



Briefing Notice

Cities Leading the Way on Nature-Based Solutions

Thursday, May 23, 2024 • 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EDT
North Congressional Meeting Room (CVC 268)
East Capitol St NE and First St NE, Washington, DC 20515

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The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI)** invites you to a briefing about climate solutions from small- and medium-sized cities. Cities around the country are taking steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate. Many cities and community partners are doing this work with support from federal agencies, while others can share key learnings from project implementation to help inform federal decision-making.

During this briefing, speakers will focus on nature-based solutions in cities—from parks that help manage stormwater to urban trees that can reduce summer temperatures across entire neighborhoods. Panelists, including city government officials, community leaders, and federal agency partners, will highlight equitable and community-designed climate solutions from the places they live and work and describe the intersection points with federal policy and programs.

Introductory remarks by:

- ▶ **Rep. Emanuel Cleaver II**, U.S. Representative (D-Mo.)

Speakers for this session include:

- ▶ **Peyton Siler Jones**, Director of Sustainability & Innovation, Interim, Center for Municipal Practice, National League of Cities
- ▶ **Joel Pannell**, Vice President, Urban Forests Policy, American Forests
- ▶ **Mayor Becky Daggett**, Mayor, Flagstaff, Arizona
- ▶ **Karen Sughrue**, Environmental Protection Specialist, Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund Branch, Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

This event is free and open to the public.

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