



Adaptation Notes

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EcoAdapt is celebrating 10 years of meeting the challenges of climate change!

Join us over the next year as we celebrate the progress the field of adaptation is making, reintroduce you to some achievements from our history, and acknowledge the contributions of our staff, board, partners, and donors.

This month, we're featuring some of our adaptation planning work with federal, tribal, state, and local agencies and sharing an exciting announcement about a new initiative - Global Adaptation Month. Please consider supporting these and other efforts by [donating to EcoAdapt!](#)



Facilitating climate-savvy decision-making since 2008

How will climate change affect my management and planning priorities?

Two degrees isn't that big of a deal, is it? Wait, is it?

Will my work be effective in a changing climate or do I have to start from scratch?

If I need a new set of tools, can I do it without going broke or crazy?

Addressing the climate challenge can be a daunting task for anyone. Building capacity and bringing our partners from Awareness to Action are central to EcoAdapt's mission. Our adaptation experts have pioneered a series of innovative and interactive workshops to bring those engaged in the early stages of climate adaptation from awareness to implementation. The underlying goals of these workshops are to strengthen the ability of people working on the ground to respond to climate change and create a network wherein they can share knowledge, experiences and ideas, and develop effective climate response plans. Our approach is tailored to the needs of our partners, and is highly collaborative, involving multiple agencies, organizations, and stakeholders. Our methodology is intended to improve understanding of climate changes, impacts, and vulnerabilities; generate actionable responses to reduce vulnerabilities and/or take advantage of opportunities; facilitate integration of climate information into management and planning; and provide training, tools, resources, and guidance to decision-makers to extend our process into their own work.

From the shores of Lake Superior to the hills of southern California and out across the Pacific Islands, EcoAdapt has helped train and guide our partners to develop their own adaptation solutions. Over the last ten years, we have hosted over 115 workshops with more than 6,000 individuals from government agencies, nongovernmental organizations, community groups, private companies, and

more. Products from these efforts have been used to inform planning and implementation by federal, tribal, state, and local agencies and nongovernmental organizations, including:

- federal agency management plans and projects (e.g., USDA Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Marine Sanctuaries);
- state agency management plans (e.g., State Wildlife Action Plan updates);
- city (e.g., Bainbridge Island, WA; Duck Hill, MS) and county (e.g., Marin, CA; Maui, HI) planning; and
- regional efforts (e.g., Freshwater Future's Great Lakes Climate Program; Sky Island Alliance springs initiative).

Please consider supporting the Awareness to Action program by donating or hosting a workshop for your organization or community!

"EcoAdapt, by leading a process that is both science- and stakeholder-driven, has laid a strong foundation, brought partners together, and fostered discussion and brainstorming on climate adaptation. EcoAdapt staff are uniquely placed to convene diverse groups around climate change issues and further the adaptation dialogue."

- Sarah Sawyer, U.S. Forest Service

"Using sound science, humor, and hope, EcoAdapt helped us to develop trainings and materials that take citizens and community organizations from a curiosity about climate change to taking action to build resilience in their communities through adaptation and mitigation projects."

- Ann Baughman, Freshwater Future



Supporting Climate Action in Southern California (2014-2016)

The Southern California Climate Adaptation Project united EcoAdapt with community members and staff at four National Forests (Angeles, San Bernardino, Cleveland, Los Padres). While this effort focused on a detailed vulnerability assessment and adaptation planning to guide Forest Service planning and management and other natural resource management and conservation efforts in the region, it also included dedicated time to incorporate climate change into existing on-the-ground projects. Four case studies were created to share how climate and adaptation science can be integrated into projects, including the [Ojai Community Defense Zone Project](#), [Lower Piru Rangelands Project](#), [Trabuco Creek Project](#), and [San Diego River Coastal Sage Scrub Restoration Project](#).



Announcing: Global Adaptation Month!

The messaging on climate change is dire and the refrain we often hear is "Game Over." But frequently that inspires despair rather than solutions. We want to turn the tides. We want action. So we are announcing [Global Adaptation Month](#) - an annual opportunity to proclaim tangible commitments to climate adaptation ACTION and share your progress toward meeting them. Today we invite you to make a [commitment](#) to what you'll achieve by April 2020 because in tackling climate change, it isn't game over, it is GAME ON!





10-Year Fundraising Challenge

Earlier in our 10th year, we were looking to celebrate our anniversary by getting 10 new individual donors. We are thrilled to say that we have met that challenge. So we are setting a new goal - raising \$10,000 from individual donors. Can you help us make that happen?



Donate Today!

If you've used the Climate Adaptation Knowledge Exchange, attended a National Adaptation Forum, benefited from an Awareness to Action workshop, or been informed by a State of Adaptation assessment, please make a tax-deductible donation today!

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Upcoming Events

Join EcoAdapt in person!

- [Climate and Energy Forum](#) - May 21, 2019 - Bainbridge Island, WA
- [Northwest Climate Conference](#) - Oct 8-10, 2019 - Portland, OR
- [Coastal & Estuarine Research Federation Conference](#) - Nov 3-7, 2019 - Mobile, AL

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