



Climate Change Science and Communication: A Regional Approach
Interview Assignment – Climate Change at Your Site or Workplace

Please schedule a time to talk with one or two people who can help inform or broaden your understanding of the climate change issues or stories, actual or potential, at your site or workplace. This might be your natural or cultural resource manager, your site manager, a scientist or researcher affiliated with your site or region, your chief of interpretation, a Native knowledge holder, or your education or museum director. Please use these questions as guidelines for your conversation.

Name of Interviewee _____

Position or Title _____

1. Please tell me about any examples of regional and/or local change that are clearly attributed to global climate change. How do we know [or, what is the evidence for this attribution?]
2. Are there any current or immediate threats to our site's/organization's resources due to – or potentially exacerbated by – changing climate? How do we know this is due to climate change? In what way is this affecting visitors, if at all?
3. Are there potential future threats to our site's/organization's resources due to climate change? What are the possible scenarios? How might this change the visitor experience?
4. Does our site/organization have a plan or strategy for dealing with resource issues and/or communication related to climate change? How/where can I get a copy of this plan/strategy?
5. What are the things we're currently doing or planning to in the areas of mitigation, adaptation and communication?
6. Has our site/organization identified key messages about climate change to communicate to the public? If so, what are they?
7. Besides actual threats to natural/cultural resources, are there other ways our site's/institution's stories are linked or could be linked to interpreting/educating about climate change? (economic, social, political issues, how society has dealt with change in the past, etc)
8. Who do you recommend as local/regional experts on climate science, mitigation and adaptation? Provide contact info also.
9. Please share with me any specific publications or websites that you can recommend regarding climate science, particularly at the local/regional level. (Please list those sites addressing mitigation and adaptation.)
10. Are there potential collaborators that you think I (we) should consider for our work on climate communication?