

Lost in Translation: Linking Climate Science to Local Communities

Prioritizing Research & Communication Needs at the Local Scale in Maryland & the Chesapeake Bay

Monday, April 23, 2012, 8:30 am-4:00 pm

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Agenda

Key Objectives:

- Begin an exchange on experiences, efforts, ideas, and best practices focused on climate change research and community adaptation
- Identify roles that researchers have in climate change adaptation
- Update on Maryland's Climate Change Needs Assessment
- Discuss community engagement and research challenges
- Collaborate on effective climate change communication strategies

8:30	Breakfast and networking (Icebreaker)
9:00	<p>Welcome and Meeting Overview <i>Vicky Carrasco (Coastal Communities Specialist, Maryland Sea Grant Extension)</i></p> <p>University Welcome <i>Dr. Cheng-i Wei (Dean & Director, Agricultural Experiment Station & University of Maryland Extension College of Agriculture & Natural Resources)</i></p>
9:15	<p>Big Pictures <i>Moderator: Sadie Drescher (Center for Watershed Protection)</i> <i>Speakers: Dr. Tony Busalacchi (Director, Earth System Science Interdisciplinary Center, University of Maryland), Dr. Don Boesch (President, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science), and Zoë Johnson (Coastal Planner, Office for a Sustainable Future, Maryland Department of Natural Resources)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Science now and in the future (Dr. Tony Busalacchi) 2. What we need to know: CC in Maryland and the Bay (Dr. Don Boesch) 3. What the network professionals in MD looks like (Zoë Johnson)
10:00	<p>Panel 1: Communities and MD Climate Change Needs Assessment <i>Moderator: Joanne Throwe, UMD Environmental Finance Center</i> <i>Panelists: Vicky Carrasco (UMD), Jeff Allenby (MD DNR), Maia Davis (WACOG), and Ken Henricky –tentative (City of Baltimore)</i></p>
11:00	Roundtable Groups Discussion – Community Needs
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1:00	Group Report Outs
1:30	<p>Panel 2: CC Science and Communication <i>Moderator: Dr. Victoria Coles, UMCES</i> <i>Panelists: Dr. Michael Paolisso, Dr. Victoria Chanse (UMD), and TBD</i></p> <p>Case studies, challenges and what has worked in the past, formats, and most efficient ways of communicating CC adaptation. How to communicate risks? Uncertainty?</p>
2:45	Break
3:00	<p>Group Discussion: Past, Present, Future (future application, translation) <i>Skip Stiles - tentative (Wetlands Watch), Marcus Griswold - tentative (DNR/UMCES) & Audience Participants</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of the day -Role of science and what organizations are doing to help with communication -Bridging gap between communities and researchers -Action items
3:45	Summary, Next Steps, and Forum II
4:00/4:15	Adjourn