

# **Extreme Heat Mitigation**

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**4. OPR's Extreme Heat Grant Program** *Braden Kay, OPR* 

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Los Angeles Regional Collaborative for Climate Action and Sustainability

# Los Angeles Extreme Heat Campaign

Southern California Association of Governments Toolbox Tuesday July 18, 2023 Los Angeles Regional Collaborative for Climate Action and Sustainability

Housed at UCLA, LARC is a network of climate planners and policy-makers supporting cross-jurisdictional collaboration across the Los Angeles region.



LARC supports members who want to:

- Maximize limited resources
- Identify funding opportunities
- Access locally-relevant research
- Engage in state climate policy
- Advance local climate planning efforts

Become a Member www.laregionalcollaborative.com/join

> LARC is one of eight regional collaboratives in California: <u>https://arccacalifornia.org/</u>

### LA County likely to see 10x as many heat waves per year by 2035-2046



Map Access: https://heat.healthyplacesindex.org

## **Extreme Heat as Health Risk**

#### UCLA Heat Maps

#### How Heat Harms Health in Your Community

#### Public Beta Version (Open for Public Feedback)

The map shows the daily excess number of emergency room (ER) visits and rate of excess ER visits (number of visits per 10,000 persons per day) due to extreme heat across the state. Select below to view the data at the county or zipcode level.

#### Click here for project methodology

#### Select to View the Rate or Number of ER Visits:

Rate is adjusted for the population and provides the number of visits per 10,000 persons per day; the total number is not adjusted for population.

Number of Daily Excess ER Visits

#### Optional

To view more detailed outcomes by zipcode, select a county of interest below.

Los Angeles ≑



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#### Results: Excess Daily Emergency Room (ER) Visits from Extreme Heat Across California

Across the entire state of California, on an average heat day, there are a total of 8,222 excess ER visits.

To view more detailed results by zipcode, select a county name in the list below:

Los Angeles County has, on an average heat day, 1,5 visits to the emergen for heat related prob There were 443 heat between 2009 - 2018 county.

> 1,510 excess ER visits/heat day

#### Data Dowmoaus and Links

Click here to download the re Excel, Shapefile, or static ma

Click here for more informatic CalEnviroScreen 4.0 layer in map.

Map Access: https://uclaheatmaps.org/

## **Building a Network of Outreach Partners**



### Social Media:

Produced 17 posts about heat risk with tips to stay safe Expanding network of distribution partners – Join the network!



### **Printable Flyers:**





Co-produced flyers for distribution at public events, in health care settings, and by existing promotora de salud programs



### **Bus Advertisement:**

LA Metro running Extreme Heat PSA on 2,300 buses from July-September.

## Social Media Campaign: Partnership with LA County DPH



Within 30 years, Los Angeles County is likely to experience IO TIMES AS MANY HEAT WAVES.

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# Physical Health Risks



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# Mental Health Risks





Heat can make you moody, tired, or just feeling bad.

You might feel more irritable or depressed on hot days because you're uncomfortable or have difficulty sleeping when it's hot at night. Plus, lack of sleep can worsen mental health symptoms!

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# Cool Down with No A/C

### ¿No tiene

### aire acondicionado

en casa?

Protéjase de las enfermedades relacionadas con el calor al seguir nuestros consejos para refrescarse y mantenerse seguro cuando hace calor.





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### Cómo refrescarse

• Cuando está más fresco afuera que adentro, use un ventilador con la ventana abierta para que entre el aire freso.

 Manténgase hidratado, y no espere a tener sed para tomar agua

Báñese con agua fría.

• Use su estufa y horno menos para evitar que su casa se caliente aún más.

 Durante las horas más calurosas del día, pase tiempo en la biblioteca, centro comunitario, centro comercial u otro espacio que tenga aire acondicionado. Si necesita ayuda para encontrar un espacio fresco, llame al 2-1-1.



### Prepare su hogar

• ¿Tiene problemas con pagar el costo de la electricidad? Averigüe si reúne los requisitos para recibir ayuda del Programa de Asistencia Energética para Hogares de Bajos Ingresos (LIHEAP).

 ¿Quiere reducir sus gastos de electricidad?
 Consulte el Programa de Asistencia para la Climatización (WAP), que ayuda a los hogares de bajos ingresos a obtener mejoras en la eficiencia energética sin costo adicional.

• ¿Renovando su techo? Instale un "techo reflectivo" para ahorrar en gastos de energía y para mantener su casa más fresca.



# Cool Spaces in LA



www.laregionalcollaborative.com/heat

## Tips for High Risk Populations

**PAY ATTENTION to** 

#### Los días CALUROSOS pueden ser más PELIGROSOS para los ADULTOS MAYORES.

#### Al envejecer, nuestro cuerpo tiene más diacutades pora adaptarse a los cambios de temperatura. Las enfermedades crónicas y cientos medicamentos también puedan afector la respuesta de nuestro cuerpo al calor. Estos son algunos consejos para usted o para compartir con los adultos mayores en su vida:

COUNTY OF LOS ANDELES

CHILDREN when it's HOT:

> times more quickly than dults, get dehydrated hore quickly, and are at igher risk of heat stroke.

dy than ated are at stroke.

Here are some fips for parents & guardian:

LARC COUNTY OF LOS ANOELES Public Health

#### Mantenga a sus mascotas a salvo del calor!



#### HEAT IMPACTS PREGNANT PEOPLE

Pregnancy affects your body's ability to regulate temperature, making you more vulnerable on hot days.

Extreme heat can increase risk of preterm birth, having a baby with a low birth weight, and even infant mortality.

> **Example Country of Los Anottes Public Health**



Heat and People Experiencing Homelessness.

Our **unhoused community members** are much **more exposed to heat** than their housed neighbors. Without an easy place to go to cool down and drink water, people are at a **higher risk of heat-related illness**.

LARC COUNTY OF LOS ANOLLES Public Health

#### CONOZCA LA RESPUESTA DE SU CUERPO EL CALOR

Algunas discapacidades y condiciones preexistentes lo ponen a mayor riesgo de sufrir una enfermedad relacionada con el calor. Su cuerpo puede ser menos capaz de sentir y responder a los cambios de temperatura.

COUNTY OF LOS ANDELS Public Health

#### If you work outside or inside without AC, you're at risk for heat-related illness.

Request frequent breaks to cool off and drink water.
 Wear a brimmed hat and loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing.

