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How Science Makes Us Safer
and More Resilient:
Lessons from the Homeland

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“In 2015, diseases caused by air, water and soil pollution were responsible for 9 million premature deaths, that is 16% of all global death. Exposures to contaminated air, water and soil kill more people than smoking, hunger, natural disasters, war, AIDS, or malaria.”

Report: Lancet Commission on Pollution and Health, 2017

“Science without policy has no application, and policy without science has no foundation.”

Science Informed Leadership

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In addition to political violence/terrorism, Environmental Security includes threats to the US economy from large-scale environmental accidents (such as the BP Deepwater Horizon Gulf oil spill); geological events (i.e., tsunamis, earthquakes) and climatic or weather extremes (such as Hurricane Katrina, and even the 2011-12 US Western states' drought, aptly illustrated); strategic resource shortages (food, water, energy, etc.); and/or deficits to critical infrastructure (CI) – the mechanisms by which societies operate.

Ramsay & O' Sullivan, *Environmental Security*

HOMELAND SECURITY AFFAIRS, VOLUME 9, ARTICLE 6 (MAY 2013)



How do we nurture resiliency?



Shake It Off



**KEEP
CALM
AND
CARRY
ON**



KEEP CALM
and be fabulous



**KEEP
CALM
AND
DON'T LET IDIOTS
RUIN YOUR DAY**

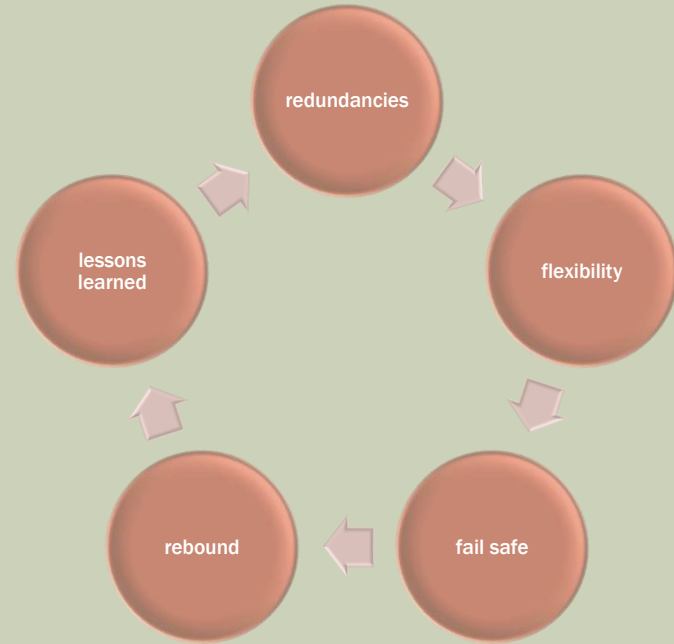


**KEEP
CALM
AND
EAT
CHOCOLATE**

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The 5 key elements of building a more resilient system



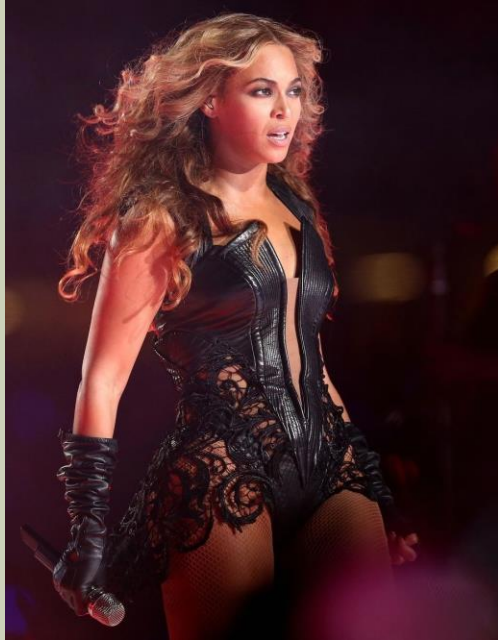
REDUNDANCIES



FLEXIBILITY



FAIL SAFE



RAPIDLY REBOUND



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