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A note from our President

Greetings,

As we head into August, we begin gearing up for a number of world-class climate change events coming this Fall. Events will cover a range of topics critical to addressing climate change from carbon pricing to land management to resiliency and lead up to COP 24 taking place in Katowice, Poland.

One highly anticipated event with global focus is the [Global Climate Action Summit](#) co-chaired by Governor Jerry Brown, UNFCCC Executive Secretary Patricia Espinosa, Mahindra Group Chair Anand Mahindra, United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Climate Action Michael Bloomberg, Special Representative for Climate Change Affairs of China Xie Zhenhua and United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth Jayathma Wickramanayake. As many as 15,000 representatives from government, business, academia and civil society from all over the world will converge in San Francisco the week of September 10 to showcase climate action and progress being made in addressing climate change.

A theme running throughout the Summit itself and many of the Summit's official [affiliate events](#) is raising climate ambition. We can't forget the importance and power of this. While there has been notable progress in the fight against climate change, in so many ways the world is just beginning to address the existential threat of climate change. Let's not forget that the term "existential threat" means just that to our way of life. The stakes are high, and we must raise our ambition even higher. We can achieve ambitious goals if we collaborate. The week of GCAS will be filled with substantive discussions from putting a price on carbon to reducing and sequestering emissions to getting smarter on transportation and will hopefully end with commitment to raising our ambition globally. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you there.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Craig Ebert".

Craig Ebert
President

Draft Nitrogen Management Project Protocol V2.0 available for public

comment

The [draft Nitrogen Management Project Protocol Version 2.0](#) is now available for public review and comment. Proposed updates to the protocol include expanded applicability to new practices, crops, and regions; a new Excel-based quantification tool; modified benchmarks for the performance standard test for additionality; revisions to project, aggregate, and ownership structures; removal of corn stalk nitrate testing requirements for verification; and several other revisions to enhance usability. Public comments are due by 6:00 pm PDT on Friday, August 31.

The Reserve will conduct an online public workshop to discuss and respond to questions on the draft protocol:

NMPP V2.0 Public Comment Workshop

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

11:00 am -12:00 pm PDT

[Register here](#)

[Read more](#)

First Mexico landfill project registered in the Reserve!

At the privately-owned sanitary landfill in Cuautla, Morelos State in Mexico, Energía Renovable de Cuautla S.A. de C.V.'s La Perseverancia Biogas Plant is working to reduce the climate impact of landfill gas at the facility. Rather than allowing landfill gas to release into the atmosphere, the landfill installed state-of-the-art technology to capture and destroy methane emissions associated with the community's waste. Landfill gas is collected via 32 vertical extraction wells and 7 horizontal lines, and routed to an electricity generation station or to a backup flare. This effort improves local air quality and community health while addressing global climate change and generating revenue. The project is a model for cross-border collaboration to address climate change. As climate change is a global problem that spans geo-political borders, cooperation across borders helps strengthen and expand the scale of climate solutions.

Register for upcoming verification training courses

The Reserve is pleased to present the following verification training courses and exams for lead verifiers wishing to perform verification of Reserve projects.

General Verification Training

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

[Register here](#)

This is a mandatory course for Lead Verifiers wishing to perform verification of Reserve projects. The training will cover the activities and procedures for completing verification of projects under the Reserve program. In order to receive Lead Verifier certification, you must pass the course examination.

Landfill Project Protocol Verification Training

Wednesday, September 5, 2018

[Register here](#)

This is a mandatory course for Lead Verifiers wishing to perform verification of landfill projects. This training will review eligibility rules, methods to calculate reductions, performance-monitoring, and reporting on projects that offset greenhouse gas emissions from landfills. It will also cover the activities and procedures for completing verification of these projects under the Reserve program. In order to receive Lead Verifier

certification for this project type, you must pass the course examination.

New resources for project development in Mexico

The Climate Action Reserve is pleased to offer training opportunities for entities interested in developing carbon offset projects in Mexico. Since 2008, the Reserve has worked to foster the development of a voluntary carbon market in Mexico, and currently offers five protocols available for use in the country: Forest, Livestock, Landfill, ODS, and Boiler Efficiency. As Mexico's new administration gears up for a national emissions trading scheme, the Reserve is expanding its successful training of trainers model that started with forestry to now include training opportunities across all five project types. To learn more and/or request training, please visit our new [Mexico Protocols Training page](#).

Additionally, in response to stakeholder requests for more resource sharing and to better connect market players with one another, the Reserve has posted a [listing of entities](#) that have participated in past training events led by Reserve staff. The listing includes contact information provided by participants who are interested in developing projects, learn more about credit sales and purchase opportunities, and/or are seeking investments in potential projects. For more information about our work in Mexico, please visit our [Mexico Offsets webpage](#).

If you have any questions about training opportunities or about the listing of trained entities, please contact Cindy Chiang at cchiang@climateactionreserve.org.