#### Know Your Rights:

 Your employer is required to provide shade when temperatures are over 80 degrees.

Your employer must allow you to take
 breaks of at least 5 minutes to cool dow



More information: https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/heatillnessinfo.htm





Join the extreme heat campaign

- Sign up: <u>https://bit.ly/LAHeatPartnerSignUp</u>
- See content calendar: <u>https://bit.ly/2023-la-heat-campaign-calendar</u>
- Know others we should invite?
  Please connect us: ecoutts@ucla.edu

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# **Printable Flyers**







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## **Bus Advertisement**



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- Any questions about the LA Heat Campaign?
- Are you doing any related work?
- Are there other resources that you could use?

Thank You & Next Steps

Join the campaign

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# Climate Resilient Urban Greening Resources

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  - 3. Tree planting in a changing climate
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## **URBAN HEAT OVERVIEW**

• Extreme heat is the leading cause of weather- and climate change-related deaths in the United States



 Urban heat islands occur throughout the SCAG region, but are most concentrated in formerly redlined areas and economically disadv antaged areas.

### The urban heat island effect

Refers to the **increase in temperature** in **urban environments** compared to surrounding areas.



Photo by ISGlobal.

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- Heatwaves are already occurring twice as frequently than historically
  - By mid-century, they are projected to be 3-4 times more frequently during the day time, and 4-5 times more frequently durin g the nighttime.

### The urban heat island effect

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- Urban cooling strategies such as shade structures, bus shelters, and tree planting, etc,... have been shown to mitigate existing heat conditions.
- When there is a reduction in urban heat, people are more likely to engage in active transportation modes.



Photos courtesy of Superior Recreational Products, Spectrum News/Susan Carpenter, and Daniel Jeffries.



## **CHALLENGES FACING SCAG REGION**

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- Extreme heat
- Rising sea level
- More frequent wildfires
- Shifting precipitation rates



A car is submerged in floodwaters by a vineyard after heavy rain on January 9, 2023, in Windsor, California. Photo by Justin Sullivan/Getty Images.



## **URBAN GREENING BENEFITS**

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- Improved mental health and stress levels
  - Reduce air pollution
  - Providing shade and lowered surrounding temperatures
- Improved comfort for active transportation users (walking, biking, rolling)

# **URBAN GREENING BENEFITS**



### Reduce stormwater runoff

- Replenish groundwater
- Reduce electricity use
- Reduce GHGs
- Reduce Vehicles Miles Traveled (VMT)



## NEW SCAG RESOURCE PAGE FOR CLIMATE RESILIENT URBAN GREENING PROGRAMS

# scag.ca.gov/post/climate-resilient-urbangreening-best-practices

## **CLIMATE RESILIENT URBAN GREENING BEST PRACTICES PAGE**

SCAG's Website > Our Work > Programs and Projects > Sustainability
 > Climate Change > <u>Climate Resilient Urban Greening Best Practices</u>

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#### Adaptation

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#### Mitigation

#### Climate Change & The Future of

#### Southern California Climate Change Resources

HQTA Pilot Project

Alternative Fuels & Vehicles

- Open Space Green Region Initiative
- Green Buildings
- Energy Water

#### Solid Waste

Sustainability Resources

SCAG Sustainability Awards

- Current Projects
- Transportation
- Local Resources Funding & Programming
- Legislation & Advocacy
- Publications & Reports

#### **Climate Resilient Urban Greening Best Practices**

The changing climate will impact Southern California in several ways, including more days with extreme heat, rising sea level, more frequent wildfires and shifting precipitation rates. With this reality, urban greening, and urban trees in particular, can play a key role in improving community health, mobility, and overall quality of life, and achieving greenhouse gas emissions goals. SCAG outlines urban greening as the greening of developed areas within Southern California communities that can benefit from cooling strategies to reduce urban heat island effects and extreme heat.

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#### **Regional Climate Adaptation Framework**



The Southern California Association of Governments is pleased to be developing a Regional Climate Adaptation Framework, which assists local and regional jurisdictions in managing the negative impacts of climate change

#### **Climate & Economic Development Project**



Working together to identify a range of options to meet the region's needs for equitable economic development, pollution reduction, housing and transportation planning.



A Vision for Clean Energy, Clear Skies, and a Growing Economy in Southern California.



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Right Tree, Right Place Site-specific evaluation



- Adequate soil
- Photo from <u>Cooling</u> <u>Long Beach Urban</u> <u>Heat Island Reductions</u> <u>Strategies</u>.



**Table 2.** Larger trees that provide the greatest shade and cooling benefits require greater volumes of uncompacted soil space to allow roots to grow. For example, a tree with a 30-foot wide canopy needs approximately 1,000 cubic feet of root space to thrive. (Source: NACTO)

• Planning for tree care in the first 10 years



- Select the right species
- Ensure a diverse urban forest

### **Count distribution of each species**

	Species	Number of trees 👻	Proportion
1.	Syagrus romanzoffiana	8,600	4.81%
2.	Pinus canariensis	7,648	4.28%
3.	Lophostemon confertus	7,153	4%
4.	Platanus x hispanica	7,024	3.93%
5.	Magnolia grandiflora	6,722	3.76%
6.	Cupaniopsis anacardioides	6,323	3.54%
7.	Liquidambar styraciflua	6,159	3.44%
8.	Platanus racemosa	6,015	3.36%
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Urban tree species distribution of Ventura County. Screenshot taken from Urban Tree Inventory.

- Engage and collaborate with local communities
- Plan for post-planning monitoring and evaluation



Photo by LA Compost.



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PLANTING TREES IN A CHANGING CLIMATE

### Urban Forestry Best Practices

Urban forestry programs should practice the right tree, right place rule. Planning for the right tree that will thrive in its location, combined with a plan for continuing care, is crucial for the tree to grow to full maturity. Without early planning and tree care implementation, trees are likely to have high mortality rates, undercutting the ability of tree-planting programs to provide the full range of potential community benefits. Giving trees the best chance of success includes the following recommendations:

1. CONDUCT A SITE-SPECIFIC EVALUATION	+
2. PROVIDE ADEQUATE SOIL	+
3. PLAN FOR TREE CARE IN THE FIRST 10 YEARS	+
4. SELECT THE RIGHT SPECIES	+

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# URBAN GREENING MANAGEMENT PLANS AND ORDINANCES

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 Benefits from the maintenance of urban trees, such as pruning and pest management likely outweigh the cost

# URBAN GREENING MANAGEMENT PLANS AND ORDINANCES



- An Urban Forest Management Plan: A roadmap that creates a shared vision for the future of the urban canopy.
- A tree ordinance establishes authorization and standards for addressing a wide range of issues regarding trees.

