Building Resilience
Linking Covid-19 and Climate Change

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Covid-19, Climate Change, and the Challenges of a Slow Roll Crisis

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Invest in:
- Strong global health systems
- Strong identification systems
- Transparency
- Food security

China Containment Only Buys U.S. Time:
- “Squandered time”
- Where are the testing kits?
- Prepare public and employees?
- Prepare health systems?
- Protect frontline workers?

No Single “Moment” of Clarity:
- When to activate?
- Disjointed response
- White House in denial
- Mayors and Governors are incident leads

Assume Community Spread: Flatten the Curve
- Personal
  - Plan for long term social distancing
  - Masks, wash hands, etc.
  - Be a hero: stay home
- Public Sector
  - Surge Resources
  - Social distancing restrictions
  - Adjust economic protections
- Institutional
  - Continuity of operations; WFH
  - Essential vs. non-essential functions

Open Safely: “Now Normal”
- Focus on logistics, testing, contact tracing, treatments, and a vaccine
- Balance 3 Factors for safe and slow reopening: #Reimagine2020
  - Minimize Contact Intensity
- Maximize Mitigation Policies
- Manage # of Contacts
- Continued community and personal efforts: masks, social distancing, WFH, etc.
- Be prepared to “shut it down” if new outbreaks emerge
- Manage life with virus until vaccine

Improved Systems
- Logistics and supply chain management
- Stronger and more equitable U.S. health care structure
- Improved global health security
- Economic protections for employees, communities and industries
- Greater commitment to climate change and sustainable urban planning

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