

**NATIONAL CLIMATE ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2014**  
**TELEPHONE MEETING, 8:00 AM – 8:40 AM EDT**

**WELCOME**

*Dr. Jerry Melillo, Marine Biological Laboratory and NCADAC Chair*

Jerry Melillo welcomed the NCADAC. Jerry Melillo requested and received approval for NCA staff to be allowed to participate in the discussions of the committee as necessary.

**UPDATE ON REPORT AND HIGHLIGHTS STATUS**

*Dr. Jerry Melillo, Marine Biological Laboratory and NCADAC Chair*

Jerry Melillo gave an update on the status of the Third National Climate Assessment and the derivative Highlights document. The report and Highlights had undergone final revisions and were ready to be considered for approval. Jerry Melillo thanked the NCADAC, chapter authors, the NOAA Designated Federal Officials, NCA staff, and the editorial team for their contributions in developing the NCA.

**ATTENDANCE FOR CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**

*Dr. Gary Yohe, Wesleyan University and NCADAC Vice-Chair*  
*Dr. Glynis Lough, NCA Chief of Staff, U.S. Global Change Research Program*

Attendance was taken and the presence of a quorum was confirmed.

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FINAL THIRD NCA AND HIGHLIGHTS DOCUMENT**

*Ms. Terese (T.C.) Richmond, Van Ness Feldman GordonDerr and NCADAC Vice-Chair*

T.C. Richmond reviewed the NCADAC process for consensus decision making. T.C. Richmond asked the NCADAC to consider the decision to approve the Third National Climate Assessment and the derivative Highlights document for final submission to the Federal government through the NOAA Administrator. It was requested that any NCADAC member who objected to this final approval to speak. No objections were raised.

T.C. Richmond described the process for reporting, evaluating, and resolving suspected errata in the Third NCA. If a suspected error is discovered, the commenter will bring the comment to the USGCRP (NCA) office to discuss the comment and its merit/urgency. Second, the USGCRP (NCA) office will bring the comment for discussion with SGCR chair and, as needed, review by NCADAC (through the NCADAC term), Editorial team, CLAs, and Agencies. Third, if deemed warranted, USGCRP (NCA) office will ensure

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that the comment is recorded and posted as an erratum notice on the report's web page: [nca2014.globalchange.gov](http://nca2014.globalchange.gov).

### Decision

The 3<sup>rd</sup> NCA and derivative Highlights document were approved by consensus for final submission to the Federal government through the NOAA Administrator.

## **NEXT STEPS**

*Dr. Gary Yohe, Wesleyan University and NCADAC Vice-Chair*

Gary Yohe explained that the Third NCA and Highlights would be immediately submitted to the Federal government through the NOAA Administrator. Gary Yohe also described some of the expected events related to the release of the NCA, including a stakeholder event hosted by the White House.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

*Dr. Kandis Wyatt, NOAA NESDIS, Designated Federal Official (Alternate)*

Kandis Wyatt opened the public comment period. No members of the public offered comments, and the public comment period was closed.

## **CLOSING**

*Dr. Gary Yohe*

Gary Yohe thanked the NCADAC for attending the meeting and for all their work in developing the report. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 AM.

## APPENDIX A: ATTENDEES

## Non-Federal NCADAC Members in attendance

Name	Affiliation
Daniel Abbasi	GameChange Capital, LLC
Ginger Armbrust	University of Washington
Bull Bennett	Kiksapa Consulting
James Buizer	University of Arizona
Lynne Carter	Louisiana State University
F. Stuart (Terry) Chapin	University of Alaska
Camille Coley	Florida Atlantic University
Paul Fleming	Seattle Public Utilities
Guido Franco	California Energy Commission
Mary Gade	Gade Consulting
David Gustafson	Monsanto Company
David Hales	Second Nature
Sharon Hays	Computer Sciences Corporation
Mark Howden	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization
Anthony Janetos	Boston University
Rattan Lal	Ohio State University
Diana Liverman	University of Arizona
Rezaul Mahmood	Western Kentucky University
Ed Maibach	George Mason University
Michael McGeehin	RTI International
Jerry Melillo	Marine Biological Laboratory
Susanne Moser	Susanne Moser Research & Consulting
Richard Moss	University of Maryland and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Philip Mote	Oregon State University
Marie O'Neill	University of Michigan
Jayantha Obeysekera	South Florida Water Management District
Lindene Patton	Zurich Financial Services
John Posey	East-West Gateway Council of Governments
Sara Pryor	Indiana University
Terese (T.C.) Richmond	Van Ness Feldman GordonDerr
Andrew Rosenberg	UNH and Union of Concerned Scientists
Richard Schmalensee	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Henry (Gerry) Schwartz	HGS Consultants, LLC
Joel Smith	Stratus Consulting
Donald Wuebbles	University of Illinois
Gary Yohe	Wesleyan University

**Federal NCADAC Ex-Officio Members in attendance**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Ko Barrett	NOAA
John Hall	Department of Defense
Leonard Hirsch	Smithsonian Institution
Bill Hohenstein	USDA
Patricia Jacobberger-Jellison	NASA
Mike Kangior	DHS
Thomas Karl	NOAA/Subcommittee on Global Change Research
Robert O'Connor	National Science Foundation
Robin O'Malley	USGS
Susan Ruffo	White House Council on Environmental Quality

**USGCRP, NOAA, and NCA Staff in attendance**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Steve Aulenbach	USGCRP
Susan Aragon-Long	USGCRP (USGS)
Tom Armstrong	USGCRP/White House Office of Science & Technology Policy
Emily Cloyd	USGCRP
Cynthia Decker	NOAA
David Easterling	NOAA
Ilya Fischhoff	USGCRP
Becky Fried	White House Office of Science and Technology Policy
Dan Glick	CICS-NC/NOAA/NCDC
Bryce Golden-Chen	USGCRP
Susan Hassol	Climate Communication, LLC
Melissa Kenney	NOAA
Ken Kunkel	CICS-NC/NOAA/NCDC
Fabien Laurier	White House Office of Science and Technology Policy
Glynis Lough	USGCRP
Brady Phillips	NOAA
Emily Seyller	USGCRP
Kandis Wyatt	NOAA

**Other attendees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Farhan Akhtar	Department of State
Larry Fishtahler	CSC/NASA (retired)
Lisa Fleisher	Johns Hopkins School of Public Health
Suzanne Goldenberger	The Guardian
Kathy Jacobs	University of Arizona
Paige Knappenberger	Climate Nexus
Mark McCaffrey	National Center for Science Education
Kevin O'Rourke	Climate Nexus/Cunningham Strategic
Michael Rader	Forum One Communications

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Lea Radick  
Nicky Sundt  
Diana Van Vleet  
Andrea Vittorio  
Anne Waple

Inside EPA  
World Wildlife Fund  
Climate Nexus  
Bloomberg BNA  
Second Nature