Accelerating Solutions for a Resilient Coast

Virtual Conference
March 22 and 23, 2022

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Virtual Conference:  
**Accelerating Solutions for a Resilient Coast**

Participants will build understanding on how regions, states, and tribes are bringing together diverse stakeholders to accelerate solutions that create and leverage results for the coast, helping communities, ecosystems, and economies be more resilient to climate change.

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Specifically, participants will gain insight related to:

- **Emerging coastal issues** like resilient ports, restorative aquaculture, contaminated coastal lands and Superfund sites, and shoreline adaptive management

- **Regional models** demonstrating accelerated on-the-ground application and uptake of coastal solutions

- **Inclusive, equitable** planning, access, capacity building, and job training

- **Funding for climate adaptation** and increasing the pace and scale of the permitting process to allow adaptation projects to occur more quickly, simply, and cost-effectively

- **Innovative insurance and financing** solutions
DAY 1
MARCH 22, 2022
9:00AM – 1:30PM PST

9:00AM – 9:05AM Conference Welcome and Ancestral Lands Acknowledgement
  • Tegan Hoffmann, Executive Director, Coastal Quest
  • Gabriella Lassos, Tongva, Program Associate, Sacred Places Institute for Indigenous Peoples

9:05AM – 9:30AM Keynote Presentation
  • Laura Petes, Chief of Staff for Climate & Environment, Assistant Director for Climate Resilience, White House Office of Science & Technology Policy

9:30AM – 10:15AM Federal Funding Priorities to Accelerate Coastal Resilience
  • Becky Smyth, West Coast Director, Office for Coastal Management, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
  • John Powderly, Grants and Planning Outreach Specialist, Region 9 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Branch, Federal Emergency Management Agency
  • Asia King, Economic Development Representative, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce

10:15AM – 10:20 AM 5-minute break

10:20AM – 11:05AM Capacity Building – North America Regional Case Studies
  • Sanjay Seth, Climate Resilience Program Manager, Environmental Department, City of Boston
  • Christine Shepard, Director of Science, Gulf of Mexico Program, The Nature Conservancy
  • Lindsay Brugger, Vice President of the Urban Resilience Program, Urban Land Institute

11:05AM – 11:50AM Growing the Understanding – Resilient Ports
  • Adrienne Newbold, Senior Civil Engineer, The Port of Los Angeles
  • Carol Bach, Environmental and Regulatory Affairs Manager, Port of San Francisco
  • Terry Tamminen, Chief Executive Officer, AltaSea

11:50AM – 11:55AM 5-minute break

11:55AM – 12:40PM Restorative Aquaculture
  • Robert Jones, Global Lead, Aquaculture, Provide Food and Water Team, The Nature Conservancy
  • Dune Lankard, Chief Executive Officer/Founder, Native Conservancy
  • Marilyn Latta, Project Manager, California State Coastal Conservancy
  • Jenn Eckerle, Deputy Director, Ocean Protection Council

12:40PM – 1:25PM Contaminated Coastal Lands and Superfund Sites
  • Casey Luckett Snyder, Superfund Redevelopment Program Manager, Superfund Redevelopment Program, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  • David Flores, Senior Policy Analyst, The Center for Progressive Reform
  • Carmen Ramirez, Supervisor, County of Ventura, District 5

1:25PM – 1:30PM Closing
DAY 2
MARCH 23, 2022
9:00AM – 2:00PM PST

9:00AM – 9:05AM  Conference Day 2 Welcome and Ancestral Lands Acknowledgement
• Tegan Hoffmann, Executive Director, Coastal Quest
• Gabriella Lassos, Tongva, Program Associate, Sacred Places Institute for Indigenous Peoples

9:05AM – 9:50AM  California’s State Funding Priorities to Accelerate Coastal Resilience
• Mark Gold, Executive Director, Ocean Protection Council
• Amy Hutzel, Executive Officer, California State Coastal Conservancy
• Nuin-Tara Key, Deputy Director for Climate Resilience, Governor’s Office of Office of Planning and Research

9:50AM – 10:35AM  Resilient Tribal Coastal Lands
• Ralph Wolfe, Director, Sustainable Southeast Partnership
• Desireé Renée Martinez, President, Cogstone Resource Management
• Angela Mooney D’Arcy, Acjachemen, Executive Director & Founder, Sacred Places Institute for Indigenous Peoples

10:35AM – 10:40AM  5-minute break

10:40AM – 11:25AM  Capacity Building – California Regional Case Studies
• Julio Garcia, Director and Founder, Rise South City
• Darbi Berry, Director, San Diego Regional Climate Collaborative
• Jasneet Sharma, Director for the Office of Sustainability, County of Santa Clara

11:25AM – 12:10PM  Insurance and Financing Solutions
• John Moon, Vice President Climate Aligned Philanthropy, Wells Fargo & Co
• Ricardo Lara, Commissioner, California Department of Insurance
• Kristen Pawling, Sustainability Program Director, Chief Sustainability Office, Los Angeles County

12:10PM – 12:15PM  5-minute break

12:15PM – 1:00PM  Shoreline Adaptive Management
• A.R. Siders, Assistant Professor, University of Delaware
• Gary Griggs, Professor, University of California, Santa Cruz
• Michelle Succow, Environmental Scientist, California State Parks

1:00PM – 1:45PM  Cutting the Green Tape
• Jennifer Norris, Deputy Secretary for Biodiversity and Habitat, California Natural Resource Agency
• Luisa Valiela, Environmental Protection Specialist, Environmental Protection Agency
• Letitia Grenier, Program Director, Senior Scientist, San Francisco Estuary Institute
• Evyan Sloane, Deputy Program Manager, San Francisco Bay Area Program, State Coastal Conservancy

1:45PM – 1:55PM  Closing
• Charles Lester, Director, Ocean and Coastal Policy Center, Marine Science Institute, University of California, Santa Barbara

1:55PM – 2:00PM  Thank you
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