

Climate Change Adaptation Planning for Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests



Wednesday and Thursday, November 12-13, 2014

Time:

9:00am – 4:30pm; lunch, snacks, and coffee will be provided both days

Location:

Nez Perce National Forest Supervisor's Office, 104 Airport Road, Grangeville, ID

Purpose:

This 2-day workshop will include: (1) a review of projected climate changes for the Nez Perce-Clearwater region, including what these changes mean for important resources; (2) a review of the vulnerability assessment workshop held in September 2013, including findings from both the natural resources and ecosystem services assessments; (3) the generation of adaptation strategies and tactics designed to reduce vulnerabilities or increase resilience of resources; and (4) an initial prioritization of adaptation tactics including when and where to implement.

Workshop Goal:

The goal of this workshop is to create an opportunity for resource managers, planners, and others from the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests to review the results of the vulnerability assessment, discuss their options for managing resources in the face of climate change, and improve understanding of how vulnerability and adaptation information can be integrated into management operations. Participants will leave with an understanding of how to apply/utilize vulnerability and adaptation information in at least one current project or activity.

Workshop Materials:

All workshop materials can be found online at:

<http://www.ecoadapt.org/workshops/adaptation-nezperce-clearwater>

Day 1 – Wednesday, November 12th

REVIEW OF CLIMATE TRENDS AND VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

9:00 – 9:10	Welcome.
9:10 – 9:30	Introduction to workshop goals and objectives. <i>Jessi Kershner, EcoAdapt</i>
9:30 – 9:50	Participant introductions and activity.
9:50 – 10:15	Overview of Vulnerability Assessment Workshop and a review of natural resource vulnerabilities for the Nez Perce-Clearwater region. <i>Jessi Kershner, EcoAdapt</i>
10:15 – 10:35	Review of socioeconomic and ecosystem service vulnerabilities for the Nez Perce-Clearwater region. <i>Megan Lawson, Headwaters Economics</i>
10:35 – 10:50	BREAK
10:50 – 11:05	Introduction to climate change adaptation. <i>Rachel Gregg, EcoAdapt</i>
11:05 – 11:45	Group brainstorming session: Resource linkages/Cross-sector issues.
11:45 – 1:00	LUNCH (provided)

DEVELOPMENT OF ADAPTATION STRATEGIES AND TACTICS

1:00 – 1:10	Introduction and orientation to adaptation planning activity. <i>Jessi Kershner, EcoAdapt</i>
1:10 – 3:10	Small breakout group activity – Develop adaptation strategies and tactics for current and future management activities. (Worksheets 1 & 2)
3:10 – 3:25	BREAK
3:25 – 4:25	Medium breakout group activity – Compare adaptation strategies and tactics and identify potential conflicts or synergies. Terrestrial resources together, freshwater resources together
4:25 – 4:30	Wrap up and next day preview. <i>Jessi Kershner, EcoAdapt</i>
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Day 2 – Thursday, November 13th

ECOSYSTEM SERVICES AND REFINEMENT OF ADAPTATION TACTICS

9:00 – 9:10	Opening comments and overview of day’s objectives. <i>Jessi Kershner, EcoAdapt</i>
9:10 – 9:20	Break out into terrestrial or freshwater groups and compile top 5-10 adaptation tactics.
9:20 – 10:30	Large group discussion: Direct and indirect effects of adaptation tactics for terrestrial and freshwater resources. <i>Rachel Gregg and Jessi Kershner, EcoAdapt</i>
10:30 – 10:45	BREAK
10:45 – 10:55	Introduction and orientation to ecosystem services adaptation activity.
10:55 – 12:00	Small group activity – Develop adaptation strategies and tactics for ecosystem services. (Worksheet 3)
12:00 – 1:00	LUNCH (provided)

PRIORITIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ADAPTATION TACTICS

1:00 – 1:45	Large group discussion – Direct and indirect effects of adaptation tactics for terrestrial and freshwater resources and ecosystem services.
1:45 – 3:15	Medium breakout group activity – Prioritize adaptation tactics for implementation (Worksheet 4)
3:15 – 3:30	BREAK
3:30 – 4:15	Large group discussion – Top adaptation tactics including effectiveness, feasibility, capacity needs, and where/when to implement. <i>Jessi Kershner, EcoAdapt</i>
4:15 – 4:30	Workshop wrap up and next steps. <i>Jessi Kershner, EcoAdapt</i>
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