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Vulnerability to Climate Change - Hunter & Central Coasts

The study assesses the vulnerability of the NSW (Australia) Central Coast and Lower Hunter region to the impacts of climate change by using a three-pronged analysis: ecological vulnerability; economic vulnerability; and social vulnerability. It uses climate change projections produced by the IPCC and CSIRO for the years 2030 and 2070.

Hunter & Central Coasts, New South Wales - Vulnerability to Climate Change Impacts, Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency, Commonwealth of Australia, 2011 [31.1 MB, PDF]

Impacts of Climate Change on Public Health in India

Focusing on India, the report highlights challenges and opportunities for research to pave the way for pioneering solutions to improve public health in the face of increasing climate variability. It reviews the current state of the science building on information presented at the 2009 Joint Indo-U.S. Workshop on Climate Change and Health held in Goa, India.

Impacts of Climate Change on Public Health in India: Future Research Directions, Kathleen F. Bush et al., Environmental Health Perspectives, vol. 119, no. 6, June 2011 [283 KB, PDF]

International Dimensions of Climate Change

The report focuses on four questions: why are the international dimensions of climate change important for the UK? What are the threats and challenges to the UK from international developments in this warming world? How do the UK's strengths and capabilities help address the challenge of a warming world? And how should UK policymakers respond to these threats and opportunities?

Foresight International Dimensions of Climate Change, Final Project Report, The Government Office for Science, London, UK, July 2011[13.5 MB, PDF]

Decision Making in a Changing Climate

The report focuses on how national governments, particularly those of developing countries, can make effective decisions in a changing climate. It explores five key elements (public engagement; decision-relevant information; institutional design; tools for planning and policymaking; and resources) that the authors believe will significantly strengthen the ability of national governments to make effective adaptation decisions.

Decision Making in a Changing Climate: Adaptation Challenges and Choices, World Resources 2010-2011, United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Environment Programme, World Bank Group, & World Resources Institute, 2011 [11.8 MB, PDF]

The Development-Disaster Risk Reduction Linkage

The paper argues that sovereign states, multilateral development banks and the international development community should collaborate in shifting paradigms to: consider all development actions as initiatives to reduce risk; separate emergency management policy and practice from disaster risk management; and fold disaster risk management and climate adaptation into development planning and lending processes.

Progress in Natural Hazard Risk Reduction: What Hath Development Wrought? Stephen O. Bender, Environmental Hazards, vol. 10, pp. 69-79, 2011 [329 KB, PDF]

2nd Asia-Pacific Water Summit - Bangkok, Thailand

2nd Asia-Pacific Water Summit will take place in Bangkok (Thailand) on the 5th and 6thFebruary 2012. It aims to bring together leaders from the Asia-Pacific region to promote active dialogue for more effective regional cooperation and coordination in water security in the Asia-Pacific. For registration and other details, please go to the website below.

2nd Asia-Pacific Water Summit, Department of Water Resources, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Queen Sirikit National Convention Center, Bangkok, Thailand, 5-6 February 2012

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