

JUNE 17-18, 2025**SASKATOON & ONLINE**

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IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON PEOPLE AND THE LAND

This foundational session will delve into the profound impacts climate change has on both people and the environment. From a range of perspectives, speakers will explore the interconnected physical and mental challenges faced by communities and ecosystems providing insights into how these shifts affect biodiversity and daily life. This session will bring western scientific perspectives, Indigenous knowledge and youth issues into focus.

Speakers to be announced

EMBRACING NATURE: BUILDING RESILIENCE THROUGH NATURAL INFRASTRUCTURE

This session will highlight the critical role that natural infrastructure plays in building resilience in both urban and rural settings. Discover how working with nature can enhance community resilience, improve water quality, and support biodiversity through examples presented by session speakers. Moderated by the [International Institute for Sustainable Development](#).

Jessie Best, [City of Saskatoon](#)

Charles Deschamps, [Ducks Unlimited Canada](#)

Renny Grilz, [Meewasin Valley Authority](#)

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STORIES OF RESILIENCE: NORTHERN, INDIGENOUS, AND RURAL ADAPTATION STRATEGIES

Through storytelling, speakers will discuss the unique challenges and opportunities faced by Northern, Indigenous, and rural communities in adapting to climate change. This session will feature Bridge to Land Water Sky, Canada's only Indigenous Led Living Lab, inspiring a more resilient agriculture industry and the next wave of farmers. Moderated by Katherine Finn, [Bridge to Land Water Sky](#).

Roger Daniels, [Mistawasis Nêhiyawak](#)

Further speakers to be announced

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MANAGING WATER IN A CHANGING CLIMATE

This informative session will address the pressing issues of water management, flooding, and drought within vulnerable regions. Speakers will discuss collaborative efforts and actions to mitigate these challenges. Moderated by the Government of Saskatchewan.

[Saskatchewan Association of Watersheds](#)

[North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance](#)

Genevieve Russell, [City of Saskatoon](#)

Ryan Johnson, [Buffalo Pound Water Treatment Corporation](#)

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RESILIENT LOCAL FOOD SYSTEMS

Learn about the development of resilient local food systems in this insightful session, with a spotlight on Flying Dust First Nation and ALUS. Discover how these organizations work to create sustainable agricultural practices that support food sovereignty, community health, and ecological balance in the face of a changed and changing climate. Moderated by [Farm Credit Canada](#).

Jason Cardinal, [Flying Dust First Nation](#)

Nicole Baldwin, [ALUS](#)

Further speakers to be announced

INTERACTIVE TOOLS FOR ADAPTATION

Throughout the forum, attendees will learn about interactive tools designed to support climate adaptation efforts. Participants will have the opportunity to explore digital resources and tools that can be tailored to specific regional and community needs, enhancing their capacity to respond to and communicate the effects of climate change effectively.

Climate Insight with Sheri Young, [ICLEI Canada](#)

ClimateData.ca with Casey Clunas, [Canadian Centre for Climate Services](#)

Further speakers to be announced