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A note from our President

Greetings,

Like many others across the country and globe, we have followed news about the destruction wreaked by Hurricane Harvey, the tales of survival and heroism and the continuing threats now that the rains have subsided. Many of our account holders and others within our community live and work in those areas of Texas, and we send out our thoughts and wishes to them and everyone else affected.

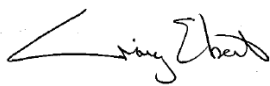
Naturally, the role of climate change has come up in discussions about Harvey, and we continue forging on with our work to address that threat. In the absence of federal action on climate change, we are fortunate to have outstanding leadership stepping up at the subnational level. States and local governments from coast to coast are developing innovative initiatives and taking strong action on climate change. While the U.S. may be withdrawing from the Paris Agreement, our cities, counties, and states throughout the nation are committing to the greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets of the Paris Agreement.

The Reserve is pleased to recognize municipalities that engage in activities that curb emissions and advance climate solutions. Twenty three cities and counties across the nation - from the City of Presque Isle, Maine, to the City of Walla Walla, Washington - have installed landfill capture and combustion technologies to destroy methane emissions at landfills and earn carbon offsets. To date, city and county landfills have achieved over five million metric tons of emissions reductions, equivalent to removing over one million passenger vehicles from the road for one year or 1.5 coal plants for one year. The City of Arcata, California has implemented three improved forest management projects in Humboldt County, covering 773 acres of forest land and achieving over 100,000 metric tons of emissions reductions. The forest properties were formerly privately owned with a history of intensive harvest management. By employing conservation based forest management practices, the city is able to restore and improve natural resources on these lands and provide habitat connectivity and public access for city owned community forests.

Municipalities are also using offsets to help reduce their carbon footprint. As part of the [City of Austin's](#) efforts to achieve carbon neutral operations by 2020, the city has retired offset credits from a nitrous oxide abatement project in Chambers County, Texas. California municipalities, including Cupertino, San Jose, and San Francisco, have also used offsets for events and activities in their communities.

As subnational governments continue to press forward to meet climate benchmarks and transition to a low carbon economy, we will remain partners in the fight for a greener, healthier, safer future.

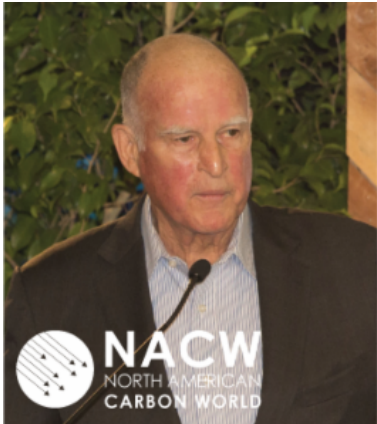
Best regards,



Craig Ebert
President

Save the date for the North American Carbon World (NACW) 2018 conference: April 4-6 in San Francisco, California

Mark your calendars - the Reserve's annual conference will take place April 4-6, 2018 in San Francisco, California. The event will be presented under a new name - North American Carbon World (NACW) conference - and still address the most pressing issues in climate policy and carbon. Stay tuned for additional information to be shared in the near future.



NACW 2017 keynote speakers Gov. Jerry Brown, ECCC Minister Catherine McKenna, and ARB Chair Mary Nichols

Information on NACW 2018 will be posted shortly at www.nacwconference.com. Visit the current site to check out photos, videos, and other information from NACW 2017.

Mexico Forest Protocol Version 1.5 will be available for use shortly

The [Mexico Forest Protocol Version 1.5](#) will be available for use shortly. The updated protocol contains important changes aimed to facilitate project development and verification. In addition, the Reserve has updated the Quantification Guidance, Verification Guidance, and companion documents and tools, including a Project Developer Guide, Carbon Monitoring Worksheet and CALCBOSK, an access database tool. The Project Developer Guide details in a step-by-step manner how a project developer would progress through developing a new forest carbon project. The Carbon Monitoring Worksheet and CALCBOSK are intended to facilitate the quantification and reporting of a project's baseline, carbon stocks and credit issuance.

