

Toward a Well Adapted Future in Puget Sound: A Symposium on Climate Change Adaptation and the Law

Friday, January 21, 2011
Seattle University School of Law
Sullivan Hall, Room C5 • 901 12th Avenue • Seattle, Washington 98122

08:00-08:30	Registration & Coffee/Light Breakfast
08:30-08:45	<i>Introduction & Welcome</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Professor Catherine O’Neill, Professor of Law, Seattle University School of Law, and Board Member, Center for Progressive Reform• Dean Mark Niles, Seattle University School of Law• Professor Henry McGee, Professor of Law, Seattle University School of Law
08:50-09:45	<i>The Science of Climate Change</i> <p>This panel will focus on the Climate Impact Group’s work on the climate change impacts for Washington and the Pacific Northwest, detailing the expected impacts under different emissions scenarios.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Amy Snover, Co-Director, Climate Impacts Group and JISAO Center for Science in the Earth System Q & A
09:45-10:05	<i>Session I: The Basics of Adaptation</i> <p>This panel will give a basic overview of adaptation, answering questions such as: what does adaptation mean? Why adapt now, and how is it different than mitigation? What is the goal of adaptation, and how does that impact the framework for selecting which reforms to undertake? What are some overarching obstacles to adaptation?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Professor Victor Flatt, Tom & Elizabeth Taft Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law; Director, Center for Law, Environment, Adaptation, and Resources (CLEAR), University of North Carolina Chapel Hill School of Law Q & A
10:05-10:10	Pause
10:10-11:10	<i>Session II: Adaptation in Puget Sound</i> <p>This panel will provide a snapshot of climate change adaptation efforts in Washington and Puget Sound, covering the federal, state, and tribal levels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hedia Adelman, Executive Policy Advisor, Department of Ecology Director’s Office• Charles O’Hara, Director, Office of Planning and Community Development, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community• Paul Fleming, Manager, Climate and Sustainability Group, Seattle Public Utilities• Moderator: Rob Glicksman, the J.B. and Maurice C. Shapiro Professor of Environmental Law, The George Washington University School of Law

	Q & A
11:10-11:20	Break
11:20-12:20	<p><i>Session III: Creative Solutions for Climate Change Adaptation</i></p> <p>This panel will discuss issues of climate change adaptation, touching on adaptation for natural resources, public health and environmental justice, and incorporating flexibility into the decision-making process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Dale Goble, Margaret Wilson Schimke Distinguished Professor of Law, University of Idaho College of Law • Professor Brad Karkkainen, Professor of Law, University of Minnesota Law School • Professor Alice Kaswan, Professor of Law, University of San Francisco School of Law • Moderator: William Andreen, Edgar L. Clarkson Professor of Law, University of Alabama School of Law <p>Q & A</p>
12:20-13:00	<p>Conclusions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preston Hardison, Natural Resources and Treaty Rights Policy Analyst, Tulalip Tribes of Washington • Professor Robert Verchick, Gauthier-St. Martin Eminent Scholar and Chair in Environmental Law, Loyola University New Orleans College of Law, and former Deputy Associate Administrator at EPA's Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation

