

First Friday All Climate Change Talks (FFACCTs)

Hosted by the Eastern Forest Environmental Threat Assessment Center June 1, 2012—11:00 a.m. (ET)

FFACCTs Highlights — Opening remarks by Kier Klepzig, Assistant Station Director, Southern Research Station

South Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative (SALCC) Updates

Ginger Deason, Information Transfer Specialist, Forest Service Liaison

- Contact Ginger (ginger@southatlanticlcc.org) to sign up and to learn more about monthly Brown Bag sessions, Third Thursday web forums, and Newsday Tuesday, a weekly news roundup.
- The National Wildlife Federation recently adopted a resolution in support of LCCs: http://www.nwf.org.
- The Trust for Public Land recently posted a blog about land conservation data and tools: http://www.tpl.org.

Station Updates

Tom Schmidt, Assistant Director, Northern Research Station

- Contact Tom (<u>tschmidt@fs.fed.us</u>) to provide input as NRS makes more data available online. What are the needs and priorities (climatological vs. biological data)?

Kier Klepzig, Assistant Director, Southern Research Station

- Some SRS units are undergoing a review process that involves describing 5-year charters. Contact Scott Goodrick (sgoodrick@fs.fed.us) to provide input on research needs, information gaps, etc. pertaining to the Center for Forest Disturbance Science (http://www.forestdisturbance.net).
- A state line meeting will involve state forestry agencies and cooperators in Texas and Oklahoma to address issues and information needs resulting from recent drought and fires.

National Forest System Updates

David Meriwether, Ecosystems Management Coordinator, Southern Region

- A recent planners' meeting addressed Planning Rule implementation, monitoring expectations, carbon assessment numbers, forest plan updates, and project-level planning based on best available science.
- The El Yunque National Forest is beginning forest plan revisions. Assessment information is being compiled into the Template for Assessing Climate Change Impacts and Management Options (TACCIMO) tool, and plan development will begin next year.
- Materials developed by Steve McNulty (EFETAC) and staff with information for National Forests will also be useful for states as part of the Texas/Oklahoma state line meeting.
- A recent regional science committee meeting focused on wildlife implications and case studies from the Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Management Options project.

Leslie Brandt, Climate Change Specialist, Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science, Eastern Region

- Two new publications have been released: Forest Adaptation Resources: Climate Change Tools and Approaches for Land Managers (http://www.treesearch.fs.fed.us/pubs/40543) and Climate Change Science Applications and Needs in Forest Ecosystem Management: A Workshop Organized as Part of the Northern Wisconsin Climate Change Response Framework Project (http://www.treesearch.fs.fed.us/pubs/40680).

Presentation

- "Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Management Options" – **Jim Vose**, Research Ecologist and Co-Project Leader, Center for Integrated Forest Science and Syntheses, Southern Research Station, Raleigh, NC (<u>presentation archived</u>)

Round Robin

- Kier Klepzig: Visit www.forestthreats.org to read the spring issue of EFETAC's newsletter, Forest ThreatNet.
- Barb Crane (Southern Region geneticist): A two-year project has been finalized and resulted in a manuscript, *Genetic Resource Management and Climate Change: Genetic Options for Adapting National Forests to Climate Change.* More information is available at http://fsweb.wo.fs.fed.us/fm/genetics/index.shtml (internal FS website).

***The next FFACCTs will be held August 3. Please send comments, feedback, and presentation suggestions to Perdita Spriggs, EFETAC, (pspriggs@fs.fed.us) and the FFACCTs webpage for additional information.