



Alaska Climate Change Strategy

Photo: J. Hardesty

Introduction to ICF International Team and Adaptation Facilitators

**Presentation to the Adaptation Advisory Group
September 23, 2008**



ICF International: Climate Change

- A leading policy, technology and management consulting firm providing advisory and program implementation services to public & private sector
- Over 3,000 employees worldwide, including 15 US offices
- Over 250 professionals working on climate change
- Industry expertise: power sector, oil & gas, chemicals, aluminum, aviation, transport, and high GWP gases
- Current federal and state government support:
 - US GHG inventory
 - Analytical and research support for both mitigation and adaptation
 - Federal voluntary programs
 - State and regional climate support – RGGI, WCI, MGA, CA (A.B. 32), WA Dept of Ecology, HI CC strategy, and other initiatives

ICF Coordinating Staff: Experience in Adaptation and Mitigation

- Randy Freed, Senior Vice President
 - Leader of ICF's Climate and Energy Policy Group
 - Impacts and adaptation for water resources, ecosystems, land use, and infrastructure
 - GHG inventories and mitigation
 - Project advisor
- Dr. Fran Sussman, Senior Technical Expert and Economist
 - Almost two decades of experience in climate change mitigation and adaptation
 - Economic and policy analysis includes market-based approaches to environmental protection, welfare and economic impacts of climate change, the use of economic models, and analysis of priorities for adaptation and decision support
 - Co-Project lead

ICFI Coordinating Staff: Experience in Adaptation and Mitigation (cont.)

- Melinda Harris, Lead Economist for Climate Change
 - Climate impacts work for EPA, USDOT, and USAID
 - Mitigation experience includes developing Marginal Abatement Cost (MAC) curves
 - Numerous projects focused on power and fuel markets and the oil and gas industry domestically and internationally



Adaptation Facilitators

- **Dr. Kristie L. Ebi – Co-facilitator for Health and Culture**
 - Has been conducting research on the climate impacts and adaptation to extreme events, thermal stress, foodborne diseases, and vector borne diseases for over a decade
 - Widely published in the field of climate change and health
 - Provided support to the development of Maryland’s health adaptation strategy
- **Dr. Jason Vogel, Stratus Consulting – Co-facilitator for Health and Culture**
 - Has worked extensively on climate change adaptation, including work for the World Bank, the UNDP, USEPA, and the state of Alaska

Adaptation Facilitators

- Nancy Tosta, Ross & Associates Environmental Consulting, Ltd., Seattle, WA
 - Economic Activities TWG
 - 30 years of experience in policy and scientific analysis, intergovernmental coordination, information management, and geographic information systems (GIS)
 - Skilled facilitator, and has held executive positions at regional, state, and federal government agencies



Adaptation Facilitators: New to the Process

- Jan Caulfield of Jan Caulfield Consulting, a Juneau-based firm offering facilitation, planning, and public involvement services
 - Natural Systems TWG
 - 26 years experience in design and facilitation of public and government processes
 - Extensive experience in facilitating processes addressing Alaska's natural systems, including fisheries, wildlife, coastal management and forestry
 - Has held Environmental Conservation and Community development positions with state and local government in Alaska

Adaptation Facilitators: New to the Process (cont.)

- Barbara Sheinberg, of Sheinberg Associates, a Juneau-based firm
 - Public Infrastructure TWG
 - 26 years experience specializing in facilitation of community meetings and public involvement, and community, strategic, and land use planning
 - Facilitates meetings of federal, state and local government agencies as well as other governments
 - Has completed projects ranging from coastal, master, and comprehensive plans, and analysis of transportation, infrastructure, tourism, and recreation issues.
 - Has held position in planning and as an exploration geologist with state and local governments and the private sector in Alaska

For more info ...

- Dr. Fran Sussman
 - Email: FSussman@ICFI.com
 - Phone: 301-585-6903

