

**Wednesday-Thursday, February 29-March 1, 2012**  
**Le Rivage Hotel, 4800 Riverside Boulevard**  
**Sacramento, CA**

**Wednesday, February 29, 2012**

8:00 am **Breakfast served outside the meeting room**

8:30 am **Welcome and Introductions**  
**C-AGG Overview and Background**  
Debbie Reed, C-AGG Executive Director

8:45 am **Pivoting Toward CA: Ag's Role in Conservation and Environmental Markets**  
**Mark Nechodom, Director**  
**California Department of Conservation**

9:30am **Update from USDA on Relevant GHG Activities**

***Presenters:***

Marlen Eve, USDA Climate Change Program Office

Greg Johnson, USDA NRCS

Adam Chambers, USDA NRCS

Lucinda Roth, USDA NRCS (CA)

To include an update on recently released report: *Greenhouse Gas Emissions from U.S. Agriculture and Forestry: A Review of Emission Sources, Controlling Factors, and Mitigation Potential* (report can be accessed at: [http://www.usda.gov/oce/climate\\_change/techguide/Denef\\_et\\_al\\_2011\\_Review\\_of\\_reviews\\_v1.0.pdf](http://www.usda.gov/oce/climate_change/techguide/Denef_et_al_2011_Review_of_reviews_v1.0.pdf)); COMET-Farm; the USDA NRCS GHG CIG projects; and relevant NRCS activities in California.

10:45 am **Coffee and networking break**

11:15 am **Agricultural Protocol Development:**  
**Updates from Voluntary GHG Registries**

***Presenters:***

Nick Martin, American Carbon Registry (ACR)

Derik Broekhoff, Climate Action Reserve (CAR)

12:00 noon **Lunch served outside the meeting room**

- 1:00 pm      **Additionality Panel**
- **Presentation of C-AGG Additionality Executive Summary**  
*followed by*
  - **Roundtable Discussion on Additionality, with representatives of USDA Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Conservation Innovation Grant (CIG) Projects and Related Agricultural Projects**
- Moderator:* Ricardo Bayon, EKO Asset Management Partners
- 3:30 pm      **Coffee and networking break**
- 4:00 pm      **Roundtable Discussion on Nutrient Management Protocols  
Representatives of USDA Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Conservation Innovation  
Grant (CIG) Projects and Related Agricultural Projects**
- Moderator:* Ricardo Bayon, EKO Asset Management Partners
- 5:30 pm      **Wine and Hors D'Oeuvres Reception**

**Thursday, March 1, 2012**

- 8:00 am      **Breakfast served outside the meeting room**
- 8:30 am      **Welcome new participants**  
**Summary of Wednesday, overview of Thursday's agenda**  
**Introduction of Joseph McIntyre, Ag Innovations Network**  
Debbie Reed, C-AGG Executive Director
- 8:45 am      **Overview of Agricultural Offsets, Opportunities in California**  
Secretary Karen Ross, California Department of Food and Agriculture  
*Moderator:* Mark Jacobs, Meridian Institute
- 9:45 am      **Coffee and networking break**
- 10:15 am     **Overview of AB32, CA Cap-and-Trade Program**  
Edie Chang, California Air Resources Board (ARB)  
*Moderator:* Ricardo Bayon, EKO Asset Management Partners
- 11:00 am     **Agricultural Protocol Development: Process, Research Activities Underway**  
Mike FitzGibbon, Research Division, California Air Resources Board (ARB)  
*Moderator:* Ricardo Bayon, EKO Asset Management Partners
- 12:00 noon   **Lunch served outside the meeting room**

- 1:00 pm      **Presentation and Discussion of C-AGG Workgroup Activity: Identifying Core Data Needs for Agricultural GHG Measurement**  
*Moderators:* Debbie Reed, C-AGG, and Marlen Eve, USDA
- 2:00 pm      **Presentation and Discussion of C-AGG Executive Summary: Uncertainty in Empirical and Biogeochemical Process Models for Agricultural Offset Protocols: An Approach for Capturing Uncertainty**  
*Presenter:* Steven DeGryze, Terra Global Capital  
*Moderator:* Mark Jacobs, Meridian Institute
- 3:00 pm      **Coffee and networking break**
- 3:30 pm      **GHG and Nitrogen: Sources, Scenarios and Mitigation**  
Amy Dickie, California Environmental Associates  
*Moderator:* Mark Jacobs, Meridian Institute
- 4:30 pm      **Wrap-up and Conclusions**  
Debbie Reed, C-AGG Executive Director
- 5:00 pm      **Meeting adjourns**