

## Climate Change and Adirondack Forests

**Date:** Thursday, September 12, 2019

**Location:** Adirondack Interpretive Center, 5922 State Route 28N, Newcomb, NY

More information and workshop materials: <https://forestadaptation.org/Adirondack>

### Hosting Organizations

- Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science
- State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry
- Forest Stewards Guild
- New York Society of American Foresters

### General Description

Foresters and natural resource professionals face the tremendous challenge of developing and implementing management actions that help ecosystems respond to climate change. This session will:

- Provide information on the current and anticipated effects of climate change on local forests
- Describe how to integrate climate change considerations into management planning and activities
- Share examples real-world projects that considered climate change adaptation as one of multiple management objectives

### Draft Agenda

- 8:30 Registration & Coffee
- 9:00 Welcome & Introductions
- 9:20 Presentations – Climate Change and Forest Impacts
  - Climate change in the Adirondacks: past and present – Curt Staeger, Paul Smith’s College
  - Climate change impacts on forests – Maria Janowiak, US Forest Service/NIACS
- 10:20 Break
- 10:40 Technical presentations – continued
  - Projected changes in tree (and bird?) species – Louis Iverson, US Forest Service/NIACS
- 11:10 Activity: What does climate change mean for Adirondack forests?
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:45 Presentations – Responding to Climate Change
  - Adaptation Concepts and Resources – Patricia Leopold, NIACS
  - Adaptation Demonstrations: Examples of real-world projects incorporating adaptation strategies into management and planning.
    - [TNC’s Tug Hill Project](#) – Chris Zimmerman, The Nature Conservancy
    - Additional examples – Maria Janowiak, US Forest Service/NIACS
- 2:00 Break and Transition to Field
- 2:30 Field Activity
- 4:30 Adjourn