



## U.S. Department of the Interior Office of Policy Analysis Seminar Series

“Overview of new Departmental Policy: Nature-based Solutions” and “Nature-based Solutions in the U.S. Virgin Islands: Collaborative Post-Hurricane Coral Reef, Shoreline, and Mangrove Restoration Planning for Climate Resilience and Community Well-being”

2024-06-25, 1:00-2:30pm ET, Microsoft Teams Live



### Speakers

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### When

Tuesday, 25 June 2024, 1:00 – 2:30pm Eastern



### Where

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### Summary

Nature plays a critical role in supporting communities, economies, and society, providing clean air, water, and natural hazard mitigation, among many other benefits. Nature-based solutions (NBS) are a tool to deliver such ecosystem services, encompassing actions that incorporate natural features and processes in ecosystem management to address socio-environmental challenges while providing co-benefits. NBS are integral to the Department’s mission and are already being implemented through approaches such as ecosystem restoration, land and water conservation, and prescribed fire. To provide overarching guidance for consistent NBS delivery and implement the Nature-Based Solutions Roadmap for America, the Department released its policy, 600 DM 7, “Nature-Based Solutions,” in December 2023. This seminar will provide an overview of the Department’s Nature-based Solutions policy and showcase an example of NBS implementation in the U.S. Territories through the collaborative development and implementation of a Coral Reef, Shoreline, Mangrove Restoration Plan in the U.S. Virgin Islands.



### For more information

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