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Recognising that climate change poses a threat to our World Heritage Sites that needs to be understood and managed at a local level, the site partners are seeking to make this a focus of the next Management Plan (2022) for the ONTE WHS. This presentation will discuss the approach taken to understand climate change risk to the WHS and its communities, using a bottom-up approach, and how we plan to translate the data collected into the Management Plan review process. We will present two value-based risk assessment methodologies we used, the Climate Change Risk Assessment (CCRA) developed by Edinburgh World Heritage, that relies on extensive community engagement, and the Climate Vulnerability Index (CVI) process developed by James Cook University Australia, applied for the first time in an urban World Heritage Site.