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### Central Coast Climate Resilience Practitioners:

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### 4C Newsletter April 2022

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#### In Climate News...

**2022 IPCC Reports:** The Working Group III contribution to the Sixth Assessment Report was released in early April. WG III focuses on climate change mitigation, assessing methods for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and removing greenhouse gases from the atmosphere. [More information here.](#)

The **State Coastal Conservancy** has kicked off its **2023-2027 Strategic Plan update** and will be seeking input over the next six months and would like to hear your thoughts about your experience working on coastal projects; your priorities around coastal resilience and public access; and how we can do work to make our programs and resources more accessible to a wider audience. Please share your thoughts by **May 31, 2022** in the [brief survey here](#). Enter your project ideas into our [mapping tool](#). View our introductory overview [webinar recording](#). All Strategic Plan update information can be found here: [scc.ca.gov/plan](#). 4C members will be invited to participate in a special focus group meeting this month on coastal resilience funding priorities for the Central Coast.

### **California Launches Updated Climate Adaptation Strategy:**

Governor Newsom and state agencies unveiled the state's updated Climate Adaptation Strategy, outlining the all-hands-on-deck approach to building climate resilience across California. The strategy sets key climate adaptation priorities to guide every action we take to protect vulnerable communities, the environment, and the state's economy from climate impacts. For the first time, this strategy includes timebound success metrics and is being made available through a user-friendly website. [View the Strategy](#)

**Beneficial Fire Strategic Plan Launched:** The Governor's Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force has issued California's Strategic Plan for Expanding the Use of Beneficial Fire to expand safe prescribed fire and cultural burning to improve forest health and reduce risks of catastrophic wildfire. [More information here](#).

**California Resilience Partnership Celebrates Year One:** It's been a busy year of growth for the [California Resilience Partnership \(CRP\)](#). When we [launched](#) a year ago, the vision was to generate meaningful partnerships, while bolstering existing efforts, in order to advance resilience projects. [More information here](#). Last year, the State of California allocated \$3.7 billion for climate resilience: the largest investment ever made towards building regional and community resilience against climate impacts. CRP requests your participation in [this brief survey](#) to provide feedback to the CRP on how the grant programs supported by these funds can best advance

climate resilience efforts across the state. The survey is intended for representatives of community-based organizations and municipalities, as well as for their partners, and should take you 10 minutes or less. Your response will be summarized in a CRP research report that has the potential to influence State grant guidelines and increase accessibility. We welcome your questions, comments, and open dialogue. You can reach the CRP team directly at [contact@rcc.city](mailto:contact@rcc.city).

**California Central Coast Joint Venture:** The C3JV works to advance conservation efforts within six habitat systems that each have unique assemblages of species, pressures acting on them, and people engaged in their stewardship. Key avian focal species are then used as indicators to help the Joint Venture monitor and assess our conservation impact over time within each habitat system. [Learn more about C3JV here.](#) [Also view our Progress Report here.](#) [C3JV Regional Map.](#)

[\*\*LGSEC Impact Report\*\*](#) Read board member updates and learn about LGSEC's regulatory engagement in 2021. This report is a great opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of LGSEC in the last year and summarize the successes and learning opportunities that will drive us forward in 2022!

Released by **California Forward (CA FWD)** in February, the [2022 Roadmap to Shared Prosperity](#) details the organization's priority actions to help build more inclusive, equitable and sustainable economies that give more Californians the opportunity to thrive. The Roadmap builds on a year of impressive advancements by CA FWD and its partners including the crafting and passage of the \$600-million [Community Economic Resilience Fund](#) (CERF), a [\\$6-billion investment in broadband](#) and [\\$1.5 billion to prevent catastrophic wildfires](#), among others. [More information here.](#)

In March, the California Strategic Growth Council (SGC) published the **California Transportation Assessment (AB 285 Report)** assessing how transportation planning and funding in California support long-term common goals, including building and maintaining a transportation system that advances the state's climate goals and meets the transportation needs of all Californians. The AB

285 report, written by researchers from the University of California Institute of Transportation Studies, analyzes state and regional transportation plans and institutions, funding allocations to various state, regional, and local transportation programs and funding sources, and the legal frameworks that govern how transportation funds are spent in California. In addition, the report identifies initial actions all levels of government and legislators can take to improve quality, sustainability, and equity of transportation in California. [More information here.](#)

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## Job & Funding Opportunities

**Local Coastal Program Non-Competitive Grant Applications:** The Coastal Commission is offering rolling grant funding to support local government coastal resiliency efforts. Funds may be used for projects that are designed to assist local governments in assessing impacts and planning for coastal resiliency, including adapting to the impacts of climate change and sea level rise, and which contain an LCP planning component. Local governments responsible for developing and amending LCPs under the California Coastal Act are eligible to apply. [More information here.](#)

