UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER RESTORATION-ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM LONG TERM RESOURCE MONITORING PROGRAM LTRMP Principles

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- Treat monitoring as research (that is, LTRMP monitoring is not simply data collection; it is also data analysis and evaluation with the goal of using this information to improve the condition and management of the UMR)
- Broader synthesis will be achieved by using appropriate scaling of metrics, unbiased data analysis and focused research.
- LTRMP is designed and operationalized to use its monitoring data and research to address management questions
- Maintains flexibility to tailor information products and projects to meet local needs, e.g., HREPs (while informing large river science worldwide); this flexibility extends to the management needs of the individual state for state-specific management questions.