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CLIMATE ACTION NEWS

Quick facts

Account holders: 259
Total projects: 295
Credits: 84,921,187

Upcoming events

November 15:
[Grassland Project Protocol Version 2.0 Public Comment Webinar](#)

November 16:
[COP22 Side Event: Transportation Strategies for Reaching a Low/No Carbon Economy](#)

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[Official UNFCCC COP22 Side Event: Different Routes, Same Destination: Sub-national Approaches to Climate Action in North America](#) (organized in conjunction with

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A note from our President

Greetings,

We are very excited to announce that the Reserve's Board of Directors recently adopted the Mexico Boiler Efficiency Project Protocol, our fifth protocol developed for use in Mexico. Under the protocol, facilities in Mexico that retrofit or replace existing boilers may earn carbon offset credits for the emissions reductions achieved from the energy efficiency upgrade. Improvements in efficiency could reduce industrial steam boiler emissions in Mexico by as much as two million tons of CO₂e per year. We are looking forward to this new opportunity to collaborate with Mexican industry on advancing climate solutions and widening cross-border initiatives.

Notable events

November 7:
[California ARB Public Workshop on the 2030 Target Scoping Plan Update: GHG Policy Scenarios, Natural & Working Lands, and Public Health Analysis](#)

November 7 - 18:
[UNFCCC Conference of the Parties](#)

November 17:
[California ARB Board Meeting](#)

Presentations archive



2015 annual report



Map of projects



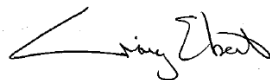
Infographic: Why offset your greenhouse gas

The Reserve also recently updated the Mexico Forest Protocol, which provides standardized guidance for carbon enhancement projects while addressing social and environmental safeguard requirements. The Reserve's pilot project under this protocol in San Juan Lachao, Oaxaca, is undergoing verification of the main project activities (reforestation, improved forest management, and agroforestry) and is expected to receive credits by the end of the year. With growing interest in the important role of forests in fighting climate change, the carbon community holds much anticipation for increased international cooperation and investment in improved forest management and conservation around the globe.

Such international cooperation is top of mind as we look forward to participating in the annual UNFCCC COP22 conference in Marrakech in the next few weeks. In addition to the official UN negotiating sessions on the successful implementation of the Paris Agreement, climate professionals in government, businesses, and civil society will convene to share ideas, actions, experiences, and solutions. The Reserve is once again hosting a joint delegation with The Climate Registry to help inform discussions, collaborate on key climate programs, and exchange ideas with leading organizations and governments. If you are attending COP22, please join us for our two side events: [Transportation Strategies for Reaching a Low/No Carbon Economy](#) and [Different Routes, Same Destination: Sub-national Approaches to Climate Action in North America](#) (Official UN Side Event).

We look forward to seeing you there and continuing to work together!

Best regards,



Craig Ebert
President

Mexico Boiler Efficiency Project Protocol Version 1.0 adopted and available for use

On November 1, the Climate Action Reserve Board of Directors adopted the [Mexico Boiler Efficiency Project Protocol Version 1.0](#), which provides a standardized approach for quantifying, monitoring, and verifying greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions from energy efficiency upgrades to boilers in Mexico. Under the protocol, facilities with eligible boilers of 9.8 MW or higher that retrofit the existing boilers or replace existing boilers with new high-efficiency boilers may earn carbon offset credits that can be used in the North American voluntary carbon market for the emissions reductions achieved from the energy efficiency upgrade.

This protocol development effort was supported by funding from the Mexico's Secretariat of Energy (SENER) through the Fund for Energy Transition and Sustainable Use of Energy (FOTEASE), as well as the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), who provided funding through their Mexico Low Emission Development



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Grassland Project Protocol Version 2.0 available for public comment; workshop on November 15

The Reserve has released the draft Grassland Project Protocol Version 2.0 for public review and comment. Proposed revisions to the protocol include expanded start date options, expanded suitability threshold options, removal of optional accounting for shrub carbon, and several other updates to enhance usability. Please submit written comments, preferably in MS Word format, to policy@climateactionreserve.org by 6:00 pm PT on Wednesday, November 30.

