



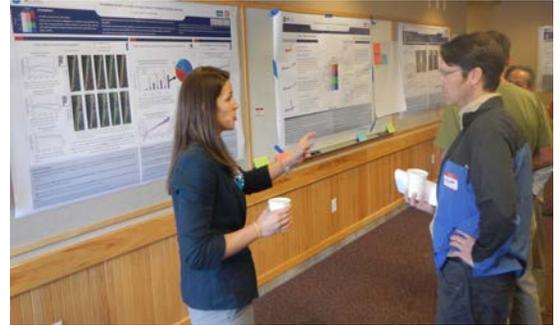
NOAA REGIONAL INTEGRATED SCIENCES AND ASSESSMENTS PROGRAM (RISA)

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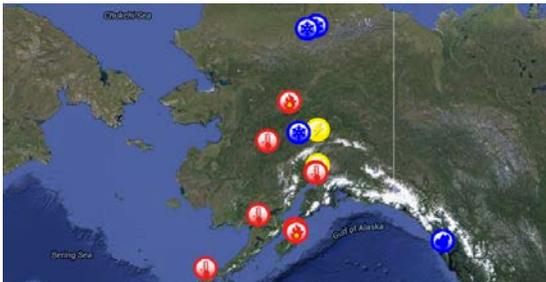
SUPPORTING REGIONAL TEAMS THAT HELP EXPAND AND BUILD THE NATION'S CAPACITY TO PREPARE FOR AND ADAPT TO CLIMATE VARIABILITY AND CHANGE.

The network of **nine RISA research teams** around the country help build the capacity of those seeking to prepare for the impacts of climate variability and change. RISA teams work hand-in-hand with stakeholders and decision-makers to ensure that climate research and information is tailored to their needs. They advance knowledge on climate adaptation approaches and practices at local to regional scales.

The RISA network is funded and managed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Climate Program Office.



CIRC's Envision project is working with local policymakers and residents to develop information and tools to inform adaptation to coastal hazards in Tillamook County, OR. (Photo Courtesy: Pat Corcoran, Oregon Sea Grant)



ACCAP partners with the National Weather Service on the **Alaska Climate and Weather Highlights Tool**. This online tool provides a user-friendly interface for stakeholders to access information on notable weather and climate events.

BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS, ADVANCING UNDERSTANDING, AND SUPPORTING NETWORKS

RISA teams help ensure that regions are prepared to cope with hazards and extreme events through research and engagement activities.

The sustained regional presence of RISA teams and their strong understanding of climate vulnerabilities and decision contexts **enables teams to effectively support responses to extreme events** such as CCRUN's work after Hurricane Sandy in 2012, WWA's response to the record 2013 flooding in Colorado, and recent and ongoing drought across the United States.

RISAs build long-term relationships across disciplines and sectors, **supporting knowledge-to-action networks** that bring people together to share information and co-produce knowledge to enable informed decision-making. Using a participatory modeling process, the Carolina's RISA team (CISA) support multiple communities and local governments in developing community-led adaptation strategies, such as strategies to reduce vulnerability to sea level rise in Beaufort County, S.C.



A member of the Pacific RISA team presents a draft framework on climate adaptation in American Samoa freshwater law and policy at a workshop in Pago Pago, American Samoa. (Photo Courtesy: Krista Jaspers)

RISA teams advance science policy and innovate services and tools to **enhance the use of science in decision-making**. Ongoing evaluation and regional assessments are a critical element of how RISAs operate, enabling adaptive learning and innovation.

RISAs help provide up-to-date scientific information that is tailored to the decision context of stakeholders and partners through informational webinars, drought and climate outlook forums, and decision support tools.



The Managing Drought in the Southern Plains webinar series helps SCIPP share tools, information, and outlooks and connect with stakeholders across the region.

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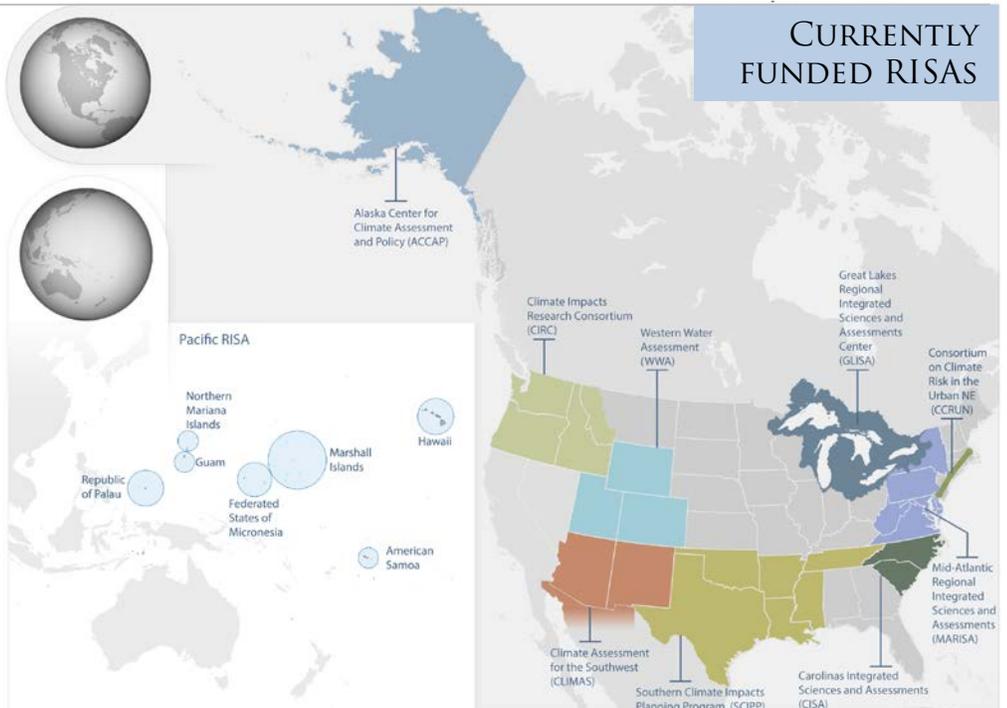


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