



## Climate Resilience Training for Southeast Water Sector Utilities

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) [Creating Resilient Water Utilities](#) (CRWU) initiative and EPA Region 4 are providing a series of five **free** webinars for drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater utility owners and operators, as well as other water sector stakeholders, in AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN and six Tribes. These webinars focus on building resilience to the impacts of climate change, as well as the identification and implementation of adaptation options, and utility infrastructure financing.

### TRAINING TOPIC, DATE, and OBJECTIVES

#### SESSION 1

Thurs., May 9, 2024  
10 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET

- Explore **climate trends and projections for the Southeast**, highlighting how these changes can affect water sector utilities now and into the future.
- Become familiar with **CRWU tools and resources** for assessing climate risk at your utility, including the Climate Data Maps, Resilient Strategies Guide (RSG), and Climate Resilience Evaluation and Awareness Tool (CREAT).
- Examine **utility case studies** describing how local utilities used CRWU tools to enhance resilience and mitigate climate risk to their systems.

#### SESSION 2

Tues., May 14, 2024  
10 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET

- Practice **CREAT Module 1: Climate Awareness**, which covers inputs of basic utility information to increase awareness of climate change impacts.
- Practice **CREAT Module 2: Scenario Development**, which covers understanding risk & designing scenarios of threats based on climate change projection data.

#### SESSION 3

Thurs., May 16, 2024  
10 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET

- Practice **CREAT Module 3: Consequence and Assets**, which covers outlining potential consequences and cataloging critical assets.
- Practice **CREAT Module 4: Adaptation Planning**, which covers how to inventory current actions that develop resilience and how to design adaptation plans.

#### SESSION 4

Tues., May 21, 2024  
10 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET

- Practice **CREAT Module 5: Risk Assessment**, which covers assessing risk from a changing climate and evaluating adaptation plans.
- Learn how to incorporate **equity and environmental justice** into utility adaptation planning.

#### SESSION 5

Thurs., May 23, 2024  
10 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET

- Discuss resources for **financing climate resilience** and adaptation projects.
- Learn how to apply for suitable funding programs.

*Short optional homework assignments are included to reinforce skills learned in sessions.*

**TEN (10) CREDIT HOURS/CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEUs)** will be available for participating certified wastewater operators from select states in EPA Region 4 (applications pending). **You must attend all five two-hour sessions to be eligible for the ten credit hours/CEUs.** Partial credit may be awarded on a case-by-case basis. To be awarded credit hours/CEUs, you must register individually and complete the survey provided after the training series is completed.

**[REGISTER HERE](#) by May 8, 2024**

To learn more about climate change impact on the water sector, visit EPA's CRWU website: [epa.gov/crwu](https://epa.gov/crwu). If you have questions or would like more information, email Audrey Ramming ([ramming.audrey@epa.gov](mailto:ramming.audrey@epa.gov))