The Reserve will conduct an online public workshop to discuss and respond to questions on the draft protocol on Tuesday, November 15, 10:00 am -11:00 am PT. [Register here](#)

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Mexico Forest Protocol Version 1.3 now available

On November 3, the Reserve released the [Mexico Forest Protocol Version 1.3](#), which provides revised guidance for monitoring, reporting, and verifying forest sequestration projects in Mexico. Revisions include modifications to the start date definition, the addition of a fourth environmental safeguard, and inclusion of project aggregation options, among other changes. A summary of changes detailing the revisions from Versions 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 of the protocol is available on the Mexico Forest Protocol webpage. Revised Quantification Guidance, Verification Guidance, and Aggregation Guidance are available on the Mexico Forest Protocol webpage.

If you have questions about the Mexico Forest Protocol or guidance documents, please send them to policy@climateactionreserve.org.

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Revised Verification Program Manual available for public comment

The Reserve has released a revised [Verification Program Manual](#) for public review and comment. The Reserve Verification Program Manual provides verification bodies with a standardized approach for the independent and rigorous verification of GHG emission reductions and removals. Proposed updates to the manual include training requirements, site visit frequency, and verification body accreditation, all of which are detailed in a Summary of Changes document.

Please submit comments or questions to reserve@climateactionreserve.org by 6:00 pm PT on Wednesday, November 30, 2016.

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Join us for COP22 side events in Marrakech

Set on a global stage, the annual United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Conference of the Parties (COP) is the largest forum for businesses, governments, and nonprofits to convene around the issue of climate change. The Climate Action Reserve, in partnership with The Climate Registry, will once again be hosting a delegation of government, business, and nonprofit thought leaders to the conference. The Reserve is hosting two side events at COP22 to facilitate discussion on successful climate policies and programs that spark change.

[Transportation Strategies for Reaching a Low/No Carbon Economy](#)

November 16, 2016

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

IETA Business HUB, Blue Zone

[Different Routes, Same Destination: Sub-national Approaches to Climate Action in North America](#)

Official UN Side Event hosted with TCR and Georgetown University

November 17, 2016

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Pacific Room, Blue Zone

Trailblazing in Washington with a unique approach to capping emissions

The Washington Clean Air Rule allows for the use of Emission Reduction Units (ERUs) to meet compliance obligations and provides for a number of different ways to obtain ERUs. One way that has already been proven as an essential component to California's cap-and-trade program is the use of offsets. Covered parties can convert Climate Reserve Tonnes (CRTs) from offset projects located in the State of Washington under the Reserve's Landfill, Livestock, Organic Waste Digestion, Organic Waste Composting and Nitric Acid Production Project Protocols to ERUs. The Reserve has registered [11 offset projects](#) that meet the Clean Air Rule criteria and has issued 755,437 CRTs to those projects to date. Ecology has indicated there are likely additional offset project types may be included in future updates to the rule. Sarah Rees and Bill Drumheller from the Washington Department of Ecology recently provided an overview of the Clean Air Rule and detailed how emission reductions from the Reserve and other sources can be used for the program. To view a recording of the webinar, please visit our [presentations page](#).

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Thank you National Park Service for 100 years of nature

The National Park Service is celebrating its centennial birthday this year! We would like to thank America's national parks for providing beautiful respites, outstanding recreation, and important ecosystem and historic preservation for communities across the country. Trips to national parks inspired our staff to become environmentalists, conservationists, tree-huggers, foresters, and climate scientists. Read about our favorite national parks on our recent blog post.

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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.

[Vander Haak Dairy COP](#)

Location: Lynden, Washington

ROCs issued: 5,146

[Coolgas 2016-3](#)

Location: Bowling Green, Ohio

ROCs issued: 133,239

[Green Valley Dairy Methane Reduction Project](#)

Location: Krakow, Wisconsin

ROCs issued: 30,890

[WTE S&S Ag Enterprises, LLC](#)

Location: Door County, Wisconsin

ROCs issued: 21,241

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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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