



**Gulf of Maine
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**Climate
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About the Network and the News

The Climate Change Network (CCN) is a cross-cutting committee of the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment's working group. It works with other committees and sub-committees, as well as the Gulf of Maine community as a whole, to provide climate change information to better inform their work, through vehicles such as this newsletter, presentations, meetings, workshops, and collaboration on projects, all in support of the Council's Action Plan.

This newsletter is published periodically in order to update CCN members on the latest news, events, research, and opportunities surrounding climate change science, impacts, and adaptation as they pertain to the Gulf of Maine. Please pass it around to interested parties and encourage them to join the network.

News

"2008 to be in Top 10 Warmest Years Say Forecasters"

PlanetArk.com, January 4, 2008

"2008 will be slightly cooler than recent years globally but will still be among the top 10 warmest years on record since 1850 and should not be seen as a sign global warming was on the wane, British forecasters said." Full story: www.planetark.com/avantgo/dailynewstory.cfm?newsid=46253

"Global Warming May Reduce Hurricanes Hitting US "

PlanetArk.com, January 25, 2008

"Rising ocean temperatures linked to global warming could decrease the number of hurricanes hitting the United States, according to new research released on Wednesday. The study, published in *Geophysical Research Letters*, challenges recent research that suggests global warming could be contributing to an increase in the frequency and the intensity of Atlantic hurricanes. At the same time, it reaffirmed earlier views that warmer sea waters might result in atmospheric instabilities that could prevent tropical storms from forming." Full story: www.planetark.com/avantgo/dailynewstory.cfm?newsid=46620

Research

U.S. Climate Change Science Program Revised Research Plan Summary

"The U.S. Climate Change Science Program Revised Research Plan Summary is available in the Federal Register and online for review and comment by the public. Comments received by February 26, 2008, will be considered during the preparation of the final revised research plan and the forthcoming scientific assessment". More information: www.noaanews.noaa.gov/stories2008/20080102_researchplan.html

Events

15th Annual Conference of the Fishermen and Scientists Research Society

February 22-23, 2008

Truro, Nova Scotia

www.fsrs.ns.ca/events/ac2008.html

Atlantic Climate Change 2008: Risks, Responses, and Tools for Action

March 4-5, 2008

Halifax, Nova Scotia

This event intends to be one of the first major conference to focus on risk management and tools for climate change adaptation. More information: www.esans.ca/events.html#climate

From the Watershed to the Global Ocean 2008 Ocean Sciences Meeting

March 2-7, 2008

Orlando, Florida

www.aslo.org/forms/orlando2008.html

International Symposium on the Effects of Climate Change on the World's Oceans

May 19-23, 2008

Gijón, Spain

www.pices.int/meetings/international_symposia/2008_symposia/Climate_change/climate_background_3.aspx

Coastal Zone Canada '08

May 25-29, 2008

Vancouver, British Columbia

The 2008 CZC conference features, among its sub themes, "The Impacts of Climate Change on Ocean and Coastal Environments, Habitats, and Infrastructure". ESIP and CCN members will give several presentations and posters. More information: www.czca-azcc.org/html/conferences/czc08_papers.html

Coping with global change in marine socio-ecological systems

July 8-11, 2008

Rome, Italy

"The central goals of the symposium are to share experiences across disciplines and to identify key next steps and common elements and approaches that promote resilience of marine social-ecological systems in the face of global changes." "By 'global change' we include climate change, but also resource over-exploitation, competing uses of the marine environment, changing lifestyles, and globalisation of trade and economies. While the focus is on climate and environmental change, how these interact with other global changes are important considerations." More information: <http://www.conf-manager.com/main.cfm?cid=846&nid=6530>

FLOODrisk 2008

September 30 - October 2, 2008

Oxford, United Kingdom

www.floodrisk2008.net

4th National Conference on Coastal and Estuarine Habitat Restoration

October 11-15, 2008

Providence, Rhode Island

www.estuaries.org/conference

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