## **City of Sierra Madre**



**Community Forest Management Plan** 



# **Suggested Sections for a Tree Ordinance**

Although no two tree ordinances will be exactly alike, there are some basic elements that will help ensure that the document is workable and effective. These elements are called sections, and they are presented here with examples and principles that illustrate why each one is necessary.

### I. PURPOSE

PRINCIPLE: An opening statement that clearly sets forth the purpose of the ordinance will help avoid ambiguity in interpretation. This initial section is usually capitalized and in bold print.

EXAMPLE: It is the purpose of this ordinance to promote and protect the public health, safety, and general welfare by providing for the regulation of the planting, maintenance, and removal of trees, shrubs, and other plants within the city of



PRINCIPLE: Someone within city government must have the clearly designated authority to administer the provisions of the ordinance. This section defines, designates, or creates a department, board, commission, or person responsible for the planting, care, and protection of the city's trees.

EXAMPLE: There is hereby created and established a City Tree Board for the City of \_\_\_\_\_\_, which shall consist of five members, citizens, and residents of this city, who shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the city council. Members of the board shall serve without compensation.

HOME RULE AUTHORITY: In order to avoid conflicts with state laws governing trees, a statement transferring regulations to the city may be necessary. State, county, and city laws will explain this process. If needed, the statement should be added as a section.



A clearly stated purpose prevents misinterpretation.

### **III. TERM OF OFFICE**

PRINCIPLE: Reasonable and clearly stated terms of office for volunteer boards or commissions will help infuse the program with new ideas on a periodic basis and will help avoid the problems created by obstructionists with life or long-term tenure. This section defines length of service, a method for filling vacancies, and the number of consecutive terms (if any) that can be served. Staggering terms can help ensure continuity and stability.

EXAMPLE: The term of the five persons to be appointed by the mayor shall be three years, except that the term of two of the members appointed to the first board shall be for only one year and the term of two members of the first board shall be for two years. In the event that a vacancy shall occur during the term of any member, his or her successor shall be appointed for the unexpired portion of the term.



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### **City Tree Ordinances**

Because of the immense value in planting and caring for trees communities should consider implementing tree ordinances that establish clear guidelines and regulations for the maintenance and removal of trees on public and private lands. Comprehensive tree preservation ordinances can play a central role in successfully protecting trees during and after residential development.

#### SCAG Region Urban Greening Management Plan Examples

- Santa Monica Urban Forest site (includes Urban Forestry Master Plan, list of upcoming tree removals, Community Engagement Map, Urban Forest Task Force, Heritage Tree Map, and Drought Guide) 3
- South Pasadena Trees ∋
- Sierra Madre Community Forest Management Plan 🕀

#### Resources for creating a Tree Ordinance

- Guidelines for Developing and Evaluating Tree Ordinances by the International Society of Arboriculture 🕑
- How To Write a Municipal Tree Ordinance by Tree City USA ∃



# TREE PLANTING IN A CHANGING CLIMATE

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- Climate change is projected to cause changes in
  - Air temperatures
  - Precipitation
  - Disease frequencies
  - Other factors that will affect the ability of trees in urban and natural forests to survive

# TREE PLANTING IN A CHANGING CLIMATE



## Key things to consider:

- Your locality's specific climate hazards by mid- to end-of-century.
  - New air temperature, rainfall, flooding
  - This will inform factors to consider while forming your tree list.
- Tree characteristics
  - Low water requirements or drought tolerant
  - Tolerance to multiple water levels or soil moisture levels
  - Temperature adaptive
  - Salinity tolerance



## **UNDERSTANDING LOCAL RISKS**

# UNDERSTANDING LOCAL RISKS: RISK FACTOR

• Allows you to see the projected risk factors of your city, including flood, extreme heat, fire and wind factors.





Flood Factor Fire Factor Heat Factor Wind Factor

### Heat Risk Overview

HEAT RISK OVERVIEW

### Heat Trends

Current & Future Risk

Area Heat Vulnerability

S Heat Energy Usage

Heat Safety

- S Environmental Changes
- Community Solutions
- Other Risks

### Does Imperial have risk? Extreme



Imperial has extreme risk from heat. This is due to "feels like" temperatures increasing, and because 100% of homes in Imperial have a Extreme Heat Factor®.



Imperial heat risk 6,473 (i) Total properties at risk Heat Factor distribution of properties Minimal - 0 Minor - 0 Moderate - 0 Major - 0 Severe - 0 Extreme - 6.5K







Flood Factor Fire Factor Heat Factor Wind Factor

#### Heat Risk Overview

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#### Æ Heat Trends

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- 3 **Environmental Changes**
- **Community Solutions** 
  - Other Risks

### How many hot days will Imperial have?

A hot day in Imperial is considered to be any day above a "feels like" temperature of 114°F. Imperial is expected to experience 7 hot days this year. Due to a changing climate, Imperial will experience 20 days above 114°F in 30 years.



Total hot days 7 days 20 days This year (i) In 30 years (i)

16

19

23

27

31+

Days above 114°F "feels like" temp

0

13



Santa Monica, CA

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Flood Risk Overview

**Current Protections** 

Current & Future Risk

**Environmental Changes** 

**Community Solutions** 

Where to Start

**Historic Floods** 

Other Risks

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### Does Santa Monica have risk?

FLOOD FACTOR

There are **1,244** properties in **Santa Monica** that have greater than a **26%** chance of being severely affected by flooding over the next 30 years. This represents **11%** of all properties in Santa Monica.

In addition to damage on properties, flooding can also cut off access to utilities, emergency services, transportation, and may impact the overall economic well-being of an area. Overall, **Santa Monica** has a **moderate risk of flooding** over the next 30 years, which means flooding is likely to impact day-to-day life within the community. This is based on the level of risk the properties face rather than the proportion of properties with risk.



#### Santa Monica Flood Risk (i)

Residential **Minor Risk** 1,155 out of 12,412 homes (i)

Road Minor Risk 99 out of 275 miles of roads (i)

Commercial Moderate Risk 466 out of 1,895 commercial properties (i)

Critical Infrastructure Moderate Risk 3 out of 15 infrastructure facilities (i)

Social Facilities **Moderate Risk** 29 out of 147 social facilities (i)

# UNDERSTANDING LOCAL RISKS: <u>CAL-ADAPT</u>

- Projected mid-century (2035-2064) and end-century (2070-2099)
  - annual average maximum and minimum temperatures
  - annual average precipitation
  - broken down by cities, counties, congressional districts and other boundaries.

