Climate Change Response Program Communications Corner



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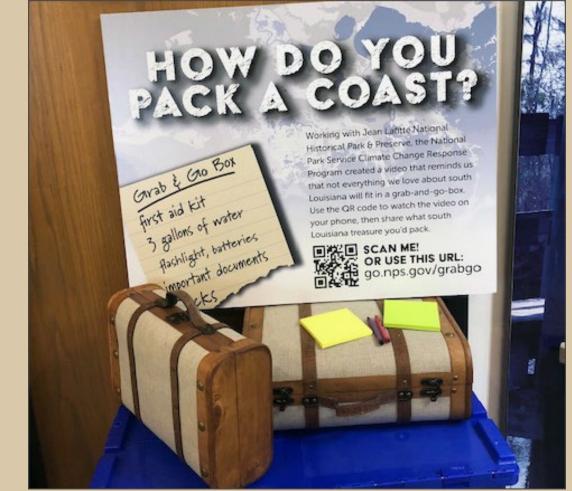
# A Warm Welcome to Joel Reynolds



The National Park Service Climate Change Response Program is pleased to announce the selection of Joel Reynolds for the position of Science and Adaptation Coordinator. Joel brings almost 30 years of experience in applying statistics and quantitative ecology in natural resource management for government, university, and private organizations. During this time, he gained in-depth experience building partnerships to advance the development of strategic climate change adaptation actions.

Over the last 20 years, Joel served several positions in Alaska, including work in the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (Commercial Fisheries Statewide Genetics Biometrician), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (refuge system, and Western Arctic Landscape Conservation Cooperative) and the National Park Service. He most recently served as the Regional Biometrician and Landscape Ecologist and Acting Regional Natural Resources Chief for the NPS Alaska Regional office.

Joel will EOD on March 15, and will report to the Natural Resource Stewardship and Science offices in Fort Collins, CO sometime early April.



You'll find this new display at the Barataria Preserve Visitor Center in Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve. Click the image above to view the video.

The fifth video in our Drawing Connections video series has now been released! <u>In this</u> <u>video</u>, we travel to Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve. Many people in south Louisiana have grab-and-go boxes in preparation for emergencies. But n ot everything we love about south Louisiana will fit in a grab-and-go box. How do we safeguard the special things in our lives from climate change?

View the video on YouTube or on NPS.gov.

## Does your park have a climate change wayside or exhibit?



One of the most common requests from students taking the Interpreting Climate Change is to see examples of how other parks are interpreting the topic. To that end, we'd like to compile a photo gallery of park displays, waysides, and exhibits to provide inspiration for interpreters who are undertaking their own climate change projects.

Please send high-resolution photographs of your climate change interpretation to <u>climate change@nps.gov</u>!

### Upcoming Training: New England Climate Fundamentals Academy

Workshop 1



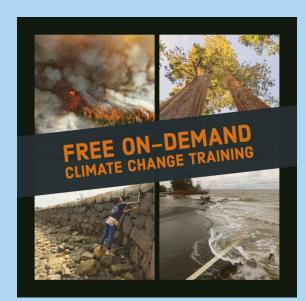
# **ASSOCIATION OF CLIMATE CHANGE OFFICERS**

The Association of Climate Change Officers (ACCO) will host a <u>regional Climate</u> <u>Fundamentals Academy workshop series</u> in Providence, RI. The Climate Fundamentals Academy is a two-part series of two-day training workshops. Through a cohort learning process and interactive exercises, participants discover how to better incorporate climate change strategies into planning and operations.

The first workshop in the series will take place in Providence on May 5 & 6. Workshop #1 in the series familiarizes participants with basics of climate science and projections, leveraging climate data and tools, identifying climate hazards, conducting vulnerability assessments, greenhouse gas accounting, and energy and water management. Workshop participants will learn from subject matter experts with a focus on Florida. Workshop #2 will take place on June 16 & 17.

Through a standing agreement between the NPS Climate Change Response Program and the ACCO, NPS employees are invited to attend Climate Fundamentals Academy workshops **FREE OF CHARGE**. Full details and registration are available through the <u>Common Learning Portal</u>. Supervisory approval is required, and any associated travel will be paid by the benefiting account.

This training opportunity is open to all segments of the NPS workforce. Available seats will be awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis, so early registration is highly encouraged .



For more information, please contact: Larry Perez: 970-267-2136.

The Climate Change Response Program invites interested NPS employees, contractors, and volunteers to enjoy unlimited access to the Association of Climate Change Officers (ACCO) <u>library of on-demand and live online training</u> FREE for two full years. This opportunity affords participants unparalleled flexibility to customize training according to their needs and work around busy schedules.

Availability is limited and will be awarded strictly on a first-come, first serve basis. For instructions on how to register for this opportunity, please contact Larry Perez at <u>larry perez@nps.gov</u>.



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