

Drought to Flood Symposium: Building Resilience for California's Climate Extremes

AGENDA 10/17/2022

- 8:30 a.m. Doors Open**
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome**
Mike Anderson, Ph.D., State Climatologist
- 9:05 a.m. Opening Remarks**
Karla Nemeth, Director, California Department of Water Resources
- 9:15 a.m. Keynote Address**
F. Martin Ralph, Ph.D., Director, Center for Western Weather and Water Extremes, Scripps Institution of Oceanography
- 9:35 a.m. Presentation: ARkStorms and California Megafloods**
Daniel Swain, Ph.D., Climate Scientist, Institute of the Environment and Sustainability, University of California, Los Angeles
- 9:45 a.m. Panel Discussion: Climate Change Extremes and the Impacts on California's Communities**
Moderated by Bianca Sievers, Deputy Director for Special Initiatives, California Department of Water Resources
Panelists:
 - Rey Leon, Mayor, City of Huron, CA
 - Justine Massey, Policy Manager and Attorney, Community Water Center
 - Ivan Senock, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer and Cultural Resources Director, Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians
 - Mark Strudley, Ph.D., Executive Director, Pajaro Regional Flood Management Agency
- 10:30 a.m. Short Break**
- 10:40 a.m. Panel Discussion: Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations (FIRO): A science-driven flood and water supply management approach**
Moderated by Mike Anderson, Ph.D., State Climatologist
Panelists:
 - Michael Dettinger, Ph.D., Hydroclimatologist, Center for Western Weather and Water Extremes, Scripps Institution of Oceanography
 - Joe Forbis, Chief, Water Management, Sacramento District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 - Adam Hutchinson, Recharge Planning Manager, Orange County Water District
 - John James, Director of Natural Resource Planning, Yuba Water Agency
- 11:25 a.m. Short Break**
- 11:35 a.m. Panel Discussion: Building Resilience and the Partnerships to Make it Happen**
Moderated by Kris Tjernell, Deputy Director, Integrated Watershed Management, California Department of Water Resources
Panelists:
 - John Cain, Senior Director of Conservation, River Partners
 - Jane Dolan, President, Central Valley Flood Protection Board
 - Chris Elias, Executive Director, San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency
 - Alicia Kirchner, Chief of the Sacramento District Planning Division for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 - Gary Lippner, Deputy Director of Flood Management and Dam Safety, California Department of Water Resources
- 12:20 p.m. Concluding Remarks**
Karla Nemeth, Director, California Department of Water Resources
- 12:30 p.m. Adjourn / Informal Discussion Opportunity**