



SCENARIO PLANNING AND PATHWAYS TO SUCCESSFUL ADAPTATION

October 4th, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

October 5th, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Alaska Islands and Ocean Visitor Center
95 Sterling Hwy, Homer AK



Workshop Goals

Building on workshop participants' experience and expertise, as well as on the foundational adaptation training delivered by NOAA in March 2016, we will take the next steps in thinking about community efforts to prepare for, adapt to, and work together towards a climate-resilient future. In this workshop participants will:

1. Identify a desirable future for Homer and surrounding areas, considering diverse community goals, climate change, and other opportunities and stressors;
2. Develop feasible, climate-resilient pathways from the present state to the desired future state;
3. Enable workshop participants to link the work accomplished during the workshop (on a vision of a desirable future and adaptive pathways) to their daily work, planning efforts and decisions.

Agenda

DAY 1: OCTOBER 4, 2016

- 8:30 am** **Registration** - Light breakfast available
- 9:00 am** **Welcome and introductions**
Workshop intent and goals • Participant and facilitator introductions
- 9:30 am** **Envisioning the community we want**
Workshop participants brainstorm and refine a vision for the community: What does Homer look like in 2050? How is its economy thriving? What does a socially, culturally thriving community look like? What defines the community?
- 10:30 am** **Break**

- 10:45 am** **Climate change and community vision of a desirable future**
Outline climate scenarios that describe how the community may be affected by key drivers of change • Explore how climate and environmental changes may affect the possibility of Homer’s desired future to be realized
- 12:30 pm Lunch
- 1:30pm** **Climate-resilient pathways: Turning points and decision points**
Explore adaptive pathways, even under growing pressures from climate change • Identify relevant thresholds, warning signals
- 3:00 pm Break
- 3:15 pm** **Actions and strategies to advance on the adaptation pathways**
Identify specific strategies and actions needed to implement adaptation pathways to the resilient Homer of 2050 • Identify barriers that may be encountered along the pathways and think creatively about solutions
- 4:15 pm** **Summary of Day 1, outlook to Day 2**
- 5:00 pm Adjourn for the day

DAY 2: OCTOBER 5, 2016

- 8:30 am** **Arrival** - Light breakfast available
- 9:00 am** **Welcome and panel of leaders reflecting on Day 1**
Welcome to yesterday’s and any new participants • State, Borough and City leaders reflect on what they heard and identify near-term opportunities (at their respective governance levels) to begin working on adaptation strategies
- 10:00 am** **From vision and pathways to real world planning and action**
Link the adaptive actions and strategies developed on Day 1 to local work, planning efforts and decisions
- 11:00 am Break
- 11:15 am** **Looking ahead: The work this winter**
Report out from previous session, discuss opportunities, identify support needs to move adaptation planning forward in Homer and surrounding areas
- 12:00 am** **Summary and next steps**
Synthesis • Commitments of KBNERR to working with community • Outlook to workshop next spring (measuring progress and success) • Evaluation of workshop
- 12:30pm Adjourn and optional networking lunch