

Everyone has a story to tell: Share your personal response to climate change

Are you involved in any activities that will help you or your community adapt to change? Have you made changes to your commute, diet, residence, landscaping/land-management practices, purchasing/consumption habits, or how you work or volunteer?

Tell us your story! Fill out the form on the back.



California Naturalist is working with the CA Governor's Office of Planning & Research to help populate the new Climate Adaptation Clearinghouse, a centralized source of information with resources necessary to guide decision makers, by capturing authentic experiences of all Californians as they deal with a changing climate.

We hope our collective efforts to share real world experiences and actions with climate change will help others and inspire them to act.

Now until October 27, you can also share your story online at:

bit.ly/CaINatClimate



First name: _____ Last Name: _____

Year certified as a California Naturalist (or expected to complete certification): _____

Organization that certified you: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Answer the following questions in 500 words or less: 1) What motivated, inspired, or caused you to act? 2) What was your individual or group action/response or change in behavior or practice? and 3) What has your experience been since initiating this change?

Feel free to add additional information, but we like all our climate stories to address these three elements. *An example, might be as simple as: 1) it became too difficult and expensive to maintain my lawn; 2) I replaced it with a low maintenance landscape; and 3) Now I'm saving water and time and I'm continuing to exploring new plants and landscape elements that work best.*

Which of the following social media tools do you use regularly? Choose all that apply:

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If you'd like to connect on social media, or want attribution for your story on a particular platform, provide your username(s) and platform type(s) here: _____

Anything else you'd like to share with us? _____

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