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March 2019

## A note from our President

Greetings,

The [scientific evidence](#) that human activities are causing global warming has reached the five sigma gold level standard of certainty, making it even more clear that we must enhance ambition across every sector of the global economy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve resiliency, and meet the scale and urgency of the climate emergency.

To gain valuable insights on the key issues that are top of mind for climate professionals, we hope you'll join us at the [North American Carbon World \(NACW\) conference](#), happening April 24-26 in Los Angeles, California. NACW 2019 will provide valuable insights on carbon markets, climate policies, enhancing ambition, and climate solutions, including:

- Carbon pricing across North America - including California, the Northeast states, Canada, and Mexico
- Growth of climate action and policy proposals in Congress, states, and municipalities
- Enhanced ambition across sectors - including corporate actions, renewable gas, tropical forestry, and soil carbon and land use
- Solutions in transportation - including LCFS, electrification, and CORSIA

As the largest gathering of climate professionals in North America, NACW also provides outstanding networking opportunities to broaden your organization's audience reach, engage in thoughtful discussions, find opportunities for collaboration, and develop innovative climate solutions. Join us! [www.nacwconference.com](http://www.nacwconference.com)

Best regards,

Craig Ebert  
President

Join us at NACW 2019 to gain valuable insights from leading experts in climate and carbon!



The Climate Action Reserve is pleased to present the 17th annual North American Carbon World (NACW) conference. NACW 2019 will address the most pressing issues in climate policy and carbon markets to the largest gathering of climate professionals in North America. The conference features comprehensive and up-to-date information, key thought-leaders advancing innovative climate solutions, and the best networking opportunities with colleagues in the business, government, nonprofit, and academic sectors. Join us to gain insights from leading climate and carbon experts, including:



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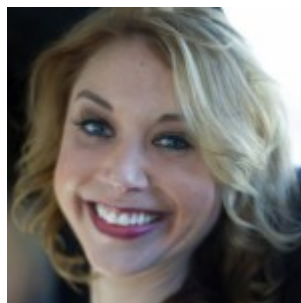
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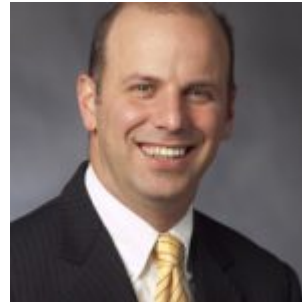
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## Learn, network, and showcase your organization at NACW 2019!

NACW 2019 will provide valuable insights on the key climate and carbon issues that are top of mind for climate professionals. Check out the program summary below:

### **BREAKOUT DISCUSSIONS - Thursday, April 25 - Friday, April 26**

(Please note the breakout discussion schedule is tentative and subject to change.)

#### Path 1: Carbon Pricing

- State and Future of the North American Carbon Market
- Above Business as Usual: Offsets Now and Moving Forward
- The Golden State Continuing to Light the Way: California Policy Updates
- The Strengthening Climate Movement in the Northeast: RGGI and NE Regional Updates
- Addressing Equity in Carbon Markets
- The Green Behind the Greening: the Role and Impact of Climate Finance

#### Path 2: Policy Developments

- Rollbacks, Revisions and Regulations: a US Federal Policy Update
- Local Climate Pioneers: Enhancing Ambition on County and City Levels
- An Emerging Carbon Market: Cap-and-Trade Development in Mexico
- States Uniting through Climate Action
- Climate Leadership on the Canadian Provincial and Federal Levels

#### Path 3: Enhancing Ambition

- Ambitious Legislation: Green New Deals and Other Bills
- Power and Impact of the Corporate Sector
- Accelerating Action: Looking Beyond Traditional Approaches to Carbon Crediting
- Getting Below the Surface: Soil Carbon and Land Use
- Renewable Gas and the Pathway to Carbon Neutrality
- Navigating REDD: Tropical Forestry Update

#### Path 4: Transportation/LCFS

- Transportation Emissions Dashboard: Status and Strategies for Reduction
- California and Oregon LCFS Updates
- Future Trails: New LCFS Programs on the Horizon
- Greening the Skies: Voluntary and Compliance Approaches to GHG Emissions From Aviation
- Electrifying Transportation: Beyond Cars
- Driving in Reverse: US EPA Dismantling of Clean Car Regulations

### **PRECONFERENCE - Tuesday, April 23 - Wednesday, April 24**

#### Tours - Tuesday, April 23

- Water and Climate Change Adaptation
- The Routes to Cleaner, Innovative Transportation
- Managing for Resilient Forests and Wildlands and Protecting Communities

#### Preconference Workshops - Wednesday, April 24

- California Cap-and-Trade 101 Workshop
- California Compliance Offset Program Workshop
- Current Legal Issues Shaping and Reshaping Carbon and Climate Policy

- The Role of Climate Impacts and Transparency in the Green Bonds Market

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Join NACW as a sponsor or exhibitor to showcase your organization and connect with climate and carbon professionals from the business, government, nonprofit, and academic sectors. We are pleased to offer several levels of sponsorship and exhibition opportunities for NACW 2019. Sponsorship provides:

- Prime brand exposure of your organization's message, products, and programs among an active and engaged audience
- Lead generation
- Networking opportunities with policymakers, government agency staff, market players, other key market participants
- Gain insights on the latest and most comprehensive updates on climate change policies and carbon pricing developments

## JOIN US IN LOS ANGELES

To get you get excited about joining us in Los Angeles, we're happy to highlight some of the great culture, activities, and eateries in the city!