### **Annual Averages**

Explore projected changes in annual average Maximum Temperature, Minimum Temperature and Precipitation through end of this century for California.

EXPLORE DATA HELP ABOUT THE TOOL RESOURCES LOCA Grid Cell 38.59375, -121.46875 Change Location () SELECT LOCATION Projected changes in Annual Average Maximum Temperature under a Medium Emissions (RCP 4.5) Scenario. North Sacramento MODELED HISTORICAL FUTURE PROJECTIONS FUTURE PROJECTIONS Broderick Baseline (1961-1990) Mid-Century (2035-2064) End-Century (2070-2099) Vest Sacramento Change Period 📋 Change Period 📋 Change Period 📋 EAST 30 YEAR AVG 30 YEAR RANGE 30 YEAR AVG 30 YEAR RANGE 30 YEAR AVG 30 YEAR RANGE (50) ACRAME 74.2 °⊧ 71.3-77.2 \*\* 78.4 °⊧ 75.5-81.9 °F 79.8 °⊧ 77.2-83.7 \*\* 84) 5 Learn More (i) Learn More ① Learn More 🛈 Learn More (1) SELECT CLIMATE VARIABLE 86.0 Annual Average Maximum Temperature (°F) Maximum Temperature Learn More 🛈 84.0 82.0 SELECT SCENARIO 80.0 Medium (RCP 4.5) O High (RCP 8.5) 78.0 Learn More (j) 76.0 74.0 SELECT MODELS 72.0 4 × Select...  $\sim$ CanESM2, CNRM-CM5, HadGEM2-ES, MIROC5 70.0 Learn More (i) 1960 1980 2000 2020 2040 2060 2080 2100



# IDENTIFYING PRIORITY AREAS FOR URBAN GREENING/TREE PLANTING

# IDENTIFYING PRIORITY AREAS: USDA FOREST SERVICE TREE CANOPY DATA

- Overlays tree canopy coverage data at 60-cm spatial resolution, ozone and PM 2.5 pollution information, CalEPA's urban heat island index, and other public health indicators.
- Uses data from Earthdefine.

#### **Region 5 Interactive Maps**

#### State, Private & Community Forests

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▶ Urban Heat Island Index



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# IDENTIFYING PRIORITY AREAS: <u>CALIFORNIA HEALTHY</u> PLACES INDEX EXTREME HEAT EDITION

• This map shows data on social conditions that drive health such as education, economic opportunities, clean air and water, and other indicators.

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Place	*						

# IDENTIFYING PRIORITY AREAS: <u>CALIFORNIA URBAN</u> FOREST INVENTORY

- Largest dataset for California urban trees (on public streets)
- 7 million trees
- Include public data from cities and private organizations
- Assess a more <u>in-depth tutorial of Urban Forest Inventory here</u> (from at 8:35 to 13:00)
- Updated once a year

6 California Urban Forest Inventory



Points are centered on the city jurisdiction and do not reflect specific locations. The size of the circle indicates the number of trees in the zip code boundary that are in the inventory, the color of the circle indicates the number of distinct species (blue regions have more species than yellow regions).

### o California Urban Forest Inventory

in the inventory, the color of the circle indicates the number of distinct species (blue regions have more species than yellow regions).

### Count distribution of each species

	Species	Number of trees 🝷	Proportion
1.	Lagerstroemia	415,704	5.88%
2.	Platanus x hispanica	313,424	4.43%
3.	Washingtonia robusta	236,109	3.34%
4.	Liquidambar styraciflua	225,666	3.19%
5.	Syagrus romanzoffiana	221,623	3.13%
6.	Pistacia chinensis	220,295	3.11%
7.	Magnolia grandiflora	211,867	2.99%
8.	Pyrus calleryana	211,751	2.99%
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### Count distribution of each species



#### Count distribution of each genus



### Count distribution of each family



### o California Urban Forest Inventory



### Diversity - Number of species found in each county and city

	Place	County	Species 🔹	Number of trees
1.	San Diego	San Diego	455	489,348
2.	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	454	325,009
3.	San Jose	Santa Clara	425	338,655
4.	Riverside	Riverside	412	141,271
5.	San Francisco	San Francisco	402	140,105
6.	Oakland	Alameda	393	74,308
7.	Fremont	Alameda	360	86,568
8.	Long Beach	Los Angeles	355 1 - 10	121,434 0 / 751 < >

### Geographic extent of each species

	Species	County -	Place		Zip
1.	Morus alba	40	432		821
2.	Lagerstroemia	39	499		939
З.	Pyrus calleryana	39	480		912
4.	Pistacia chinensis	39	467		903
5.	Pinus halepensis	38	457		857
6.	Quercus lobata	38	339		587
7.	Calocedrus decurrens	37	294		569
8.	Salix	37	224		470
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## IDENTIFYING PRIORITY AREAS: URBAN TREE DETECTOR

- We now know which percentage of trees in a city is public and which is private
- Assess a more <u>in-depth tutorial of Urban Tree Detector here</u> (from at 13:00 to 18:00)



#### Earth Engine Apps

Map

Map of trees in the urban reserve of California in 2020. This map is based on NAIP imagery from 2020, processed by a convolutional neural network (CNN) which learned to detect trees from a collection of hand-annotated samples. The CNN takes NAIP imagery as input and outputs a confidence map indicating the locations of

trees. The individual tree locations are found by local peak finding. In our study site

The map covers the entire state of

in Southern California, we determined that 73.6% of the detected trees matched to hand-annotated trees, and 73.3% of the hand-annotated trees were detected.

California. Please zoom out and/or drag the map to see other areas. A tree density map can also be enabled in the Layers panel

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#### CLIMATE RESILIENT URBAN GREENING BEST PRACTICES

The changing climate will impact Southern California in several ways, including more days with extreme heat, rising sea level, more frequent wildfires and shifting precipitation rates. With this reality, urban greening, and urban trees in particular, can play a key role in improving community health, mobility, and overall quality of life, and achieving greenhouse gas emissions goals. SCAG outlines urban greening as the greening of developed areas within Southern California communities that can benefit from cooling strategies to reduce urban heat island effects and extreme heat.



