



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

MEETING AGENDA

October 14, 2021

9 AM to 3 PM

REMOTE ACCESS

Webinar information

Registration URL: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1160567926343745292>

Webinar ID
308-372-451

Presentation materials will be posted at the following link prior to the meeting:
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Topic	Presenter	Action Level
1. Chair and Member Introductions	Chair Dlott	Informational Item
2. Minutes	Chair Dlott	Action Item Requires EFA SAP Approval
3. Office of Environmental Farming and Innovation; Updates and Ecosystem Services Definition	Liaison Gunasekara	Informational Item

Liaison Gunasekara will provide an update to the EFA SAP members and public stakeholders on recent funding allocations to OEFI programs. <https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/>. OEFI staff to create an updated definition of “ecosystems services” to focus on more nature-based source foundational aspects.

4. Conservation Agriculture Planning Grants Program (CAPGP); Updates	CDFA Staff	Informational Item
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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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before 5:00 PM PT on October 19, 2021 to cdfa.oefi@cdfa.ca.gov. The most recent changes to the CAPGP will be presented to this EFA SAP public meeting. <https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/planning/>

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| 5. State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP); Updates | SWEEP Team, CDFA | Informational Item |
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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/>

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| 6. Healthy Soils Program (HSP); Updates | Healthy Soils Team, CDFA | Informational Item |
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An update on the Healthy Soils Program will be provided including recent changes to programs solicitations. <https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/healthysouils/>

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| 7. Water Efficiency Technical Assistance Program (WETAP); Draft Program Framework | Technical Assistance Team, CDFA | Informational Item |
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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/>

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| 8. Technical Assistance Program; Updates | Technical Assistance Team, CDFA | Informational Item |
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An update on the Technical Assistance Program will be provided. <https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/technical/>

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| 9. Public Comment | Chair Dlott | Informational Item |
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| 10. Next Meeting | Chair Dlott | Informational Item |
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