

# Considering Climate Change in Land Acquisition Planning Program Managers' Meeting

*March 1, 2011, 9:30-11:30am*  
*Meeting Room: Glover Park*  
*Dupont Hotel*  
*1500 New Hampshire Avenue NW*  
*Washington D.C. 20036, USA*

## Objectives:

- To provide updates on current NOAA efforts to incorporate climate change-related considerations into land acquisition planning and project selection
- To identify and discuss barriers in the development of guidance to consider climate impacts in coastal land acquisition programs
- To identify key considerations and recommendations to NOAA for moving forward in the development of climate guidance for CELCP

## Agenda:

9:30am – 10:15am **Welcome & Introductions**

### **Overview and update on NOAA's effort to develop climate investment guidance**

*Kate Barba, Division Chief, National Policy and Evaluation Division,  
Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOAA*

10:15am – 11:10am **Small Group Discussions**

- **Round-the-table: Do you currently consider climate change/incorporate climate change information in your land acquisition planning, and if so, how?**
- **How should climate change be considered in the context of existing priorities?**  
*E.g., should climate change adaptation be treated as a priority unto itself in assessing priorities for land acquisition?*  
*Or, should resource managers consider the impacts of climate change (e.g., sea level rise, species migration, changes in water quantity/quality) in the context of current land acquisition priorities, or both?*  
*What are the implications for programs based on these different approaches?*

- **What are some elements or criteria that could be included in program guidance or funding opportunity notices for coastal land acquisition programs?**  
*E.g., how can funding programs support and encourage applicants to consider climate impacts in land acquisition planning and project selection? A “best practices” guide, a “how-to” manual, or something in between?*
- **What level of information is needed and/or feasible?**  
*E.g., what information and/or tools are used/needed to consider climate change impacts in your land acquisition planning and project selection? In the absence of complete information, what level of information is adequate and reasonable to demonstrate that climate change has been considered in land conservation plans and project applications? What kind of information is reasonable/feasible for program funders to provide in support of climate-related acquisition? What information is reasonable to ask applicants to provide to demonstrate that climate change has been considered?*
- **Should climate impacts be considered on a regional scale? If so, how? How can we engage DOI’s Landscape Conservation Cooperatives (LCC)’s in supporting coastal conservation planning for CELCP?**

11:10am – 11:25am **Report out/ Discussion**

11:25am – 11:30am **Closing remarks/ Next steps**

*Donna Wieting, Acting Director  
Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOAA*

11:30am **Adjourn**