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## NOTICE

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## National Coastal Climate Adaptation Agenda - Australia

The report discusses how Australians should work together to prepare for the future climate change challenges on the coast. It identifies the key elements of a national coastal adaptation agenda, including: the need for government leadership; effective communication and community engagement; enhanced national policy and planning consistency; and improved information for decision-making.

[Developing a National Coastal Adaptation Agenda: A Report on the National Coastal Climate Change Forum](#), Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency, Commonwealth of Australia, 2010  
[4.25 MB, PDF]

## **Climate Risks and Adaptation in Asian Coastal Megacities**

The report examines climate risk and potential adaptation responses in Manila, Ho Chi Minh City, and Bangkok. It finds that there is likely to be an increase in the number of persons exposed to flooding in 2050 under different climate scenarios in all three cities. While the report focuses on three cities in East Asia, the policy implications resulting from the comparative analysis of these cities has broader relevance for assessing climate risks and identifying adaptation options in other coastal areas.

[Climate Risks and Adaptation in Asian Coastal Megacities - A Synthesis Report](#), The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development/The World Bank, 2010 [4.36 MB, PDF]

## **Evaluation of Adaptation Plans - Australia, UK, and US**

The paper evaluates a set of 57 climate adaptation plans from Australia, the UK and the US against a suite of 19 planning processes identified from existing guidance instruments for adaptation planning. It finds that there are opportunities for institutions to make better use of existing guidance for adaptation planning and the need to consider the broader governance context in which adaptation will occur.

[Climate Adaptation Planning in Practice: An Evaluation of Adaptation Plans from Three Developed Nations](#), Preston BL, Westaway RM & Yuen EJ, Mitig Adapt Strateg Glob Change. DOI 10.1007/s11027-010-9270-x, 2010 [subscription required]

## **Climate Change Adaptation Toolkit**

This toolkit is aimed at a wide audience of practitioners who are involved in the design of measurable, verifiable, and reportable climate change adaptation initiatives. It contains examples of a range of approaches to framing climate change adaptation planning, developing and applying scenarios, decision-making regarding adaptation options, and stakeholder engagement.

[Designing Climate Change Adaptation Initiatives: A UNDP Toolkit for Practitioners](#), Environment and Energy Group, UNDP Bureau of Development Policy, UNDP, 2010 [5.70 MB, PDF]

## **Strategic Infrastructure Plan for South Australia**

This discussion paper assists public consultation on an update of the South Australia's infrastructure plan encompassing 14 infrastructure sectors. It provides an outline of the long term global and national economic, social and environmental trends which are expected to shape the way in which South Australia develops and the long term strategic priorities to guide infrastructure development in future.

[Strategic Infrastructure Plan for South Australia - 2010 Discussion Paper](#), Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure, Adelaide, South Australia, 2010 [8.33 MB, PDF]

## 2011 NCCARF Climate Change Adaptation Conference

This NCCARF (National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility) Conference will take place in Cairns, Queensland on 6 April 2011. It will be held in conjunction with Greenhouse 2011, which runs from the 4-8 April, 2011. All necessary information about the program and registration details will be available on the conference website soon. However, please go to the website below to register interest to attend this conference.

[NCCARF 2011 Climate Change Adaptation Conference](#), National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility (NCCARF), Cairns, Queensland, Australia, 6 April 2011

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