

# USGCRP Advisory Committee

## Fall 2023 Meeting: Open Sessions

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023**

### Purpose

- Inform USGCRP planning and considerations for coordinated federal climate services, with particular attention to 1) who is involved in climate services, and 2) how to integrate evaluation and iterative learning throughout these activities.
- Build a foundation for ongoing climate services engagement between USGCRP and the Advisory Committee

### OPEN SESSION: Climate Services

<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Welcome</b>	Jerry Melillo Chair USGCRP Advisory Committee
<b>1:10 PM</b>	<b>Climate Services: History and Context</b>	
	▪ Thomas Karl, Climate and Weather, LLC ▪ Julian Reyes, USGCRP	
	<i>Moderator: Jerry Melillo</i>	
<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Climate Services: Translators and Learning from User Needs</b>	
	▪ Heidi Roop, Director, Univ of Minnesota Climate Adaptation Partnership ▪ Beth Gibbons, Farallon Strategies	
	<i>Moderator: Phil Mote, USGCRP Advisory Committee Member</i>	
<b>2:50 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Climate Services: Sectoral perspective and experience—Water Resources</b>	
	▪ Kavita Heyn, Portland (OR) Water Bureau; Staff chair, Water Utility Climate Alliance ▪ Tirusew Asefa, Tampa Bay Water; Chair, Florida Water and Climate Alliance ▪ Brad Udall, Colorado State University	
	<i>Moderator: Julie Vano, USGCRP Advisory Committee Member</i>	

4:00 PM	<b>Climate Services Session: Incorporating Evaluation and Iterative Learning</b>	
	▪ Allison Meadow, University of Arizona	
	▪ Rebecca Richards-Kortum, Rice University	
<i>Moderator: Deb Niemeier, USGCRP Advisory Committee Member</i>		
4:50	<b>Closing Remarks, Overview of Day 2</b>	<b>Jerry Melillo</b>
5:00 PM	<b>Adjourn</b>	

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023

### Purpose

- Consider the purpose, history, value, and current context of 'Scientific Assessments' under the GCRA
- Provide insights to USGCRP on considerations for NCA6 planning, and links to related assessments and initiatives
- Build a foundation for an ongoing discussion of NCA6 between the Advisory Committee and USGCRP

### OPEN SESSION: Program Updates from USGCRP and the National Academies

9:00 AM ET	<b>USGCRP Program Updates</b>	<b>USGCRP Staff</b>
10:00 AM	<b>NASEM Updates</b>	Tom Thornton, BECS Steven Stichter, BASC

### OPEN SESSION: Foundations for the 6<sup>th</sup> National Climate Assessment

11:00 AM	<b>Global Change Research Act Scientific Assessments</b>	
	▪ Joel Smith, USGCRP Advisory Committee	
	▪ Robert Corell, Climate and Weather LLC	
	▪ Susan Hassol, Climate Communication	
12:00 PM	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:00 PM	<b>Foundations for NCA6—challenges and uses</b>	
	▪ Allison Crimmins, USGCRP	
	▪ Kathy Jacobs, University of Arizona	
	▪ USGCRP Advisory Committee member perspectives	
1:50 PM	<b>NCA6 Considerations</b>	
	Open discussion of challenges and responses for consideration for NCA6.	
3:10 PM	<b>Closing Observations</b>	<b>Jerry Melillo</b>
3:30 PM	<b>MEETING ADJOURNS</b>	