



## CLIMATE ACTION RESERVE



Climate Action Reserve Monthly Newsletter

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- Quote -

"The facts are clear. Global greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise. Millions of people are suffering today from climate impacts. Climate change is very real."

--United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon

### Climate Action Reserve Quick Facts

Account holders: 423  
Total projects: 476  
CRTs: 17,257,108

### Upcoming Events

October 11-12:  
[Forest and Urban Forest  
Verification Training](#)

October 12:  
[Ozone Depleting  
Substances Project  
Developer Training](#)

October 18:  
[Nitric Acid Production  
Project Developer Training](#)

October 25:  
[Reserve Program Training  
for Project Developers and  
Verifiers](#)

November 14:  
[Coal Mine Methane Project  
Verification Training](#)

November 15:  
[Landfill Project Verification  
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### Letter from the President

Dear friends and colleagues,

I'm pleased to announce that the dates have been set for the 10th annual Navigating the American Carbon World conference. Please join us April 10-12, 2012 in San Francisco, California for North America's largest carbon conference and trade fair. NACW will provide timely information and analysis from leading experts in climate policy, carbon markets and greenhouse gas (GHG) management on must-know topics like California's final cap-and-trade program, developing programs in WCI jurisdictions and potential linkages with international markets.

Helping to set the stage for talks on California's cap-and-trade program will be the Air Resources Board public hearing on October 20-21. During this meeting, the Board will vote on adopting the final draft of the cap-and-trade regulation. The regulation is yet another strong example of California's environmental leadership and will be instrumental in helping the state achieve its GHG emissions reduction goals. The Reserve strongly supports the regulation and looks forward to

November 29:  
[Coal Mine Methane Project  
Developer Training](#)

[View full calendar](#)

### Protocol-Specific Lead Verifier Certification Exams

The Reserve offers the option for private protocol-specific lead verifier certification exams scheduled at your preferred date and time. Protocol-specific certification exams are offered for each Reserve project protocol.

[More information](#)

### 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 September include:

- Avenal Regional Landfill
- Barnabas Investment Group, LLC
- BFI Waste Systems of Arkansas, LLC
- Bituminous Resources
- Carroll-Grayson-Galax Solid Waste Authority
- Cherokee Power Producers, LLC
- Columbus County, NC
- Cummins Power Generation, Inc.
- Des Moines County Regional Solid Waste Commission
- EM Kilgore Renewables, LLC
- First Climate Markets AG
- Fort Bend Power Producers, LLC
- Homeland Biogas Energy LLC
- Honeywell International
- Iowa Waste Systems
- Koch Supply & Trading
- Mecklenburg County,

continuing to support the implementation of the program.

I am also honored to announce the election in September 2011 of a new member to our Board of Directors, Dr. Francisco Barnes. Dr. Barnes brings years of experience, education and leadership to help guide the Reserve during our period of continued growth. In February 2011, he was appointed to serve as the President of the National Institute of Ecology for the Government of Mexico. He has an extensive background in developing strategies for low-carbon growth, adaptation to climate change, and sustainable development. Please join me in extending to Dr. Barnes a very warm *bienvenidos* to the Reserve family!

Warm regards,



Gary Gero  
President

### NACW 2012: SAVE THE DATE

Save the date for North America's largest carbon event! The Climate Action Reserve and Thomson Reuters Point Carbon are pleased to announce that Navigating the American Carbon World (NACW) 2012 will be held on April 10-12 in San Francisco, California. This is the 10 year anniversary of the carbon conference and as in previous years, it will be the premier venue for carbon market participants to hear directly from regulators, learn about developments in the carbon landscape and build networks for strategic growth. More information coming soon.

### Dr. Francisco Barnes Brings International Experience to the Reserve Board

Dr. Francisco Barnes, President of the National Institute of Ecology (INE) for the Government of Mexico, has been elected to serve on the Reserve Board of Directors. As the Reserve continues to focus on helping create market opportunities in Mexico, Dr. Barnes will bring insightful advice on the Reserve's activities in the country, as well as provide input on other cross-border initiatives.

Prior to his appointment as President of INE, Dr. Barnes was a partner at McKinsey & Company where he advised governments, NGOs, and private and public sector companies throughout Latin America on climate change mitigation and adaptation, low-carbon growth, clean energy and other sustainable development issues, such as water pollution and solid waste. Dr. Barnes also served as a visiting professor at Boston University, has received numerous awards for his academic work and is a published author.

