

Chris Daly

Chris Daly is Professor and founding Director of the PRISM Climate Group in the College of Engineering at Oregon State University. Dr. Daly has advanced an emerging discipline he calls "geospatial climatology," the study of the spatial patterns of climate and their relationships with geographic features. Chris developed PRISM, a novel computing approach that brings meteorological intelligence and geographical analysis to the mapping of climate. Chris and his group have been developing and updating official USDA climate normal maps for the US since the mid-1990s. He also maintains and updates a century-long time series of monthly climate maps for the conterminous US, and produces daily maps that are updated every morning. Chris received his Ph.D. in Physical Science from Oregon State University in 1994, M.A. in Geography from the University of Colorado in 1984, and B.S. in Atmospheric Sciences from the University of California at Davis in 1978. Chris is a proud

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