



## ENVIRONMENTAL FARMING ACT SCIENCE ADVISORY PANEL (EFA SAP)

### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

#### PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

**August 15, 2025**  
**9:00am-12:30pm\***

CDFA Auditorium, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
1220 N Street, Sacramento, CA

#### REMOTE ACCESS

**WEBINAR LINK:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83600045463>

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Time*	Topic	Presenter	Action Level
9:00 am	Roll Call	Chair Dlott	None
9:05 am	Approval of May 2025 Minutes	Chair Dlott	Decisional
9:10 am	Tribute to Vice Chair Dawley	Chari Dlott	
9:20 am	Office of Agricultural Resilience and Sustainability Director Update	Dr. Tawny Mata, Director, CDFA	Informational
9:30 am	California's groundwater recharge and its potential effects on groundwater quality	Aaron Button and Emily Haugen, State Water Board	Informational
10:00 am	New Practices Proposed for the Healthy Soils Program	Dr. Guihua Chen, CDFA	Input
10:30 am	Break		

10:40	Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) Producer Advisory Committee Block Grant Recommendations	Thea Rittenhouse, Farm Equity Advisor	Informational
11:10 am	Healthy Soils Program (HSP) and State Water Efficiency Enhancement Program (SWEET) 2025 Block Grant Program Framework	Carolyn Cook, CDFA	Input
12:30 pm	Adjourn		

\*All timing is **approximate**. Agenda items may start earlier or later to accommodate statutorily required public comment.

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