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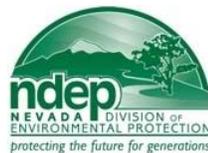
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Welcome New Members

The Registry proudly recognizes its Members joining in June! We are now over 340 Members and continuing to grow quickly.

[City of Chula Vista, CA](#)

The Climate Registry Provides Infrastructure for Nevada's Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reporting



The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is the first agency to partner with The Registry on the Common Framework and its mandatory GHG program has been available since early July. Nevada requires electrical generating power plants that produce electricity for sale, have a maximum output design capacity of five megawatts or greater, and produce GHGs to report their emissions to NDEP. The Registry has developed a module within the Common Framework for Nevada's regulatory program, with the option for organizations to further enhance their profile by completing their comprehensive inventory with The Climate Registry's voluntary program. The Registry's Common Framework ensures organizations are able to consolidate all of their emissions in one place and do not have to report them twice.

The Climate Registry provides database and infrastructure services to support regulatory reporting programs using an extension of the Climate Registry Information System (CRIS) platform called the Common Framework for Mandatory Reporting. The Common Framework streamlines the development of a greenhouse gas (GHG) reporting program for a regulatory agency and simplifies the reporting process by providing a common interface for both mandatory and voluntary programs. Emissions are calculated using the rules of the mandatory program, but the data is shared with The Registry's voluntary program to promote a complete and consolidated GHG inventory in a consistent and streamlined manner.

Protocol Development Updates

Draft Oil & Gas Production Protocol and Addendum to the General Verification Protocol Out for Public Comment

The Climate Registry released the [draft Oil and Gas Production \(O&GP\) Protocol](#) and [draft O&GP Addendum to the General](#)

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Upcoming Events and Webinars

[September 8: Building an Inventory for Reporting to The Climate Registry \(Members Only\)](#)

[September 8: Oil & Gas Production Protocol](#)

[September 17: Carbon Emissions From Hydro Reservoirs - A Dialogue With Experts](#)

[September 17: Prepare for Verification](#)

[September 22: General Verification Training](#)

[September 23: Using CRIS to Report Your GHG Emissions \(Members Only\)](#)

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[Verification Protocol \(GVP\)](#) for public comment and feedback. The draft O&GP Protocol is intended for Members with O&GP operations to use in conjunction with the General Reporting Protocol (GRP). The draft O&GP Addendum to the GVP is designed to be used with the GVP.

The Registry is hosting a public webinar on [Tuesday, September 8](#), to discuss the draft O&GP Protocol and its development process, and provide a venue for informal feedback.

Visit the [O&GP Protocol webpage](#) for additional information on the draft O&GP Protocol, draft O&GP Addendum, and upcoming webinars.

Draft Electric Power Sector and Local Government Operations Addenda to the General Verification Protocol Out for Public Comment

The [draft Electric Power Sector \(EPS\) Addendum to the GVP](#) and [draft Local Government Operations \(LGO\) Addendum to the GVP](#) provide sector-specific verification guidance and requirements. The addenda are intended to be used in conjunction with the GVP for verification of inventories reported in accordance with the EPS Protocol and Appendix D of the LGO Protocol, respectively. Please visit the [EPS](#) and [LGO](#) Protocol webpages for information on how to submit public comments. All comments must be received by 5:00 PM PDT on Friday, September 25, 2009.

Local Government Operations Protocol

The Registry is currently reviewing the program-neutral Local Government Operations (LGO) Protocol for potential updating. As part of this effort, The Registry is reviewing all feedback received on the document since its adoption by the California Climate Action Registry in September 2008.

For consideration at this time, all feedback on the LGO Protocol must be submitted to The Registry via the [LGO Protocol feedback form](#) by October 1, 2009. The Registry will continually welcome feedback on the program-neutral portion of the LGO Protocol and The Registry's program-specific appendix (Appendix D) on a rolling basis.

If you have feedback on the program-specific appendices of the California Climate Action Registry, the California Air Resources Board or ICLEI, Local Governments for Sustainability, please contact those programs directly.

