# Needs for S2S Information, Tools and Resources for Water Resources Outlooks

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#### Why?

- Pinpoint needs and gaps at S2S timescales
- Help NWS programs prioritize future investments

#### How?

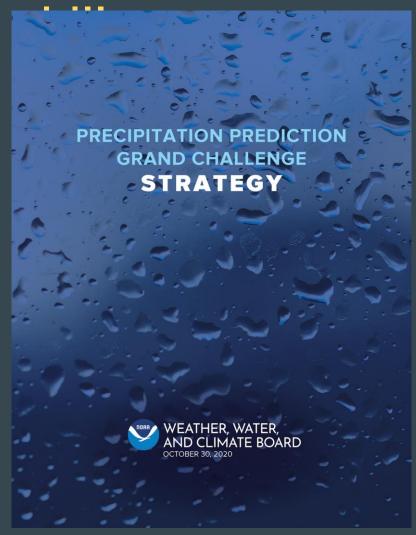
- Recent workshop reports
- NOAA strategic priorities documents
- Interviews with NWS subject matter experts

### Most important need: Improved precipitation

prediction

Benefits to water resources outlooks at S2S timescales include:

- Drought prediction
- Long-range hydrologic simulations
- Spring flood outlooks
- Seasonal snow outlook development



## Additional needs to improve water resources outlooks at S2S timescales

- Prioritize long-range simulations in National Water Model development & evaluation strategy
- Conduct a stakeholder needs assessment specific to lowflow prediction
- Align flash drought investment with NIDIS's priorities (Woloszyn et al., NIDIS, 2021)
  - Clarifying the concept of flash drought
  - Flash drought predictability
- Prioritize development of multi-decadal, gridded datasets
  - Snow (Hurwitz et al., BAMS, 2020)

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- Soil moisture (US GEWEX Soil Moisture Workshop, April 2021)NWS Climate Services Branch