

SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

March 1, 2024

ROADS TO
REMOVAL
CENTRAL VALLEY
CALIFORNIA

8:00am **Check-in and Breakfast**

8:45am **Welcome Remarks**

Dr. Gillian Wilson, Vice Chancellor for Research, Innovation, and Economic Development - University of California, Merced

Overview of the Roads to Removal Report

9:00am **Dr. Jennifer Pett-Ridge**, Distinguished Member of the Technical Staff, Physical and Life Sciences Directorate - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Panel: Soil Carbon Dioxide Removal Opportunities in California's Central Valley

9:30am **Dr. Teamrat Ghezzehei**, Professor of Soil Physics - University of California, Merced, **Dr. Rebecca Ryals**, Associate Professor and Presidential Chair in Climate Change - University of California, Merced, **Joe Del Bosque**, Owner - Del Bosque Farms, & **Dr. Allegra Mayer**, Lead Author, Soils Chapter, Roads to Removal - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

10:15am **Break**

Panel: BiCRS Carbon Dioxide Removal Opportunities in California's Central Valley

10:30am **Karen Warner**, Founder/CEO - BEAM Circular, **Dr. Corinne Scown**, Deputy Director for Research, Energy Analysis & Environmental Impacts Division - Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, **Rose Marie Burroughs**, Owner - Burroughs Family Farms, **Thea Lemberger**, Wood Utilization Coordinator - Sierra Institute for Community and Environment & **Dr. Sarah Baker**, Group Leader, Materials for Energy and Climate Security - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Panel: Labor and Community Opportunities

11:15am **Ingrid Brostrom**, Climate and Jobs Program Director- University of California, Merced Community and Labor Center, **Dr. Paul Almeida**, Professor of Sociology and Environmental Systems - University of California, Merced, **Dillion Savory**, Executive Director - Fresno-Madera-Tulare-Kings counties, Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, & **Dr. Kimberley Mayfield**, Research Scientist - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

12:00pm **Lunch**

Keynote Address with Introductions from Gillian Wilson

Karen Ross, Secretary - California Department of Food and Agriculture

Panel: California's Path Forward — Policy, Energy, Infrastructure Considerations

1:00pm **Hon. Anna Caballero**, Senator - District 14 California Senate, **Kate Gordon**, Former Senior Advisor to U.S. Secretary of Energy Jennifer Granholm and Visiting Scholar - University of California, Berkeley Haas School of Business, **Dr. Glenda Humiston**, Vice President - University of California, Agriculture and Natural Resources, **Dr. Julio Friedmann**, Chief Scientist - Carbon Direct & **Dr. Steve Bohlen**, Senior Director External Affairs - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Panel: Local Implication and Implementation

2:00pm **Steve Maxey**, Director, Community and Economic Development - Merced County, **Ann Rogan**, Founder/CEO - Edge Collaborative, **Hon. Felipe Perez**, Council Member - City of Firebaugh, & **Dr. Simon Pang**, Direct Air Capture Lead - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

2:45pm **Closing Remarks**

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