

CLIMATE ACTION NEWS

October 2025

President's letter

Greetings,

The Reserve appreciated the opportunity to participate in several key climate and carbon events recently, including the Mexico Carbon Forum hosted by MEXICO2 and the North America Climate Summit hosted by IETA. Across these gatherings, we saw a lot of dynamism and energy for carbon markets. Entities are focusing on solutions and meaningful action, recognizing the urgency and critical need to ramp up climate progress.

While federal climate policy in the U.S. remains uncertain, ambition is building elsewhere. In Mexico, the new administration is signaling strong climate commitment. Mexico has adopted an ambitious NDC, targeting a 35-40% reduction goal by 2030, which corresponds to approximately 450 million tons of reductions over a five year period. Mexico is moving full steam ahead with its national emissions trading system covering 40% of the economy, where carbon markets and climate finance will be key drivers in achieving critical GHG reductions and supporting community projects with important local co-benefits.

We're excited that our protocols serving Mexico will help incentivize and support these opportunities. The Integrity Council for the Voluntary Carbon Market (ICVCM) recently provided full approval for the Mexico Forest Protocol Version 3.0 as meeting its Core Carbon Principles (CCP) criteria, reinforcing trust and confidence not only in the Reserve and this protocol, but in global voluntary carbon markets more broadly. Increased market confidence can help channel vital climate finance to scale high-quality projects, attract critical investment, drive measurable emissions reductions, and demonstrate how climate action can also deliver environmental, social, and financial benefits.

We are also encouraged to see renewed interest and appreciation for the voluntary carbon market (VCM) as a powerful tool to drive decarbonization. The VCM offers a flexible, practical approach to support climate ambition with strengthened checks for integrity. Innovative, high-potential, emerging project types are gaining attention, from nature-based solutions that deliver vital cobenefits to communities and ecosystems, to industrial carbon projects that offer immediate, directly measured reductions.

Challenges and uncertainties remain, but the carbon landscape is continuing to evolve and the level of innovation, ambition, and action is encouraging. We invite you to continue the conversation at NACW, happening March 31-April 2, 2026 in San Diego, California. Let's build on this momentum together.

Kind regards,

Robin Rix

President

NACW 2026 conference



MARCH 31-APRIL 2, 2026 · SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Connect and collaborate to move carbon markets forward

Check out sponsorship opportunities for NACW 2026

The North American Carbon World (NACW) conference 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 carbon credit program

The Mexico Forest Protocol receives full approval by the Integrity Council for the Voluntary Carbon Market

The ICVCM has approved the Improved Forest Management (IFM) methodology under the Climate Action Reserve's Mexico Forest Protocol Version 3.0 as

meeting its CCP criteria. The endorsement from ICVCM builds further confidence in the integrity of carbon credits from the natural climate solutions sector. 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.

The Mexico Forest Protocol covers various project activities that lead to forest carbon enhancements, including IFM, restoration, and reforestation. ICVCM is reviewing each activity type individually, and the Reserve will continue to work with the ICVCM as it proceeds with reviewing other activity types under the protocol per its category priorities and processes. Read more

Thank you for the interest and response to the launch of the Reserve's work program on permanence

The Reserve recently launched a <u>work program on permanence</u>, with public consultation responses and workgroup applications due last Friday. Thank you to everyone who expressed interest and took the time to engage with us.

The work program will explore approaches to permanence that maintain environmental integrity with rigor and transparency. Our aim is to rethink our theory and reshape our practices in light of the evolving policy context and rapid pace of innovation in carbon markets. As we move forward, we will share updates and opportunities for continued involvement.

Join us for upcoming verification trainings

General Verification Training (Spanish)

October 22

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.

Mexico, Guatemala, and Panama Forest Protocol Verifier Training (Spanish) November 4-5

This course should be taken by any verifier interested in providing Lead Verifier or Senior Internal Reviewer services for projects under the Mexico Forest Protocol V3.0, Guatemala Forest Protocol, and/or Panama Forest Protocol.

Infographic: Industrial carbon projects are generating industrial strength climate results



Industrial emissions are a significant and growing climate challenge. The Reserve is leading the response in addressing industrial emissions with rigorous, high-quality protocols that ensure accurate accounting, transparent reporting, and third-party verification of emission reductions from industrial abatement activities, including from

nitric acid production, adipic acid production, low-carbon cement, and ozone depleting substances.

Check out our industrial carbon 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.

