



Interagency Council for Advancing Meteorological Services

Social Equity Workshop Agenda

VIRTUAL

May 17, 2022

12:00 – 4:00 pm EDT

This workshop convenes agencies across the federal government to better understand the meteorological services gaps in the most vulnerable communities and document ways to improve. Meteorological services for the purposes of this discussion include programs and tools that help communities respond to climate and weather events including drought, hurricane and wildfire.

12:00pm-12:10pm

OPENING REMARKS

Committee on Services Chair

- Toral Patel-Weynand (U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service)

Social Equity Working Group Chairs

- Georgia Basso (USDA Forest Service), Tyra Brown Harris (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA National Weather Service)

12:10pm-12:20pm

OPENING KEYNOTE:

- Speaker: Elisabeth Grinspoon (USDA Forest Service)
- Moderator: Kandis Boyd (National Science Foundation)

12:20pm-12:30pm

Q&A (10 min)

12:30pm-1:45pm

AGENCY REPORT OUTS

Purpose: A snapshot of what each agency is doing with regard to services for extreme events (fire, drought, hurricane) and/or alignment with Executive Orders on equity

Agencies:

- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Commerce - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Department of Commerce - Census Bureau
- Department of Interior - United States Geological Survey
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Federal Emergency Management Agency ● Moderator: Kathleen Boyer (FEMA)
1:45pm-2:15pm	<p>PANEL: Practitioners working with data information to improve resources to historically underserved and vulnerable populations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Speaker: Elizabeth Ossowski (NOAA National Integrated Drought Information System) ● Speaker: Sean Bath (NOAA Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessments) ● Speaker: Maureen McCarthy (Desert Research Institute – Native Waters and Arid Lands) ● Moderator: Gbenga Ajilore (USDA Rural Development)
2:15pm-2:25pm	Q&A (10 min)
2:25pm-2:35pm	BREAK
2:35pm-3:00pm	<p>UNDERSTANDING SERVICE GAPS AND CHALLENGES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Speaker: Aisha Haynes (NOAA National Weather Service) ● Moderator: Kurt Johnson (USDA Fish and Wildlife Service)
3:00pm-3:10pm	Q&A (10 min)
3:10pm-3:40pm	<p>DEMO PRESENTATIONS</p> <p>Agency tools that address equity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Speaker: George “Chip” Walker (Census Bureau) ● Moderator: Barbara Zamora-Appel (Census Bureau)
3:40pm-3:50pm	Q&A (10 min)
3:50pm-4:00pm	<p>CLOSING REMARKS</p> <p>Kandis Boyd (National Science Foundation)</p>