

2014 CDFW Climate College Lecture #1

Title: Climate Science and California's Marine Resource Policies

Speakers: John Laird, Secretary for Natural Resources
Chuck Bonham, Director, California Department of Fish and Wildlife
Catherine Kuhlman, Executive Director, California Ocean Protection Council
Skyli McAfee, Executive Director, California Ocean Science Trust

Date: February 10, 2014 (Monday)

Time: 2:00PM – 4:00PM

Location: Natural Resources Agency building Auditorium

WebEx: Lecture also available to view via WebEx. We encourage CDFW staff participating remotely to watch the lectures together by reserving a conference room with DSL. The powerpoint presentation will be posted in advance to minimize interruption for remote users due to WebEx or bandwidth complications.

Registration for Lecture #1

[CDFW STAFF CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#) - Please register at least two days prior to the lecture.

[ALL OTHER PARTICIPANTS](#): If you are not a CDFW staff member please provide your name, email address, organization, and if you intend to participate in-person or via WebEx.

Speaker Biography:

Catherine Kuhlman:

Cat Kuhlman was appointed in April 2012 by Governor Brown to serve as the Deputy Secretary for Ocean and Coastal Matters at the Resources Agency and as the Executive Director to the Ocean Protection Council. Previously Cat was the Executive Director for the North Coast Water Quality Control Board, which is responsible for protecting and restoring water quality on the North Coast, including the coastline and major rivers from the Russian to the Smith. Before coming to the Board, Cat worked for the U.S. EPA managing diverse environmental problems along the U.S. Mexico border as well as a wide variety of federal water programs including the Clean Water, Safe Drinking Water Act and Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act. A water enthusiast, Cat has written papers on international environmental issues, and water quality standards.

Skyli McAfee:

Skyli McAfee leads the California Ocean Science Trust (OST), a 501(c)3 organization dedicated to supporting California's ocean and coastal management with robust, transparent and independent science. A true 'boundary organization', OST is funded by state, federal and private sources, and is accountable to both the State and scientific community. In her capacity as executive director of OST, McAfee serves also as the Science Advisor to the Ocean Protection Council and co-chairs the OPC Science Advisory Team. McAfee serves on many boards and advisory committees, and was recently appointed to the Fish and Wildlife Strategic Vision Blue Ribbon Citizen Commission. Before joining OST, McAfee served as Assistant Director at UC Davis' Bodega Marine Laboratory where she oversaw complex operations in support of marine science, built durable partnerships with state and federal entities and helped to strategically position BML as a leader in marine climate change research. Ms. McAfee received her undergraduate degree from University of California, Santa Barbara in Aquatic

Biology and a Master's degree from Moss Landing Marine Laboratories, where she studied the community ecology of reef fishes in the San Blas Archipelago, Panama.

Optional additional webinars:

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service [Climate Academy](#) – archived webinars



ITEP is planning 2 **Tribal Climate Change Webinar Series** for this spring: 1) a 4-part webinar series, tentatively in March and April, will focus on impacts of climate change in the Pacific Northwest. We are collaborating with Kathy Lynn at the University of Oregon and the USDA Forest Service Pacific Northwest Research Station and have received input from the Pacific Northwest Tribal Climate Change Network; and 2) a 4-part webinar series in May and June, intended for a national tribal audience, will focus on climate change impacts, traditional knowledge and climate change, and communicating about climate change. More information about the two webinar series will be available in the coming months.

The **Events page on the Tribes & Climate Change website** is in calendar format: www4.nau.edu/tribalclimatechange/events.asp.