

# Adaptation Notes

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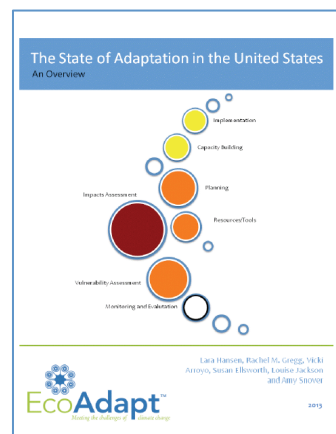
### Big News

The [Inaugural National Adaptation Forum: Action Today for a Better Tomorrow](#) was a standing room only, sold out success. Around 500 adaptation practitioners from around the country convened in Denver to move toward adaptation action. Hope you made it!



Happy May Day!  
No, we're not going to ramble on about the mayday call of climate change, rather we're going to share with you a frenzy of early spring activity that overtook the EcoAdapt hive these past few months. Check it all out in this latest update.

Between the Forum, a new report (↑), an array of regional workshops and a growing body of collaborations we've got a lot to tell you!



- Adaptation in America
- Inaugural success
- Sierra Nevada Vulnerability Assessed
- CAKE's latest hit!

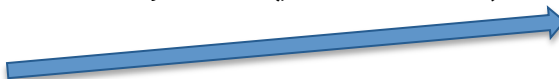
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Coming up!

If you missed the National Adaptation Forum, don't fret! There are plenty more opportunities to plug into the EcoAdapt experience and your climate adaptation community. Check out the [Upcoming Events](#) feature on our website.

Adaptation Reflections on National Poetry Month (just last month!)

Roses are red,  
Those rocks are blue!  
Like it or not,  
Adaptation is all about you!



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## State of Adaptation

Ever wonder what others are doing about climate change? Read more in *The State of Adaptation in the United States: An Overview!*

Building upon our regional surveys of marine and coastal North America, western United States and Canada, and the Great Lakes region, EcoAdapt collaborated with colleagues at the Climate Impacts Group, Georgetown Climate Center, and the University of California-Davis to create an overview of adaptation in the United States. The [report](#) provides examples of on-the-ground efforts, challenges, and, more importantly, opportunities for agriculture, cities, and natural resources!



### Upcoming A2A workshops:

- Sky Island Alliance, Tucson, AZ May
- Sierra Nevada/CA LCC, Sacramento, CA June
- Great Northern LCC, Bozeman, MT June
- Tongass National Forest, TBD June

## Awareness to Action

### Inaugural National Adaptation Forum

EcoAdapt led the creation of the [Inaugural National Adaptation Forum](#) held in Denver 2-4 April 2013. We hope many of you found your way there. If you didn't you can still learn about what happened by reviewing the program, watching the taped plenaries, checking out the presentations (as their PDFs become available), or following up on people and projects through their CAKE profiles. Plans are afoot for a Regional Adaptation Forum in California in 2014 and the Second National Adaptation Forum in 2015! Get them on your calendar now.

## Adaptation Consultation

### Looking at Vulnerabilities of Sierra Nevada Resources

EcoAdapt, in partnership with the Geos Institute and U.S. Forest Service, led the first of two workshops to assess the vulnerability of a suite of Sierra Nevada focal resources (ecosystems, species, and ecosystem services) to climate change. The [workshop](#) was attended by a spectrum of land management and conservation interests who collectively evaluated the vulnerability of 8 ecosystems, 13 species, and 5 ecosystem services to climate and non-climate stressors. The results of the workshop will be incorporated directly into the Forest Service Bioregional Assessment, and inform individual forest assessments and other regional planning processes.



## Climate Adaptation Knowledge Exchange (CAKE)

### Fostering a Climate-Informed Community Perspective in the Great Lakes

Freshwater Future developed the [Great Lakes Community Climate Program](#) to provide training and support so community groups can incorporate climate adaptation into their work. The program includes three components: training, a toolkit, and grants. Freshwater Future partnered with EcoAdapt to offer climate symposia in the Great Lakes region and to develop a [Great Lakes Climate Adaptation Toolkit](#). The symposia provide training to help community groups understand how to approach their work with a climate-informed perspective. The toolkit is a resource that workshop participants can use to share what they've learned with partners. The climate grants program offers funding to implement adaptation activities in Great Lakes communities.