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RESILIENCE AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS BENEFITS HEALTH BENEFITS AND URBAN HEAT REDUCTION URBAN FORESTRY BEST PRACTICES IDENTIFYING PRIORITY AREAS FOR TREE PLANTING CITY TREE ORDINANCES PLANTING TREES IN A CHANGING CLIMATE Identifying Priority Areas for Tree Planting Urban forestry programs can be used as one of the strategies to improve health, environmental and heat reduction outcomes in underresourced communities. whichoften lack parks and open space. The following resources may help you determine which area to prioritize tree planting. RESOURCES TO CONSIDER WHEN PRIORITIZING AREAS FOR TREE PLANTING 1. The USDA Forest Service Tree Canopy Data: 🕣 This map overlays tree canopy coverage data at 60-cm spatial resolution, ozone and PM 2.5 pollution information, CalEPA's urban heat island index, and other public health indicators. This map shows which areas lack tree canopy coverage, combined with low health indicators, to prioritize areas for tree planting. 2. Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics (MRLC) Consortium: 🕀 This resource provides land cover datasets at the national scale. 3. California Healthy Places Index: 🕀 This map shows data on social conditions that drive health such as education, economic opportunities, clean air and water. and other indicators. 4. California Healthy Places Index: Extreme Heat Edition: 🔁 This resource shows the number of days above 90 or 100 degrees at various time scales such as midand end-of-century down to cities and elementary school districts. It also shows other indicators such as tree canopy coverage (from the national land cover

database), park acres, impervious surface cover, urban heat island index, PM 2.5, Diesel PM, ozone and more.

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## **CREATING A TREE PALETTE FOR YOUR CITY**

# **CREATING A TREE PALETTE: PRESENTATIONS BY EXPERTS**

- <u>New Tools from the Urban Forest Ecosystem Institute (CalPoly):</u> In-depth discussions on the process of creating a climate resilient tree palette, Urban Tree Inventory, Urban Tree Detector (Start from 27:00 for presentation by Dr. Natalie Love on Planning for Resilient Urban Forests.)
- <u>Climate Change and Urban Forests</u>: This presentation by Igor Lacan (UCANR) describes the space-for-time substitution process that can be used to identify tree species for your city's future climate.
- Method:
  - Identifying data of tree species in native range
  - -> Looking at future climate factors
  - -> Finding the area of overlap of where a tree species currently live in the future climate.

### RESULTS

### Atlas Cedar (Cedrus atlantica)



2041-2070

Current



#### INTRODUCTION ~ METHODS ~ RESULTS ~ CONSIDERATIONS

Slide taken from <u>Planning for Resilient Urban Forests</u>: A data-driven approach to assessing urban tree species suitability in California by Dr. Natalie Love.

## RESULTS

## Atlas cedar is climatically well-suited for Inland Valleys and Interior West under current climate conditions

Current	Suitability	2041-2070	Suitability	I2"N - Climate Zone
Climate Zone	Percent Overlap	Climate Zone	Percent Overlap	10"N - Inland Valleys Interior West Northern California Coast
Inland Empire	3%	Inland Empire	<1%	Southern California Coast
Inland Valleys	81%	Inland Valleys	20%	18"N -
Interior West	<b>93</b> %	Interior West	28%	
Northern California	27%	Northern California	51%	
Southern California Coast	<1%	Southern California Coast	<1%	Id'N-
Southwest Desert	15%	Southwest Desert	<1%	124 W 122 W 120 W 118 W 116 W 114 W

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## CREATING A TREE PALETTE: <u>PAPER BY UCLA LUSKIN</u> <u>SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND TREEPEOPLE</u>

TreePeople



#### Planting Resilience

Identifying Climate-Resilient Tree Species and Increasing Their Presence in Los Angeles' Urban Forest

July 2021

- Suggested list of Climate Ready Trees for Los Angeles on page 19-20 (page 13 on PDF)
- Considerations for drought tolerance, water demand, pest resistance, and salinity tolerance.

	Figure 3.	<b>Climate Rea</b>	dy Trees fo	or the Los	Angeles Region
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	Overall Mature Size	Height	Crown Spread	Canopy Form	Canopy Height	Growth Rate	Drought Tolerant	Shading Capacity	Water Demand	Pests and Diseases
<b>Lemon Bottle Brush</b> Callistemon citrinus	Medium	20-25'	15'	Upright, Rounded, Spreading	Low	Moderate	Yes, once established	Dense	Low	Chlorosis
<b>White Bottle Brush</b> Callistemon salignus	Medium	20-25'	10-15'	Rounded, Spreading or Weeping	Low	Moderate	Yes, once established	Moderate - Dense	Low	_
<b>Weeping Bottle Brush</b> Callistemon viminalis	Small	25-35'	15'	Rounded, Spreading or Weeping	Low	Moderate	Yes, once established	Moderate - Dense	Low	Armillaria, Root Rot
<b>Chitalpa</b> Chitalpa Tashkentensis	Medium	20-30'	20-30'	Rounded, Spreading, or Vase	Low	Moderate	Yes, once established	Moderate	Low	Aphids, Root Rot, Verticillium
<b>Peppermint Tree</b> Agonis Flexuosa	Medium	20-30'	15-30'	Rounded, Spreading, or Vase	Low	Slow - Moderate	Yes, once established	Moderate	Low	Phytophthora and Root Rot
<b>Sweet Bay</b> Laurus Nobilis	Medium	15-25'	15-20'	Upright, Conical, or Rounded	Low	Slow - Moderate	Yes, once established	Dense - Very Dense	Low	Psyllid, Scales, Phytophthora, Root Rot
<b>Flaxleaf Paperbark</b> Melaleuca Linariifolia	Medium	15-20'	20-25'	Rounded	Low	Moderate	Yes, once established	Moderate - Dense	Low	Chlorosis, Phytophthora, Root Rot
<b>Cajeput</b> Melaleuca Quinquenerv	Medium ia	25-35'	20'	Rounded, Oval		Fast	Yes, once established	Moderate - Dense	Low	Phytophthora, Root Rot
<b>African Sumac</b> Rhus Lancea	Medium	20-30'	20-35'	Rounded, Spreading	Low	Moderate	Yes, once established	Moderate	Low	Root Rot, Verticillium
<b>Blue Oak</b> Quercus douglasii	Large	50-65'	40-50'	Rounded, Spreading	High	Slow	Yes, once established	Moderate	Very Low	Caterpillars, Insect Galls, California Oak Moth, Gall Wasp, Scales, Crowr Rot, Mistletoe, Armillaria, Powdery Mildew, Root Rot
<b>Soapbark Tree</b> Quillaja saponaria	Medium	30-45'	15-22.5'	Columnar, Arching		Slow	Yes, once established		Low	Armillaria, Root Rot
<b>Strawberry Tree</b> Arbutus uneda	Small	25-40'	25-40'	Rounded, Spreading, or Vase	Low	Slow - Moderate	Yes, once established	Dense	Low	Scales, Thrip, Anthracnose, Phytophthora, Root Rot, Rust

