Council meets community

Climate change: Tasmania and the North-West region

Presented by
Professor Lesley Hughes
Chairperson of the Tasmanian Climate Action Council

Professor Hughes will present on global climate now and into the future, focusing on the projected impacts on Tasmania, including the North-West region of Tasmania, such as changes in temperature, weather patterns, and coastal erosion and inundation. Professor Hughes will be joined by other members of the Tasmanian Climate Action Council who you will be able to engage with at the event.

Date: Monday 26 August 2013
Time: 6.00 pm – 7.30 pm
Venue: Seminar Room 202, Building D, UTAS Cradle Coast Campus
16-20 Mooreville Road, Burnie
RSVP by: Wednesday 21 August 2013
RSVP to: Email climatechange@dpac.tas.gov.au or call (03) 6232 7173
Cost: This is a free event but bookings are essential for seating purposes.

The Tasmanian Climate Action Council (TCAC) hosts the Council Meets Community seminar series to broaden and stimulate the debate around topics relating to climate change.
About our speaker

Professor Lesley Hughes is an ecologist in the Department of Biological Sciences at Macquarie University and an expert on the impacts of climate change on species and ecosystems. She is the Australian Representative on the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Biodiversity and Climate Change, Co-convenor of the Terrestrial Biodiversity Climate Change Adaptation Research Network, a member of the Wentworth Group of Concerned Scientists, a member of Climate Scientists Australia and former Chair of the NSW Scientific Committee. She is one of six federal Climate Commissioners and a member of the Land Sector Carbon and Biodiversity Board. She is a Lead Author on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Fourth and Fifth Assessment Reports. Her research on the impacts of climate change on biodiversity has been published extensively in peer-reviewed journals.

Tasmanian Climate Action Council

The Tasmanian Climate Action Council was established under the Climate Change (State Action) Act 2008 to provide high-level, independent advice on Tasmania’s response to climate change.

The current Tasmanian Climate Action Council, appointed in June 2012, is chaired by Professor Lesley Hughes who is an ecologist in the Department of Biological Sciences at Macquarie University and an expert on the impacts of climate change on species and ecosystems.

Other members of the council are high-calibre individuals from across science, business, government and the community. These members bring diverse expertise in many areas that are essential in tackling climate change, including science, transport, urban design and planning, law, business strategy, sustainability and behaviour change.

For further information about the members of the Tasmanian Climate Action Council, please read the profiles at http://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/divisions/climatechange/action_council/council_members.