



# Nature-based Solutions

an interactive workshop from  
Adaptation Leader

## Organizational leaders face a complex challenge in developing solutions for adaptation to climate change.

Extreme weather, water scarcity, and other factors associated with climate change are severely disrupting business as usual, but these changes also create opportunities for innovative approaches based on natural systems and processes. Conventional approaches like engineered or “gray” infrastructure may not be as effective going forward as they have in the past.

## The NbS workshop provides a comprehensive introduction to nature-based solutions.

The workshop outlines the use of Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) to help guide decision makers in identifying options and evaluating the benefits and costs of alternative strategies for protecting against negative climate-related impacts. The workshop empowers managers and planners in all types of organizations to tap into nature itself as the basis for addressing increased stormwater flow, sea-level rise, wildfire, and many other increasingly climate-induced challenges.

## Workshop takeaways

- Understanding of EbA and its relationship to gray infrastructure
- Familiarity with the NbS project life cycle, from strategic planning through implementation, monitoring, and evaluation
- Enhanced ability to identify positive economic, environmental, and social outcomes of NbS in your context.

**Adaptation Leader** is a strategic research and advisory practice with an integrated package of skills and tools to inform adaptation strategies.



## Nature-based Solutions (NbS)

enable organizations to look beyond gray infrastructure by taking a holistic approach in which the protection, management, restoration, and even new creation of “green” or “blue” ecosystems can provide a wide range of economic, environmental, and social benefits at multiple scales.



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## This multimedia workshop requires active participation in the live session and in pre- and post-workshop activities.

It is a complete program available for immediate use upon commitment by the participant. The goal is to convey information that can be translated into actionable plans as efficiently as possible.

The workshop package includes a 2 1/2 hour live session; a pre-event component (recommended background materials, a short exercise and a brief survey); and a post-workshop follow-up component (involving continued online dialogue with all attendees on the Adaptation Leader collaboration platform).

Workshop attendees should expect to take quizzes, do role-playing, and contribute to case study discussions.

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