	<p>LA's second name should be little Mexico</p> <p><u>Mezcalero</u>: Ample mezcal menu, delicious and original cocktails (a great example is the burn offerings cocktail made of mezcal, burnt croissant, juiced nopales, smoked chipotle and lime). Also they have the most delicious taki crusted corn on the cob.</p> <p><u>Placita Olvera (Olvera Street)</u>: A Text from Discover Los Angeles describes it very well: Olvera Street, known as "the birthplace of Los Angeles," is a Mexican Marketplace that recreates a romantic "Old Los Angeles" with a block-long narrow, tree-shaded, brick-lined market with old structures, painted stalls, street vendors, cafes, restaurants and gift shops.</p> <p>- <i>Bety</i></p>
	<p>LA surprisingly is a great place for hiking! If you want to get out of the conference room and stretch your legs, <u>check out</u> these fun not-too-distant spots:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Caballero Canyon</u>: easy 3.4 mile out and back</li> <li>2. <u>Getty View Trail</u>: easy 3.0 mile out and back</li> <li>3. <u>Los Liones Trail</u>: easy 3.5 mile out and back</li> <li>4. <u>Mount Hollywood</u>: easy 2.9 miles out and back to the Griffith Observatory and Hollywood sign</li> <li>5. <u>Bee Rock</u>: intermediate 4.0 mile loop</li> <li>6. <u>Temescal Gateway Park</u>: intermediate 3.65 mile loop</li> <li>7. <u>Rivas Canyon Trail</u>: intermediate 4.2 mile out and back</li> <li>8. <u>Beaudry Motorway Loop Hike</u>: challenging 6.5 mile loop</li> <li>9. <u>The Bridge to Nowhere</u>: challenging 10 mile out and back</li> <li>10. <u>Parker Mesa Overlook from Trippet Ranch (Topanga State Park)</u>: challenging 7.5 mile out and back</li> </ol> <p>- <i>Amy</i></p>
	<p><u>Woodspoon</u> is a great Brazilian restaurant.</p>

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Take your outdoor movie watching to a whole new LEVEL...

Rooftop Cinema Club screens iconic movies on the rooftop of the LEVEL apartment complex in the heart of Downtown Los Angeles - only a short walk away from the Intercontinental. Lounge chairs, wireless headphones, blankets, popcorn, street food and a bar all help you kick back and relax as you enjoy the film. The following movies start playing at 8pm the week of NACW:

- Saturday, April 20: The Big Lebowski (1998)
- Tuesday, April 23: The Bodyguard (1992)
- Wednesday, April 24: Mean Girls (2004)
- Thursday, April 25: Leon The Professional (1994)
- Friday, April 26: A Star Is Born (2018)
- Saturday, April 27: Love & Basketball (2000)

Be sure to grab your tickets in advance!

If sticking around LA for the weekend after NACW, you can also catch an outdoor screening of 500 Days of Summer at LA State Historic Park in Downtown LA, courtesy of Street Food Cinema. Grab a lawn chair, blanket, cooler (and maybe a dog) and head to the park Saturday afternoon to enjoy live music from The Flusters, some of LA's greatest food trucks and up on the big-screen, the 10-year anniversary of a movie that takes place in downtown LA while in downtown LA, all set to the backdrop of the skyline of downtown LA. The next day, stop by the famous downtown locations seen in the film, such as the Bradbury Building and Grand Central Market. More information and tickets can be found on Street Food Cinema's event site at <http://www.streetfoodcinema.com/500-days-of-summer/>.

