State (glossary)

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state

(1) The values of key system element qualities or properties at a given time. (Ackoff 1971)

(2) A description of the current or future potential, or health of the system. (Ackoff 1971)

Source


Discussion

The first definition is a mathematical one, taken from the cybernetic world.

The second is used more practical, and is used by the system operations or sustainment community.

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