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Even though anticipatory action can be implemented differently across organizations and with different approaches, methodologies, and scales, three key parameters are generally agreed upon and reflected in the formal definition:

- **What?** Action is taken to reduce or prevent the impact of a predictable extreme event.
- **When?** Action is taken before the hazard strikes or its impacts fully unfold.
- **How?** The decision to act is based on forecasts or predictive analyses.

See toolbox below for further readings, especially *A short overview of anticipatory action*