

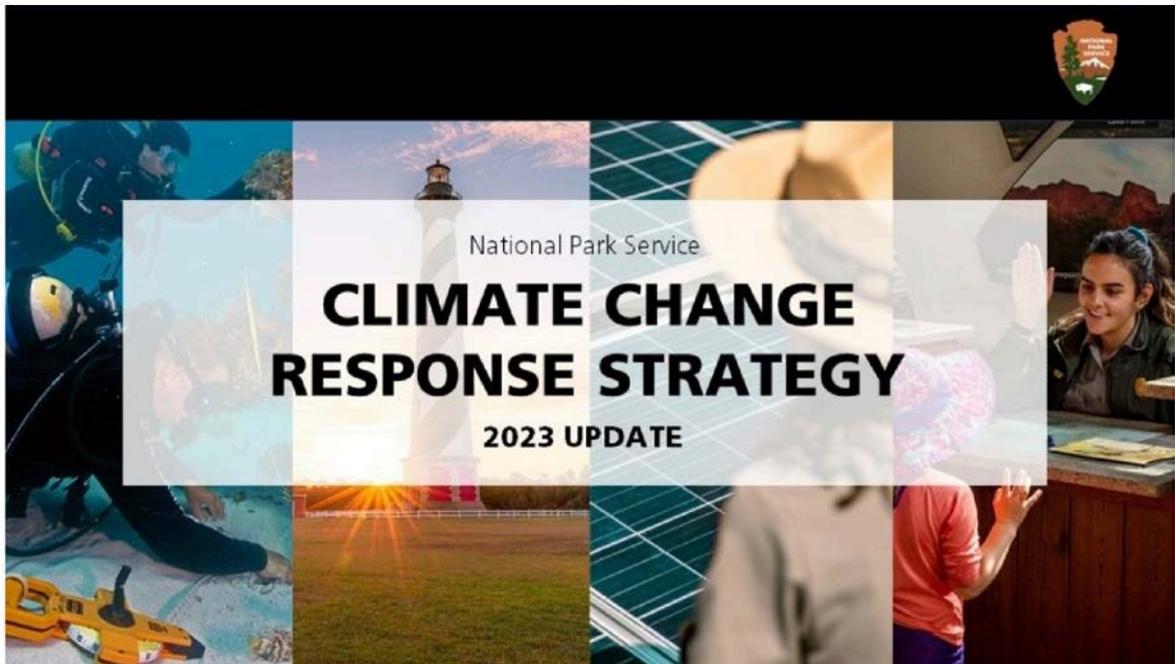
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Climate Re:response

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Updated NPS Climate Change Response Strategy!

The National Park Service recently published the [Climate Change Response Strategy 2023 Update](#). As the climate crisis continues and worsens protecting parks requires even more attention and intentionality. This 2023 Update builds on the earlier 2010 NPS Climate Change Response Strategy and offers revised goals and objectives in line with our current moment. Goals outlined in the 2023 Update are supported by additional NPS guidance documents, such as the [Green Parks Plan](#), the [National Climate Change Interpretation and Education Strategy](#), and the NPS Workforce [Climate Change Literacy: Needs Assessment and Strategy](#).

The Fifth National Climate Assessment



The U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP) released the [Fifth National Climate Assessment](#) (NCA5), with an accompanying [interactive atlas](#) that can help you navigate it. In addition, the report is broken down into 10 [regional impacts of climate change](#) that highlight current and future climate risks with a discussion of challenges, opportunities, and successes.

NPS Climate Solutions in Action



National parks are at the forefront of both climate impacts and climate solutions. Zion National Park [debuted five new battery-electric buses](#) that replaced propane-powered buses. This climate action both reduces congestion and emissions from cars. Share your park's climate actions to have them featured in a future newsletter!

The Department of the Interior has [finalized plans to eliminate single-use plastics on public lands](#) within the next decade, aligning with [Secretary's Order 3407](#) and President Biden's [Executive Order 14057](#). Initiatives include installing water bottle filling stations, increasing recycling, and reducing plastic product sales.

Applications Now Open: Speaking of Climate Change Train-the-Trainer Course



Dates: April 2 - April 4, 2024

Location: National Conservation Training Center, Shepherdstown, WV

Target Audience: Motivated two-person teams of communicators from BLM, FWS, and NPS

Max Participants: 30 (15 participant pairs)

Tuition: None; benefitting accounts are responsible for all travel and lodging

Course Description:

Employees of the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Park Service are invited to participate in a Train-the-Trainer course on climate communication. *Speaking of Climate Change* provides participants with skills and insights to develop and deliver climate communications. Participants will also be provided with guidance and materials aimed at helping them develop and deliver a subsequent *Speaking of Climate Change* course to their home organizational unit.

How to Apply

Interested teams are highly encouraged to [submit an application](#) to attend. Applications must be submitted by [close of business Wednesday, January 10](#). Questions about this training opportunity can be directed to larry_perez@nps.gov.

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