



The eXtension Climate Learning Network

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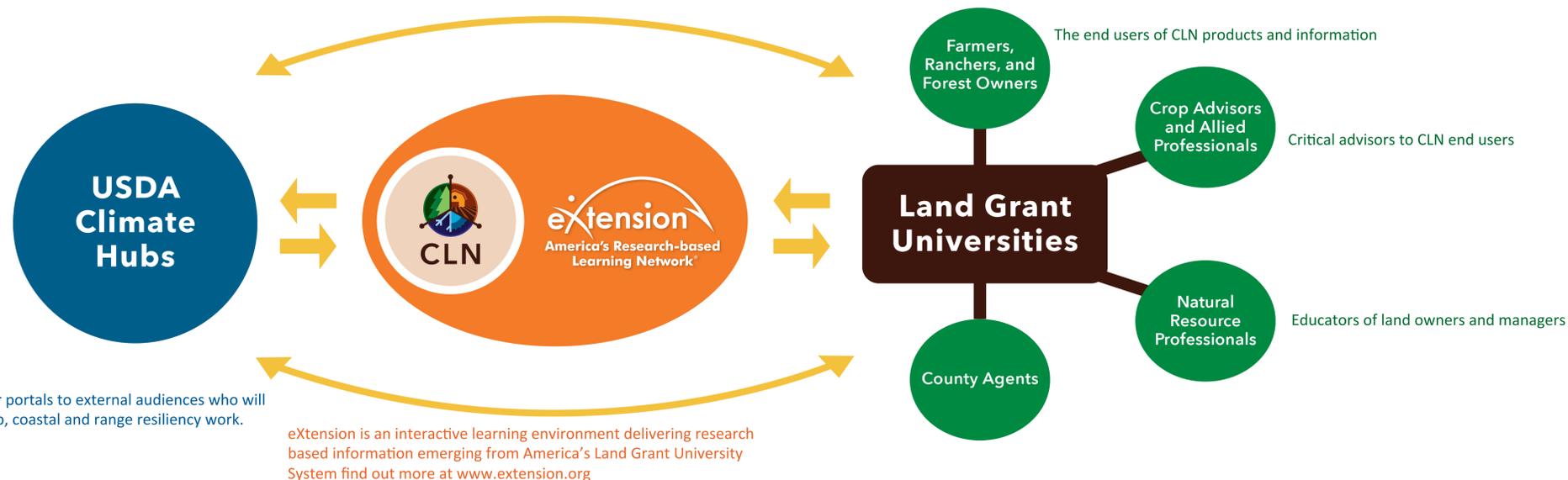
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Our Mission: The Climate Learning Network (CLN) will be a powerful platform that connects Extension and other professionals from the Land Grant University System (LGUS) and the USDA Climate Hubs with innovative, interactive technologies to inform, educate, and engage agriculture and natural resources stakeholders to increase climate and weather resiliency.

What is the The Climate Learning Network?

- An online and human-based network providing the latest research-based information on climate, weather, and other forest, crop, coastal and range management resiliency issues for Extension and other Natural Resource Professionals
- A collaborative effort involving the USDA Office of the Chief Economist and the eXtension network of the Land Grant University System.

- The USDA recently created a national network of Climate Hubs as outreach and technology transfer portals to external audiences who will utilize the results of millions of dollars of federal research in climate, weather and other forest, crop, coastal and range resiliency work.
- An important outlet for these Hubs is connecting through the county Extension delivery system.



eXtension is an interactive learning environment delivering research based information emerging from America's Land Grant University System find out more at www.extension.org

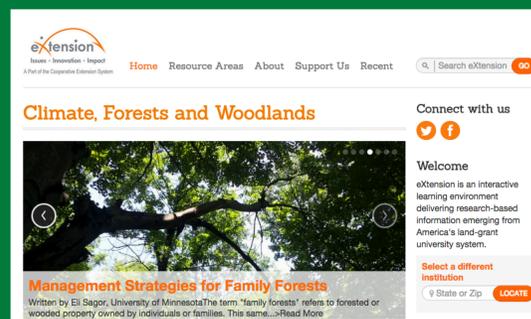
Tools, Technologies and Products

- eLearning modules
- Stakeholder needs assessment
- Webinar series featuring climate experts and innovative producers
- Database of existing climate education tools ready for an Extension audience.
- Dynamic web presence providing access to tools developed and discovered by the Learning Network.



The Climate, Forest and Woodlands Community of Practice

The CLN and the eXtension Climate, Forests and Woodlands Community of Practice partner to deliver climate education to the entire Extension community from landowners and producers to Agents and professionals.



County Agents and the Cooperative Extension System

- The Cooperative Extension System is a hallmark of Land Grant Universities with a mission to advance agriculture, the environment, human health, and communities
- County Agents and Extension Specialists are the "frontline" of the Cooperative Extension Service and help reach other stakeholders
- Today there are over 2900 Extension offices in the United States designed to help people use research-based knowledge to improve their lives

eLearning Modules for Extension Community

- The CLN is developing climate based eLearning courses focused on interactivity and evaluation.
- The modules will inform climate-smart decision making for Extension Agents, farmers and foresters.



Why is Climate Education Important to Cooperative Extension?

- ✓ Extension Professionals are tasked with helping our farmers and foresters to make critical decisions using scientifically valid information.
- ✓ For Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR) agents, one of these challenges is adapting our farms and forests to a rapidly changing climate.
- ✓ The CLN will identify resources to develop climate literate Extension Agents and professionals



The Network Begins With You! How Can You Get Involved?

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