

ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE

Educate

Become more familiar with the climate change body of knowledge.



The summary reports of the 2013 IPCC 5th Assessment Report are very readable. They are solid scientific information. They show clearly what conclusions the best experts in the world have come to. Here is one of the summaries for policy makers:

http://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/assessment-report/ar5/wg1/WG1AR5_SPM_FINAL.pdf

The Climate Adaptation Knowledge Exchange is dedicated to being the most up-to-date resource for people like us. <http://www.cakex.org/about-cake>

Climate Savvy is a very valuable book to get you grounded for implementing adaptation actions.

Vulnerability Assessments are essential reading: Many places in the country have completed a detailed look at the specific climate impacts for their area from sea level rise, to wild fires, to floods. There are 1762 vulnerability assessment related items on the CAKE website. <http://www.cakex.org/> is a good place to start!

The most practical publication to become very familiar with is the primer from the top climate change adaptation advocates from 15 agencies and organizations:

Climate Smart Conservation - Putting Adaptation Principles into Practice.

https://www.nwf.org/pdf/Climate-Smart-Conservation/NWF-Climate-Smart-Conservation_5-08-14.pdf

Communicate

The more we share with each other, the broader the foundation becomes for reducing impacts. *Talk* about what you have read. *Share* ideas at home and in your community networks. *Listen* to the concerns of others. *Send messages* about things you are doing at work or things you have learned. *Demonstrate* that climate adaptation is an integral part of our collective vocation.

Participate

Attend more meetings, workshops, and conferences like this one. Design changes that are climate adaptive in the projects you are involved with. Share what you are doing on field trips for a few or for many. Seek input from others on ways to make a difference in a future that promises to be demanding.