



CLIMATE ACTION RESERVE



Climate Action Reserve Monthly Newsletter

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- Quote -

"The president is opposed to Prop 23 -- a veiled attempt by corporate polluters to block progress towards a clean energy economy. If passed, the initiative would stifle innovation, investment in R&D and cost jobs for the state of California."

--White House spokesman Adam Abrams on Wednesday, October 20, 2010

Climate Action Reserve Quick Facts

Account holders: 338
Total projects: 364
CRTs: 8,225,509

Upcoming Events

[November 1-3: Point Carbon Thomson Reuters' Carbon Market Insights Americas 2010 \(New York City\)](#)

[November 9: Carbon Offset Opportunities for Coal Mine Methane Projects \(Morgantown, West Virginia\)](#)

[November 11: Reserve Program Training for Project Developers and Verifiers \(webinar\)](#)

[November 16: Climate Change 2010: Managing the Risks and Opportunities \(Gibson Dunn complimentary webcast\)](#)

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Letter from the President

Dear friends and colleagues,

Despite the national political rhetoric, the fact remains that human induced climate change is real and it urgently requires our attention and leadership. November 2 promises to be an important day for the planet and perhaps no vote is more critical than the one on California's Proposition 23. Defeating this proposition will demonstrate the commitment of Californians and of clean energy supporters across the country to supporting real and effective climate change policy. And, defeating this measure will be a powerful signal that the public can and does demand that its leaders work for green jobs, clean energy, and public health. With this renewed mandate, we at the Reserve will further sharpen our focus on our core mission of encouraging and recognizing actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

[Business Council's Mayoral Sustainable Housing and Transportation Summit \(Los Angeles\)](#)

[December 1: General Project Verification Training Course \(webinar\)](#)

[View full calendar](#)



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 October include:

- Brighter Planet, Inc.
- City of Santa Monica
- Dubuque Metropolitan Area

- Solid Waste Agency
- Lyon County
- Recology Hay Road
- Republic Services of Kentucky, LLC

[View all account holders](#)

Congratulations New Climate Action Leaders

Looking forward, the United Nation's climate conference, COP16, will be held next month in Mexico where the global community will come together to seek agreements and commitments to take action. The Reserve will again be part of this event and will be proud to highlight cross-border and regional collaborations. We are planning several side-events for COP16, including an official UN side event on Thursday, December 9, and I encourage any and all of you who are attending the conference to join us.

Also, the Reserve is already deep in the planning for North America's most important carbon event - Navigating the American Carbon World (NACW), which we are hosting with Point Carbon. The NACW 2011 conference will be held April 13-15 in Los Angeles, California and will again convene the nation's most outstanding thought leaders, innovators, pioneers and policy makers to provide comprehensive insights and analyses of pressing climate change policy and carbon market issues. We hope that you start making your plans now to join us!

Gary Gero
President

Nitric Acid Production Pre-existing Project Submittal Deadline December 2

Nitric acid production projects with start dates between December 2, 2007 - December 2, 2009 are eligible to register with the Reserve if submitted by December 2, 2010. Projects with start dates prior to December 2, 2007 are not eligible under the Nitric Acid Production Project Protocol. For more information on the Reserve start date policy, see the [Reserve Program Manual](#).

For questions about the submittal process, please contact the [Programs staff](#). For questions about the protocols and start date policy, please contact the [Policy staff](#) or call 213-891-1444.

Climate Action Reserve Events at COP16 in Cancun

The Climate Action Reserve will be taking a delegation to and hosting four side events at COP16 in Cancun.

R20 - Regions of Climate Action (official UN side event)

Thursday, December 9, 4:45 PM, Cancun Messe, Room 1
Subnational governments are demonstrating that they have the capacity and willingness to tackle climate change. High level California officials and other international government leaders will discuss how the R20 brings together subnational governments to implement low-carbon and climate resilient projects.

Cross-Border Collaboration on Climate Change



- Apple Valley Ranchos Water District
- Nature Conservancy
- Northern California Power Agency
- NUS Consulting
- Sacramento Area Council of Governments
- UC Irvine

[View all Climate Action Leaders](#)

Video Highlight



Watch the [video](#) of John Podesta, President and CEO of the Center for American Progress, announce the Reserve's forestry commitment at the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) 2010 Annual Meeting.

