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carbon credit registry for global carbon markets

CLIMATE ACTION NEWS

September 2025

President's letter

Greetings,

The big news this month is that the Reserve is launching [work program on permanence](#), one of the foundational tenets of carbon crediting.

Throughout our history, we've defined permanence with reference to a 100-year timeframe, based on the science of early IPCC reports. Our approach, with limited exceptions, requires project owners to monitor, report, and verify their emissions, and to compensate for any avoidable reversals, for 100 years after they receive their last credit, backed by legal contracts between project owners and the Reserve. We've also established a buffer pool to compensate for any unavoidable reversals.

Given the evolving policy context and the rapid pace of innovation in carbon markets, there may be other ways of addressing permanence that maintain environmental integrity with rigor and transparency. Our work program aims to rethink our theory and to reshape our practice, and will address issues as varied as the appropriate timeframe for post-issuance monitoring, buffer pool structure, the effectiveness of the contractual approach, the role of third parties like insurers or trusts, and the interplay with enhanced management activities. Consistent with our transparent, multi-stakeholder, collaborative approach, we

are seeking input from stakeholders via a [questionnaire](#) and [workgroup](#).

We invite you to participate in this critical effort. For more information, please consult our webpage on the [permanence work program](#) as well as our [recent commentary](#).

Kind regards,

Robin Rix

President

NACW 2026 conference



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Connect and collaborate
to move carbon markets forward

[Call for workshop, session and speaker suggestions](#)

NACW 2026 will be presented March 31 – April 2, 2026, providing a key opportunity for the carbon community to convene after Climate Week NYC and COP30. For over 20 years NACW has served as one of the most valued events for advancing climate action through markets and policy. The 2026 event will provide a critical opportunity to discuss and collaborate on market innovations in technology, the advancement of standards, the evolving role of finance and crucial topics like permanence.

We welcome your content and speaker suggestions for making NACW 2026 an

unrivaled and invaluable event for advancing climate solutions. Submissions will be accepted through Tuesday, September 30, 2025.

[Share workshop, breakout session, and speaker ideas](#)

Check out sponsorship opportunities for NACW 2026

NACW is the premier venue to connect with carbon colleagues and learn from sessions covering carbon markets and finance, climate policy, climate action implementation, ambition and innovation. A sponsorship offers a unique opportunity to gain brand exposure among an active and engaged audience and also demonstrate your company's leadership in the low-carbon economy.

Become a sponsor to:

- Promote your solutions to a targeted audience
- Boost your visibility among leading climate actors
- Demonstrate industry leadership in an evolving carbon landscape
- Amplify your voice and impact at the premier carbon market event

[Check out sponsorship levels](#)

Reserve offset program

Reserve launches work program to guide carbon credit permanence

Throughout its history, the Reserve has maintained 100 years as the most reputable accounting timeframe for the permanence of sequestration-based credits. The organization now is launching a work program to consider how its carbon crediting protocols should address permanence. Consistent with its collaborative approach, the organization is seeking input from stakeholders via two means. One is thoughts on key questions surrounding permanence. The other is participation in a workgroup to support the work program.

For more information on this work program and to access the questions and form to express interest, please visit [this webpage](#).

Climate Action Reserve US/Canada biochar and Mexico forest protocols endorsed by Integrity Council Governing Board

The ICVCM has approved the Climate Action Reserve US and Canada Biochar Protocol Version 1.0 as meeting its high-integrity Core Carbon Principles (CCP) and Mexico Forest Protocol Version 3.0 as CCP-approved pending remedial action. The endorsement from ICVCM builds further confidence in the integrity of carbon credits from these sectors. Biochar has the potential to lock up carbon and keep it out of the atmosphere for centuries – and potentially millennia – and can provide a number of ancillary benefits for reducing emissions. The Mexico Forest Protocol is an excellent example of the Reserve’s jurisdictional approach to protocol development and the benefits yielded by taking into account local considerations, regulations and circumstances. [Read more](#)

Updated US Nitric Acid Production Protocol provides opportunity for greater positive climate impact in the industrial sector

The Reserve Board of Directors adopted version 3.0 of the US Nitric Acid Production Protocol, which provides guidance to account for, report and verify GHG emission reductions achieved from the abatement of nitrous oxide (N₂O) at nitric acid production plants. The updated protocol expands eligibility to include combined secondary and tertiary catalyst projects, which allows plants to achieve 99 percent abatement efficiency at a lower cost. Version 3.0 of the protocol was developed with technical support from ClimeCo Corporation. [Read more](#)

Join us for the second workgroup meeting for the Chile Landfill Protocol

The Reserve is developing a landfill protocol for Chile, which will provide guidance on how to quantify, monitor, report, and verify greenhouse gas emission reductions achieved through the implementation of methane capture

and destruction systems at landfills in Chile. Join us September 3 for the [second workgroup meeting](#) for the protocol. For more information on the protocol development process, including the slides and recording from the protocol kickoff webinar and first workgroup meeting, please visit the [Chile Landfill Protocol Development page](#).

Join us for upcoming verification trainings

[General Verification Training](#) · September 25

This is a mandatory course for Lead Verifiers wishing to perform verification of Reserve projects.

