

# **Greetings Central Coast Climate Collaborative Members:**

Please review the information and News Blast below for exciting opportunities and events coming up!

Please complete 4C membership equity survey below by Friday, June 25th.

# Take survey

We are working with a team of consultants that will compile the results of the survey and help inform strategic planning and the future of 4C! Your feedback is essential for this process!

As a reminder, your responses are anonymous, and we hope that will allow you the space and comfort to be honest with your feedback. It is okay not to answer perfectly. Any completed survey is incredibly valuable for the future of 4C. We thank you for your time and energy in completing this survey!

As a member of 4C, you are also a member of <u>Alliance of Regional</u> <u>Collaboratives for Climate Adaptation</u> (ARCCA) and are welcome to attend their meetings!

> ARCCA Membership Meeting June 29th, 9AM-12PM Register here

**ARCCA Embedding Equity in Adaptation Learning Seminars** 

# June 2021 4C News Blast REGIONAL UPDATES, UPCOMING GRANTS,

# **EVENTS, AND CURRENT NEWS**

# **Funding & Job Opportunities**

Job: Climate Smart Agriculture Program Manager. Community Environmental Council is seeking an experienced professional to build on our successes in advancing nature-based solutions that reduce carbon emissions from the agricultural sector and protect against the impacts of climate change. Application **open until filled.** For more information and how to apply, click <u>here</u>.

Job: Electric Vehicle Coach. Ventura County Regional Energy Alliance is seeking one to two part-time EV coaches to work closely with VCREA staff as well as interact with County of Ventura staff, city and agency staff, local businesses, and members of the public on various EV-related issues. Application closes on **June 30th**. For more information and how to apply, click <u>here</u>.

Job: Executive Director of Save Our Shores. <u>Save Our Shores</u> is seeking an Executive Director to implement the SOS strategic vision to achieve clean shores, healthy habitats, and living waters across California's central coast. Application closes on **June 25th**. For more information and how to apply, click <u>here.</u>

<u>Climate Action Corps Partner Application</u>. Local Government <u>Commission</u> (LGC) is implementing California <u>Climate Action Corps</u> (CAC), a climate action and community mobilization program focused on greening, wildfire resiliency, and food waste recovery/security. The partner application deadline for the CAC is **June 30, 2021**. However, LGC will continue to hold spots for Tribes until July. More information <u>here</u> and <u>apply here</u>.

### State Water Resources Control Board Prop 68 Grant Funding.

Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) is working on a new program to fund the operations and maintenance (O&M) costs for disadvantaged community (DAC) drinking water systems over three to five years. There is up to approximately \$27.5 million in remaining Proposition 68 Groundwater funds that may be used for this purpose. For consistency with Proposition 68 requirements, the program will be focused on systems that are treating contaminated groundwater. If your organization would like to participate in this important effort to support DAC systems, the first step is to submit a Letter of Interest by **July 12, 2021**. The <u>Request for Letters of Interest</u> has more information.

CalEPA Environmental Justice Small Grants and Funding Opportunities. The California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) is now accepting applications for Environmental Justice Small Grants (2021 Cycle). See Environmental Justice Small Grants Program for more information. Applications due: Friday, August, 13, 2021 at 11:59 PM (PST) via CalEPA Environmental Justice Program or a hard copy to CalEPA Headquarters Building, P.O. Box 2815, Sacramento, CA 95812-2815.

Find more funding resources here

### **Events & Webinars**

Event: At What Point Managed Retreat? Resilience, Relocation and Climate Justice. June 22–June 25. Columbia Climate School and its Earth Institute will host a virtual conference to address a range of scientific, social, policy and governance issues around managed retreat, also known as strategic realignment and planned relocation to help develop a common understanding of this complex issue, and move the needle toward equitable solutions. A major emphasis will be on issues of environmental justice, in recognition that the people most impacted by decisions around retreat have a key role in these conversations. Find the <u>agenda here</u>.

# **Register here**

**Event: California State Adaptation Forum: The Grand Adaptation Challenge.** Kickoff Plenary: A Reason for Hope **June 24, 2021; 8:30– 10AM.** Join climate leaders from across the state for an engaging and newly imagined California Adaptation Forum, taking place virtually June-October 2021, including webinars, and interactive workshops to address key climate challenges faced by California's communities and adaptation practitioners. The California Adaptation Forum (CAF) is hosted by the Local Government Commission, in partnership with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, to foster knowledge exchange, innovation, and mutual support to accelerate climate adaptation efforts and create equitable and resilient communities throughout the state. If cost is a barrier for you to attend, request covering of registration fees <u>here!</u>

**Register here** 

Webinar: A Culture of Resilience: Climate Change Adaptation and California's Tribal Nations. June 24, 2021; 11AM-12PM. The California Coastal Resilience Network will host a presentation from Shasta Gaughen, PhD, Environmental Director/THPO for the Pala Band of Mission Indians California's Tribal Nations have been adapting to cultural and environmental change for millennia. More than two and a half centuries of colonialism and forced assimilation have taken a toll, but Tribal resilience continues to be the pillar that supports Tribal climate change adaptation plans. This webinar will highlight some key examples of how California Tribes are meeting this challenge.

