

## Greetings Central Coast Resilience Practitioner:

Read the 4C newsletter for the latest in climate news, events, and initiatives.

If you like what you see here, consider joining the Central Coast Climate Collaborative (4C)! We welcome new members as we continue to develop exciting projects and initiatives.

## Why join 4C?

Benefits of Membership include:

- ❖ Network with climate leaders and practitioners in the Central Coast region
- ❖ Exchange knowledge re: best practices, replicable strategies and innovative solutions on climate mitigation and adaptation
- ❖ Support regional grant funding proposals and initiatives
- ❖ Find up-to-date climate change news, resources, opportunities, events
- ❖ Engage to align state, regional, and local efforts: research and applied science, policies, programs, plans, strategies, projects, and management actions
- ❖ Expand leadership and awareness on climate action and adaptive solutions
- ❖ Participate in working groups on equity and environmental justice, higher education, and sea level rise, and more

\*We have a sliding scale for membership dues depending on size and type of organization. Social and environmental justice groups join for free!

See [Membership Form](#) for details.

## **A word on the current state of events from 4C:**

*The Central Coast Climate Collaborative supports engagement and action on issues that intersect socio-economic equity and climate justice. During this important and challenging time of awakening to systemic racial injustice, we stand in solidarity with all who advocate for a more just, fair, healthy and equal society. This is not an isolated fight - it must strive for equitable and community-based climate mitigation and adaptation efforts, access to nature for all, and a place at the table for all voices. We are committed to sharing information to strengthen the connections among these intersecting issues and to taking proactive actions as a collaborative. Below are a few useful resources. There are many more. We encourage you to send articles and resources to [centralcoastclimate@gmail.org](mailto:centralcoastclimate@gmail.org) to share out to 4C newsletter recipients.*

- A Word with Wade: [Secretary Crowfoot's Blog about Moving Forward Toward Justice and Equity](#)
- A New Yorker editorial by Bill McKibben about [Intersectional Environmentalism: the link between climate and racial justice](#)
- Barack Obama's editorial in The Medium: [How to Make this Moment the Turning Point for Real Change](#)
- [How Racism is Changing the World](#), from The Sierra Club
- Washington Post editorial: [I'm a black climate expert. Racism derails our efforts to save the planet](#)
- Climate Planning in Minneapolis: [How a Climate Plan in Minneapolis Fostered Racial Divisions](#) from Energy News Network (via CEC)

## REGIONAL UPDATES, UPCOMING GRANTS, EVENTS AND CURRENT NEWS:

### The latest in climate news...

- **Welcome to 4C's newest member: County of Monterey Sustainability Program!!**
- **Caltrans District 5 Draft Vulnerability Assessment** published and available for review/use. Overview of environmental and transportation infrastructure stressors. [More info here.](#)
- **Central Coast Highway 1 Climate Resiliency Draft Study Report** released for 30-Day public review - open until June 11, 2020. The draft report, appendices, and details on comment submission are linked [here](#).
- **Need some extra help on your climate projects? A CivicSpark Fellow** might be a fit for you! CivicSpark is an AmeriCorps program administered by LGC to support climate and resiliency projects across the state. CivicSpark has been a backbone for many communities to further their climate initiatives and while project slots typically fill up early, we are seeing a gap for the upcoming service year (Sep. 2020 - Aug 2021) due to COVID/budget impacts to local governments.
- **NOAA's National Marine Sanctuary Program** is reviewing a nomination for a new Marine Sanctuary from the Northern Chumash Tribal Council. The new sanctuary, known as the [Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary](#) (CHNMS), is under a [5 year review](#) for acceptance. [Comments accepted](#) until June 15th, using docket number: NOAA-NOS-2020-0063.

### Grants:

- **CRNA - Urban Flood Protection Program** - Proposals due June 15th at 5PM. [More info here.](#)

- **USFWS Tribal Wildlife Grants Program** - Proposals due July 6th. Funding available for tribal governments for planning, conservation, fish and wildlife, restoration, habitat enhancement, etc. [More info here.](#)
- **US Bureau of Reclamation - WaterSMART Drought Response Program** - Proposals due July 8, 3PM PST. Projects should build long-term resilience to drought and reduce the need for emergency response actions. [More info here.](#)
- **CRNA - Urban Greening Program** - Proposals due July 15th at 5PM. The program, funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, seeks projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and provide multiple benefits. \$28.5 million in awards will be funded by this program. [More info here.](#)
- **Monterey Bay Community Power -- Multi-Unit Dwelling Electrification Grant Program.** Support for housing developers with incentives to choose all-electric residential building design to eliminate the need for fossil fuel burning appliances and equipment. Up to \$240,000 available for each all-electric MUD housing project/development. [More info here.](#)
- **Parks California - Route to Parks Grant Program** - Proposals due August 3rd by 5PM. Project should improve park access and transportation availability for all Californians so they can create authentic connections with nature. [More info here.](#)
- **National Estuaries/Restoring America's Estuaries - Coastal Watershed Grant Opportunity** - Letters of Intent due August 7 at 5PM. This funding is available for SF Bay, Morro Bay and Santa Monica Bay, and should address issues that threaten the ecological and economic well-being of coastal areas and estuaries. [Find a full list of project goals and more information here.](#)
- **Wildlife Conservation Board - Streamflow Enhancement Program, 2020 Proposal Consultation Opportunity** - The Wildlife Conservation Board is preparing to release the 2020 Proposal Solicitation Notice for the Stream Flow Enhancement Program. Potential applicants are encouraged to take advantage of the WCB staff consultation period, now through July 8, 2020. For more info, view this [☞ Consultation Announcement \(PDF\)](#) or go to the [Stream Flow Enhancement Program page.](#)

#### Events & Webinars:

- **Decarbonizing the Transportation Sector - Climate XChange** - June 10th, 12PM PST How can carbon pricing incentivize the transition to a decarbonized transportation system? Joining us to tackle this question and many more are three experts in this field: Beth Osborne, Executive Director of Transportation for America, Colin Murphy, the Deputy Director, UC Davis Policy Institute for Energy, Environment and the Economy; and Dan Gatti, the Director of Clean

Transportation Policy at Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. [More info here](#).

- **Seven Best Practices for Risk Communications -- NOAA OCM Webinar:** June 16th, 2020 3:00-4:30PM. Whether preparing for the next big event or for the future in a changing climate, sometimes just starting the conversation can be difficult. Keeping people engaged and motivated to prepare for hazards can be even more challenging. Using risk communication best practices can help. [More info here](#).
- **FEMA's Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Program Webinar** - June 17th 3:30-4:30PM. Camille Crain, Section Chief for FEMA's Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities ([BRIC](#)) program, discusses the design and implementation of this new pre-disaster mitigation program that will take effect in fall 2020. [More info here](#)

#### **In case you missed it...**

- Community Environmental Council's EV 101 Webinar Recording and Next Steps. [Watch here](#) and learn what you can do now. Read a [recent blog post](#) about the implications of COVID on sustainable transportation from Michael Chiacos, CEC Energy and Climate Program Director.
- Central Coast Climate Summit Series - Academic Session (May 7th 2020) notes (linked below) and [feedback survey](#)
- The first webinar for the California Climate Adaptation Forum occurred on June 2nd. [Here's a recording](#).