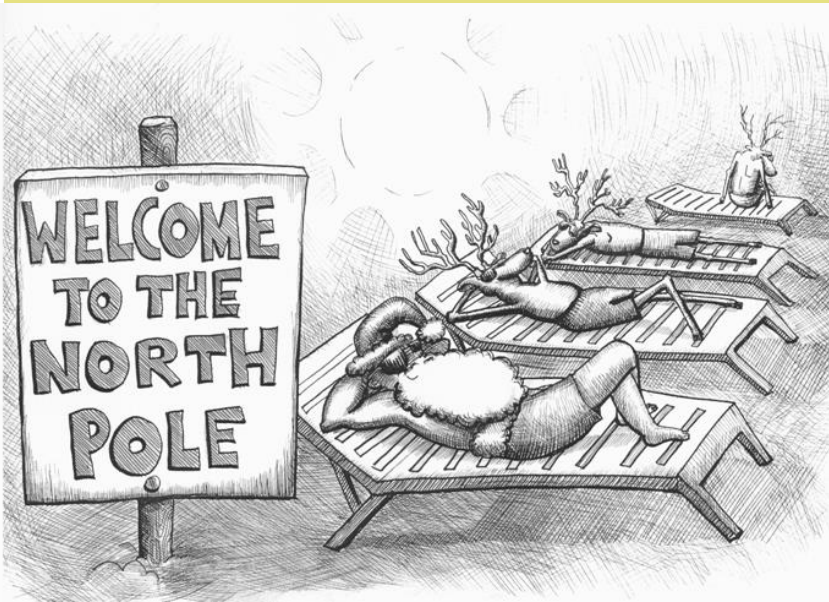


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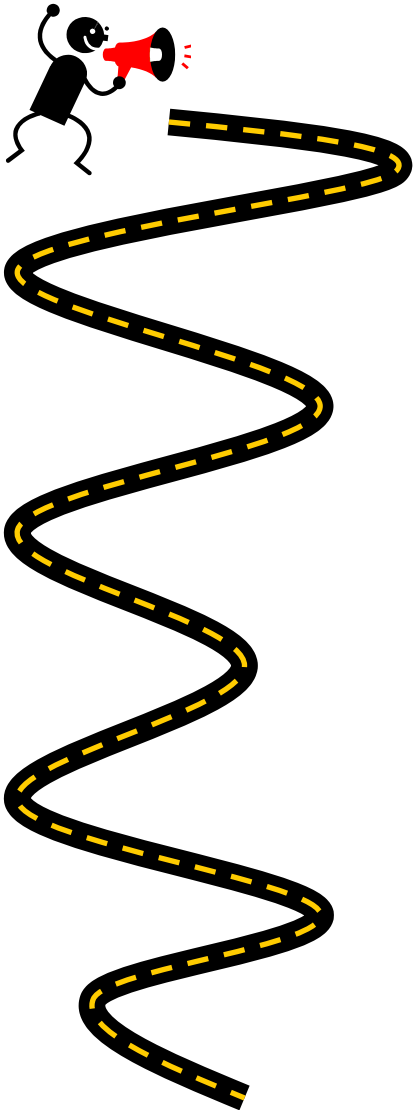


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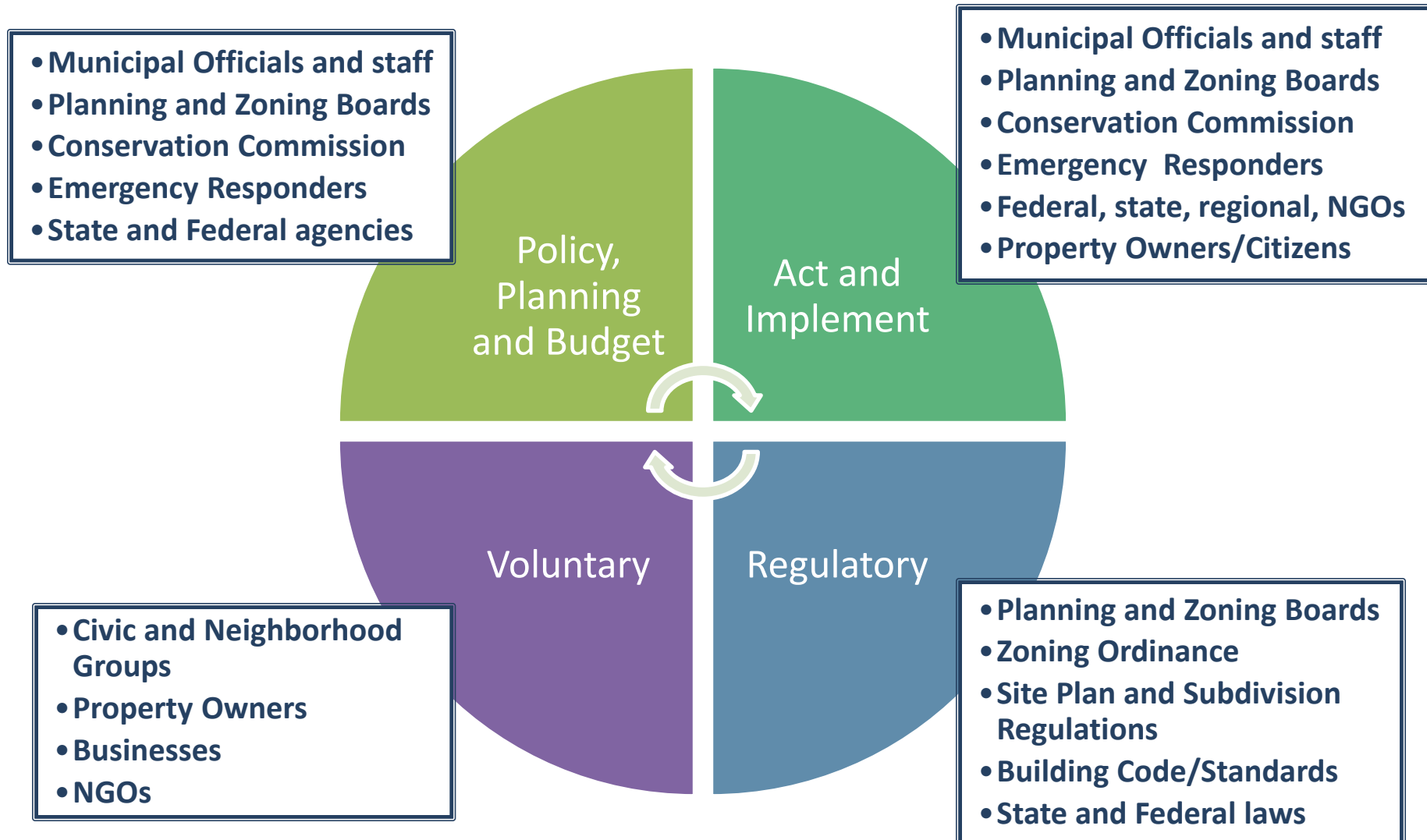
## What's happening in the region?

