

# Climate Research Priorities for Policy-Makers, Practitioners, and Scientists in Georgia, USA

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## For which topic were research priorities identified?

climate

## In which location was the research priority setting conducted?

North America - USA

## Why was it conducted at all?

Climate change has far-reaching effects on human and ecological systems, requiring collaboration across sectors and disciplines to determine effective responses. To inform regional responses to climate change, decision-makers need credible and relevant information representing a wide swath of knowledge and perspectives.

## What was the objective?

to identify the key research questions that, if answered, could lay the groundwork for Georgia to take effective, science-based climate action at the State and local levels

## What was the outcome?

a list of 40 research questions

## How long did the research prioritization take?

March 2017 - May 2017

## Which methods were used to identify research priorities?

survey; workshop

## How were the priorities for research identified exactly?

Step 1: survey: soliciting candidate research questions, 180 valid candidate research questions collected. Step 2: workshop: discussing and vetting submitted candidate research questions, small group discussions, closing plenary in which list of 40 important research questions finalized

## Which stakeholders took part?

Representatives from Georgia universities, state and municipal government agencies, the private sector, and non-profit organizations. Survey: 132 participants. Workshop: 40 participants.

## How were stakeholders recruited?

No information provided.

## Were stakeholders actively involved or did they just participate?

Stakeholders not only participated but were also actively involved in the research prioritization process: They were part of a steering group. The steering group consisted of 12 members: representatives from Georgia universities, State and municipal government agencies, the private sector and non-profit organizations. Workshop participants included steering group members.