**The USC Sea Grant Program** is seeking an experienced outreach professional to lead coastal resilience extension efforts. The Extension Specialist will serve an integral role in interpreting and disseminating Sea Grant research findings on coastal and climate change issues, working with a wide range of entities in the regional AdaptLA program, and developing new outreach programs to meet the information needs of local, state and federal agencies, and interest groups. [Apply here.](#)

**The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation** will award approximately \$140 million in grants to create and restore natural systems in order to increase protection for communities from current and future threats from coastal hazards and improve habitats for fish and wildlife species. Pre-proposals are due through [NFWF's Easy](#)

[Grants](#) system by 11:59pm on Thursday, April 21. [More information here](#)

**The Local Conservation Corps (LCC) Grant Program** provides grants to certified community conservation corps to serve youth 18-25 years of age with a 3 component program including job skills in recycling, education and career education. LCCs provide beverage container litter reduction programs, and waste tire, E-waste and used oil recycling-related services. Deadline May 3, 2022. [More information here](#)

**NEP Coastal Watersheds Program:** Restore America's Estuaries is pleased to announce the 2022 NEP Coastal Watersheds Grant. RAE will select grantees through a two-step process: 1) letters of intent (LOI); and 2) full proposals by invitation only. LOIs are due on Friday, May 27, 2022. Only projects occurring within the specified geographic eligibility areas may receive funding.

Find more funding resources [here](#)

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## Events & Webinars

**Spreading Hope Amid Climate Change: A Conversation with Dr. Katherine Hayhoe | April 13 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.** Join for a timely and important conversation with climate scientist Dr. Katharine Hayhoe. In her recent best-selling book, she shares how we can engage all Americans in combating climate change and how we can maintain hope amidst the climate crisis. [Register Here.](#)

**California Climate Policy Summit 2022 | April 18, 2022 |** The California Climate Policy Summit brings together elected and business leaders, policy experts, activists, and environmental justice advocates to build support for bold climate policy commensurate with what science tells us is necessary to secure a climate-safe future. The Summit will be followed by a day of advocacy in Sacramento that moves the state toward this vision. [Register Here.](#)

**[Balance: Getting to Carbon Neutrality through Sequestration and Offsets.](#)** The upcoming carbon sequestration webinar series begins April 19! It will engage a diverse array of community

members and stakeholders, and we are excited to share the diversity of experience and expertise that our guest speakers will share through this series. Hosted jointly by the [Central Coast Climate Collaborative \(4C\)](#) and [Santa Barbara County Regional Climate Collaborative](#), the series was created and is offered through a collaborative effort that invites numerous stakeholders to learn more about carbon sequestration and offsets. Organizations and individuals across the Central Coast are actively seeking ways to learn more about carbon sequestration, offsets, and opportunities to support local projects. This webinar series will share broadly the learning and connections made through this series with those who choose to participate. The series welcomes a variety of stakeholders, particularly those including on the Central Coast, including growers and ranchers, local agencies from counties and cities, State agencies, special districts including Resource Conservation Districts and Air Pollution Control Districts, nonprofit land managers and related advocates, project developers and consultants involved in climate action planning or climate mitigation, and financial institutions involved in carbon offset and market solutions. [Register Here.](#)

**DIY Home Energy Savings Toolkit | Thursday April 21, 2022 | 6:00 pm to 7:00pm |** 3C-REN in partnership with libraries across the Central Coast are offering the [Do-It-Yourself \(DIY\) Home Energy Savings Toolkit](#). Homeowners and renters can check out a toolkit for FREE to learn more about energy use in their homes. The toolkit contains tools and supplies, including some items you can keep like LED lightbulbs and showerheads. [Register Here.](#)

**Investing in Workers for a World Beyond Fossil Fuels | Wednesday, April 27, 2022 | 10am to 11:30 am PT |** This webinar is the fifth in The Climate Center's [Investing in Climate Action for Jobs, Health, and Equity webinar series](#). As we move towards a cleaner and more equitable future, we need to ensure that workers who make a living extracting and refining oil and gas, and maintaining aging fuel and transportation infrastructure, are able to continue to support their families and communities. We will hear from labor leaders and economists about what investments are needed to protect workers as we phase out fracking and oil extraction in California. Additional speakers to be announced. [Register Here.](#)

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## In case you missed it...

*On-going webinar series*

- [CA Natural Resources Agency Secretary Speaker Series](#)

- [UC Davis Climate Adaptation Research Center: Climate Adaptation Series All Available on Demand](#)
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### 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 for 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, and projects
- Expand leadership and awareness on equitable climate action and adaptive solutions
- Participate in working groups
- We offer membership reciprocity with other select climate groups. See [our site for more info](#), or reach out to the email address below.
- 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.

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