An Overview of Climate-Smart Conservation  
**Course Code: ALC3139**

**Course Description**
This one day overview class is being hosted by the California Landscape Conservation Cooperative (CA LCC) and is based on the guide Climate-Smart Conservation: Putting Adaptation Principles into Practice. This publication is the product of an expert workgroup on climate change adaptation convened by the National Wildlife Federation in collaboration with the FWS’s National Conservation Training Center and other partners. The course is designed to provide an introduction to climate adaptation for application to on-the-ground conservation. It will provide an overview of how to craft climate-informed conservation goals, to carry out adaptation with intentionality, and how to manage for change and not just persistence.

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**Objectives**

At the conclusion of this course, participants should be able to:

- Explain the basic concepts of climate-smart conservation including overarching themes, key characteristics, and the cycle
- Evaluate conservation goals from a climate change perspective, and align adaptation strategies with climate-informed goals
- Describe the process for identifying possible adaptation options based on vulnerability information and other management considerations
- Explain how to manage for climate related uncertainty