Update on EPA Region 6 Climate Change Adaptation Planning

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Objectives

Provide brief overview of EPA's Climate Adaptation Planning Process

Share EPA Region 6's preliminary focus areas and timeline

Initiate discussions / engagement with R6 Tribes

Brief Overview of EPA's Climate Adaptation Planning Process

- Executive Order 14008-Tackling the Climate Crisis
- EPA Climate Adaptation Action Plan-Oct 21
- EPA Draft Strategic Plan FY22-26
- Program Offices and Regions Develop Climate Adaptation Implementation Plans - ongoing

EPA Region 6 Climate Adaptation Planning Schedule

Date	Activity
Dec 1, 2021	• Draft **Region 6 Priority Actions** submitted
Dec 1 & 2, 2021	• Priority Action **Information Exchange** Meeting
Dec/Jan	• EPA Regions/National Programs collaboration • Preliminary **Engagement** with EPA Partners
Feb 18, 2021	• Draft Updates to R6 Implementation Plan Due
Mar-Jun 2022	• Further **Engagement** with EPA Partners • R6 Implementation Plan **Revisions**
Summer 2022	• Final R6 Implementation Plan Due
Sep 30, 2022	• EPA Plans Available on EPA Website

Region 6 Initial Focus Areas

1: Expand strategic networks to raise awareness of climate adaptation and resilience and understand what matters most to our Tribal and state partners and stakeholders.

2: Collaborate to strengthen the adaptive capacity and resilience of Region 6 communities with a focus on advancing environmental justice

3: Take actions to integrate climate change adaptation into EPA Region 6 activities

4: Expand use of renewable energy power sources, energy efficient technologies, and water use efficiency in the EPA Region 6 day-to-day activities and facilities.

5: Provide climate change adaptation awareness and technical training opportunities and share our successes.

Next Steps

- Coordinate with HQ (AIEO) on national consultations
- Setup opportunities to hear from Region 6 Tribes

New EPA Climate Adaptation Website:
www.epa.gov/climate-adaptation

Climate Change Adaptation Resource Center (ARC-X)
https://www.epa.gov/arc-x
Tailored package of information to local government officials