For more information on the Reserve Board of Directors, please visit [our website](#).

- Virginia
- Placer Land Trust
- Region 2000 Services Authority
- Richardson Smith Gardner & Associates
- Rockbridge County Government
- Rutherford County
- Spotsylvania County
- Tangerine Energy LLC
- The CFS Group Disposal & Recycling Services LLC
- Town of South Boston, Virginia
- Twin Chimneys Power Producers, LLC
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Wise County

[View all account holders](#)

### Presentations Available Online

The Reserve is pleased to share presentations from Reserve workshops and webinars. Recent additions include the presentation materials from the Carbon Market Workshop held in Sacramento on Sept 19.

[View presentations](#)

### This Month's Featured Climate Action Offsetting: Green Mountain Energy



C3 Presents and Green Mountain Energy Company are working together to reduce the carbon footprint of music festivals. Lollapalooza and Austin City Limits, both produced by C3 Presents, bring together hordes of music lovers with substantial carbon footprints from

## Nitric Acid Production Project Protocol Version 2.0 Adopted by Reserve Board

The Reserve Board of Directors adopted Version 2.0 of the Nitric Acid Production Project Protocol during its Board meeting on September 28. The updated protocol includes an expansion the project definition to allow tertiary catalyst projects at nitric acid plants with existing NSCR units. To review the updated version of the protocol, please visit the [Nitric Acid Production Revision webpage](#).

## Mexico Landfill Project Protocol Version 1.1 Now Available

An updated version of the Mexico Landfill Project Protocol was released on September 13. Version 1.1 features minor editorial changes, modified project start date definition, an added option for a second project crediting period, improvements to the quantification methodology, and the addition of the verification protocol guidance to the project protocol. For more information, please visit the [Reserve website](#).

## Nutrient Management Project Protocol Development Update

The Reserve, in collaboration with the Nicholas Institute at Duke University, convened a group of leading scientific experts to help interpret and apply the best available science throughout the development of the Nutrient Management Project Protocol (NMPP). During a workshop on September 7, the Science Advisory Committee (SAC) made recommendations on agricultural nitrogen management activities that predictably and consistently reduce nitrous oxide emissions, while considering scientific, economical and verifiable approaches to quantifying GHG reductions from these activities.

For more information on the Nutrient Management Project Protocol and a summary of the recent SAC meeting, which will be available in the coming weeks, please refer to the [Nutrient Management Protocol development page](#).

## 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.

### [Green River Trona Mine Methane Destruction and Utilization Project in Sweetwater County, Wyoming](#)

Account holder: Solvay Chemicals, Inc.  
Vintage: 2010, 2011 | CRTs issued: 91,486

### [Pure Chem Domestic ODS Destruction Project #5 in El Dorado, Arkansas \(Texas and Hawaii sourced ODS\)](#)

traveling to the three-day festivals. Green Mountain helps balance out that environmental impact by offering the Green Mountain Energy® Fan Tag, a quick and easy way for attendees to 'green up' their festival travel by purchasing carbon offsets issued by the Reserve.

[Read more](#)

Account holder: Pure Chem Separation LP  
Vintage: 2011 | CRTs issued: 70,737

[Pure Chem Domestic ODS Destruction Project #4 in El Dorado, Arkansas \(Texas, California and Missouri sourced ODS\)](#)

Account holder: Pure Chem Separation LP  
Vintage: 2011 | CRTs issued: 30,061

[Refex ODS California 2010 in Bowling Green, Ohio](#)

Account holder: Refrigerant Exchange Corp.  
Vintage: 2011 | CRTs issued: 21,418

### *About the Climate Action Reserve*

As the premier carbon offset registry for the North American carbon market, the Climate Action Reserve works to ensure environmental benefit, integrity and transparency in market-based solutions that reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. It establishes high quality standards for carbon offset projects, oversees independent third-party verification bodies, issues carbon credits generated from such projects and tracks the transaction of credits over time in a transparent, publicly-accessible system. By facilitating and encouraging the creation of GHG emission reduction projects, the Climate Action Reserve program promotes immediate environmental and health benefits to local communities, allows project developers access to additional revenues and brings credibility and value to the carbon market. The Climate Action Reserve is a private 501c(3) nonprofit organization based in Los Angeles, California. For more information, please visit [www.climateactionreserve.org](http://www.climateactionreserve.org).

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