

Climate-Ready Workforce Virtual Symposium

December 3, 4, & 5

2 - 5 pm Eastern Time; 12 - 3 pm Mountain Time; 11 am - 2 pm Pacific Time; 1 - 4 pm Central Time; 10 am - 1 pm Alaska Daylight Time; 7 am - 10 am Samoa Standard Time

Attendee Registration Link: [Day One](#)

Break Out Session Links (Grantees Only): [Day Two](#), [Day Three](#)

Goal:

To build a sense of community between awardees and promote future collaborations and partnerships among them and the NOAA team that will ultimately build broader Climate-Ready Workforce initiatives.

Objectives:

1. Create a forum for awardees to meet, share their projects, and learn from each other.
2. Introduce Climate-Ready Workforce awardees to NOAA Sea Grant, Climate Program Office, and the Office for Coastal Management, as well as existing support and programs available to them through the partner offices and other resources.
3. Inform and engage officials from the White House, Department of Commerce, other agencies, Congressional staff, and resilience practitioners.
4. Share ideas about relevant topical areas, such as: in-demand resilience and adaptation skills, wrap-around services, approaches to training, partnerships, and good job placement.

Day 1: Tuesday, December 3 (2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time)

- 2:00 PM** **Remarks from NOAA Leadership**
- Dr. Richard Spinrad, Administrator, NOAA, 15 mins. (10 mins remarks; 5 mins Q/A)
- 2:15 PM** **Welcome and Introductions**
- Grant team - National [Sea Grant](#) Office, 10 min
 - Technical assistance team, 15 min
 - [Climate Program Office](#)
 - [Office of Coastal Management](#)
- 2:40 PM** **Awardee Introduction (7 mins each)**
- Economic Development & Industrial Corporation of Boston; The Greater Boston Coastal Resilience Jobs Alliance
 - Flood Mitigation Industry Association; CREST: The Climate Resilient Skills Training Program
 - Hawaii Sea Grant & American Samoa Community College: Empowering a resilient workforce for American Samoa
 - Ohio State University: Training a climate-ready workforce to manage the impacts of climate change on water resources in Ohio coastal communities

3: 10 PM Break

3:15 PM Awardee Introduction (contd) (7 mins each)

- WA State Board for Community and Technical Colleges; Tribal Stewards: Cultivating Tribal Leadership & Equity in Natural Resource Co-Stewardship & Climate Resilience
- Long Beach City College <Legal Name: Long Beach Community College District>Los Angeles County Climate Ready Employment Council (LACCREC)
- Tribal Government of St. Paul Island; Tribal Government of St. Paul Island; Expanding and Strengthening an Indigenous Workforce for Climate Resilience in Alaska Project
- Protectores de Cuencas Inc.; Climate Resilience Training to Implement Nature-based Solutions in the Caribbean
- Environmental Fund for Texas; Texas Green Workforce Collaborative

3:50 PM Break

4:00 PM Project presentations - 4 presentations (13 mins each)

- Texas Green Workforce Collaborative
- Training a climate-ready workforce to manage the impacts of climate change on water resources in Ohio coastal communities
- Tribal Stewards: Cultivating Tribal Leadership & Equity in Natural Resource Co-Stewardship & Climate Resilience
- Empowering a Resilient Workforce for American Samoa
- Questions

5:00 PM Day one Adjourn

Day 2: Wednesday, December 4 (2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time)

2:00 PM Project presentations - 5 presentations (13 mins each)

- CREST: The Climate Resilient Skills Training Program
- The Greater Boston Coastal Resilience Jobs Alliance
- Los Angeles County Climate Ready Employment Council (LACCREC)
- Climate Resilience Training to Implement Nature-based Solutions in the Caribbean
- Expanding and Strengthening an Indigenous Workforce for Climate Resilience in Alaska Project
- Questions

3:15 PM Break

3:30 PM Partnership Building 1 (Location-based) (Closed Session)

- Urban
 - The Greater Boston Coastal Resilience Jobs Alliance
 - CREST: The Climate Resilient Skills Training Program

- Training a climate-ready workforce to manage the impacts of climate change on water resources in Ohio coastal communities
- Los Angeles County Climate Ready Employment Council (LACCREC)
- Texas Green Workforce Collaborative
- Rural
 - Empowering a resilient workforce for American Samoa
 - Tribal Stewards: Cultivating Tribal Leadership & Equity in Natural Resource Co-Stewardship & Climate Resilience
 - Climate Resilience Training to Implement Nature-based Solutions in the Caribbean
 - Expanding and Strengthening an Indigenous Workforce for Climate Resilience in Alaska Project

4:45 PM Brief Overview: American Climate Corps, Andrea Falken

5:00 PM Day Two Adjourns

Day 3: Thursday, December 5 (2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time)

2:00 PM Partnership Building 2 - All Awardees (Closed Session)

3:30PM Technical Assistance and Training Support (20 min)
Office of Coastal Management and Climate Program Office

3:50 PM Break

4:05 PM Monitoring and Evaluation Discussion (20 min)
Climate Program Office

4:25 PM Feedback and Inquiries

5:00 PM Symposium Adjourns