California Natural and Working Lands Implementation Plan and GHG Goal Development

May 18, 2018, 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
California Energy Commission | First floor, Rosenfeld Hearing Room
1516 9th St, Sacramento, CA 95814

In-person participation recommended. Webinar is available, please register in advance here: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4941374970534970371.

Meeting Goals

- Solicit feedback on the proposed outline and approach for development of the Natural and Working Lands Implementation Plan
- Discuss next steps, including the process for determining the 2030 intervention-based carbon sequestration goal

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda Review
   Stephanie Lucero, Facilitator, Center for Collaborative Policy
   Ashley Conrad-Saydah, California Environmental Protection Agency
   Jenny Lester Moffitt, California Department of Food and Agriculture
   Keali‘i Bright, California Natural Resources Agency
   Emily Tibbott, Strategic Growth Council

2. Roundtable Discussion on Implementation
   Current and planned activities with climate benefits
   Amrith Gunasekara, California Department of Food and Agriculture
   Julie Alvis, California Natural Resources Agency
   California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
   Wildlife Conservation Board

3. Overview of the Proposed Concept Paper, Approach for Setting the 2030 Goal, and Implementation
   Presentation on Implementation Plan and 2030 Goal Development
   Shelby Livingston, California Air Resources Board

4. Q&A and Group Discussion

5. Overview of Key Discussion Themes, Next Steps and Adjourn

For more information on this meeting and related documents, please visit:
https://arb.ca.gov/cc/natandworkinglands/natandworkinglands.htm
Discussion Questions:

Setting the 2030 Goal:

- What considerations should be factored into establishing the final 2030 Natural and Working Lands GHG reduction goal? What enabling mechanisms and constraints should be considered?
- The intervention-based 2030 GHG reduction goal, proposed in the Scoping Plan and to be finalized and described in the Natural and Working Lands Implementation Plan, will impact only a subset of California’s natural and working lands. Therefore, success in meeting the NWL 2030 goal will not guarantee the longer-term goal of managing California’s land to be a net sink of carbon. How should Plan implementation address this fact? How can the plan be used to increase the chance of long-term success?

Plan Implementation:

- What are the important vehicles – governmental, private, and non-profit organizations, initiatives, and other drivers – for implementation of climate-beneficial land use, management and restoration at local and regional scales? How can Plan implementation best leverage and support their engagement at the outset and over time?
- What is the preferred mode of communicating progress on implementation of the Plan? What should be the content and frequency of reporting?

Bigger Picture:

- How might the natural and working lands “sector” be more fully integrated into California’s broader climate change mitigation policies, programs, and incentive structures going forward?