

## **Greater Yellowstone Climate Assessment Launch Agenda**

**June 23, 2021**

**10:00-11:00 am (Mountain Time)**

Format: Zoom Platform with virtual connections from all presenters and participants; audience is primarily media.

Hosted by Scott Christensen, Greater Yellowstone Coalition, who makes introductions of those speaking during agenda and facilitates Q&A

- **10:00 to 10:02 Welcome – Scott Christensen**  
Welcome, purpose of press conference, how agenda will run (stakeholder testimony and then Q&A), Introduce Steve Hostetler & Cathy Whitlock; 2 mins
- **10:02-10:10 Overview – Steve Hostetler & Cathy Whitlock**  
Quick overview of GYCA (key findings, purpose, scope), benefits and connection to other assessments (States, IPCC, etc.); 8 mins
- **10:10 to 10:11– Scott Christensen**  
How people can interact/ask questions (Q&A chat box), Introduce first speaker; 1 min
- **10:11 to 10:26 Voices from the GYE – Testimonies from Four Important Speakers**  
Four, 2 minute talks by leaders (in order of bullets below; 8 mins); Scott will introduce each one in sequence (1 min each). Speakers will be asked to talk about importance of climate change information from their perspective, importance of report; 15 mins total
  - Cam Sholly – Superintendent of Yellowstone National Park (cam\_sholly@nps.gov, 307-344-2015)
  - Chad Colter – Director of Fish and Wildlife Department, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes (ccolter@sbtribes.com, 208-239-4553)
  - Michelle Uberuaga – Executive Director, Park County Environmental Council (michelle@pcecmnt.org, 406-223-4714)
  - Paul Dey – Aquatic Habitat Program Manager, Wyoming Game & Fish Department (paul.dey@wyo.gov, 307-631-6489)
- **10:26 to 10:59 Question & Answer Period – Scott and Authors**  
For media; facilitated questions from Zoom platform. Facilitator with an assistant directs to either speakers or GYCA lead authors (listed below); 33 mins
  - Steve Hostetler – Research Scientist, US Geological Survey (co-lead author on report; swhostet@usgs.gov, 541-737-8928)
  - Cathy Whitlock – Regents Professor Emerita, Montana State University (co-lead author on report; whitlock@montana.edu, 406-994-6910)
  - Bryan Shuman – Wyoming Excellence Chair in Geology & Geophysics, University of Wyoming; Director of the University of Wyoming-National Park Research Center (bshuman@uwyo.edu, 307-399-9105)
  - David Liefert – Water Resources Specialist, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (dliefert@openspace.org, 650-772-3643)
  - Charles Wolf Drimal – Waters Conservation Coordinator, Greater Yellowstone Coalition (cdrimal@greateryellowstone.org, 406-224-2588)
  - Scott Bischke – Science Writer, MountainWorks (scott@emountainworks.com, 406-582-4442)
- **10:59 to 11:00 Closing Remarks – Cathy Whitlock**  
Includes “thank you” to authors and stakeholders, and briefly discusses GYCA rollout plans and the next GYCA; 1 min