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Westernport Region Starts Adaptation to Climate Change

Western Port Greenhouse Alliance's report establishes strategic directions for adapting to climate change in the Western Port region. Stakeholders identify key priority cross-sectoral issues: coastal and marine biodiversity and habitats; groundwater; housing and accommodation; infrastructure siting and planning; potable water supply; storms (emergency response); stormwater; and waterways and streamflow.

Adapting to the impacts of climate change in the Western Port region, Part 3: Strategic Directions, Marsden Jacob Associates & CSIRO Marine and Atmospheric Research, July 2006

Tyndall Assesses 'Dangerous' Climate Change

This report assesses scientific and behavioural perspectives on 'dangerous' climate change. It examines how experts and lay-persons interpret climate change.

A Strategic assessment of scientific and behavioural perspectives on 'dangerous' climate change, Irene Lorenzoni et.al, Tyndal Centre Technical Report 28, June 2005 [PDF]

Dissensus Marks Global Rules Debate on Adaptation Cost at COP 12

A summary of the debate at the 12th Conference of Parties. It centres on who pays for and who controls the financial mechanism for climate change adaptation assistance. There was disagreement between the EU and China-G77, especially over the Global Environment Facility's, allocation

criteria. Emphasis was on mitigation versus adaptation.

Summary of the 12th Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and 2nd. Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, Earth Negotiations Bulletin, vol.12, no. 318, 2006-11-20 [PDF]

Mapping Indian Agriculture's Vulnerability to Climate Change & Globalization

This paper presents a methodology for investigating vulnerability to climate change superimposed on other global stressors, using Indian agriculture. It develops a new approach for vulnerability mapping and may be used to assess differential vulnerability for social and economic sectors by geographic area.

Mapping vulnerability to multiple stressors: climate change and globalization in India, Robin Leichenko et al, CICERO, 2004 [PDF]

Greenhouse Development Rights: A Global Framework?

Accepts the necessity of massive change to prevent a climate catastrophe, but also demands that solutions be just and equitable without prejudging what is politically acceptable. The authors ask: 'what is necessary to have a chance of preventing climate catastrophe?'

<u>Greenhouse Development Rights</u>, Tom Athanasiou, Paul Baer (EcoEquity) and Sivan Kartha (Stockholm Environment Institute), EcoEquity and Christian Aid, November 2006 [PDF]

Extreme Climate Impact on Rich versus Poor in Philippines

When exposed to the same climate stressors, vulnerability varies dramatically among different socioeconomic groups depending on access to production resources and assets. Differential societal, policy and institutional circumstances also worsen the adverse impact of climate change-vulnerable groups.

<u>Vulnerability of Communities to Climate Variability and Extremes: The Pantabangan-Carranglan Watershed in the Philippines</u>, Juan M. Pulhin et. al, AIACC Working Paper No. 44, October 2006 [PDF]

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