



U.S. EPA Watershed Academy *Coastal Webinar Series*

Adaptive Management Strategies for Ridge to Reef Conservation

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Summary: This is the first webinar in a five-part coastal series taking place over the coming year hosted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Watershed Academy in partnership with the Coastal States Organization (CSO). This webinar will provide information on tools and products that water quality, coastal watershed, and coral reef professionals can use in coral reef conservation and protection practices at the state and local level. The four presentations will discuss: 1) the EPA's role in protecting coral reefs under the Clean Water Act; 2) the Biological Condition Gradient and how it has been modified for use to protect coral reefs in the Caribbean; 3) a recent publication in which U.S. Geological Survey researchers were able to calculate the economic value of coral reefs for flood protection; and 4) the Adaptation Design Tool, a U.S. Coral Reef Task Force product designed to help coral reef managers incorporate climate-smart design into their programs and projects at any stage of planning and implementation.

Speakers:

Bradley Watson, CSO Executive Director

Terri Johnson, EPA
Susan Jackson, EPA

Curt Storlazzi, USGS
Jordan West, EPA

Registration: You must register in advance to attend this webinar. Register at the Watershed Academy Webcast Website at: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2333474139300302593>. If you have any questions, please contact watershedacademysupport@cadmusgroup.com.

About Watershed Academy: The Watershed Academy is a focal point in EPA's Office of Water for providing training and information on implementing watershed approaches. The Academy self-paced training modules and webcast seminars provide current information from national experts across a broad range of watershed topics. For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/watershedacademy.

About the Coastal Webinar Series: A series of webinars specific to coastal topics are being developed by the EPA in partnership with the Coastal States Organization (CSO). Future topics include coastal acidification, coastal wetlands, coastal adaptation, and no-discharge zones. For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/oceans-and-coasts.

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<i>Hawaii-Aleutian</i>	<i>9 a.m. – 11 a.m.</i>