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**WHITE HOUSE CLIMATE TASK FORCE MEMBER PAULA BROOKS TO CONDUCT
'RESILIENCE ROUNDTABLE' VISIT MONDAY IN EAST LIVERPOOL**

COLUMBUS, Ohio – Franklin County Commissioner [Paula Brooks](#), Ohio's appointee to the bipartisan [White House Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience](#), will make a stop in her hometown of East Liverpool Monday for the fourth of her "Resilience Roundtable" outreach visits. The commissioner will be seeking input and recommendations for increasing Northeast Ohio communities' resilience in the face of climate impacts.

Commissioner Brooks will convene resilience and sustainability experts at Kent State University's East Liverpool campus for a panel discussion on the impacts of increasingly frequent, severe weather events. She is especially interested in hearing about new innovations that are helping Ohio's old "Rust Belt" prepare, adapt and become more resilient in the 21st century.

"Different cities and regions across Ohio have their own unique challenges, and with those, their own unique ideas and innovations to address climate impacts," Commissioner Brooks said. "I look forward to reconnecting with my roots in Columbiana County, and being briefed on the efforts already underway to ensure this vital region's resilience for the sake our future generations. I also look forward to ideas about blending economic and environmental resilience together."

The commissioner will be hosted by Dean Stephen Nameth of Kent State's Columbiana Campuses for a roundtable discussion, which will take place at noon at the Quiet Study Room of Purinton Hall on the East Liverpool campus.

Monday's "Resilience Roundtable" will mirror successful outreach visits the commissioner has already conducted in Cleveland, Cincinnati and Toledo.

AGENDA (Event open to the press)

Monday, Aug. 25, 2015

Noon **ROUNDTABLE ON RESILIENCE IN THE FACE OF CLIMATE IMPACTS**, hosted by
Kent State University at East Liverpool

Purinton Hall, Quiet Study Room (400 E. 4th St., East Liverpool, Ohio 43920)

Moderator: Dean Stephen Nameth, Columbiana Campuses, Kent State University

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