[Adipic Acid Production Verification Training](#) · October 29

This is a mandatory course for Lead Verifiers wishing to perform verification of projects under the Reserve's U.S. and China Adipic Acid Production Protocols.

Reserve is heading to Climate Week NYC in September



The Reserve is heading to Climate Week NYC in September. Our team will be on the ground, joining the global conversation on climate solutions, innovation, and action. If you are planning an event and need an expert speaker on delivering high quality carbon credits and ensuring integrity and ambition in carbon markets, please reach out to events@climateactionreserve.org.

Transparency and public engagement are key tenets of the Reserve program



The Reserve offers multiple ways for you to participate, share input, and help shape our work. Explore our latest infographic to see how you can get involved at every stage of the carbon credit

lifecycle, from protocol development to project listing and ongoing engagement.

Check out our public participation infographic

Participate in the Reserve's protocol development process



We welcome your participation and feedback during the protocol development process. Check out our current protocol development efforts, including newly available workgroup meeting notices, recordings, presentations, and notes:

- [Chile Landfill Protocol v1.0](#)
- [India Nitric Acid Production Protocol v1.0](#)
- [U.S. Soil Enrichment Protocol v2.0](#)

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.

[Klamath Forest Carbon Project](#)

Location: Siskiyou County, California and Jackson County, Oregon
ROCs issued: 375,550

[Wabash Abandoned Mine Methane Recovery Project](#)

Location: Keensburg, Illinois
ROCs issued: 286,753

[Orient 6 Abandoned Mine Methane Recovery Project](#)

Location: Waltonville, Illinois
ROCs issued: 29,696

[New Era Abandoned Mine Methane Recovery Project](#)

Location: Galatia, Illinois
ROCs issued: 220,149

[Lowry Mine Methane Incineration Project](#)

Location: Homer City, Pennsylvania
ROCs issued: 36,220

[RuAnn Dairy Methane Reduction Project](#)

Location: Fresno County, California
ROCs issued: 2,921

New Future Abandoned Mine Methane Recovery Project

Location: Galatia, Illinois

ROCs issued: 73,186

[View public reports](#)

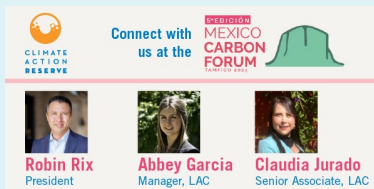
Reserve calendar

Join the Reserve at upcoming events



September 3

[Chile Landfill Protocol Workgroup Meeting 2 \(Spanish\)](#)



September 10-11 · Tampico, Tamaulipas

[Mexico Carbon Forum](#)

- Hosted by MEXICO2 and the State of Tamaulipas
- Connect with [Robin Rix](#), President; [Abbey Garcia](#), Manager, LAC; and [Claudia Jurado](#), Senior Associate, LAC at our booth and workshop



September 15-18 · Minneapolis, Minnesota

[2025 North American Biochar Conference](#)

- Hosted by U.S. Biochar Initiative (USBI)
- Connect with [Jon Remucal](#), Director of Nature-Based Solutions



September 21-28 · New York, New York

[Climate Week NYC](#)

- Organized by Climate Group
- Please contact events@climateactionreserve.org to invite Reserve staff for speaking engagements



September 23-25 · New York, New York

[North America Climate Summit](#)

- Organized by IETA



September 25

[General Verification Training](#)

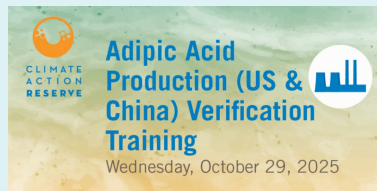
October 1 · Los Angeles, California

[2025 Net Zero Conference](#)

- Hosted by Verdical Group
- Use code NZMP15 for 15% off



- Connect with us at our booth



October 29

[Adipic Acid Production Verification Training](#)

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To invite a Reserve staff expert to speak at an event, please contact

events@climateactionreserve.org.

Quiz and query

Trivia time – Test your knowledge



The California legislature is working to reauthorize the state's signature climate policy, the Cap-and-Trade program, through 2045.

How much revenue has the California Cap-and-Trade program generated since its inception to fund climate projects and provide direct support for communities throughout the state?

Please send responses to:

newsletter@climateactionreserve.org. One response will be randomly selected to win a Reserve-branded prize!

Ask us anything – Get your questions answered!



Do you have questions about carbon credits or markets? We want to address myths and misunderstandings with facts and lessons learned from over 20+ years of experience and engagement in carbon markets. Send questions to newsletter@climateactionreserve.org.

ABOUT THE CLIMATE ACTION RESERVE

The **Climate Action Reserve** is the most trusted, efficient, and experienced offset registry for global carbon markets. A pioneer in carbon accounting, the Reserve promotes and fosters the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through credible market-based policies and solutions. As a high-quality offset registry for voluntary carbon markets, it establishes rigorous standards involving multi-sector stakeholder workgroup development and local engagement and issues carbon credits in a transparent and publicly available system. The organization also supports compliance carbon markets in California, Washington and internationally. The Reserve is an environmental nonprofit organization operating virtually with staff located around the world with a support office in Los Angeles, California. For more information, please visit www.climateactionreserve.org. *The Reserve is an equal opportunity provider.*

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