National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS)  
Executive Council Meeting  
Hall of the States, 444 N. Capitol St.  
Washington, D.C. 20001  
October 27, 2016  
9:00am - 3:00pm

Directions: The Hall of States is located at 444 N. Capitol Street and is a short walk from the Union Station Metro stop. Please have your photo ID for security. The meeting will be held in room 383/385.

Note: This meeting will be open to the public, and members of the public will have the opportunity to provide comments during the 1:15pm session of the meeting.

Meeting Goals and Desired Outcomes

- This meeting will provide an orientation around NIDIS, including its history and evolution.
- This meeting will identify connections between NIDIS and the aims of your individual organization/agency, including a clear understanding of the value each brings to the other.
- This meeting will provide updates to the implementation of the 2006 and 2014 NIDIS Public Laws, including the role of consultation in the development of NIDIS.
- This meeting will help NIDIS identify opportunities to address drought, including its impacts on water supply and demand management; and to strengthen the integration of drought information and activities.
- This meeting will define how the Executive Council will function.

AGENDA

8:30am - 9:00am  CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
9:00am - 10:15am  WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, GOALS

9-9:10am: Co-Chairs provide welcome remarks  
9:10-9:15am: Review agenda and goals for the meeting  
9:15-10:15am: Introduction of New Members, including:
   - Who are you representing?
   - What matters most to your members?
   - Provide one recent highlight that illustrates what your organization doing within the context of drought

10:15am - 11:00am  NIDIS ORIENTATION
10:15-11am: The History and Evolution of NIDIS - mission, vision, and core activities per the Public Law, as well as key milestones and accomplishments

11:00am - 11:15am BREAK

11:15am - 12:15pm: **NIDIS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, Pt. 1**

11:15-11:35am: NIDIS Priorities for 2016-2020

11:35am-12:15pm: How can NIDIS best support your work?

12:15pm - 1:15pm WORKING LUNCH (Small Group Discussion)

1:15pm - 2:15pm **NIDIS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, Pt. 2 (Discussion)**

- Role of Consultation to achieve NIDIS priorities
- Public Comment

2:15pm - 2:45pm **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL EXPECTATIONS**

- Level of Participation
- Timeline for Next Meeting

2:45pm - 3:00pm WRAP-UP

Supporting Documents for the Executive Council Meeting

- **2006 NIDIS Public Law 109-430**
- **2014 NIDIS Public Law 113-86 (Reauthorization)**
- **2016 NIDIS Report to Congress**
- **2016 NIDIS Implementation Plan Update (Coming Soon)**

**Note:** Executive Council meetings are open to the public. Council activities are limited to gathering of individuals to relay information and updates on the NIDIS Program, and to receive information and consultation on an individual basis about how the NIDIS Program applies to the activities of a wide variety of relevant Federal, regional, State, tribal, and local government agencies, research institutions, and the private sector.