

Day 1 19 September 2023		
NIDIS—Southern Plains Drought Early Warning System Annual Partners Meeting		
Time (CT)	Topic	Presenter
11:30 AM	Arrive, Registration and light lunch	
12:00 PM	Welcomes and Introductions	
SESSION: Current Drought Conditions and Outlook		
12:20 PM	Current Drought Conditions & outlook	B.J. Baule, Southern Regional Climate Center
12:40 PM	Fire Outlook	Steven Ippoliti US Fish and Wildlife Service Predictive Services Meteorologist
SESSION: DEWS Business		
12:55 PM	Drought Early Warning Systems - more than a forecast	Meredith Muth, NOAA / NIDIS
1:05 PM	SP DEWS Strategic Action Plan	Joel Lisonbee, NOAA / NIDIS, CU Boulder/CIRES
1:25 PM	Discussions: What should be done NEXT to advance drought early warning in the region?	
2:05 PM	Break	
SESSION: Climate Services		
2:35 PM	Meeting National needs with Regional Climate Services	Sharon Mesick, NOAA / NCEI
2:50 PM	40th Anniversary of the Regional Climate Centers	Alison Tarter, Southern Regional Climate Center
3:10 PM	State Climatologist Panel	John Nielsen-Gammon, Texas Gary McManus, Oklahoma Matt Sittel, Kansas
SESSION: Regional Partners Reports		
4:10 PM	SC CASC report	Dolly Na-Yemeh, South Central CASC
4:20 PM	Meadows Center report	Robert Mace, The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment
4:30 PM	USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub	Andres Cibils, USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub
4:40 PM	Southern Climate Impacts Planning Program (SCIPP)	Darrian Bertrand, SCIPP
4:50 PM	Bureau of Indian Affairs	Sheena Schemm, BIA
5:00 PM	End	

Day 2 20 September 2023		
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SESSION: Regional Partners Reports (continued)		
9:00 AM	NWS Drought Information Statement Modernisation Project	Keith White, National Weather Service Austin/San Antonio, TX
9:20 AM	New Mexico Climate Center	Dave DuBois, New Mexico State University
9:40 AM	Soil For Water	Luz Ballesteros Gonzalez, NCAT
SESSION: Regional Projects		
9:55 AM	Report out on Assessing Drought in a Changing Climate (NIDIS/USDA Hub led technical workshop)	Britt Parker, NOAA/NIDIS, CU Boulder/CIRES
10:10 AM	New drought.gov State Pages	Kelsey Satalino, NOAA/NIDIS, CU Boulder/CIRES
10:20 AM	A Communication Framework for Ecological Drought Information in the Southwestern U.S.	Hatim Geli, New Mexico State University
10:35 AM	Texas FIRO Pilot Project	Yu Zhang, University of Texas, Arlington
10:50 AM	Break	
11:20 AM	A Tale of Two Flash Droughts; A Novel Extreme by the South-Central US	Daniel Mesheske, University of Oklahoma
11:35 AM	Accessing Climate Data: ClimateEngine.org	Dan McEvoy, Western Regional Climate Center
11:50 AM	CoCoRaHS: Texas Volunteer Rainfall Observing	Bill Runyon, Texas CoCoRaHS State Coordinator
12:05 PM	USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service	Rigoberto (Rigo) Lopez USDA-NRCS
12:20 PM	Groundwater Mapping in New Mexico	Geoff Rawling, New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources
12:35 PM	Break — Working Lunch from 12:35 to 1:35	
SESSION: Moving Ahead in the Southern Plains		
12:50 PM	What's Next for the Southern Plains Drought Early Warning System: Ideas for working together	Joel Lisonbee and Andres Cibils
1:35 PM	Drought Planning Platform	Gretel Follingstad, NOAA/NIDIS, CU Boulder/CIRES
1:55 PM	Closing remarks	Joel Lisonbee, NOAA/NIDIS, CU Boulder/CIRES

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2:00 PM	End	
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