

The Future of Fire and Fuels Management: Adapting Fuels Treatments in a Changing Climate

Monday, April 11, 2016

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Location:

Oregon Convention Center; 777 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd; Portland, OR

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This workshop culminates the [Available Science Assessment Project \(ASAP\)](#), sponsored by the Northwest Climate Science Center (NW CSC), through which EcoAdapt and the Institute for Natural Resources are evaluating the science behind fire and fuels management climate adaptation actions in Northwest national forests, with a focus on prescribed fire. This project focused on Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and western Montana forests, but findings may be more broadly applicable. The workshop builds on interviews with national forest managers who manage resources under shifting fire regimes, a systematic mapping of relevant literature, and an earlier science review panel discussion of the state of the science behind prescribed fire use under changing climate conditions. We are now bringing managers and scientists together for broader discussions regarding fuels management in the context of climate change.

Workshop Objectives:

- Document knowledge of how fuels management is changing in response to shifts in climate and fire regimes;
- Explore opportunities for further integration of scientific research and climate-informed management;
- Discuss agency plans and priorities for managing fire (with specific reference to the role of prescribed fire) under changing climate conditions;
- Describe the intended management application of desired future research and products on fire and fuels management;
- Develop partnerships between fire experts and forest/fire managers to ensure future research is addressing specific management needs;
- Explore and develop new methods for managing fire and fuels in a changing climate; and
- Help identify and refine funding priorities in the area of fire regimes and climate change.

AGENDA	
8:45	Coffee and sign in <i>Please register at the conference check-in booth if you have not already done so.</i>
9:00	Welcome and Meeting Objectives
9:10	Introductions & Energizer
9:30	Presentation: ASAP Project Background & Process Review
9:45	Presentation: Reviewing the ASAP findings – what does the literature say?
10:00	Group Discussion: Prescribed fire scientific consensus
10:45	Break
11:00	Group Discussion: Incorporating climate change into prescribed fire application
12:30	Lunch: on your own <i>Suggested Options:</i> Citizen Baker, 1089 NE Grand Ave (~7 minute walk) Burgerville, 1135 NE MLK Jr Blvd (~5 minute walk) Altabira, 1021 NE Grand Street Suite 600 (~6 minute walk) J Café, 533 NE Holladay Suite 101 (~6 minute walk)
1:30	Solutions Room discussion
3:30	Break
3:45	Group Discussion: Incorporating climate change into fire and fuels management, reflecting on Solutions Room discussions
4:30	Group Discussion: Identifying critical research and management questions
4:50	Next steps and adjourn

More information on the Available Science Assessment Project may be found at:
<http://ecoadapt.org/programs/state-of-adaptation/asap>.