



Programs of the Climate Action Reserve



Climate Action Reserve Monthly Newsletter

May 2010

- Quote -

"I just want to make sure that everybody knows that, you know, we feel proud of the work that was done by CAR and have been very involved over the years in facilitating that work. And we do want to make sure that we, to the maximum extent possible, honor the work that has been done under that program."

*Chair Mary Nichols
California Air Resources Board
February 25, 2010 ARB Board Meeting*

Climate Action Reserve Quick Facts

Account holders: 290
Total projects: 242
CRTs: 3,420,829

Upcoming Events

[May 5: Navigating the American Carbon World Roundup \(Center webinar\)](#)

[May 6: Introduction to the Climate Action Reserve \(webinar\)](#)

[May 13: Project Developer and Verifier Training \(webinar\)](#)

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

April is a time to celebrate the environment and this year was the fortieth anniversary of the first Earth Day. This provides us the opportunity to reflect on the tremendous progress we have made over the past two generations in improving our air and water quality and addressing dangerous toxics in the environment. It also provides us with a pivot point to think

[May 20: Forest Landowner Workshop \(Macon, Georgia\)](#)

[May 21: Forest Landowner Workshop \(Raleigh, NC\)](#)

[June 3: Introduction to the Climate Action Reserve \(webinar\)](#)

[June 7: Forest Landowner Workshop \(Augusta, Maine\)](#)

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Upcoming Trainings for Verification Bodies

[May 4: General Project Verification Training](#)

[June 9: Coal Mine Methane Verification Training](#)

[June 10: Landfill Verification Training](#)

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Welcome New Climate Action Reserve Account Holders
Climate Action Reserve account holders represent a variety of industry sectors, including environment, finance and business. Our newest members joining in April include:

- 1804 Partners, LLC
- ARCA Advanced Processing, LLC
- B&B Farms
- Catahoula Land Plantation, Inc.
- Charles Fitzgerald
- Cleveland Swamp Timber Company, Inc.
- Delta Assets of North Carolina, LLC
- Dicktel Farms
- Downeast Lakes Land Trust
- Earl H. Bennett Forestry
- Elgerbar Corporation

about the world forty years from now in 2050 by when we must achieve our ambitious goal of an 80 percent reduction in climate change pollution emissions. The changes to our society that achieving this goal will require are substantial, but are urgently needed. If we get this right, however, we will have not only mitigated a serious threat to our planet, but we will also have retooled our economy and improved the prospects for continued growth and economic success as the leader of the new energy revolution.

I also want to thank all of you for helping to make Navigating the American Carbon World (NACW) 2010: New Direction for Climate Action a success. I strongly believe that the speaker lineup was our strongest yet, featuring the who's who in the key and diverse sectors that play critical roles in the carbon world. Indeed, NACW 2010 brought together over 700 top executives and thought leaders from business, government, science and academia to discuss and share insights on climate policy. With two plenary sessions, 12 panel breakouts, and lots of networking breaks, the conference provided all of us with outstanding opportunities for discussion, input, feedback and education. I look forward to seeing you at next year's event!

Warmly,
Gary Gero
President

Congratulations to the 2010 Climate Action Champion Award Recipients

The annual Climate Action Champion awards recognize individuals and organizations that have demonstrated public leadership in climate change and commitment to substantial greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions. The Climate Action Reserve announced the 2010 Climate Action Champion award recipients at the NACW conference.



The 2010 award recipients are:

- Nancy Ryan, Commissioner at the California Public Utilities Commission
- Bay Area Air Quality Management District and Jack Broadbent, Executive Officer
- TerraPass

Please join the Climate Action Reserve in extending much-earned congratulations to each of the honorees. For more information, please visit the [Reserve website](#).

Mexico Forest Project Protocol in Development

The Mexico Forest Project Protocol development process successfully kicked off on April 12, 2010 with a webinar attended by dozens of interested stakeholders from across

- Entergy Services, Inc.
- Frank Burke
- Fred M. van Eck Forest Foundation Oregon, LLC
- Fruit Growers Supply Company
- Good Hope Corporation
- Groton Land Company
- GTE Sustainable Energy
- Hampshire Country School · ISCCP Americas, Inc.
- Just Energy Income Fund
- Kilkenny Plantation, LLC
- M.J. Farms, Ltd.
- Mattamuskeet Ventures
- Michigan California Lumber Company
- New England Forestry Foundation
- Noles Farm
- Northeast Wilderness Trust
- Oneida Herkimer Solid Waste Authority
- Potlatch Corporation
- Privateer Farms, Inc.
- Rainforest Alliance
- Restoration Forestry, Inc.
- RRI Energy Services, Inc.
- Sierra Pacific Industries
- Tatanka Resources, LLC
- The CHY Company
- The Forestland Group
- The Julia R. Amaral Trust - 1993
- The State of Louisiana
- White Oak Forestry Corporation
- WillowBend, LLC

