



Safeguarding California: Preparing for Climate Risks
an update to the 2009 California Climate Adaptation Strategy
Request for Input

The California Natural Resources Agency invites you to submit comments on the DRAFT **Safeguarding California: Reducing Climate Risk**-an update to the 2009 California Climate Adaptation Strategy. Comments can be submitted in person at one of our public workshops, electronically to safeguarding@resources.ca.gov, or via regular mail. Public workshops are intended to provide opportunities for in person input on the draft document. The workshops are open to the public and full participation by all parties is encouraged.

Background Information:

California is taking aggressive and bold action to reduce GHG emissions but no matter how quickly we reduce our climate polluting emissions, climate impacts will still occur. Many impacts – increased fires, floods, severe storms and heat waves – are already occurring and will only become more frequent and more dangerous. But there are many things we can do to protect against climate risks. Taking steps now to adapt to climate change will protect public health and safety, our economy and our future.

In 2009, the state released one of the first multi-sector climate adaptation strategies in the country. Since then, our understanding of climate risks has evolved and our strategies for responding to these risks have also evolved - making it an ideal time to update and supplement the 2009 approach and continue to build a collective vision for preparing for climate risks. The California Natural Resources Agency in coordination with other state agencies has drafted the new Safeguarding California Plan. This update will build upon previously identified strategies in light of advances in climate science and risk management strategies.

Input Sought:

As part of the process for creating the Safeguarding California plan, the California Natural Resources Agency seeks public input on the draft plan that will be available at http://resources.ca.gov/climate_adaptation/ on December 10, 2013.

How to Provide Input

Suggestions may be submitted in person at the public meetings or electronically to safeguarding@resources.ca.gov. While electronic submission is preferred, suggestions may also be mailed or hand delivered to:

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Please submit all suggestions by February 28, 2014

For more information: http://resources.ca.gov/climate_adaptation/