## CREATING A TREE PALETTE: <u>GREEN SCHOOLYARDS OF</u> <u>AMERICA CALIFORNIA TREE PALETTE</u>

• Help you identify trees that are climate-resilient and are appropriate for a schoolyard setting by sunset climate zones in California.

#### FIND TREE PALETTE FOR YOUR SCHOOL'S SUNSET ZONE

In addition to the master tree palette, which includes all tree species and detailed attributes, we provided a tree list for each climate Sunset Zone. Find your Sunset Zone using the button below.





## SUNSET CLIMATE ZONE 14

#### TREE PALETTE FOR CALIFORNIA SCHOOLYARD FOREST SYSTEM

Tree	lame			Basic Infe	ormation			
Botanical Name	Common Name	2022 Sunset Climate Zone Range	Evergreen/ Deciduous	Sun Exposure	Height at Maturity	Canopy Width at Maturity	Growth Rate	Water Use
LARGE								
Acer macrophyllum	bigleaf maple	2-9, 14-24	D	Sh-S	56	30	F	н
Betula nigra	river birch	1-24	D	Sh-S	68	38	F	н
Calocedrus decurrens	incense cedar	2-12, 14-24	Е	PSh-S	68	9	М	М
Catalpa speciosa	Northern catalpa, Western catalpa	2-24	D	Sh-S	45	23	F	М
Cedrus deodara	deodar cedar	3-10, 14-24	E	PSh-S	45	19	F	М
Celtis occidentalis	common hackberry	1-24	D	Sh-S	60	34	F	L
Ginkgo biloba cvs.	ginkgo	1-10, 12, 14- 24	D	PSh-S	49	19	М	М
Metasequoia glyptostroboides	dawn redwood	3-10, 14-24	D	PSh-S	68	12	F	н
Pinus canariensis	Canary Island pine	8-9, 12-24	E	PSh-S	60	21	F	М



Sunset Climate Zone Region

### **Los Angeles Region**

Home | Climate Zones | Los Angeles Region

Want to know which Sunset Plants grow best in your region? Use the map image and climate zone descriptions below to identify your location, and then click the Zone number for a list of plants ideal for your region.

Zone 2	Cold mountain and intermountain areas
Zone 3	Mild areas of mountain and intermountain climates
Zone 11	Medium to high desert of California and southern Nevada
Zone 18	Above and below the thermal belts in Southern California
Zone 19	Thermal belts around Southern California's interior valleys
Zone 20	Cool winters in Southern California
Zone 21	Thermal belts in Southern California
Zone 22	Cold-winter portions of Southern California
Zone 23	Thermal belts of Southern California
Zone 24	Marine influence along the Southern California coast



Click the map to enlarge

# CREATING A TREE PALETTE: <u>SELECTREE</u>

- Allows you to search California trees by tree characteristics
  - Native/non-native
  - height
  - tree shape
  - salinity tolerance
  - water use rating
  - sun exposure
  - USDA hardiness zone, sunset climate zone
  - utility precautions
  - etc

# SelecTree

#### A TREE SELECTION GUIDE

SEARCH PACIFIC

	Enter	а	tree	name	
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SEARCH HELP

#### SEARCH BY CHARACTERISTICS

TREE CHARACTERISTICS				
MAXIMUM TREE HEIGHT	100ft	IS CA NATIVE? 🔇	HAS FALL COLOR?	POWERLINE FRIENDLY?
TREE SHAPE		LEAF FORM		
Select	~	Select		~
FOLIAGE TYPE 🐼		LEAF ARRANGEMEN	т	
Deciduous		Select		~

FLOWER COLOR     FRUIT TYPE     HAS FRAGRANCE?       Select     Select     Ves	ERS & FRUIT					
Salart Ves	OLOR		FRUIT TYPE		HAS FRAGRANCE?	
Select		~	Select	~	Ves	

FOLIAGE TYPE 🕲 LEAF ARRANGEMENT	
Deciduous 🗸 Select	~

#### FLOWERS & FRUIT

FLOWER COLOR	FRUIT TYPE	HAS FRAGRANCE?
Select 🗸 🗸	Select V	Yes

#### **SEARCH TERM**

TYPE IN A TERM TO SEARCH

#### SITE CONDITIONS

USDA HARDINESS ZONE	DEER RESISTANT	SALINITY TOLERANCE
Select 🗸 🗸	Ves	🗌 Yes
SUNSET CLIMATE ZONE		
Select 🗸 🗸	Medium Zone Low Zones	
AVAILABLE PLANTING AREA	SELECTREE WATER USE RATING	ium 🗌 High
Select v	SUN EXPOSURE	iull Shade

## CREATING A TREE PALETTE: <u>CLIMATE READY TREES</u>

- Joint project between U.S. Forest Service and U.C. Davis
- Highlights a small number of trees that may be particularly suited to tolerate the stressors of a changing climate.

#### **Climate Ready Trees**



### **Southern California Coastal Trees**

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## Mulga (Acacia aneura)

Mulga is native to arid Western Australia and tolerates hot and dry condition. It can grow in sandy, loam, or clay soil types. This versatile and hardy tree produces ascending thornless branches and grows 15 to 20 feet in height. The leaves are evergreen and the tree has yellow, showy flowers in the spring.





Northern California Central Valley Trees

Southern California Inland Empire Trees

Southern California Coastal Trees



Climate Ready Trees Southern California Coast Project Handout

# CREATING A TREE PALETTE: <u>CLIMATE ASSESSMENT TOOL</u>

- Allows you to see how suitable certain taxa, or groups of trees are to the future climate of a location.
- Not all species of plants and botanical gardens are included.
- The analysis of the climate suitability of species is based on mean annual temperature.