State of the Science: GHG Emissions from Hydro Reservoirs - A Dialogue With Experts

The Climate Registry invites you to attend a one-day workshop with leading international experts who will discuss the state of the science for determining greenhouse gas emissions from hydro reservoirs. This will not only help inform the quantification and analysis of emissions from reservoirs, but it will help those with an interest and investment in hydro electricity understand the challenges and



Job Opportunities

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Be Included in The Climate Registry's Technical Assistance Provider Directory

The Climate Registry is currently organizing a directory of technical assistance providers to serve as a resource for its Members. If you are a technical assistance provider and would like to be listed in the directory, please contact Anja Gilbert at anja@theclimateregistry.org or (866) 523-0764 x118.

The Climate Registry Protocols Available for Download and Purchase

Copies of The Climate Registry's protocols are available on The Registry's [website](#) in pdf format for free downloads. Hard copies of the protocols are available for purchase through The Registry's [online shopping cart](#).



opportunities associated with it - particularly in a low carbon future.

Thursday, September 17, 2009
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM EDT
Cost: Free (lunch will be provided)
Hotel Delta Montreal
475 President Kennedy
Montreal, QC H3A 1J7

[Register](#) by Thursday, September 3, 2009. For more information, contact Alex Carr at alex@theclimateregistry.org or (778) 340-8837.

Join The Climate Registry for "Prepare for Verification" Webinars

The Climate Registry is hosting a round of webinars to help Members prepare for verification. The webinars, which are specifically designed for Registry Members, review the process and steps to verification, share lessons learned from organizations who completed verification and provide tips from ANSI-accredited, Registry-recognized Verification Bodies.

Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm EDT | 9:30 am - 11:00 am PDT
[Register here](#)

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2009
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EDT | 10:00 am - 11:30 am PDT
[Register here](#)

Coming Soon: Understanding Federal, State and Provincial GHG Challenges in North America: Canadian Context

The Climate Registry recently hosted an online policy webinar titled "Understanding Federal, State and Provincial GHG Challenges in North America: What you need to do to prepare your organization for new climate change regulations." The webinar included an overview of the regulatory landscape and its impacts, scenarios for the future, risk management strategies and competitive opportunities while preparing for a carbon constrained future. Based on the webinar's success and requisitions for additional webinars, The Climate Registry is planning a webinar in early October tailored to understanding GHG challenges in Canadian context. Further details to come.

Meet Craig Wong, The Registry's New Technical Manager

Craig Wong is the new Technical Manager for The Climate Registry. Craig plays a lead role in the oversight of the Climate Registry Information System (CRIS), develops new GHG Reporting Tools, guides key technical architecture decisions, and ensures that The

Registry's Information Technology (IT) systems provide innovative carbon management solutions and an intuitive experience to stakeholders. Craig has a very strong IT background and demonstrated commitment to working in the non-profit sector. Previously, he worked at the Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy as the Director of Technology. If you would like to reach Craig, please contact him at (213) 784-4165 or cwong@theclimateregistry.org.

Cool Planet Project Corner

Cool Planet Project Offers Program Benefits to Utility Companies and Participating Utility Customers

The Climate Registry administers an energy efficiency and climate change mitigation program called the Cool Planet Project with electric and gas utilities throughout North America. The Cool Planet Project highlights the relationship between energy usage and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, providing utility company business customers assistance in measuring, verifying, and reporting their GHG emissions profile, in exchange for installing energy efficiency (EE) projects that save a minimum threshold of energy on an annual basis. The largest commercial, industrial, and local governmental utility company customers participate in the program and learn to manage their carbon footprint through utility paid membership to The Registry.

[Read more about the Cool Planet Project](#)

About The Climate Registry

The Climate Registry is a nonprofit collaboration among North American states, provinces, territories and Native Sovereign Nations that sets consistent and transparent standards to calculate, verify and publicly report greenhouse gas emissions into a single registry. The Registry supports both voluntary and mandatory reporting programs and provides comprehensive, accurate data to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

For information about joining The Registry, please visit www.theclimateregistry.org.

The Climate Registry wants your news and newsletter feedback. Please contact news@theclimateregistry.org