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Jennie began studying the effects of global change in 1992 as a toxicologist and carried this perspective to the University of Washington where she earned a Ph.D. in marine ecology. While she began graduate school with the intention of pursuing an academic career, she eventually decided she'd rather save the world. A co-founder of EcoAdapt, Jennie is a point person on the Adaptation Consultations program, working with a range of organizations to help them integrate climate change into what they do. She is also heavily engaged with federal climate change efforts, including co-authoring a vulnerability assessment guidebook endorsed by most federal agencies with natural resource responsibilities and development of an associated training curriculum. Jennie and Lara co-wrote "the book" on climate change adaptation - Climate Savvy - and together form the core of EcoAdapt's Awareness to Action workshops (formerly known as Climate Camps). Prior to EcoAdapt, Jennie taught, wrote books (including *Buying Time: A User's Manual for Building Resistance and Resilience to Climate Change in Natural Systems* with Lara), and worked with the WWF-International Climate Change Programme's Impacts and Adaptation program as a consultant and employee. When environmental problems seem daunting, she calls on her undergraduate degree in geology from Brown University for a long-term perspective that keeps her chipper. If that fails, she heads for her garden and orchard where she is frequently reminded that nature usually triumphs.