

CAPACITY BUILDING



The NC CSC is collaborating with the National Conservation Training Center (NCTC) to provide regional offerings of climate-related courses, which greatly reduces travel costs, eliminates tuition cost for students, and covers travel costs for those who require it. Over 1500 students have attended the NCTC Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment class, which provides a solid foundation for incorporating climate science into resource management planning. The NC CSC helped support a regional offering of this course in Jackson WY in April 2014 and will continued to work with NCTC to help support this and other NCTC climate related courses.

The NC CSC is also building capacity to increase awareness of how climate impacts living things by integrating ground-based observation of plant and animal life-cycle stages (known as phenology) with our latest understanding of climate and weather. These activities include working with the Indigenous Peoples Climate Change working group to establish an Indigenous Geography Phenology Network. This will provide support to tribal collage students to collect phenological observations for culturally significant plants and animals. Also, the NC CSC is working with the [USGS AmericaView](#) program to deploy "phenocams" throughout the region.



Participants in the Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment course. Image courtesy of Geneva Chong, USGS.

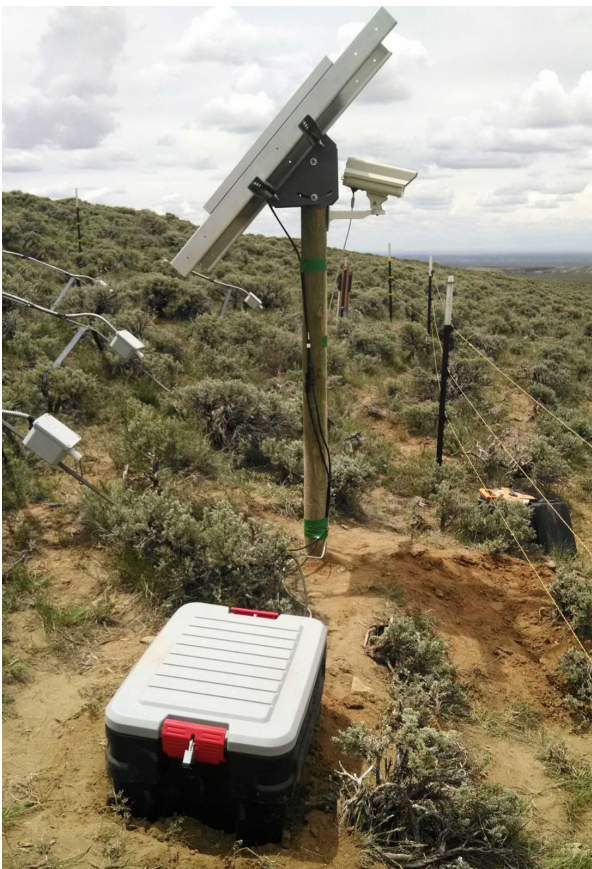


Photo of remote PhenoCam installation in WY. Image courtesy of Daniel Gurganus, USGS.

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