

The Agriculture Climate Network: A New Model for Climate Change Extension

Agriculture Climate Network



Agriculture and Climate Change Research in the Pacific Northwest

We need a new model for extension because climate change impacts demand that agricultural decision-makers consider a range of variables over multiple temporal and spatial scales. We need to enhance stakeholders' understanding of both weather *and* climate variability. There is a need to recognize that we are all affected, each part of the problem and the solution.

Our vision of success for the AgClimate Network involves members of the agricultural community and researchers actively collaborating to support sustainable, climate-smart and climate-friendly agriculture in the Northwest.

Our editorial team strives to provide a platform for discussion about agriculture and climate issues in the Northwest while serving as a one-stop-shop for relevant and innovative scientific solutions. We provide links to specific decision-making tools, shared with guidance on appropriate uses and applications. We carry on a dialogue with readers to engage them in the topic, stimulate their thinking, and provide a forum for understanding their needs and questions. We recruit researchers to communicate through articles and blog posts about their areas of expertise in an accessible online format. In this way, AgClimate.net facilitates a community of practice that includes Northwest producers, policy-makers, agricultural professionals and researchers working together on climate change and agriculture issues.

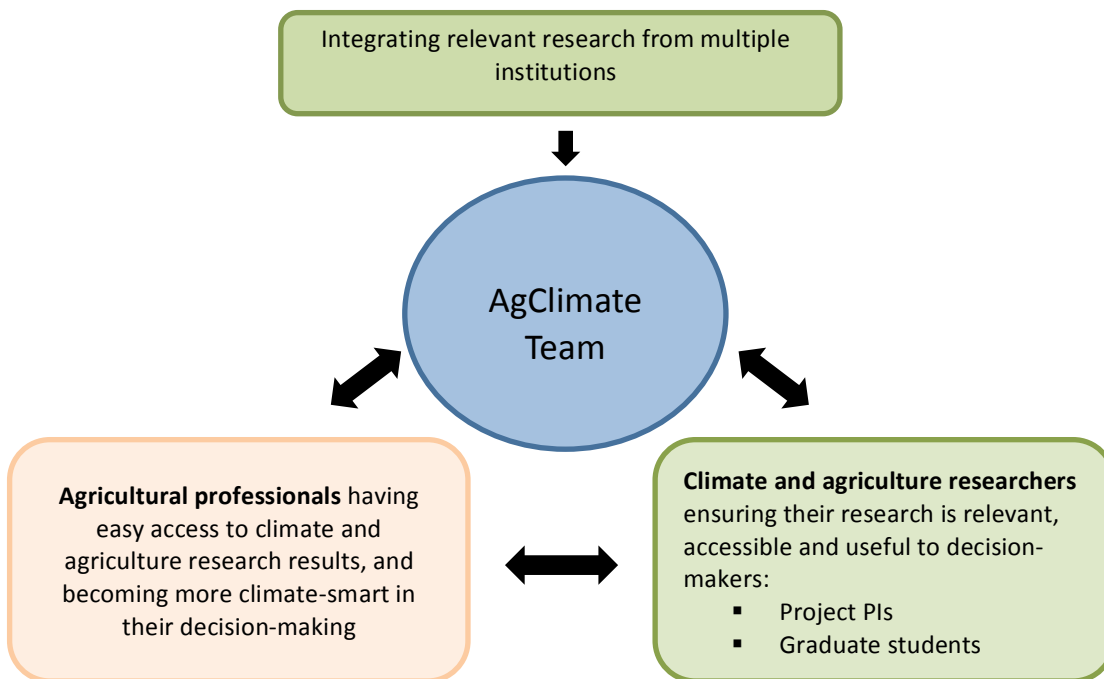
Our goals for 2017 are as follows: 1) expand our readership, 2) increase the number and diversity of contributing blog authors, 3) kick-off active discussions between our readers and contributors, and 4) expand the range of innovations, approaches and solutions we share.



Sample of recent AgClimate Network articles:

- *Considering food-energy-water interconnections in the urban Northwest*
Dec. 20, 2016 by Liz Allen
- *Flex cropping: Storing more carbon under challenging conditions*
Dec. 16, 2016 by Georgine Yorgey
- *Growing condition analogues: Understanding future climate through past experience*
Nov. 7, 2016 by Kirti Rajagopalan and Sonia Hall
- *Do plants respire less than previously thought?*
Oct. 26, 2016 by John Stevenson
- *Why multiple models are key to understanding climate change impacts*
Oct. 12, 2016 by Liz Allen
- *Keep an eye on those pests! Vigilance and adaptability to climate change*
Sept. 13, 2016 by Sonia Hall

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