



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

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

**PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA**

**May 9, 2024; 9 AM to 4:45 PM**

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**Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

<b>Approximate Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Presenter</b>	<b>Action Level</b>
9:00 am – 9:10 am	EFA SAP Call to Order	Chair Dlott	Informational Item
9:10 am – 9:20 am	Minutes from Previous Meeting	Chair Dlott	Action Item Requires EFA SAP Approval

Approximate Time	Topic	Presenter	Action Level
9:20 am – 10:35 am	Topic 1 Presentations – <i>Changing Climate and dealing with climate extremes in agriculture</i>	Dr. Michael Anderson, CA State Climatologist  Sebastián Sánchez, CA Deputy Secretary for Agriculture and Immigrant Workforce  Dr. Braden Kay, Extreme Heat Program Manager, CA Governor's Office of Planning and Research  Jennifer Morales, Agricultural Water Use Efficiency Unit Supervisor, CA Department of Water Resources	Informational Item
10:35 am – 10:45 am	Break		
10:45 am – 11:30 am	Topic 1 Discussion & Public Comment – <i>Changing Climate and dealing with climate extremes in agriculture</i>	Presenters, EFA-SAP Panel, Moderator – Carolyn Cook	Informational Item
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Lunch		
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Topic 2 Presentations – <i>Sustainability in CA Dairy &amp; Ranching Industries</i>	Richard Cernansky, CA State Environmental Engineer  Dr. Harsimran "Rosie" Gill, Dr. Alyssa Louie, Todd Griffin, and Cathryn McCandless, Senior Environmental Scientists, Office of Environmental Farming & Innovation – Methane Reduction Team  Steve Shehadey and Andrew Craig, California BioEnergy  Dr. Leslie Roche, Professor of Cooperative Extension in Rangeland Management, UC Davis	Informational Item

Approximate Time	Topic	Presenter	Action Level
1:40 pm – 2:20 pm	Topic 2 Discussion & Public Comment – <i>Sustainability in CA Dairy &amp; Ranching Industries</i>	Presenters, EFA-SAP Panel, Moderator – Deanne Meyer	Informational Item
2:20 pm – 2:40 pm	Break		
2:40 pm – 3:40 pm	Topic 3 Presentations – <i>Land Use and Repurposing</i>	Keali'i Bright, Division Director of the Land Resource Protection Division, Department of Conservation  Dr. Alyssa DeVincentis, Formation Environmental, LLC  Dr. Braden Kay, Extreme Heat Program Manager, CA Governor's Office of Planning and Research  Dr. Josué Medellín-Azuara, Professor, UC Merced  Shanna Atherton-Bauer, Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program Manager, Department of Conservation	Informational Item
3:40 pm – 4:25 pm	Topic 3 Discussion & Public Comment – <i>Land Use and Repurposing</i>	Presenters, EFA-SAP Panel, Moderator- Virginia Jameson	Informational Item
4:25 pm – 4:45 pm	Wrap Up and General Public Comment	Chair Dlott	Informational Item

### **Friday May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Approximate Time	Topic	Presenter	Action Level
9:00 am – 9:20 am	EFA SAP Call to Order & Thursday Recap	Chair Dlott	Informational Item
9:20 am – 10:20 am	Topic 4 Presentations – <i>Improving, Maintaining, and Quantifying Soil Health and GHG Emission Reductions</i>	Sarah Light, M.S., Agronomy Farm Advisor, UC Agriculture and Natural Resources  Dr. Cynthia Daley, Director of Center for Regenerative Agriculture & Resilient Systems,	Informational Item

Approximate Time	Topic	Presenter	Action Level
		California State University – Chico  William Hohenstein, Director of the Office of Energy and Environmental Policy, USDA	
10:20 am – 10:30 am	Break		
10:30 am – 11:20 am	Topic 4 Discussion & Public Comment – <i>Improving, Maintaining, and Quantifying Soil Health and GHG Emission Reductions</i>	Presenters, EFA-SAP Panel, Moderator- Michael Wolff	Informational Item
11:20 am – 12:30 pm	Lunch		
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Topic 5 Presentations – <i>Tracking progress</i>	Dr. Adam Moreno, Manager for Nature-Based Strategies, CA Air Resources Board  Dr. Eoin Brodie, Deputy Director of Climate and Ecosystem Sciences Division, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab  Gary R. Keough, M.A., Regional Director for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service	Informational Item
1:30 pm – 2:20 pm	Topic 5 Discussion & Public Comment – <i>Tracking progress</i>	Presenters, EFA-SAP Panel, Moderator – Michael Wolff	Informational Item
2:20 pm – 2:45 pm	Wrap Up	Chair Dlott	Informational Item

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