Captura de Carbono Forestal en la Comunidad Yesqueros

Location: Tepehuanes, Durango, Mexico

CRTs issued: 49,459

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 5. Gender Equality;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- 10. Reduced Inequalities;
- 13. Climate Action:
- 15. Life on Land

Captura de Carbono Forestal en la Comunidad San Ignacio

Location: Tepehuanes, Durango, Mexico

CRTs issued: 90,141

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 5. Gender Equality;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- 10. Reduced Inequalities;
- 13. Climate Action;
- 15. Life on Land

Captura de Carbono Forestal en la Comunidad La Soledad

Location: Tepehuanes, Durango, Mexico

CRTs issued: 29,087

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 5. Gender Equality;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- 10. Reduced Inequalities;
- 13. Climate Action;
- 15. Life on Land

Proyecto de Captura de Carbono Forestal Ejido San Juanito

Location: Ejido San Juanito, Chihuahua, Mexico

CRTs issued: 10,798

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 2. Zero Hunger;
- 6. Clean Water and Sanitation;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- 13. Climate Action;

• 15. Life on Land

Proyecto de Captura de Carbono Forestal Ejido Talayotes

Location: Ejido Talayotes, Chihuahua, Mexico

CRTs issued: 27,081

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 2. Zero Hunger;
- 6. Clean Water and Sanitation;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- 13. Climate Action;
- 15. Life on Land

Proyecto de Captura de Carbono Forestal Ejido Babureachi

Location: Ejido Babureachi, Chihuahua, Mexico

CRTs issued: 4,264

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 2. Zero Hunger;
- 6. Clean Water and Sanitation;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- 13. Climate Action

Proyecto de Captura de Carbono Forestal Ejido San Ignacio de Arareco

Location: Bocoyna, Chihuahua, Mexico

CRTs issued: 49,687

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 2. Zero Hunger;
- 6. Clean Water and Sanitation;
- 13. Climate Action

Tradewater ODS 63

Location: East Liverpool, Ohio, United States

WA ROCs issued: 138,000

Comunidad El Platanar

Location: Topia, Durango, Mexico

CRTs issued: 4,447

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 6. Clean Water and Sanitation;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities;
- 13. Climate Action;
- 15. Life on Land

Comunidad San Antonio

Location: Topia, Durango, Mexico

CRTs issued: 6,018

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 6. Clean Water and Sanitation;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;

- 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities;
- 13. Climate Action;
- 15. Life on Land

ProCarbono: Ejido Cañada de San Miguel el Negro y Anexos

Location: Ejido Cañada de San Miguel el Negro y Anexos, municipio Santiago

Papasquiaro, Durango, Mexico

CRTs issued: 50,763

SDG impact:

- 1. No Poverty;
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities;
- 13. Climate Action;
- 15. Life on Land;
- 17. Partnership for the Goals

Middle Fork Abandoned Mine Methane Recovery Project

Location: Benton, Illinois, United States

CA ROCs issued: 27,227

Federal 2 Abandoned Mine Methane Recovery Project

Location: Fairview, West Virginia, United States

CA ROCs issued: 337,485

ProCarbono: Ejido Cienega de Salpica el Agua

Location: Ejido Cienega de Salpica el Agua, municipio Santiago Papasquiaro,

Durango, Mexico CRTs issued: 11,547

Relleno Sanitario Bordo Poniente IV Etapa

Location: Zona Fedreal del Lago de Texcoco, Km. 2.1 2.5 de la autopista

México Peñon-Texcoco, Estado de México, Mexico

CRTs issued: 66.617

McCloud Forest Improved Forest Management Project

Location: Siskiyou County, California near the town of McCloud, California,

United States

CA ROCs issued: 509,744

View public reports

Climate Forward

Climate Forward Confirmation Body Training

The confirmation body training module that supplements the <u>overview webinar</u> of the <u>Reduced Emissions from Megafires Forecast Methodology</u> is now available. Both the overview webinar and training module must be reviewed by

the assigned Team Lead and Senior Internal Reviewer to be eligible to conduct confirmation audits under the methodology. Per our <u>Confirmation Training</u>

<u>Memo</u>, both individuals must also have Forest lead verifier accreditation. Please contact <u>verification@climateactionreserve.org</u> to request access.

Reserve calendar

Join the Reserve at upcoming events



October 7-8

Chile Carbon Forum - Hosted by EnergyLab,
Climate Action Teams, CLG Chile, MEXICO2

· Amy Kessler, Director of Latin America



October 22
General Verification Training (Spanish)



October 28-30
<u>VERGE - Hosted by Trellis</u>

• McKenzie Smith, Associate Director



October 29
Adipic Acid Production Verification Training



October 30

Foro de Sustentabilidad 2025 – Sustentabilidad 360: Integridad y Transparencia en la Gestión del Ciclo de Vida y Carbono - Hosted by ANCE

• Abbey Garcia, Manager, LAC



November 4-5
<u>Mexico, Guatemala, and Panama Forest Protocol</u>
<u>Verifier Training (Spanish)</u>

November 6
Introduction to the Climate Action Reserve





November 19-20

<u>Sustainable Agriculture Summit - Hosted by Field</u> to Market and the Innovation Center for U.S. Dairy

McKenzie Smith, Associate Director

Reserve calendar



To invite a Reserve staff expert to speak at an event, please contact events@climateactionreserve.org.

Quiz and query

Trivia time – Test your knowledge



California has reauthorized the state's signature climate policy, the Cap-and-Invest program, through 2045, providing greater regulatory certainty and strategic planning for emissions abatement technologies.

How many entities are covered under California's Cap-and-Invest program?

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 highquality 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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