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## Press Release

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## GARY GRIGGS TO ADDRESS JOINT MEETING ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Dr. Gary Griggs, distinguished professor of Earth and Planetary Sciences at UCSC, will address a special joint meeting of Santa Cruz County natural resource commissions convened to discuss climate issues impacting Santa Cruz County and potential adaptation strategies.

Griggs is a renowned expert on coastal geology, shoreline processes and sealevel rise, particularly as they impact the Santa Cruz County coast. Griggs joined the UCSC faculty in 1968 and led the Institute of Marine Studies from 1991-2017.

Every other year, the Santa Cruz County Commission on the Environment, the Fish and Wildlife Advisory Commission and the Water Advisory Commission meet to discuss and coordinate efforts to implement the Santa Cruz County Climate Action Strategy, available <a href="here">here</a>.

Griggs' 30-minute presentation will be followed by a 15-minute Q&A. Staff presentations will follow and address local sea-level rise impacts, climate change and water supply, and Coho salmon recovery.

The event is free and the public is invited to attend.

**WHAT:** Biennial Climate Action Strategy Meeting

WHERE: Board of Supervisors chambers, 5th floor, 701 Ocean St.,

Santa Cruz

WHEN: Wednesday, Sept. 27, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.