

Training Opportunity!

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April 14-15, 2015

Climate Change & West Virginia's Forests

Details

DATE:

April 14-15, 2015

LOCATION:

[Erickson Alumni Center](#) at
West Virginia University,
Morgantown, WV

COST & REGISTRATION:

No cost to attend

[Register online here \(required\)](#)

QUESTIONS?

Email Patricia Butler

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Natural resource professionals face the tremendous challenge of developing and implementing conservation and management actions that help ecosystems respond to climate change.

This session will:

- Provide information on the current and anticipated effects of climate change on West Virginia and its forests
- Describe resources and tools that can be used to integrate climate change into resource conservation and management
- Outline adaptation concepts and strategies in the context of sustainable forest management
- Identify actions that enhance the ability of forests and other ecosystems to adapt to changing conditions

Real-world examples of adaptation projects will be featured, and participants will engage in a variety of interactive activities to identify climate change issues and potential management responses.



Day 1: April 14

Preliminary Agenda

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Welcome & Introduction
- 9:30 West Virginia's Changing Climate
- 10:00 Break
- 10:15 Climate Change Effects on Forest Ecosystems
- 11:00 Climate Change Effects on Hydrology and Wildlife
- 12:00 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 Adapting Forests to Climate Change: Approaches for Action
- 1:30 Real-world Examples of Forest Adaptation
- 2:15 Break
- 2:30 Activity: Integrating Climate Change into Your Work
- 4:00 Adjourn

This agenda has been approved for 5.0 category 1 Continuing Forestry Education credits.

More Information

Find out more about the Climate Change Response Framework and this training at www.forestadaptation.org/

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The Climate Change Response Framework is a core forest adaptation component of the USDA Midwest and Northeast Regional Climate Hubs.



Additional Information



Registration

There is no cost to attend this workshop, but registration is required. Please register online using the link at www.forestadaptation.org/WV-FAPP or email Patricia Butler.

Lodging

For those traveling from out of town, the nearby Hampton Inn for the nights of April 13 and 14. Rooms can be reserved for \$114 by March 30th using the group code WV-FAPP. Call hotel for government rate. 1-304-599-1200 or visit hamptoninn3.hilton.com.

Training Opportunity!

April 15

An active, hands-on training to help natural resources managers incorporate climate change considerations into their own real-world forest management projects.

Forest Adaptation Planning & Practices

This active, hands-on training will be held on April 15 for a limited number of participants. Natural resource managers will incorporate climate change considerations and identify actions for adaptation into their own real-world forest management and conservation projects.

Is this training for me?

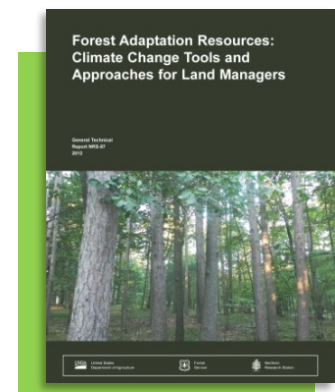
FAPP is designed for public, private, and tribal natural resource managers who are interested in enhancing the ability of forests to cope with changing conditions.

Individuals and small teams can participate in a FAPP training. Bringing a small team may help projects consider a variety of management goals, including goals related to wood, water, and wildlife. **This training requires some pre-meeting preparation, participation in the April 14 workshop, and active engagement from the participants.**

What are the benefits of participation?

Through this training, participants will be able to:

- Use *Forest Adaptation Resources* in real-world management projects to:
 - ➔ Identify challenges and opportunities for management
 - ➔ Develop actionable steps to adapt forests to changing conditions
 - ➔ Implement their own “climate-informed” forest management project
- Access post-training support from NIACS



Forest adaptation resources: Climate change tools and approaches for land managers

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Registration

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Day 2: April 15

Preliminary Agenda

- 8:30 **Registration**
- 8:30 **Introduction**
Introduce participants and instructors.
Outline objectives and agenda for training.
- 9:00 **Climate Change Impacts on Forest Management Projects**
Describe forest management projects and important climate change impacts.
Identify additional climate change impacts relevant to the project locations.
Complete Adaptation Workbook Step #2.
- 10:00 **Break**
- 10:15 **Challenges/Opportunities for Meeting Management Objectives – Presentation/Breakouts/Discussion**
Identify challenges and opportunities relevant to the project management objectives.
Evaluate whether it is feasible to achieve management objectives.
- 11:30 **Identifying Forest Adaptation Approaches and Tactics – Presentation/Breakouts**
Select potential adaptation actions from the menu of Adaptation Strategies and Approaches.
Evaluate potential adaptation tactics as part of Adaptation Workbook Step #4.
- 12:00 **Lunch**
- 1:00 **Identifying Forest Adaptation Approaches and Tactics – Breakouts/Discussion**
Select potential adaptation actions from the menu of Adaptation Strategies and Approaches.
Evaluate potential adaptation tactics as part of Adaptation Workbook Step #4.
- 3:00 **Break**
- 3:15 **Identifying Metrics for Monitoring and Evaluating Effectiveness – Presentation/Breakouts/Discussion**
Identify metrics to use to evaluate the effectiveness of adaptation actions as part of Workbook Step #5
Complete Adaptation Workbook Step #5
- 4:00 **Next Steps & Wrap-up**
- 4:30 **Adjourn**



Examples of Real-world Forest Adaptation

Examples of forest adaptation efforts that have used *Forest Adaptation Resources* and gone through this process are online at:

[www.forestadaptation.org/
demonstration-projects](http://www.forestadaptation.org/demonstration-projects)