

USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service
Climate Adaptation Plan 2014

National Agricultural Statistics Service Climate Change Adaptation Plan (Action Registry)

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Industry consultation	Data User's Meetings or Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics	Agricultural Statistics Board	Opportunity - Outside review to identify ways to adapt	National	2013	Document, research, funding requests for implementation	Success of implementing recommendations	ERS, WOAB collaborate with the meetings	Program adjustments and additions need funding	None	2013 Data Users meeting held in October
Internal assessments	Internal Meetings of Senior Leadership	Senior Executive Team	Opportunity – internal assessment and reallocation	Agency-wide	2013	Document, research, funding requests for implementation	Success of implementing recommendations				
Education and training	Agency Training	Global Change Task Force Member	Opportunity - expanding knowledge	Agency-wide	Begin FY 2013	Ag Learn, personal research, seminars & conferences	Completion	USDA GCTF plan, promotes and publicizes events	Travel restrictions have limited attendance		NASS was represented at the Grand Challenge meetings of the Gate Foundation in October 2013
GCTF participation	Continue participation in USDA GCTF	Global Change Task Force Member	Opportunity - develop internal expertise	Agency-wide	FY 2013	Select, meet, communicate, implement	Implementation	Other USDA agencies			

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Recording/budgeting extreme events	Document additional resources for re-interviews	Program Administration Branch	Opportunity - document	Agency-wide	FY 2013	Record keeping and budgeting plans	Agency resources expended in response to extreme weather events	NASS/National Agriculture State Departments of Agriculture	Resurvey costs	Late plantings	July 2013 soybean resurvey for 14 states
Document impacts	Document extreme weather and their impact	Geospatial Information Branch	Opportunity - document	Agency-wide	FY 2013	Record keeping	Agency resources expended in response to extreme weather		Produced internally in cooperation with Statistics Division	Satellite availability for ag monitoring	Derived independent July 2013 soybean analysis
Program review	5-year Program Review	Statistics Division	Opportunity - reprioritize agency programs	Agency-wide	FY 2014	Senior leadership	Program changes initiated due to climate change		Program expansions require funding	Documenting decisions and actions	
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Develop budget offering	Develop climate	Geospatial Information Branch	Opportunity - document	Agency-wide	FY 2015	Document, research, funding requests for implementation	Congressional program approval	ARS	Scientific university collaboration	Staffing for new climate program	Budget offering submitted

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Target upcoming NASA solicitations	Seek funding for NASA food security/water resources/ disaster solicitations	Geospatial Information Branch	Opportunity-document	Agency-wide	FY 2015	Seek collaborative partners for solicitations	Win solicitations	Leverage NASA scientific instruments/ satellites	Scientific university collaboration	Developing observations and systems	Waiting for solicitations