[View all account holders](#)

Congratulations New Climate Action Leaders



- CBS Corporation
- City of Long Beach
- NRG Energy Inc.
- Sacramento Municipal

North America. The protocol development process will adapt the U.S. Forest Project Protocol Reforestation and Avoided Conversion (Avoided Deforestation) guidelines for use in Mexico. The Reserve is preparing to begin the stakeholder workgroup process in mid-May 2010.

To learn more about the protocol development process and to download the kick off meeting presentation in English or Spanish, please visit the [Mexico Forest Project Protocol](#) webpage.

Upcoming Climate Action Reserve Forestry Workshops

The Reserve is continuing its ongoing series of outreach workshops for forest landowners, foresters, government agencies, and conservation organizations with additional events in May and June. These are free, half-day workshops that are open to the public. Space is limited, so please register in advance:

- [Thursday, May 20, Macon, GA](#)
- [Friday, May 21, Raleigh, NC](#)
- [Monday, June 7, Augusta, ME](#)

In addition, the Reserve is participating in a forest carbon workshop organized by Dovetail Partners in Palisade, MN. This event does have a registration fee, and information can be found [here](#). For more information about the forestry workshops, please contact Max DuBuisson at max@climateactionreserve.org.

Public Comments on the Forest Project Aggregation Proposal Due May 21

The Climate Action Reserve has released a draft proposal of rules and guidelines for the implementation of a forest project aggregation program, under which smaller forest projects may be "aggregated" for registration in the Reserve.

The goal of aggregation is to alleviate transaction costs for individual landowners while upholding the Reserve's standards for quantification certainty and integrity. By allowing aggregation, the Reserve's Forest Project Protocol (FPP) will be more accessible to a larger percentage of the nation's forestland owners.

All interested stakeholders are invited to review and comment on the [draft forest project aggregation proposal](#). Please submit comments to policy@climateactionreserve.org by 5:00 pm PDT on May 21, 2010.

Reserve Registers First ODS Project

The Climate Action Reserve has registered its first project under the U.S. Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) Project Protocol. The EOS Climate project generated 252,970 vintage 2010 CRTs from the destruction of CFC-12 refrigerant, a greenhouse gas 10,900 times more potent than carbon

- Utility District
- San Diego Gas & Electric
- Southern California Gas Company
- Stanford University
- Tetra Tech EM Inc.
- University of California at Berkeley

[View all Climate Action Leaders](#)

2009 Annual Report Now Available Online



The Climate Action Reserve's 2009 annual report is now available. The annual report highlights the achievements of the Reserve and its programs, and includes an overview of registered projects and Climate Reserve Tonnes issued as of 12/31/09. To view the annual report, please visit the [Reserve website](#).

Job Openings

The Climate Action Reserve is currently hiring for the following positions:

[Program Assistant](#)

[Front End Developer](#)

[Policy Associate](#)

Update Your Email Preferences

The Climate Action Reserve is continuing to grow and strengthen its carbon offsets program. With our uptick in activity, you may wish to update your email preferences. You may choose to continue

dioxide. For this project, EOS worked with partners JACO Environmental and Hudson Technologies to recover and reclaim refrigerant from end-of-life residential appliances in twelve U.S states. The refrigerant was destroyed at a Clean Harbors hazardous waste combustor in Arkansas. For more information on the project, please visit the [Reserve website](#).

Newly Registered Projects in the Reserve

Projects in the Climate Action Reserve change status from "Listed" to "Registered" when they have successfully completed verification. Please visit our website to [view the complete list of projects](#) (both Listed and Registered), and to [see Climate Reserve Tonnes \(CRTs\) that have been issued](#).

Blue Ridge Landfill in Scotland, PA

Account holder: TerraPass, Inc.

Vintage: 2009

CRTs issued: 38,109

The Blue Ridge landfill opened in 1973 and currently accepts between 200,000 and 400,000 tons of waste each year. The landfill gas is destroyed in an enclosed flare system which became operational at the end of 2002.

