

Symposium on Sea-Level Rise in California

Friday, October 26, 2012 | 10:00am-3:00pm

At the Observation Post in the Presidio

Graham St and Lincoln Blvd, San Francisco
(located behind the Transit Cafe, formerly La Terrasse)

Agenda

- 9:30 Registration, Refreshments, and Café Set-Up**
- 10:00 Welcome and Symposium Overview**
Symposium moderator: Rebecca Smyth, Division Chief for Regional Coastal Services, NOAA Coastal Services Center
Welcome: Charles Lester, Executive Director, California Coastal Commission
- 10:15 Findings and California Highlights of the National Research Council's (NRC) Report *Sea-Level Rise for the Coasts of California, Oregon, and Washington: Past, Present, and Future***
Dr. Gary Griggs, Director, Institute of Marine Sciences at University of California, Santa Cruz and NRC Scientific Committee Member
- 11:00 Updates on California Sea-Level Rise and Adaptation Guidance**
Michael McCormick, Local and Regional Affairs Policy Advisor and Senior Planner, Governor's Office of Planning and Research
Amy Vierra, Ocean and Coastal Policy Analyst, California Natural Resources Agency
- 12:15 Networking Lunch** (Boxed lunch will be provided)
- 1:00 Sorting Through the Toolbox: An Introduction to Finding and Selecting Tools for Climate Change Adaptation Planning**
John Rozum, EBM Tools Training Coordinator, NatureServe and NOAA Coastal Services Center
- 1:30 Visualizing and Preparing for Sea-Level Rise: A Tools and Projects Café**
- 2:15 Announcements and Next Steps for Progress**
- 2:50 Closing Remarks**
Cat Kuhlman, Deputy Secretary for Ocean and Coastal Matters, California Natural Resources Agency

Symposium Objectives:

- Enhance resource managers' knowledge of sea-level rise and promote a clear and consistent understanding of the recent National Research Council report findings
- Reduce confusion on the State's multiple guidance resources by providing clarity on the purpose and status of efforts underway to guide adaptation and response to sea-level rise
- Provide opportunities for personal interactions with people developing sea-level rise information, resources, and visualization tools and increase familiarity with current sea-level rise adaptation efforts underway
- Increase communication and coordination on coastal adaptation by providing a venue for resource managers to meet with others working on sea-level rise and related issues at the State and Federal levels

The NRC report *Sea-Level Rise for the Coasts of California, Oregon, and Washington: Past, Present, and Future* is available online at http://www.nap.edu/catalog.php?record_id=13389.

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