



Public Workshop: Listening Session on Extreme Heat
March 26th, 2021
1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

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Welcome and Opening Remarks

Nuin-Tara Key, Deputy Director for Climate Resilience, CA Governor's Office of Planning and Research

Amanda Hansen, Deputy Secretary for Climate Change, CA Natural Resources Agency

Local Government Perspective on Extreme Heat

Gary Gero, Chief Sustainability Officer, County of Los Angeles

Jacob Alvarez, Assistant to the City Manager, City of Coachella

Listening Sessions 1: Scoping a State Framework on Extreme Heat (60 min)

Breakout Room Discussion Questions:

1. How does extreme heat impact your region, and what are your most urgent concerns?
2. What are key pillars of a successful state framework for responding and adapting to extreme heat, and how can such a framework most usefully support local and regional action?
3. What will gradually increasing temperatures mean for your region, and what actions are needed now to build long-term resilience?
4. What is the role of the state in addressing extreme heat, and who else needs to take action and how?

Listening Session 2: Role of Nature-Based Solutions in Cooling Communities and Building Resilience (60 min)

Breakout Room Discussion Questions:

1. What nature-based solutions best protect communities from extreme heat, and what other benefits do they deliver?
2. Please share the most significant barriers to implementing these solutions, and if possible, recommendations to address them.
3. How can actions to accelerate the uptake of nature-based solutions in California communities strategically support low-income, disadvantaged and vulnerable populations?
4. Are there workforce needs and opportunities in this sector?

General Public Comment

Wrap Up & Adjourn