ENVIRONMENTAL FARMING ACT SCIENCE ADVISORY PANEL (EFA SAP)  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE  

MEETING AGENDA  
October 14, 2021  
9 AM to 3 PM  

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Webinar information  
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<td>Liaison Gunasekara will provide an update to the EFA SAP members and public stakeholders on recent funding allocations to OEFI programs. <a href="https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/">https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/</a> OEFI staff to create an updated definition of “ecosystems services” to focus on more nature-based source foundational aspects.</td>
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The CAPGP is a new program under CDFA Climate Smart Agriculture portfolio and allows for planning grants so agricultural operations in California can plan for climate change mitigation and adaption activities. A draft Request for Proposals for the Climate Smart Agricultural Conservation Agriculture Planning Program was released for public comment on 5/13/2021 through 6/15/2021 following the last EFA SAP meeting. Public comments have been collected and evaluated. CDFA is currently accepting a second round of public comments on the Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Conservation Agriculture Planning Grants Program. Provide all comments.

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The Draft SWEEP Request for Applications was released August 26, 2021 for public comment. The comment period closed on September 23, 2021. Public comment letters are available online. Recent major changes to the SWEEP solicitation will be presented at the EFA SAP public meeting. [https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/sweep/](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/sweep/)

An update on the Healthy Soils Program will be provided including recent changes to programs solicitations. [https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/healthysoils/](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/healthysoils/)

Staff will present the proposed framework for the new WETAP, being developed in response to one-time funding appropriated through the Budget Act of 2021. A draft Request for Grant Applications is currently posted for public comment. [https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/technical/](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/technical/)

An update on the Technical Assistance Program will be provided. [https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/technical/](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/technical/)

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