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A Symposium on Coping with Climate Change in Sierran Systems: Incorporating Climate into Land and Resource Management and Developing Adaptation Strategies



March 17-18, 2009

Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences,
Incline Village, NV

The measurable effects of climate change have been documented in numerous montane systems throughout the world, including the Sierra Nevada Ecoregion. Although uncertainty remains in predicting how much change will occur and what the ultimate outcomes will be, scientists have begun to move beyond documenting and predicting the effects of climate change. Scientists are now working to develop methods and approaches to incorporate climate into land and resource planning and management. Scientists also have begun to think about the kinds of adaptation strategies land and resource managers could apply in response to the future likely effects of climate change.

Symposium Objectives:

This symposium will present information relevant to the Lake Tahoe Basin forest and Lake Tahoe. Symposium objectives are to:

- Summarize current information about the documented and predicted effects of climate change in the Sierra Nevada Ecoregion.
- Explore the strategic and conceptual framework for incorporating climate into land and resource management in the Tahoe Basin.
- Present and discuss plausible adaptation strategies to cope with climate change.

Who Should Attend?

Managers and staff of land and resource management agencies, regulatory agencies, local government, and public utility districts, representatives of environmental and business organizations, consultants, scientists, and any interested public.

On-Line Registration:

Please register at <http://ucanr.org/climatesymposium> by **March 6, 2009**. Registration is free but required and limited to the first 150 people. For registration information contact Nancy Starr at 530-621-5552 or nancy.starr@co.el-dorado.ca.us. For workshop content information, contact Zach Hymanson at 775-881-7561 or redfir@sbcglobal.net or Susie Kocher at 530-542-2571 or skocher@nature.berkeley.edu. Detailed agenda to follow.

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