



August 2017 Update

Next Week! Climate Change in America's National Parks Webinar Series

Thursday, August 10, 2pm EDT

What if we explored "what if...?" resource management questions with both quantitative and qualitative tools?

Merging simulation modeling and scenario planning to inform resource management under climate change

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Register here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2657401241073028354>

This webinar will describe a project that merged qualitative and quantitative approaches in an effort to create usable information for resource managers in the northern Great Plains. It will focus on the process of researchers, resource managers, and climate adaptation specialists co-producing an ecological simulation model in conjunction with a scenario planning effort to inform natural resource management in southwest South Dakota. Sign up for the webinar and [read a more detailed abstract here](#) !

New Electric Vehicle Charging Stations



Calling on the spirit of innovation and entrepreneurship of Thomas Edison, the first of up to 100 electric vehicle charging stations in national parks and nearby communities across the country was switched on at Thomas Edison National Historical Park on April 19, 2017. Four level two charging stations were unveiled signaling the beginning of installations across the country.... [Read the entire article here.](#)

Save the Date: Interpreting Climate Change

2-Day Earth to Sky Workshop at the NAI National Conference

When: November 13-14, 2017

Where: Spokane, Washington and the Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge

Interpreting climate change can be challenging! It's complicated, and audiences may respond on a wide variety of emotional and intellectual levels. This two-day, highly interactive workshop will join interpreters and NASA science and education specialists to learn from each other about climate science and communication. We'll cover some basics of the science, and explore appropriate techniques for addressing this subject with a variety of audiences, including youth. Abundant interpretation, education, and scientific resources will be provided to support participants' climate change interpretation efforts.

This workshop is a pre-conference session at the National Association for Interpretation (NAI) National Conference. A registration fee will apply. The first day of the workshop will be held at Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge, and the second will be at the conference hotel. Transportation from the conference hotel to the refuge will be provided, as well as lunch on both days.

Target Audience

Employees from the NPS, USFS, USFWS, and other federal, state, and municipal agencies, as well as non-profit and private organizations with science communicators, interpreters, environmental educators and education specialists. Participants should have some experience with interpretation/science communication. Knowledge of climate science is not required.

Registration and Lodging

Reserve through NAI: <http://www.interpnet.com/conference>. Registration deadline is October 10th. It is recommended that participants reserve lodging ASAP.

For more Info (and to add your name to the mailing list for updates) contact: Anita Davis, Lead, Earth to Sky Partnership: anita.l.davis@nasa.gov

FREE for NPS Employees: One Year of Unlimited ACCO Online Training

The Climate Change Response Program invites interested NPS employees, partners, and volunteers to enjoy unlimited access to the Association of Climate Change Officers (ACCO) [library of on-demand and live online training](#) FREE for one full year. This opportunity affords participants unparalleled flexibility to customize training according to their needs and work around busy schedules.

Availability is limited and will be awarded strictly on a first-come, first serve basis. For instructions on how to register for this opportunity, please contact Larry Perez at larry_perez@nps.gov.

Climate Fundamental Academies

The Association of Climate Change Officers (ACCO) offers a series of 2-day training workshops to help participants discover how to better incorporate climate change strategies into planning and operations.

Through a standing agreement between the Climate Change Response Program and the ACCO, NPS employees are invited to attend Climate Fundamentals Academy Workshops **free of charge**. (Any travel costs must be paid by the benefiting account, and participants must make their own travel arrangements.)

See the schedule of upcoming workshops below. Please contact Larry Perez at larry_perez@nps.gov for more information.



Rocky Mountain Workshop #3

The final in a series of three Colorado workshops is coming up soon!

September 12-13, 2017
Golden, CO

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