Recordings of Reserve Webinars and Workshops Available Online

Missed a Reserve webinar or workshop? You can watch recordings of the presentations online on the [Reserve website](#).

Recent additions include:

- [What you need to know about Prop 23](#)
- [Forest Project Protocol Version 3.2](#)
- [Nitric Acid Production](#)

Solutions

Thursday, December 9, The Westin Hotel

A panel discussion moderated by Linda Adams, Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency, and featuring panelists who are involved with ongoing efforts to collaborate across state and national boundaries on innovative climate change solutions.

Development of Forest Carbon Project Protocols for Mexico

Thursday, December 9, The Westin Hotel

A panel discussion on ongoing work to develop a framework and methodologies for generating carbon credits from forestry activities in Mexico.

Livestock and Landfill Methane Destruction Projects in Mexico

Thursday, December 9, The Westin Hotel

A panel discussion on the current status and future of livestock and landfill project activities in Mexico.

Additional information, including event times and locations, will be posted on the Reserve website.

Carbon Offset Opportunities for Coal Mine Methane Projects

Please join the Reserve for a workshop on the potential benefits available to coal mines participating in the carbon market through the Climate Action Reserve. Staff from the Reserve, Consol, Biothermica, and Verdeo will provide a detailed overview of the potential opportunities that coal mine methane projects can provide. As the market for carbon offsets expands, familiarizing yourself with the tools and opportunities to mitigate risk and generate new revenue streams will position coal mines with the information to enhance their bottom line.

Tuesday, November 9, 2010 | 9:00 am - 1:00 pm EST

Morgantown, West Virginia

[Register now](#)

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](#).

Resource Recovery Landfill in Montgomery County, Kansas

Account holder: Resource Recovery, Inc.

Vintages: 2006-2010 | CRTs issued: 38,292

The Resource Recovery Landfill is a 283-acre facility, with 37.2 acres permitted for waste disposal. The landfill opened in 1988 and accepts an average of 43,691 tonnes of waste

Climate Change 2010: Managing the Risks and Opportunities

You are invited to attend Gibson Dunn's complimentary webcast "Climate Change 2010: Managing Risks and Opportunities" and hear from Reserve President Gary Gero as he speaks about the latest regulatory and legislative climate change initiatives.

Tuesday, November 16
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EST
[Register here](#)

annually. The landfill voluntarily installed an active gas collection system in 2006 consisting of 12 vertical extraction wells drilled into the waste mass to collect gas and destroy it with an open flare.

Coolgas India ODS Project 2 in El Dorado, Arkansas

Account holder: Coolgas, Inc.

Vintage: 2010 | CRTs issued: 551,802

The project consists of importation and incineration of refrigerant CFC-12, an ozone depleting substance (ODS). The ODS was imported from India into the United States in accordance with all U.S. EPA and Customs rules and destroyed at the Clean Harbors Environmental Services hazardous waste combustion facility in El Dorado, an RRCA approved Hazardous Waste Facility.

California Air Resources Board Releases Draft Regulation for Cap-and-Trade Program

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) has released its draft regulation for the California cap-and-trade program. ARB developed the draft regulation under the AB32 Scoping Plan, which identifies a cap-and-trade program as one of the main strategies California will employ to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. For more information, please visit the [ARB website](#).

The Climate Action Reserve in the News For Downtown Green Firm, a Catch-23 (Los Angeles Downtown News)

"For the Climate Action Reserve, the key provision in AB 32 is the plan to implement a statewide cap on carbon emissions, set to take effect in January 2012."

California initiative would set back offset market: Gero (Point Carbon)

"Gary Gero, president of the Climate Action Reserve, said offset projects producing credits for compliance with the state's cap-and-trade programme would be undermined if the initiative passes."

On the Environmental Front (Glendale Press News)

"Established in 2001, the Climate Action Reserve's standards have served as models for environmental policy around the country."

About the Climate Action Reserve

The Climate Action Reserve is the premier carbon offset registry for the North American carbon market. It establishes high quality standards for quantifying and verifying greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction 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 ensuring that GHG reduction projects provide true environmental benefit and earn high quality offsets, the Climate Action Reserve is creating a trusted and valuable commodity and bringing credibility and efficiency to the carbon market. For

more information, please visit www.climateactionreserve.org.

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