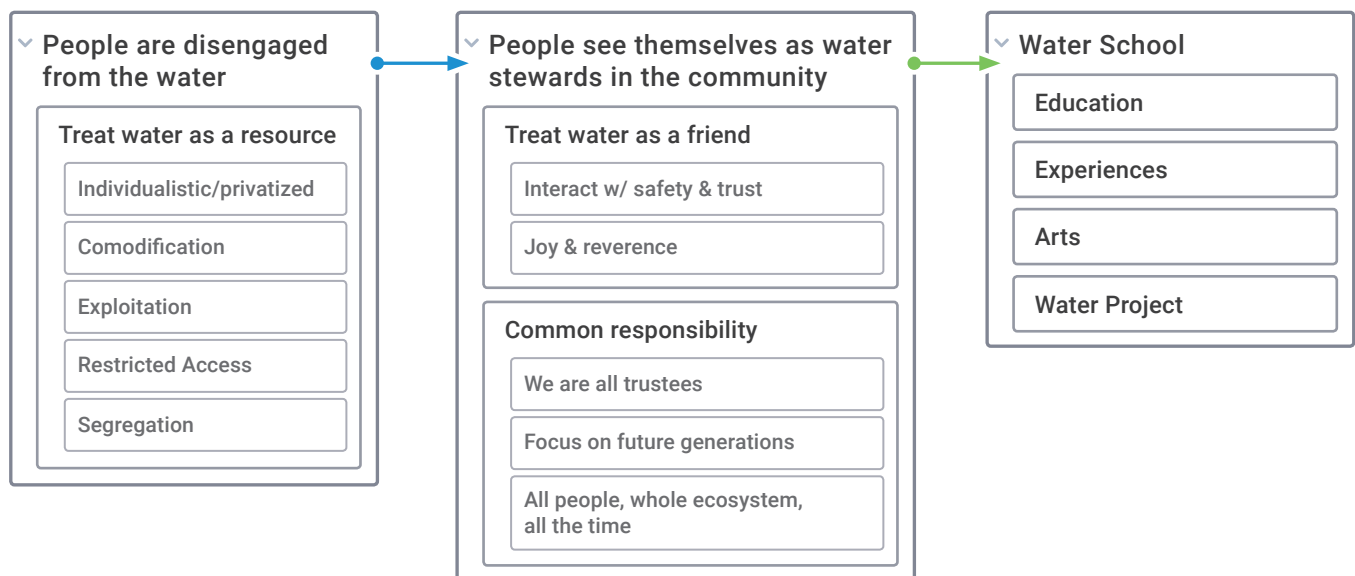


MILWAUKEE WATER COMMONS

CASE STUDY: Using MAC (Map-Activate-Check)
to examine and restructure existing programs

[Milwaukee Water Commons](#) is a cross-city network that fosters connection, collaboration and broad community leadership on behalf of our waters. Through one of their programs, called *Water School*, they aim to cultivate neighborhood water leadership throughout the city of Milwaukee and help cement the value of water stewardship in their program participants.

In the fourth year of *Water School*, the team at Milwaukee Water Commons decided that the program needed to be reassessed and redesigned, and the instructional design model that they used to do this was [MAC](#) (Map-Activate-Check). By using the MAC framework, the team developed a shared mental model around the problem that they wanted *Water School* to address, the desired outcomes of *Water School*, and activities that could be incorporated to *Water School* to directly connect with the program's desired outcomes.



Using DSRP, This process helped the team:

- develop a shared understanding (mental model) of the problem that they wanted to address,
- identify the gaps in *Water School*,
- develop strategies to ensure that *Water School* achieved the desired outcomes, by activating core ideas or concepts
- establish checks to monitor the program's progress

To learn more about this case, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AOJGbKmSqbQ&feature=youtu.be>