The Reserve is hosting two training courses on the Mexico Forest Protocol Version 1.5:

- [Mexico Forest Protocol V1.5 Training for Project Developers and Verifiers](#)
September 18-20, 2017
Mexico City, Mexico
- [Mexico Forest Protocol V1.5 Training for Project Developers](#)
September 21-22, 2017
Guadalajara, Mexico

[Read more](#)

Upcoming verification training courses and exams

The Reserve is pleased to present the following verification training courses and exams:

Grassland Project Protocol Verification Training and Exam

Mon, Sept 11, 2017
8:30 am - 5:30 pm ET

This is a mandatory course for lead verifiers who wish to verify Reserve grassland projects. This training will review eligibility rules, quantification methods, and monitoring requirements for projects that report greenhouse gas emission reductions associated with the avoided conversion of grassland to cropland. It will also cover the activities and procedures for completing verification of these projects under the Reserve program. The course examination will be administered immediately following the training. The training will be conducted online, via webinar.

[Register](#)

Public Certification Exam

Wed, Sept 27, 2017
8:00 am - 5:00 pm PT

This Public Certification Exam is for lead verifiers who are seeking to renew their protocol-specific and/or general certifications for verifying Reserve projects. After registering online, a Reserve staff member will contact you with more information regarding exam day logistics. Please note that a webcam is required in order to take the exam online.

[Register](#)

General Project Verification Training

Wed, Oct 11, 2017
10:00 am - 3:00 pm PT

The General Project Verification Training is mandatory for Lead Verifiers who wish to work on voluntary Reserve projects. This training addresses the various programmatic requirements under the Reserve. It will review the Program Manual, the Verification Program Manual, and any accompanying policy memos, all of which can be found on the Program Manuals and Policies page. Specific topics include the project reporting process, verification cycles, and the Reserve online system. This course includes an exam and Certificate of Completion if passed.

[Register](#)

Landfill Project Protocol Verification Training and Exam

Wed, Oct 18, 2017
9:00 am - 4:00 pm PT

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.

[Register](#)

We're hiring - Join the Reserve as Program Manager

The Reserve is currently hiring for a Program Manager. The Program Manager will be responsible for managing the implementation of projects under the Reserve's program standards and under the State of California's compliance offset program. Key responsibilities include serving as a technical resource to provide guidance on offset protocols, developing and evaluating program resources, managing the development of training curricula, and supervising one or more staff members.

For more information on the open position and application requirements, please visit <http://www.climateactionreserve.org/about-us/employment/>.

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.

[Grotegut Dairy Farm, Inc](#)
Location: Newton, Wisconsin
ROCs issued: 28,129

[ClimeCo ODS Destruction 20](#)
Location: East Liverpool, Ohio
ROCs issued: 72,606

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Calendar of events

September 11, 2017	Grassland Project Protocol Verification Training and Exam Hosted by the Reserve Online webinar More information
September 18-20, 2017	Mexico Forest Protocol V1.5 Training for Project Developers and Verifiers Hosted by the Reserve Mexico City, Mexico More information
September 20, 2017	Forest Project Protocol Version 4.0 Public Webinar Hosted by the Reserve Online webinar More information
September 20, 2017	Carbon Forum North America Hosted by IETA New York, New York More information
September 21-22, 2017	Mexico Forest Protocol V1.5 Training for Project Developers Hosted by the Reserve Guadalajara, Mexico More information
September 27, 2017	Protocol-specific and/or General Certification Exam for Lead Verifiers Hosted by the Reserve Online webinar More information
September 28-29, 2017	California Air Resources Board Meeting Hosted by ARB Sacramento and via webinar More information
October 3, 2017	Registering Projects Under California's Compliance Offset Program Hosted by the Reserve Online webinar More information
October 9-11, 2017	Argus California Carbon and LCFS Summit Hosted by Argus Napa Valley, California More information
October 11, 2017	General Project Verification Training Hosted by the Reserve Online webinar

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October 18, 2017

Landfill Project Protocol Verification Training and Exam

Hosted by the Reserve

Online webinar

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October 26-27, 2017

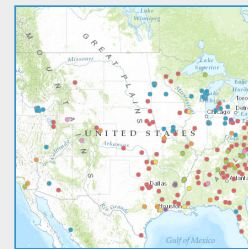
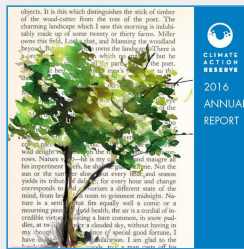
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ABOUT THE CLIMATE ACTION RESERVE

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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