



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** Advocate for federal and state funding for applied monitoring and climate-related science, conducted in partnership with the Florida Climate Institute.
- NS-10** Examine and revise environmental regulations to account for the effects of climate change on the regulated environment.
- NS-11** Identify the effect of climate change on fish populations, the sustainability of key fisheries and the fishing industry, then develop adaptation plans as needed.