#### **Assessment Results**

for taxon Magnolia grandiflora L.

at location 34.07355, -118.35219

with climate change scenario Emissions Limited in 2050 (SSP2) 0

				Temperature in Celsius														Culture	Annual	Dist				
Source	Records	MAT	12°	13°	14°	15°	16°	17°	18°	19°	20° 👔	21°	22°	23°	24°	25°	26°	27°	28°	Updated At	Hottest Month	Coldest Quarter 👔	Annual Precipitation 🔞	Driest Quarter 👔
GBIF BGCI 💿	505	18.5 °C	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2019-06-13	32.7 °C	8.7 °C	1274 mm/year	247 mm/qtr
GBIF Current	3768	17.7 °C	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2020-10-09	32.4 °C	9.3 °C	1278 mm/year	245 mm/qtr
Model 😨	0	18.5 °C	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	2021-06-18			0	0
UrbanPlants 📀	107	16 °C	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2020-06-30	30.9 °C	9.5 °C	968 mm/year	122 mm/qtr
PlantSearch 🚱	237	12.7 °C	З	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	2023-07-18	28 °C	4.9 °C	926 mm/year	157 mm/qtr

Projected climate details at garden based on selected climate scenario:

Mean Annual Temperature (BIO1): 20.3 °C Maximum temperature of the hottest month (BIO5): 30.6 °C Minimum temperature of the coldest quarter (BIO11): 16.2 °C Annual precipitation (BIO12): 346 mm/year Precipitation of the driest quarter (BIO17): 4 mm/qtr



#### Assessment Results

for taxon Magnolia grandiflora L.

at location 34.07355, -118.35219

with climate change scenario Business as Usual in 2090 (SSP3)

	Temperature in Celsius										I	Coldest	Annual	Dist										
Source	Records	MAT	15°	16°	17°	18°	19°	20°	21°	22°	23° 🕜	24°	25°	26°	27°	28°	29°	30°	31°	Updated At	Hottest Month 🔞	Quarter 🔞	Annual Precipitation 🔞	Driest Quarter 🔞
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Projected climate details at garden based on selected climate scenario:

Mean Annual Temperature (BIO1): 22.8 °C Maximum temperature of the hottest month (BIO5): 33.5 °C Minimum temperature of the coldest quarter (BIO11): 18.5 °C Annual precipitation (BIO12): 312 mm/year Precipitation of the driest quarter (BIO17): 4 mm/qtr





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#### **Planting Trees in a Changing Climate**

Climate change is projected to cause changes in air temperatures, precipitation, disease frequencies and other factors that will affect the ability of trees in urban and natural forests to survive. The interactions of drought, heat stress and insect outbreaks due to climate change, as well as other factors, can lead to forest mortality in complex patterns. Drought-related tree mortality may even occur years or decades after the drought. Different sequences of climate events, such as a flood followed by a drought, can also affect tree growth and the risk of mortality.

Selecting trees that are appropriate for the site and able to withstand a variety of landscape characteristics will be key in planting resilient, climate-ready urban forests. Communities should consider forming a tree list that includes a variety of different tree species that show promise in withstanding the local projected climate hazards. Please note that research into climate-ready trees is still in its early stages and there are information gaps on how climate change will impact tree survival rates. Here are the factors to consider when forming your tree list. Communities should determine priority based on their projected climate hazards.

- Consider plants that have low water requirements or are drought tolerant: Planting programs may want to prioritize trees that use low amounts of water because climate models predict that drought and heat waves will increase water loss from tree surfaces (evaporative demands).
- Consider plants that can tolerate multiple water levels or soil moisture levels: In some regions, flooding will be an increased risk within this century. Selecting trees
  that have been known to be tolerant to multiple water levels may increase their ability to survive in projected flood-prone areas. There is limited information on tree
  species' levels of tolerance to water levels. Communities should consider working with local arborists to identify trees that can tolerate high water levels if increased
  flooding is projected.
- Identify trees that can do well in new projected USDA hardiness zones: Selecting trees that can potentially do well in projected future U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Plant Hardiness Zones, minimum and maximum temperatures.
- Identify trees that can do well in new projected air temperature: Warmer temperatures alone can increase forest water stress independent of precipitation amount
  and can accelerate drought-induced mortality. Selecting species that have been known to thrive in multiple temperatures can potentially increase their chances of

Resources to consider when forming tree list:

Where trees historically lived and invasiveness	<ul> <li>CalScape:  This resource by the California Native Plant Society can help you identify where, on a map, different native species are found in California. This resource also provides basic information about plant characteristics and how to care for them.</li> <li>Inventory of Invasive Plants:  This list by the California Invasive Plant Council ranks the invasiveness of species.</li> </ul>	SHARE THIS PAGE
Guides on how to create your tree palette	<ul> <li>California Tree Palette for Schoolyard Forests:  This resource by the Green Schoolyards of America is intended to help you identify trees that are climate-resilient and are appropriate for a schoolyard setting by sunset climate zones in California. </li> <li>Planning for resilient urban forests: A datadriven approach to assessing urban tree species suitability in California:  This presentation by Natalie Love, Ph.D. describes a process by which communities can use to select a tree list for their city. </li> <li>Climate Change and Urban Forests:  This presentation by Igor Lacan, UC Agriculture and Natural Resources, (UCANR) describes the space-for-time substitution process that can be used to identify tree species for a community's future climate. </li> <li>Tree Species Selection Guidelines for the Albuquerque Metro Area:  A study on identifying climate-ready trees by the Nature Conservancy for the Albuquerque area.</li></ul>	THIS ITEM APPEARS IN Climate Change
List of locally specific climate- resilient trees considered by other organizations	<ul> <li>California Tree Palette for Schoolyard Forests:  This resource by the Green Schoolyards of America is intended to help identify trees that are climate-resilient and are appropriate for a schoolyard setting by sunset climate zones in California. </li> <li>Planting Resilience: Identifying Climate-Resilient Tree Species and Increasing Their Presence in Los Angeles' Urban Forest:  This study by the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs and TreePeople identified 28 climate-resilient tree species that show promise for Los Angeles County. </li> <li>Climate Ready Trees:  Climate Ready Trees is a resource compiled by a coalition of university, USDA forest service researchers, and ecological non-profits that highlights a number of trees that may be particularly suited to tolerate the stressors of a changing climate. </li> <li>Tree Species Selection Guidelines for the Albuquerque Metro Area:  A study on identifying climate-ready trees by the Nature Conservancy for the Albuquerque area. </li> </ul>	

The following experts have had experience researching and working with climate-resilient species for the future climate.

