



What: Adaptation to Climate Change Kick-Off Meeting
When: Wednesday, March 24, 2010, 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM
**Where: Rachel Carson State Office Building Auditorium,
400 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17105**

As a result of the Climate Change Advisory Committee's recommendation and Department of Environmental Protection's commitment to address climate change adaptation, we are beginning the planning process for adaptation. The principal purpose of this public kick-off meeting is to discuss how to better understand the challenges resulting from climate impacts. This includes establishing working groups that will discuss and gather input on potential climate change impacts and how we can adapt to them.

We propose four working groups and ask for your participation in addressing the following categories: **Natural Resources** (forests, agriculture, surface water); **Public Health & Safety** (public health, hazard management, economically depressed communities); **Infrastructure** (transportation, land use, energy, insurance, drinking water, wastewater); and **Tourism & Outdoor Recreation** (local and regional tourism authorities, hunting and fishing organizations, ski resorts).

The meeting will bring together key stakeholders to hear several speakers, including Dr. James Shortle from Penn State University to discuss Climate Impacts in Pennsylvania, Kyle Beatty from Willis Reinsurance, Nels Johnson from The Nature Conservancy and Carol Collier from Delaware River Basin Commission (invited). DEP Secretary John Hanger and DCNR Acting Secretary John Quigley will be providing opening remarks.

We invite you to attend this informative meeting as Pennsylvania works together to adapt to climate change.

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