

## Cornell Atkinson Topical Lunch:

**Title:** Global Climate Change and Its Consequences:  
Science Assessments to Inform Decision-making

**Speaker:** [Dr. Chris Avery](#)

(Manager, National Climate Assessment, U.S. Global Change Research Program)

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**Date:** Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019; 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

**Location:** 300 Rice Hall

**Abstract:** Today, Earth's climate is changing faster than at any point in the history of modern civilization, primarily as a result of human activities. The impacts of climate change are already being felt across the United States and around the globe. The risks and adverse consequences will only grow absent urgent action.

Dr. Chris Avery, Manager at the National Climate Assessment within the U.S. Global Change Research Program, will discuss how teams of scientists work together to make assessments about the factors causing climate change and its future consequences, and how these assessments can serve as a tool to inform decision-making.

Dr. Avery will provide an overview of the Fourth National Climate Assessment, a report written by more than 300 experts focusing on the ecological, societal, and economic impacts of climate change across the United States, and the process by which USGCRP conducts scientific assessments to inform decision-making.

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