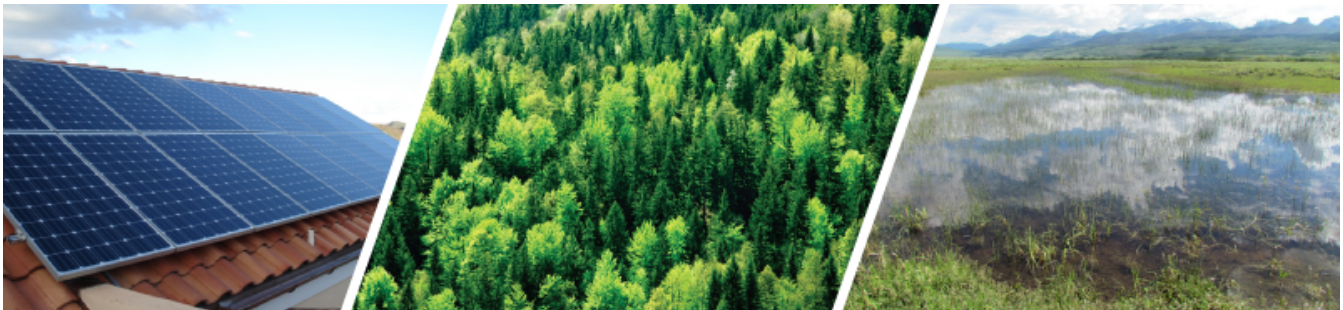
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The [draft U.S. Landfill Project Protocol Version 5.0](#) is available for public review and comment. Proposed revisions to the protocol include an updated performance standard test, deferred verification option, increased flexibility for projects applying for a second crediting period, expanded project definition, and several other updates to enhance usability. Comments are due by 6:00 pm PT on Tuesday, March 12. For more information, please visit our [website](#).

## New Climate Forward methodology forms now available on the new Climate Forward website



The [Climate Forward](#) program provides new opportunities for developing and receiving credits for GHG emissions reduction and sequestration projects on an ex-ante basis. In order to address the urgency and scale of the climate crises and avoid drastic, irreversible impacts, the Climate Forward program accelerates action on climate change by encouraging and widening opportunities for companies and organizations to proactively invest today in projects that mitigate future GHG emissions. The intent of this program is to encourage a wide variety of innovative, creative investments in projects that will mitigate emissions from new types of economic activity (e.g., a new manufacturing facility, distribution center, housing development, construction project, etc.).

Under Climate Forward, the Climate Action Reserve approves standardized and conservative quantification methodologies for assessing the forecasted (ex-ante) emissions reductions of GHG reduction projects and issues credits for the mitigation measures. These forward-looking credits can then be used to mitigate the GHG emissions impact of future projects that a company or organization might undertake. Administration of the program reflects the integrity, transparency and rigor for which the Reserve is globally recognized.

## Making the Offsets Marketplace Work for You - a Short Survey

### Filter by marketplace role:

All

Brokers

Exchanges

Project Developers

Retail

Wholesalers

#### BROKERS

Organizations that provide brokerage services for buyers and sellers interested in transacting larger quantities of credits. They may or may not be Reserve account holders, but the credit transfers still occur within the Reserve system, so the buyer and seller would each need to have a Reserve account.

In order to support a robust offsets market, the Climate Action Reserve hosts an [Offsets Marketplace](#) on its website to help facilitate connections between carbon project developers, buyers and sellers of Reserve-issued credits, whether for voluntary or compliance purposes. Please complete this short survey to help us make sure this resource meets your needs: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NM6VKPP>

## Learn about the Nitrogen Management Project Protocol with our latest infographic



The Reserve's updated [Nitrogen Management Project Protocol Version 2.0](#) widens the applicability of the protocol to new crops, geographies, and nitrogen management practices. The protocol allows farmers to earn carbon offsets for achieving reductions in nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions through reductions in nitrogen fertilizer application and application of enhanced efficiency fertilizers on cropland. Our nation's farmers play a crucial role in providing food for communities across the country, and with our Nitrogen Management Project Protocol, farmers will also be able to play a crucial role in advancing climate solutions.



## Calendar of events

### [Electric Power Entity Greenhouse Gas Reporting Webinar for 2019](#)

California Air Resources Board | March 5 | webinar

### [Staff Workshop to Discuss Draft Guidelines for the Low Carbon Fuel Production Program](#)

California Energy Commission | March 5 | Sacramento and via webinar

### [Technical Working Group Meeting on Upcoming Stationary Air Conditioning Regulation](#)

California Air Resources Board | March 6 | Sacramento and via webinar

### [California Air Resources Board Meeting](#)

California Air Resources Board | March 21-22 | Sacramento and via webinar

### [2019 AEP Conference](#)

Association of Environmental Professionals, California Chapter | March 24-27 | Monterey, California

- Craig Ebert, President, will speak on a panel titled "When Is it Defensible to Mitigate CEQA GHG Emissions Impacts with GHG Credits?" Connect with Craig at [cebert@climateactionreserve.org](mailto:cebert@climateactionreserve.org).

### [Los Angeles Business Council 2019 Sustainability Summit](#)

Los Angeles Business Council | April 5 | Los Angeles, California

### [North American Carbon World \(NACW\) 2019 Conference](#)

Climate Action Reserve | April 24-26 | Los Angeles, California

### [Schedule a Lead Verifier Recertification Exam](#)

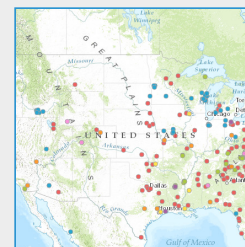
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## ABOUT THE CLIMATE ACTION RESERVE

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

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