

Roundtable Panel

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1:00-2:30p.m. (Eastern)
10:00-11:30a.m. (Pacific)

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Human Dimensions of Climate Change:

Perspectives on social sciences' contribution to advancing our understanding of and response to climate change

Opening comments from Tanya Trujillo, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Water and Science, Department of the Interior



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Calling All Social Scientists!

Many U.S. federal agencies use social science to inform their natural and cultural resource policy, planning, and management efforts. The DOI Social, Behavioral, and Economic Community of Practice (SBE CoP) will serve as a forum to convene, support, and advance DOI social scientists in meeting their respective organizations' mission needs.

Mission Statement:

To foster engagement among social, behavioral, and economic science practitioners and allied professionals across DOI.

Participation:

While this group is centered on the activities and interests of DOI social scientists involved with natural and cultural resource management, we welcome participation from social scientists and others with similar professional interests throughout the federal service, Tribes, state and local agencies, academia, and allied private sector organizations.

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Benefits/Functions of the COP:

- ◆ Cultivate information sharing to build awareness and enrich social, behavioral, cultural, and economic science activities undertaken across the DOI.
- ◆ Foster collegiality, coordination, capacity building, and synergistic working relationships among social scientists across program, project, bureau, and agency lines.
- ◆ Facilitate opportunities for collaborations among members of the CoP.
- ◆ Improve accessibility to social, behavioral, cultural, and economic science resources for the broader DOI community.
- ◆ Improve social science core capabilities and skills.
- ◆ Further the collective understanding of best practices for conducting applied social science across the department.
- ◆ Promote the practice and application of social science in accomplishing the DOI's diverse mission.
- ◆ Serve an organizing function to welcome and engage new and seasoned individuals that work in the social, behavioral, cultural, and economic sciences.
- ◆ Encourage connections and coordination with other related groups.