

SOUTH CENTRAL CLIMATE SCIENCE CENTER

Workshop Description:

Workshop Date and Location:

1. August 11, 2014 in
Norman, OK

More Information:

This email provides some
information to introduce the
workshop. Further
information will include:

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available online at
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Tribal leaders of the 64 sovereign tribal nations in the south central region are faced with meeting all federal requirements to qualify for disaster relief assistance. One of the requirements includes a vulnerability assessment. A vulnerability assessment asks: What types of hazards is your community faced with? What structures and infrastructure are at risk? Who in your community is likely to experience physical and/or social impacts?

The University of Oklahoma's Division of Regional and City Planning (RCPL), together with partners from the Hazard Reduction and Recovery Center (HRRC) at Texas A&M University, seeks to engage tribal leaders and OU researchers in a training opportunity centered on the topic of vulnerability assessment. The South Central Climate Science Center (SC-CSC) is hosting a free training program on vulnerability assessment to identify the potential strengths and weaknesses in the event of disaster impact.

This one day workshop is based on information solicited by the RCPL faculty for delivery to tribal representatives, university researchers, and Landscape Conservation Cooperatives (LCC) participants. The workshop will investigate specific needs associated with conducting a vulnerability assessment that is culturally appropriate and mindful of the past to chart a course for the future. The workshop will help prepare tribal

professionals to assess community conditions such as: pre-impact conditions, hazards exposure, physical vulnerability, social vulnerability, asset mapping, and technical needs. The workshop includes lectures, presentations, activities, and interactive exercises.

Workshop participants will have the opportunity to engage with OU faculty from the Division of Regional and City Planning to envision ways to translate what is learned into action.

The workshop will be held on August 11, 2014 from 9AM-3PM at the Climate Science Center on OU's Norman campus and is being funded by a grant from the South Central Climate Science Center. There is no registration fee for this workshop. Lunch will be provided.

Workshop Location:

The South Central Climate Science Center (SC-CSC) is located at 301 David L. Boren Blvd. in Norman, OK on the Research Campus of the University of Oklahoma. You may park anywhere in the parking lot, as we have asked for no ticketing during the workshop. Enter through the first floor front door. Then take the elevator to the 3rd floor. The workshop will be in the SC-CSC Seminar Room #3065.

Register via email to Kim Merryman (kim.merryman@chickasaw.net) at the South Central Climate Science Center. In the message please include your name, job title, affiliation, email, phone number and the workshop location you will be attending.

Please register by August 4, 2014.