

Advisory Committee on Climate Change and Natural Resource Science (ACCCNRS)

JC Raulston Arboretum and David Clark Labs, Southeast Climate Science Center
Raleigh, NC

January 22-23, 2014

Draft Agenda

Meeting Objectives

- Hear reports on progress of and provide input to the five ACCCNRS Work Groups
- Learn about the decision-driven science approach of the Southeast Climate Science Center
- Agree upon a process for providing feedback on the NCCWSC Science Strategy

Location: JC Raulston Arboretum
4415 Beryl Rd | Raleigh, NC 27606

Wednesday, January 22, 2014

8:00 am Coffee and Registration

8:30 am Welcome, Introductions, Opening Remarks

Matt Larsen, Associate Director, Climate & Land Use Change, USGS, and ACCCNRS Co-Chair, and David Behar, Climate Program Director, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission and ACCCNRS Co-Chair

8:45 am Review Agenda

Tim Mealey or Jennifer Pratt Miles, Meridian Institute

9:00 am ACCCNRS Work Group Reports and Discussion

Each Work Group will provide an update on their progress to date and planned next steps. Each Work Group report will be followed by time for questions and discussion by the full Committee and NCCWSC and CSC staff.

- Role of the NCCWSC and CSCs in the Climate Services Landscape Work Group
 - Inventory of major federal, state, academic, NGO, and tribal climate science services (David Patte, Kim Hall, Natalie Dubois) (20 minutes presentation; 20 minutes questions and discussion)

- Overview of existing MOUs and options to facilitate coordination and reduce duplication of effort (Richard Merrick, Robin O'Malley) (5 minutes presentation; 10 minutes questions and discussion)
- Overview of Executive Order (EO) for President's Climate Action Plan and suggestions for how ACCCNRS member expertise can help inform implementation of the EO (Paul Wagner) (5 minutes presentation; 10 minutes questions and discussion)

10:15 am Break

10:30am ACCCNRS Work Group Reports and Discussion (continued)

- Actionable Science Work Group (20 minutes presentation; 20 minutes question and discussion)
 - Proposed definition of actionable science (David Behar, Paul Beier, Lara Hansen)
 - Outline for a how-to-guide of best practices for implementing actionable science
- Tribal and Indigenous Peoples Matters Work Group (20 minutes presentation; 20 minutes question and discussion)
 - Impact of climate change on tribal and indigenous peoples
 - Review and discussion of draft guidelines on traditional ecological knowledge (TEK)
 - Opportunities for coordination with the State, Local and Tribal Leaders Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience
 - Proposal for bringing tribal leaders together with CSCs and LCCs to discuss strategies to enhance tribal engagement
- Program Evaluation Work Group (20 minutes presentation; 20 minutes questions and discussion)
 - Proposed pathway to program evaluation

12:30 pm Lunch

1:30 pm ACCCNRS Work Group Reports and Discussion (continued)

- Communications and Networks Work Group (10 minutes presentation; 20 minutes questions and discussion)

1:45 pm Public Comment

2:15 pm Break

- 2:35 pm** **Southeast Climate Science Center Decision-Driven Science Approach: Structured Decision Making (SDM) and Climate Projections for Management Support**
Gerard McMahon, Federal Director, DOI Southeast Climate Science Center
Adam Terando, Research Ecologist, Southeast Climate Science Center
Presentation followed by questions and discussion with the ACCCNRS
- 3:40 pm** **Depart for Southeast CSC Grand Opening at North Carolina State University (NCSU)**
NCSU vans will transport ACCCNRS members from the JC Raulston Arboretum to the David Clark Labs.
- 4:00 pm** **Southeast CSC Grand Opening Ceremony and Reception**
NCSU David Clark Labs
- David Price, U.S. House of Representatives and/or Richard Burr, U.S. Senate (invited)
 - Matthew Larsen, Associate Director, Climate and Land Use Change, USGS
 - Gerard McMahon, Federal Director, DOI Southeast Climate Science Center
 - Damian Shea, University Director, DOI, Southeast Climate Science Center, North Carolina State University
 - Dan Solomon, Dean of the College of Science, North Carolina State University
 - Reception
- 5:30 pm** **Adjourn**
- 6:00 pm** **No Host Group Dinner**
Location TBD

Thursday, January 23, 2014

- 8:30 am** **Coffee**
- 9:00 am** **Review of Day 1 Outcomes and Day 2 Agenda**
- 9:15 am** **2014 ACCCNRS Work Plan**
Committee members will discuss plans and goals for the coming year, including key products/recommendations it would like to deliver to DOI.
- 10:45 am** **Break**

- 11:00 am Southeast CSC Stakeholder Engagement**
Discussion with Gerard McMahon, Federal Director, DOI Southeast Climate Science Center about stakeholder engagement.
- 12:00 am Public Comment**
- 12:30 pm Lunch**
- 1:30 pm Work Group Breakouts**
Work Groups will meet simultaneously to review input provided by the Committee, NCCWSC and CSC staff, and members of the public, and plan next steps.
- 3:00pm Recap of Recommendations Agreed Upon and Decisions Made During the Meeting**
- 3:15 pm Closing Remarks**
David Behar and Matt Larsen, ACCCNRS Co-Chairs, Robin O'Malley, NCCWSC Policy and Partnerships Coordinator
- 3:30 pm Adjourn**