- City of Keene 'Climate Adaptation Plan'
- Town of Seabrook 'Adaptation to Climate Change' study
- Sunapee region climate change/population growth study
- NH Climate Action Plan, Coastal Adaptation Workgroup
- Maine's 2010 "Adapting to Climate Change" report, Saco Bay SLR Adaptation Workgroup, City of Portland
- **NEW!!** - Sustainable Communities Initiative  
*Proposed* - RPC's Regional Assessment (FEMA)

**Climate Action Planning**



# *Climate Change Planning Framework*



# Climate Change Planning Framework

*Who's responsible for what?*

Community  
Champions/  
Technical  
Experts

- Community Outreach and Support
- Coordination and Technical Assistance
- Action and Implementation

Elected  
Officials

- Municipal Policies and Investments
- Budget and Capital Improvement Plan
- Hazard Mitigation Plan (approval w/ EMD and providers)

Planning  
Board

- Master Plan – comprehensive framework and guidance
- Zoning and Regulations – performance criteria to meet goals
- Natural Resources – protect services and values

# Climate Change Planning Framework

Hmmm.....  
what can I do?

**AWARENESS      STEWARDSHIP**

**BEHAVIOR CHANGE**

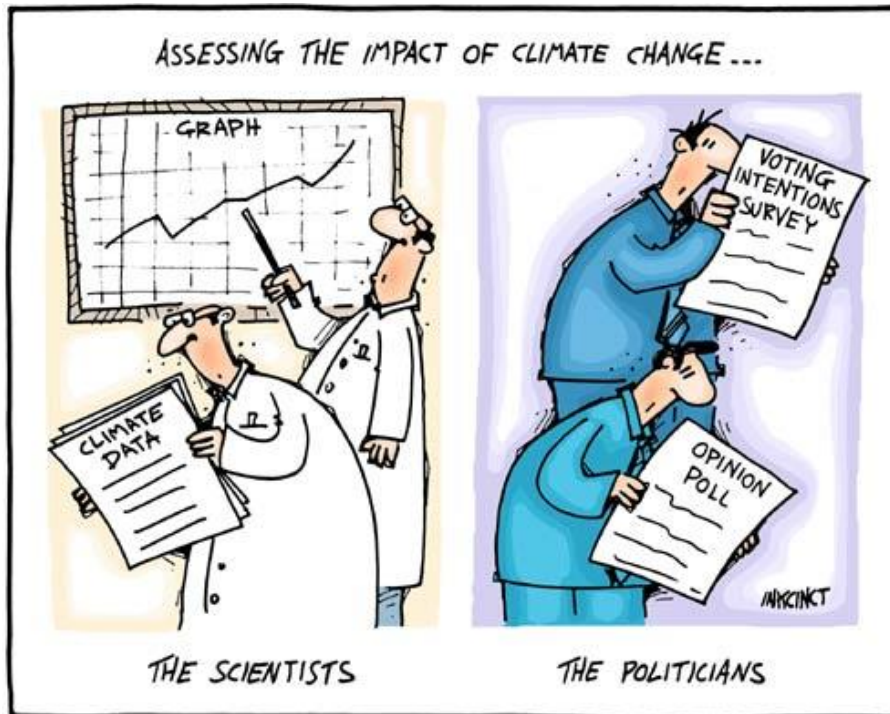
**SUPPORT FOR ADAPTATION  
ACTIONS**



**Regulatory/Protection  
Planning/Policy  
Voluntary Actions**



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*YES, there is common ground!*



*We must do better at  
defining and communicating it.*