Global Climate Action Summit - and affiliate events - happening in San Francisco in September

The Global Climate Action Summit will bring leaders and people together from around the world to "Take Ambition to the Next Level." It will be a moment to celebrate the extraordinary achievements of states, regions, cities, companies, investors and citizens with respect to climate action.

It will also be a launchpad for deeper worldwide commitments and accelerated action from countries-supported by all sectors of society-that can put the globe on track to prevent dangerous climate change and realize the historic Paris Agreement.

The decarbonization of the global economy is in sight, but there is much work to be done. Transformational changes are happening across the world and across all sectors as a result of technological innovation, new and creative policies and political will at all levels.

States and regions, cities, businesses and investors are leading the charge on pushing down global emissions by 2020, setting the stage to reach net zero emissions by mid-century.

www.globalclimateactionsummit.org

The Navajo Nation's Request for Statements of Qualifications (RFQ) for forestry consulting and carbon offset project development services

The Navajo Nation seeks statements of qualifications from consulting firms or individuals with experience in forestry consulting and carbon offset project development. Parties interested in providing forestry consulting services to the Nation should submit their qualifications by 5:00 PM mountain standard time on August 15, 2018. For more information, please visit: <http://www.dnr.navajo-nsn.gov/Portals/0/Files/RFQs/NN%20Forest%20Carbon%20Offset%20RSQ%20Announcement.pdf?>

Vote for the Climate Action Reserve in Environmental Finance's 9th Annual Voluntary Carbon Markets Rankings

Nominations are now open for [Environmental Finance's 9th Annual Voluntary Carbon Markets Rankings survey](#). Your participation in the survey will help identify the leading participants in the global voluntary carbon markets in categories such as Best Registry Provider, Best Voluntary Standard, Best Individual Offsetting Project, and more.

The Climate Action Reserve is proud of our achievements in and contributions to the carbon markets. We are continually working to expand and strengthen opportunities to achieve real, additional, and permanent greenhouse gas emission reductions, and we would appreciate your vote!

Vote in the [Environmental Finance survey](#) by Friday, August 10.

Lucy LaViolette joins the Reserve as Reserve Administrator

As Reserve Administrator, Lucy LaViolette is responsible for providing administrative support to the Reserve's reporting and verification program, providing technical support to account holders, and handling Reserve software management. Previously, Lucy served as a project coordinator with Repurpose Compostables, where she conducted market research and data analysis. Lucy has an interest in environmental policy and sustainability, and received her Bachelor's in Political Economy from UC Berkeley.

Save the date for NACW 2019: April 24 - 26 in Los Angeles, California



We're very excited to announce that NACW will return to downtown Los Angeles next year (in the tallest building west of the Mississippi, no less)! Please save the date and plan to join us during April 24 - 26 in sunny southern California!

Downtown Los Angeles is home to many cultural, culinary, and historic destinations, including the Walt

Disney Concert Hall, Broad Museum, MoCA, Grand Central Market, FIDM MoCA, Bradbury Building, Angels Flight funicular railway, [a Banksy mural](#), [bicycle-churned ice cream shop](#), and more.

Newly registered projects in the Reserve

Projects in the Climate Action Reserve achieve registered status upon successfully completing verification by an independent, accredited verification body.

[A-Gas 2018-4](#)

Location: Bowling Green, Ohio

ROCs issued: 110,290

[La Perseverancia Biogas Plant](#)

Location: Cuautla, Morelos, Mexico

CRTs issued: 12,501

[Forest Carbon Partners - Berea College Improved Forest Management Project](#)

Location: Madison County, Kentucky

ROCs issued: 375,885

[Heartland Ranch Phase 1](#)

Location: Bent County, Colorado

CRTs issued: 2,851

[Raven's Nest Nature Preserve](#)

Location: Bent County, Colorado

CRTs issued: 2,008

[View public reports](#)

Calendar of events

August 15

[Nitrogen Management Project Protocol v2.0 - Public Comment Webinar](#)

August 23-24

[California Air Resources Board meeting](#)

September 4

[General Verification Training](#)

September 5

[Landfill Project Protocol Verification Training and Exam](#)

September 12-14

[Global Climate Action Summit](#)

Ongoing - date and time TBD by verifier

[Schedule a Lead Verifier Recertification Exam](#)

Location: Los Angeles or online with webcam



ABOUT THE CLIMATE ACTION RESERVE

The Climate Action Reserve is the most experienced, trusted and efficient offset registry to serve the carbon markets. With deep roots in California and a reach across North America, the Reserve encourages actions to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and works to ensure environmental benefit, integrity and transparency in market-based solutions to address global climate change. The Reserve program promotes immediate environmental and health benefits to local communities and brings credibility and value to the carbon market. The Climate Action Reserve is a private 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Los Angeles, California. For more information, please visit www.climateactionreserve.org.

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