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# NATIVE VS. NON-NATIVE TREES?

- Species diversity is extremely important to create resiliency in an urban forest
- Non-native and native plants should be considered for their ability to withstand the future climate
- Addressed in the Q&A of presentation by <u>Urban Forest Ecosystem</u> <u>Institute (CalPoly)</u> (starting 42:20)

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## Thank You

Thank you for your time and attention Slides will be available after the meeting

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# Integrated Climate Adaptation & Resiliency Program (ICARP)

# **Grant Programs**

ICARP Grant Programs The 2021 & 2022 **Budget** authorized **ICARP** to develop three new grant programs to fund local, regional, and tribal climate adaptation and resilience efforts across the state.



Regional Resilience Grant Program (RRGP)

Extreme Heat & Community Resilience Grant Program

Adaptation Planning Grant Program (APGP)

# Regional Resilience Grant Program Background & Tentative Timeline

This program will award **\$125M** over multiple rounds in regional resilience efforts.

Funding aims to:

- Support **local**, **regional**, **and tribal** entities' regional-scale climate resilience solutions.
- Support regions in advancing resilience through three major activities, capacity-building, planning and project implementation.
- Invest \$21.3 M in round 1, of which at least \$12.5M will support regional climate adaptation planning and action plans.

### Timeline Summer '22 TAC Workshop Listening Sessions Fall '22 Draft Guidelines Development Winter '22 – '23 Interagency Work Group Public Comment Period Spring '23 Final Guidelines Development Summer <u>'23</u> Final Guidelines Release & Solicitation Fall '23 Awards Announced



# Key Program Priorities

- Support **regional** projects aligned with ICARP priorities that **reduce climate risks** from wildfire, sea level rise, drought, flood, increasing temperatures, and extreme heat events.
- Support projects or actions that address the greatest climate risks in the region, particularly in the most vulnerable communities.

# Eligible Applicants and Activities

## APPLICANTS

#### Eligible

- Local Public Entities
- California Native American Tribes
- Community-Based Organizations

### Ineligible

- For-profit entities
- State Agencies

### Important Requirements

- Co-applicants required
- Regional focus

## ACTIVITIES

### Planning

- Assesses regional climate vulnerability
- Prepare an implementation plan to apply resilience planning strategies

#### Implementation

 A project and intervention that addresses and mitigates the region's greatest climate risk(s)

#### Ineligible

- Legislative lobbying and lawsuits
- Environmental studies, plans, or documents required for CEQA or NEPA

# Adaptation Planning Grant Program Background & Tentative Timeline

- •This program will award **\$25M over 3 rounds** in local, regional, and tribal adaptation planning efforts.
- •Round 1 **\$8.0 million** is available award amounts ranging between **\$150,000-\$650,000**
- •Funding targets California Native American tribes, Federally Recognized tribes, economically disadvantaged rural communities (EDRC), and communities that meet the Justice40 Initiative requirements
- No match funding required

#### Timeline

Spring '22

- ✓ TAC Workshop
- ✓ Listening Sessions

#### Summer - Fall '22

✓ Draft Guidelines Development

#### Fall '22

- ✓ Public Comment Period
- ✓ Final Guidelines Development

#### Winter '22 – '23

✓ Final Guidelines Release & Solicitation

#### Spring '23

Application Deadline

#### Summer '23

Awards Announced



# Key Program Priorities

- Explicitly and meaningfully **prioritize equitable outcomes**
- Encourage communities to equitably plan for and respond to multiple climate risks
- Support integrated social and physical infrastructure planning to achieve community resilience
- **Build statewide capacity** to plan for and implement equitable planning strategies
- Embed equity into the planning process, from project visioning through project evaluation

# Eligible Applicants and Activities

## APPLICANTS

Eligible

- Local Public Entities
- California Native American Tribes
- Community-Based
   Organizations & Non-profits

Ineligible

- For-profit entities
- State Agencies

Important Requirements

Co-applicants required

## ACTIVITIES

Eligible

- Identify climate resilience priorities
- Engage in integrated climate planning
- Plan social and physical climate resilient infrastructure projects
- Strengthen local coordination, leadership, knowledge, and skills to implement co-beneficial projects
- Increase access to additional state and federal funding

Ineligible

- Implementation of construction projects
- Environmental studies, plans, or documents required for CEQA or NEPA

# Extreme Heat & Community Resilience Background & Tentative Timeline

This program will invest **\$100M** in local, regional, and tribal **heat reduction and mitigation efforts.** Funding aims to:

- Build capacity for heat action planning in the most heat-burdened communities through funding and technical support.
- Implement California's Extreme Heat Action Plan.

#### Timeline

Spring '23

- TAC Workshop
- Listening Sessions

Summer - Fall '23

Draft Guidelines Development

Fall '23

- Public Comment Period
- Final Guidelines Development

Winter '23 – '24

 Final Guidelines Release & Solicitation

Spring '24

• Application Deadline

Summer '24

Awards Announced

# Extreme Heat & Community Resilience Background & Tentative Timeline



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# **Action Tracks**



### **Build Public Awareness and Notification**

Ex. Heat awareness and education strategies, emergency alerts and early warning, and data accessibility and heat modeling



### **Strengthen Community Services and Response**

Ex. Cooling centers and resilience hubs, community infrastructure, and support for local and regional extreme heat response plans



### **Increase Resilience of Our Built Environment**

Ex. Infrastructure, building retrofit, cool roof and pavement technologies, and air conditioning



#### **Utilize Nature-based Solutions**

Ex. Community greening and gardens, urban forestry, and greenbelts

## Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program Background

OPR, through ICARP, received funding in the state budget to support local, regional, & tribal communities. Funding to support:

- Planning & implementation grants
- Planning to prevent & mitigate the impacts & public health risk of heat
- Investments in heat reduction & mitigation infrastructure

# Prior Engagement Findings: ICARP Technical Advisory Council Workshop

## Barriers to heat resiliency:

Limited funding opportunities

Lack of awareness for funding opportunities

## Little staff capacity/expertise

Need for accessible planning resources

# Prior Engagement Findings: ICARP Technical Advisory Council Workshop



Connect applicants with adjacent funding sources



Center vulnerable community members in grant development and projects



Facilitate and reward meaningful partnerships for applicants

# Tentative Timeline



# Stay In Touch

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