

Talking Climate Change

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Environmental Science, Policy, and Communication

Dr. Andrew Gunther will review the basic physical principles and observations that have led every scientific academy in the world to conclude that human emissions of greenhouse gasses are altering the climate. He will discuss what the expected significant climatic changes mean for the country in general and the Bay Area in particular. More information about Dr. Gunther is available at www.andrewgunther.com.

Biography: Andrew Gunther received his Ph.D. in Energy and Resources from the University of California at Berkeley in 1987, and he has worked at the intersection of environmental science and policy since 1979. He has published research in the field of ecotoxicology, and he has extensive experience in applying science to the development of air, water, and endangered species policy.

He served as Assistant Chief Scientist for the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Program, and he was the first manager of the State of California's program that monitors for toxic substances in the San Francisco Estuary ecosystem. He just completed six years as the Executive Coordinator of the Bay Area Ecosystems Climate Change Consortium, and he is working with a broad array of organizations to help prepare our region for a changing climate. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Union of Concerned Scientists, and a scientific advisor to the Alliance for Climate Education and Interfaith Power & Light.