



NATIONAL *fish, wildlife & plants*
CLIMATE ADAPTATION STRATEGY

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The National Fish, Wildlife, and Plants Climate Adaptation Strategy

Meeting of the

Joint Implementation Working Group

WebEx:

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September 15, 2014
1-3 PM, Eastern

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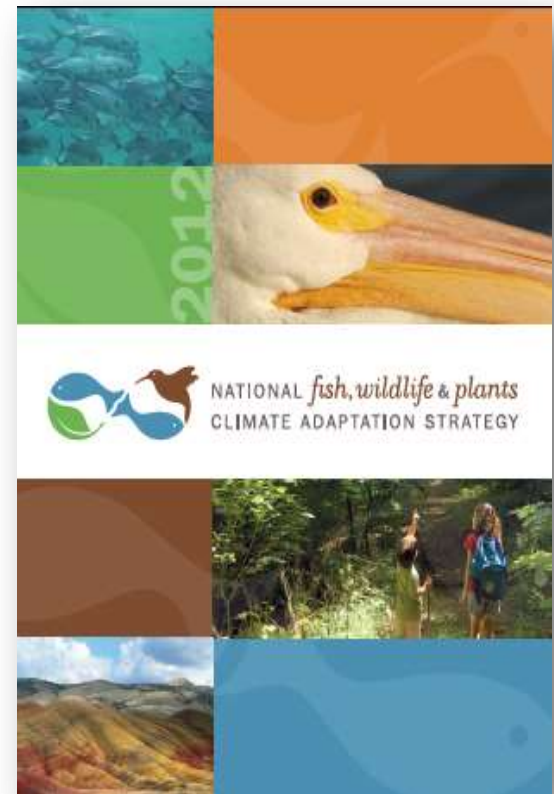


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National Fish, Wildlife and Plants Climate Adaptation Strategy

- Framework for coordinated action
- Multiple partners, sectors, and scales
- Goal to reduce risks and impacts of climate change on U.S. natural resources





Goals of the Strategy

1. Conserve and connect habitat
2. Manage species and habitats
3. Enhance management capacity
4. Support adaptive management
5. Increase knowledge and information
6. Increase awareness and motivate action
7. Reduce non-climate stressors

7 Goals
23 strategies
100+ actions
Progress Lists
Case studies





Taking Action

- Describes actions that follow Strategy recommendations
- Focus on partnership across governments and scales
- The collective effort defined by the Strategy is already underway





Taking Action

Subgroup of JIWG Solicited case studies of climate adaptation projects

Total # of Case Studies	Total # of Partners
101	354





Taking Action

Type of Partner	# of Partners
Federal Gov't	19
State Gov't	35
Tribal Gov't	12
Local Gov't	44
NGO	91
Universities	35
Private Landowners/Business	24





Taking Action

Federal Entities	# of Partners
LCCs	8
CSCs	3
National Forests	2
National Parks	15



Taking Action

- Report features 50 of the case studies
- Partner lists for case studies
- Organized into seven chapters, based on goals
- At least one case study for all 23 strategies





Report will be released at
AFWA's Annual Meeting
September 22, 2-5 PM
St. Louis, MO





Roll Out / Communications

- FWS Leads Communications Plan
- News Bulletin
- Talking Points
- Updating WildlifeAdaptationStrategy.gov
- Role for JIWG member organizations and partners?



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Implementation

...We propose to build on these implementation efforts by developing a Workplan describing the key actions that Federal, State, and Tribal agencies will take in FY 2015 to implement the *Strategy*. The proposed FY 2015 Workplan would be organized according to the seven major goals of the *Strategy* and focus on three to five major implementation actions that will be conducted FY 2015 to support each goal. The Workplan would not be intended to capture all agency programs and projects support the *Strategy*, but would identify the major efforts supporting each goal and bring together in a single document a description of the diverse actions of Federal, State and Tribal agencies.



Implementation

The process for developing the FY 2015 Workplan would include several key steps:

- Create a subcommittee of the JIWG with responsibility for developing a draft Workplan;
- Establish Goal Teams for each of the seven goals to identify three to five key actions that agencies plan to implement in support of the goal in FY 2015 and draft short narrative descriptions;
- Assemble an initial Workplan by early November and share this draft document with the JIWG prior to the November meeting;
- Finalize the Workplan at the December meeting of the JIWG and post the approved Workplan on the *Strategy* website.



Implementation

The proposed members of the Workplan Subcommittee, including goal team leads, are:

Goal 1: Conserve habitat to support healthy fish and wildlife populations and ecosystem functions in a changing climate. Goal Lead: DOI; Fish and Wildlife Service; Mark Shaffer

Goal 2: Manage species and habitats to protect ecosystem functions and provide sustainable cultural, subsistence, recreational and commercial use in a changing climate. Goal Lead: NOAA;

Goal 3: Enhance capacity for effective management in a changing climate. Goal Lead: TBD

Goal 4: Support adaptive management in a changing climate through integrated observation and monitoring and use of decision support tools. Goal Lead: TBD

Goal 5: Increase knowledge and information on impacts and responses of fish and wildlife to a changing climate. Goal Lead: TBD

Goal 6: Increase awareness and motivate action to safeguard fish and wildlife in a changing climate. Goal Lead: TBD

Goal 7: Reduce non-climate stressors to help fish and wildlife and ecosystems adapt to a changing climate. Goal Lead and Workplan Subcommittee Chair: Environmental Protection Agency; Jeff Peterson



Implementation

Each member of the Workplan Subcommittee would be asked to identify key implementation actions by his/her agency to implement any of the seven goals and to organize narrative describing key actions for the goal for which they are the lead.

Other members of the JIWG are also invited to join the Workplan Subcommittees



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