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Interagency Climate Change Adaptation Task Force 2010 Progress Report

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The Climate Change Adaptation Task Force

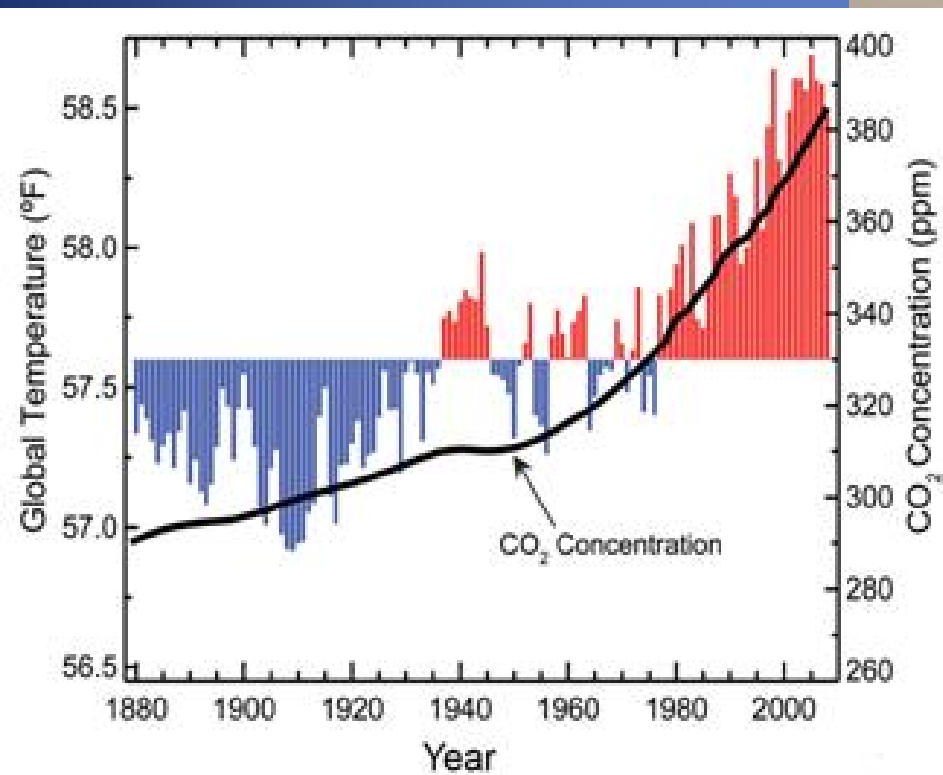
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Role of the Federal Government in Adaptation . . .

- Work with state, local & Tribal governments, NGOs, private sector
- Provide information & tools to decision makers
- Minimize climate impacts to Federal services, operations & assets



Themes from Public Outreach....

- Broader stakeholder engagement
- Improved coordination between all levels of gov'n't
- Sustained funding for state/local adaptation
- Improved accessibility to science
- More Federal guidance and leadership
- Review existing regulations and policies
- Ecosystem based approaches



Guiding Principles

1. Adopt Integrated Approaches
2. Prioritize the Most Vulnerable
3. Use Best-Available Science
4. Build Strong Partnerships
5. Apply Risk-Management Methods and Tools
6. Apply Ecosystem-based Approaches
7. Maximize Mutual Benefits
8. Continuously Evaluate Performance



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Next Steps . . .

- Implementing instructions for Agency planning
- Online data and information clearinghouse
- Planning for cross-cutting adaptation issues
- Regional consortia & partnerships
- 2011 Progress Report



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