

**AMERICAN METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY  
2023 SUMMER POLICY COLLOQUIUM  
Agenda–Participant Version  
(last updated 06/16/23)**

All events will take place the second floor of the AAAS Building, 1200 New York Avenue, NW, unless otherwise stated (**Note: the building entrance is on the corner of 12th and H Streets**)

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**SUNDAY, JUNE 4**

6:00 pm-6:45 pm Registration/Reception **City Tap House Penn Quarter  
(901 9th St NW, Washington, DC)**

6:45 pm-8:30 pm *Dinner/Welcome/Overview (All Colloquium participants)*  
Paul Higgins, associate executive director and senior scientist, AMS

Keynote: David Goldston, Director, Washington Office,  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**MONDAY, JUNE 5**

7:15 am-7:50 am Breakfast

8:00 am-12:00 pm *Policy Fundamentals I*

8:00 am-9:45 am *An Overview of Science and Policy*  
Paul Higgins, American Meteorological Society

9:45 am-10:15 am Break

10:15 am-12:15 pm *Fundamentals of Policy Debate and Legislative Process*  
Neil Jacobs, Visiting Senior Policy Fellow, AMS

12:15 pm-1:00 pm Working Lunch (group exercise)

1:00 pm-6:00 pm The United States Congress (SVC-201-00, Capitol Visitor Center)

- 1:00 pm-1:45 pm Travel to Capitol Hill
- 1:45 pm-2:15 pm Group picture and discussion
- 2:15 pm-2:45 pm Nicole Carter, Natural Resources Policy Specialist,  
Congressional Research Service
- 2:45 pm-3:15 pm Dan Dudis, Majority Staff Director, Senate Budget Committee
- 3:15 pm-3:45 pm Brent Blevins, Senior Policy Advisor, and Daniel Dziadon,  
Environment Subcommittee Staff Director, House Committee  
on Science, Space, and Technology
- 3:45 pm-4:30 pm Group legislative exercise (group strategy)
- 4:30 pm-4:45 pm Group feedback and discussion
- 4:45 pm-5:15 pm Alexis Rudd, Deputy Policy Director, Subcommittee on  
Science, Oceans, Fisheries, and Weather, Senate Committee  
on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Fern Gibbons, Professional Staff Member, House Committee  
on Appropriations

**TUESDAY, JUNE 6**

- 7:15 am-7:50 am Breakfast
- 8:00 am-12:15 pm *Policy Fundamentals II: The Federal Budget Process*
- 8:00 am-9:00 am Federal Investment in R&D and the Federal Budget Process,  
Paul Higgins, American Meteorological Society
- 9:00 am-9:45 am Nick Chase, Unit Chief - Energy, Climate, and Environment,  
The Congressional Budget Office
- 9:45 am-10:15 am Break
- 10:15 am-11:15 am Grace Hu, Program Examiner, U.S. Office of Management  
and Budget, Executive Office of the President
- 11:15 am-12:15 pm Neil Jacobs, The Agency Perspective on the Budget, Visiting  
Senior Policy Fellow, AMS

- 12:15 pm-1:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm-2:15 pm Group Activity on Exploratory Scenario Building, Emma Tipton, Policy Fellow, AMS
- 2:15 pm-2:45 pm Break
- 2:45 pm-3:30 pm Dahlia Sokolov, Director of Policy, Democratic Staff, Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
- 3:30 pm-5:15 pm Group Legislative Exercise (*Strategy for 1st degree amendments*)
- 5:14 pm-6:00 pm Jack Kaye, Associate Director for Research, Earth Science Division, NASA

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7**

**Location: Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center  
(1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 700 North Tower)**

- 7:30 am-7:55 am Breakfast
- 8:00 am-9:00 am Group Legislative Exercise (*1st degree amendments*)
- 9:00 am-10:00 am Annalise Blum, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, United States Department of the Interior
- 10:00 am-10:15 am Break
- 10:15 am-11:15 am Sarah Kapnick, Chief Scientist, NOAA
- 11:15 am-11:45 pm Group Legislative Exercise (*next steps and strategy*)
- 11:45 am-12:45 pm Lunch in groups
- 12:45 pm-1:00 pm Regroup / short debrief
- 1:00 pm-2:00 pm Asmeret Asefaw Berhe, Director, Office of Science, United States Department of Energy
- 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Shalini Mohleji, Senior Advisor to the NOAA Administrator, NOAA

- 3:00 pm–4:00 pm Allison Schwier, Acting Science and Technology Adviser to the Secretary of State
- 4:00 pm–5:30 pm Group Legislative Exercise (*strategy*)
- 6:00 pm–6:45 pm Reception Clyde’s at Gallery Place (707 7th St, NW)
- 6:45 pm–8:30 pm Dinner and keynote – Karen St. Germain, Director, Earth Science Division, Science Mission Directorate, NASA

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 8**

- 7:15 am–7:50 am Breakfast
- 8:00 am–12:00 pm *Topics in science and policy*
- 8:00 am–9:00 am Kei Koizumi, Principal Deputy Director for Policy, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)
- 9:00 am–10:00 am David Applegate, Director, United States Geological Survey (USGS)
- 10:00am–10:15am Break
- 10:15am–11:15pm Sara Gonzalez-Rothi, Senior Director for Water, Council on Environmental Quality
- 11:15am–12:15pm Scott Weaver, Executive Director, Interagency Council for Advancing Meteorological Services (ICAMS), White House Office of Science and Technology Policy
- 12:15 pm–1:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm–2:30 pm Group Exercise: Secondary amendments
- 2:30 pm–4:00 pm Perspectives on policy and the private sector: Kevin Petty (Aeris LLC), Cory Springer (Ball Aerospace), Lewis Groswald (Lockheed Martin).
- 4:00–4:30 pm Break

4:30 pm-5:30 pm *2023 William Hooke Lecture in Science and Society*

Introduction: Anjali Bamzai, President-Elect, American Meteorological society

Speaker: Tegan Blaine, Director, Climate, Environment, and Conflict, U.S. Institute of Peace

5:30 pm-7:30 pm Hooke Lecture Reception

### **FRIDAY, JUNE 9**

7:15 am-7:50 am Breakfast

8:00 am-8:30 am Group Legislative Exercise (*final prep*)

8:30 am - 9:30 am Ana Unruh–Cohen, Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Center for Global Energy Policy

9:30 am-10:30 am Rod Schoonover, Founder and CEO, Ecological Futures Group

10:30 am-10:45 am Break

10:45am–12:15pm *Group Legislative Exercise (third session). Mock Committee Markup of Legislation*

12:15 pm-12:45 pm Lunch

12:45 pm-1:30 pm *Group Legislative Exercise (fourth session). Final Markup of Legislation, Vote, and Debrief*

1:30 pm-1:55 pm *In-person wrap-up and next steps (virtual Colloquium, engagement opportunities, and topical working groups)*

1:55 pm-2:00 pm *Concluding Remarks*

2:00 pm *Adjourn*

Note: **we will very likely have three 2-hour virtual colloquium sessions during the remainder of the summer** (these will be recorded when possible for those who cannot attend)