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Adaptation Primers Made Available as a Free Download from the CSLA Website:

Colleen S.L. Mercer Clarke and Alexander J. Clarke Share Valuable Research on Climate Adaptation

Ottawa — On behalf of the CSLA Board, the CSLA President Nastaran Moradinejad expressed her thanks to **Colleen S.L. Mercer Clarke and Alexander J. Clarke** for making the Adaptation Primers available to CSLA members and the wider public. The Primers can be viewed on the CSLA website at: http://www.csla-aapc.ca/primers

According to CSLA President Nastaran Moradinejad,

This manual will provide basic information on the most complex challenge facing decision-makers in this first half of the 21st century.

The Primers are divided into four manuals:

- o **Primer One** summarizes current science on climate change, and what it means for Canada.
- o **Primer Two** focuses on framing policy and planning approaches to mitigation and adaptation with special emphasis on building resilience, designing for positive transformation, and ensuring sustainability in ecosystems and societies.
- o **Primer Three** provides an overview of the opportunities to create resilient communities that enhance public well-being, integrate nature, and ensure a prosperous future.
- o **Primer Four** focuses on the options for response to rising waters, ranging from persisting in place to migration to better circumstances.

Perhaps the most important component of the Primers is the reference material provided for each Chapter. The resources cited are intended to deepen understanding, share experience and, ultimately, to provide inspiration for innovative approaches to policy, planning, and design. It is hoped that the Primers can aid decision-makers as they advocate the need for change and the positive potential of change.



The Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) is a professional organization representing more than 2000 landscape architects nationally, including associate (or intern) members and members who are students of landscape architecture. As the voice of the profession in Canada, the CSLA is an advocate for its members on issues such as urban design, urban renewal, sustainable development, climate change and cultural heritage.

The CSLA Committee on Climate Adaptation has as its objective to provide national and local perspectives on our changing environment, promote improved understanding of new science, and facilitate the dissemination of emerging tools and lessons learned from shared experience.

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