# **Register here**

# Webinar series: CSBPA Webinar #3-Lessons learned on resilience and considerations for future sediment solutions.

June 24, 2021; 12:00–1:15PM. California Shore & Beach Preservation Association (CSBPA) will be hosting the third webinar in a series of interactive online seminars to learn about and discuss California coastal issues. As the first of two events covering lessons learned on resilience and consideration for future sediment solutions, this event will feature talks from Dilip Trivedi (Vice President of Moffatt & Nichol) on Crown Beach flood protection and Marilyn Latta (Project Manager with California State Coastal Conservancy) on oyster reef and eelgrass living shorelines.

# **Register here**

Event: California State Adaptation Strategy 2021 Update Regional Workshops. The Newsom Administration is updating <u>California's</u> <u>State Adaptation Strategy (Strategy)</u>. The goal is to deliver a framework for action that outlines the state's key climate resilience priorities; includes specific and measurable steps; and drives equitable, integrated adaptation across sectors and regions in California. We want your help to ensure the state's Strategy reflects and reinforces regional priorities; draws connections among our collective efforts; and serves as a useful resource for all Californians. Central Coast workshop June 28, 2021; 4–5PM. <u>Register here</u>

**Event Series: Community Energy Resilience Workshop Series.** 

Second Wednesday of May through December 2021 (July 14, August 11, September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8); 10–11:30 AM. There is a wave of state and federal funding on its way to fund local clean energy resiliency projects. This workshop series will enable and empower local communities to take advantage of these upcoming opportunities.

# **Register here**

Event Series: Building an Inclusive and Equitable Adaptation Movement - ARCCA Embedding Equity in Adaptation Learning Seminars. July 20, August 24, and September 9, 2021; 10-11AM. This series will be focused on the intersection of equity and adaptation. The seminars will feature voices from underrepresented communities historically left out of climate conversations and highlight community-led initiatives to advance climate equity and build community resilience. Register to each seminar with the links below. Register for July 20th: here | August 24th: here | September 9th: here

### Event: Join the 12th Annual California Climate & Energy

<u>Collaborative (CCEC) Forum!</u> August 3rd–19th. This event will bring together climate leaders from across the state of California. It is a great opportunity to learn about emerging trends and efficient practices within the field of climate work. We hope that you will join us this August! For past CCEC Forum resources, see <u>here</u>.

For more events please check out <u>ARCCA's Adaptation Calendar</u> or <u>Tri-County Regional Energy Network's Events and Trainings</u> <u>Calendar</u> *All event times in PDT* 

### In case you missed it...

Webinar Series: CA Fire Science Seminar Series. This online seminar series will cover the breadth of wildland fire research relevant to California and introduce researchers to new topics and research groups across the state. Topics will include fire weather, wildfire risk, fire ecology, remote sensing, emissions, fire dynamics, fire modeling, and public health. Watch webinar recordings: <u>here</u>.

<u>Webinar Series: Climate-Safe California</u>. View all webinars of the Climate-Safe California webinar series that dives into the science, economics, policy, and technical aspects of the Climate Center's <u>Climate-Safe California platform</u>.

Webinar Series: Tribal Wellbeing Adaptation. The Pala Band of Mission Indians' Tribal Climate Health Project invites tribal-serving professionals across the US to participate in a training mini-series titled "Getting Ahead of Climate Trauma." Watch the recordings of the sessions <u>here</u>.

### The latest in climate news...

How Returning Lands to Native Tribes is Helping Protect Nature. Yale Environment 360. From California to Maine, land is being given back to Native American tribes who are committing to managing it for conservation. Some tribes are using traditional knowledge, from how to support wildlife to the use of prescribed fires, to protect their ancestral grounds.

#### California and the West Are in for Another Tough Fire Year,

Federal Officials Forecast. LA Times. After a 2020 fire season that shattered records and killed 33 people in California, federal wildfire experts predict another tough one for the state due to widespread and worsening drought conditions. Interior Secretary Deb Haaland and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack told reporters Thursday that they had been briefed by government wildfire experts at the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho, to expect another extremely active fire season complicated, for the second year, by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. With nearly half of the United States gripped by a severe drought, officials said that Americans living throughout much of the West should plan for a year of "above average wildfire potential."

### 74% of California and 52% of the Western U.S. Now in

**'Exceptional' Drought**. *SF Chronicle*. Drought conditions in California remain at record highs, with most of the state now classified in "extreme" or "exceptional" drought, reflecting conditions across the Southwest, according to a new report from climate scientists. Much of the Bay Area and the northern Central Valley have been included in the most severe "exceptional drought" zone, along with much of southeast California, the U.S. Drought Monitor reported.

What Is a 'Just Transition,' and Why Do We Need One? Yale *Climate Connections.* Twenty-four-year-old Nikayla Jefferson has grown up in an age of heat, drought, and fire. She wants to build a bridge to a better world. Season 2 of FEMA Region 9's #LevelUpAudio Project is now available! As an audio series developed for hazard mitigation and climate adaptation professionals, the series features stories, case studies, and best practices to inspire action. From green infrastructure projects mitigating extreme heat in Tempe, Arizona, to behavioral science insights that can encourage flood mitigation, there is so much to learn. Listen here or on Apple Podcasts, Blubrry, Spotify and Stitcher.

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