Coffee County Sanitary Landfill Gas Collection System in Coffee County, AL

Account holder: Coffee County Commission

Vintage: 2009

CRTs issued: 19,183

The landfill in Coffee County Alabama opened in 1993 and currently accepts 136,000 tons of waste each year. At the time, it was the first EPA Subtitle D landfill in the state. Active gas collection and destruction began in late 2009.

Eagle Point Landfill in Ball Ground, GA

Account holder: Sustainable Energy Solutions LLC

Vintage: 2009

CRTs issued: 30,027

The Eagle Point Landfill opened in 2002 and currently accepts 550,000 tons of waste per year. The landfill installed a flare system in 2009 for control of landfill gas and plans to replace it with an electrical generation facility in 2010.

Noblehurst Farms in Linwood, NY

Account holder: Environmental Credit Corp.

Vintage: 2009

CRTs issued: 3,073

Noblehurst Farms is home to over 1,500 cows. In 2003 they began managing their manure through an in-ground plug-flow digester, rather than an uncontrolled, anaerobic lagoon. The biogas is destroyed by a 130kw generator, the output of which is then used by the farm.

The Greenbrier Landfill Project in Lewisburg, WV

Account holder: SCC Americas LLC

Vintage: 2009

CRTs issued: 3,618

The Greenbrier landfill opened in 1980 and accepts 47,000 tons of waste per year. The active landfill gas collection system was installed in 2009 and uses a flare to destroy the landfill

receiving all email communications from the Reserve, or elect to receive certain types of communications only, such as the monthly newsletter or protocol updates.



ANSI Seeking Nominations for GVAC Committee

The American National Standards Institute is currently soliciting nominations for their Greenhouse Gas Validation/Verification Accreditation Committee (GVAC). The Nominations Committee of the GVAC seeks dynamic national and international experts with experience in the field of GHG accounting and/or validation/verification and individuals with experience in the field of conformity assessment. The deadline date for nominations is May 30, 2010. Please submit a letter of intent and resume to Lauren Gritzke, ANSI GHG Coordinator at lgritzke@ansi.org or fax to 202-293-9287.

methane.

West River Anaerobic Digestion Project in MN

Account holder: Greenhouse Gas Services, LLC

Vintages: 2008, 2009

CRTs issued: 21,045

The West River Farm is part of Fehr's Riverview Farms, Inc, and manages over 5,500 cows. The manure is sent to a plug-flow digester, which generates biogas to run three Guascor engines, capable of over 2MW in total electrical generation. The electricity generated is sold to Great River Energy.

California Registry Member Survey Results Available

The results are in! The 2010 Annual California Registry Members Survey shows that:

- 88 percent of California Registry members have implemented energy efficiency projects
- 72 percent have been able to use their GHG inventory to identify where they can reduce their emissions
- 64 percent of members have already reduced their total GHG emissions
- 42 percent have saved up to five percent of their annual operating budget by reducing emissions
- 23 percent have purchased carbon offsets

The survey results demonstrate that building a GHG inventory is the critical first step in identifying inefficiencies, saving money, and monitoring and reducing emissions. For more information, please contact Joy Cernac at joy@climateregistry.org.

Center for Climate Action News

Join the Center for Climate Action for the Navigating the American Carbon World Roundup, an informational webinar focusing on what international climate agreements will look like in the future. Will the Copenhagen Accord serve as a roadmap?

May 5 | 10:00 am - 11:30 am PDT

Free for Center Partners | \$95 for members of the public

Register: www.centerforclimateaction.org

Speakers include Henry Derwent, President and CEO of IETA, and Paul Bodnar, Foreign Affairs Officer in the Office of Global Change at the U.S. State Department. Mr. Derwent and Mr. Bodnar will recap the Navigating the American Carbon World plenary session on international climate accords and offer an in-depth analysis on where international climate negotiations are headed. Learn about ongoing negotiations and the "Road to Mexico - COP 16."

About the Climate Action Reserve

The Climate Action Reserve is a U.S. private nonprofit organization representing international interests in addressing climate change and bringing together participants from the government,

environment and business sectors. It works to ensure environmental benefit, integrity and transparency in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions accounting and reduction and progressive movement in GHG emissions policy nationally and in the Western U.S. The Climate Action Reserve is parent to three programs, the California Climate Action Registry, Climate Action Reserve and Center for Climate Action. As the subsequent organization of the California Climate Action Registry, the Climate Action Reserve continues building on the California Registry's reputation as a respected and internationally recognized leader in climate change issues.

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