



# **Coastal Carolinas Drought Early Warning System (DEWS) Meeting**

Thursday, June 2, 2016 Center for Marine Science, University of North Carolina Wilmington, Wilmington, NC

### **Meeting Objectives**

- Refine priorities and major tasks for the Coastal Carolinas DEWS
- Inform the content of a Carolinas Coastal DEWS Strategic Plan
- Foster an information-sharing network around coastal drought issues

## **Meeting Steering Committee Members**

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National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS) Ryan Boyles

State Climate Office of North Carolina, NC State University *Paul Conrads* 

US Geological Survey – South Atlantic Water Science Center Kirstin Dow, Amanda Farris, Kirsten Lackstrom

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#### **Meeting Agenda**

- 8:30 Registration (continental breakfast provided)
- 8:45 Welcome and Introductions
- 9:00 Session One: Overview of the Coastal Carolinas DEWS
  - Drought and climate outlook for the Carolinas Rebecca Ward, State Climate Office of North Carolina
  - About NIDIS and the Coastal Carolinas DEWS Strategic Plan *Courtney Black, NIDIS*
  - Coastal Carolinas DEWS goals, activities, and accomplishments to date Kirsten Lackstrom, CISA Ryan Boyles, State Climate Office of North Carolina Paul Conrads, US Geological Survey-South Atlantic Water Science Center
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 Session Two: Needs and priorities for the Coastal Carolinas DEWS
  - Q&A about NIDIS and the Coastal Carolinas DEWS program
  - Small group discussions regarding needs
  - Report back from small groups and large group discussion regarding priorities
- 12:00 Working Lunch
- 12:45 Session Three: Tasks and activities to advance the Coastal Carolinas DEWS
  - Introduction to the session
  - Small group discussions to identify and elaborate on priority activities
- 2:45 Break
- 3:00 Session Four: Wrap-up and next steps
  - Report back from small groups and large group discussion regarding proposed actions
  - Final discussion regarding next steps for developing and implementing the Coastal Carolinas DEWS Strategic Plan
- 4:00 Adjourn