



# 2021 State Climate Adaptation Strategy

## Building Resilience and Reducing Risks

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Public Overview

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# Background

California state agencies are statutorily required to release an updated comprehensive state strategy every three years (AB 1482, Gordon, 2015).

Previous strategies were released in 2009, 2014, and 2018.



# Goals

The 2021 update will deliver a **framework for action:**

1. Set strategic direction for actors, sectors, and regions across California
2. Outline specific and timebound actions
3. Increase accountability through goals and metrics





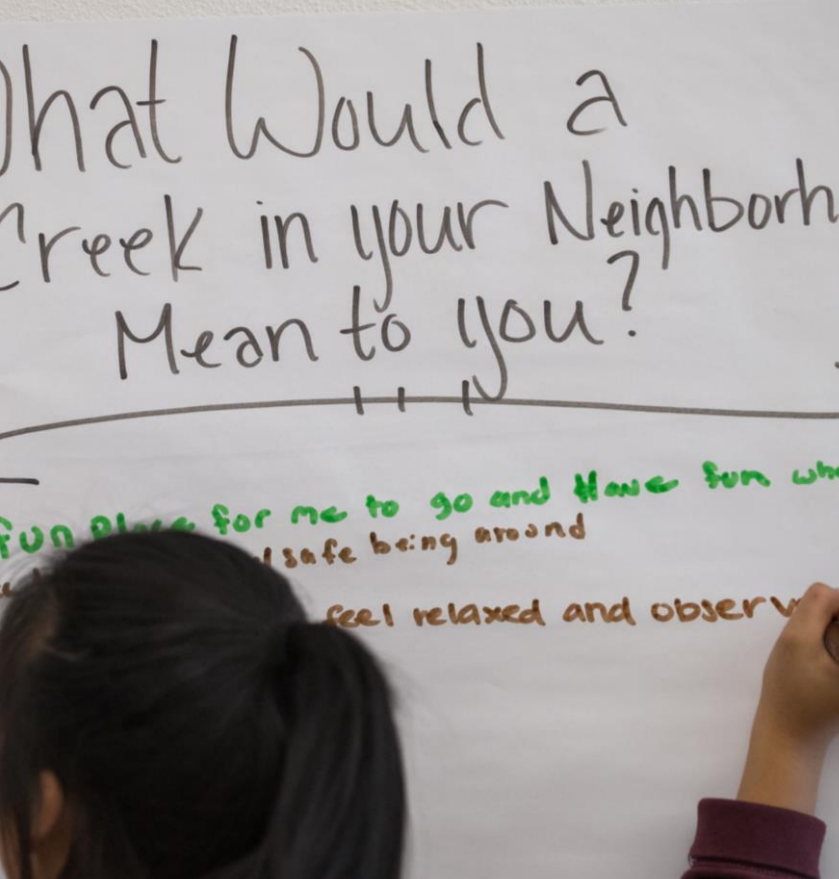
# Nesting Existing Efforts





# Addressing Gaps





# Stakeholder Engagement





**Final Deliverable**



# Priorities

The Strategy should drive action toward critical priorities:



Strengthen protections for climate vulnerable communities



Protect public health and safety in the event of climate disasters



Reduce climate risks to California's economy



Help nature adapt to climate change, and accelerate nature-based solutions



Make decisions based on best available climate science



Leverage resources for climate action through partnerships and collaboration



A person wearing a red hard hat with 'CCC' on it and a tan shirt is working in a forest. They are wearing safety glasses and gloves, and appear to be handling a large log or branch. The background shows a dense forest with many trees.

# Structure

Outcomes will advance multiple Administration priorities and reinforce California's values.

*For Example:*

- **PRIORITY:** Strengthen protections for climate vulnerable communities
- **GOAL:** Facilitate public and private investments that reduce risks for climate-vulnerable communities
- **ACTION:** Develop a tool to map climate vulnerable communities by X date.





# Approach

**Our approach reflects the Administration's broader effort to integrate and coordinate existing adaptation efforts.**

**Utilizing the Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program as a resilience coordination hub**

**Pulling the pieces together so that our overarching strategy is easily understood.**

**Accelerating strategic implementation**



# Timeline



**Q1**

Launch interagency coordination and stakeholder engagement

**Q2**

Draft strategy released

**Q3**

Finalize strategy



# Questions

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