



Natural Systems

NS-1 Encourage local governments to gather and disseminate best practices for communicating the impacts of climate change on natural systems and the value of nature to the public.

NS-2 Revise the Florida Forever prioritization process to account for ecosystem services that support climate adaptation.

NS-3 Engage the South Florida Prescribed Fire Council in evaluating climate-related vulnerabilities and maintaining high frequency, low severity fires in natural areas.

NS-4 Develop sustainable financing for the protection and management of natural areas and ecosystem services.

NS-5 Identify or create a regional group to coordinate a plan to create adaptation corridors, living collections and other approaches to species dispersal and conservation.

NS-6 Conduct a predictive assessment of current and potential invasive species ranges and impacts given climate change scenarios.

NS-7 Promote the protection and restoration of coastal natural systems and the creation of “living shorelines” at the regional scale to minimize flooding and erosion while maximizing habitat.

NS-8 Support coral reef protection, restoration and sustainable-use initiatives to help Florida’s sensitive reefs adapt to the changing climate.

NS-9 Examine and revise environmental regulations to account for the effects of climate change on the regulated environment.