

**CBA 2017 Symposium Program**  
**“Building California’s Sustainable Bioresource Economy”**  
**November 1 -2, 2017**  
**Ziggurat Building, 707 3<sup>rd</sup> St., West Sacramento**

**Nov 1**

9 – 9:15: **Opening remarks**

9:15 – 12:00 **From Siting to Permitting to Marketing – What Does It Take to Profitably Construct and Operate A New Organics Facility in California?** Moderator: Melissa Fischer, Tulare Lake Compost, with subject matter experts from CalRecycle, California Air Resources Board, State Water Resources Control Board, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, Air Districts, Caltrans, California Public Utilities Commission, Natural Resources Conservation Service, and the Association of Compost Producers; followed by a lengthy and robust discussion to identify gaps between the existing regulatory structure and AB 1383 landfill organics diversion objectives. Broad audience participation is encouraged from the private sector, local jurisdictions, cities, counties, regional regulators, and local enforcement agencies.

12:00 – 1:00: **Lunch break:** Table topics and networking at multiple table topic tables.

1:00 – 2:30: **Short-Lived Climate Pollutants:** Moderator: Tung Le, California Air Resources Board

- Evan Powers, Air Resources Board: Landfill waste diversion
- Crystal Reul-Chen, CalRecycle: Landfill waste diversion
- Wes Ingram, Air Resources Board: Dairies and SLCPs
- Steve McCorkle, Ag Waste Solutions and Bruce Scott, Scott Brothers Dairy

2:30 – 3:30: **Networking**

3:30 – 4:45: **Healthy Soils:** Moderator: Casey Walsh Cady, California Department of Food and Agriculture and Tom Hedt, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

- Dr. Kate Scow, Department of Land, Air, Water Resources Director, Russell Ranch, UC Davis: Soil Health – What is it and why should we care?
- Tony Rolfes, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service: Indicators of Soil Health: Case studies and Field Applications
- Dr. Jeff Mitchell, University of California Cooperative Extension: Introduction to the California Farm Demonstration Network
- Jenny Lester Moffitt – Deputy Secretary, CDFA: Healthy Soils Update
- Panel Discussion to be moderated by Tom Hedt, USDA NRCS

**Evening Networking Opportunities**

## **Nov 2**

9:00 – 10:00: **California Carbon Project** John Wick and Calla Rose Ostrander

10:00 – 10:30: **Networking**

10:30 - 12:00 **Healthy People, Healthy Soil, and Profitable Farming – Re-Visioning the Agricultural Paradigm:** Moderator: Melissa Fischer

- Janaki Jagganath: Environmental Justice rep, California Alliance for Agroecology: Fostering the health of San Joaquin Valley Residents and farmworkers through the creation of a sustainable bioresources economy
- Johnny Gonzales, State Water Resources Control Board: Regulatory strategies to protect water quality and human health
- Dave Warner, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District: Regulatory strategies to protect air quality and human health
- Warren Brush, Casitas Valley Farm: Regenerative farming as a bridge between healthy people, healthy soil, and profitable farming in the San Joaquin Valley.

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1:00 – 2:30: **The Bioproducts Portfolio Approach - framework and tools for organics capacity and market expansion planning and investment:** Moderator: Dan Noble, Association of Compost Producers

- Dan Noble, ACP: The bioproducts portfolio - a market assessment for bioproduct market assessments and development
- Ruihong Zhang, University of California Davis: Digestate alone and with compost - designing for specific end uses
- Greg Kester, California Association of Sanitation Agencies: Biosolids markets and restrictions

2:30 – 3:00: **Networking**

3:00 – 4:30: **Organics Infrastructure Development in California: - Building an Integrated Infrastructure** - Moderator: Will Bakx, Soil Scientist/Co-owner Sonoma Compost

- Leslie Lukacs, SCS Engineers: Organics management infrastructure planning (OMIP) lessons learned from AB 876 implementation, and the future of organics infrastructure
- Jeff Ziegenbein, Inland Empire Regional Composting Authority: Lessons learned from 10 years of success
- Clarke Pauley, CR&R: Role of haulers and new foodscrap anaerobic digester facility
- Greg Pryor, Compost Manager, Recology: Building and expanding compost facilities in the Central Valley

**Registration:** Registration is free but needs to be done in advance as space is limited. Go to [CBA Symposium Registration](#) (hit CTRL, click)

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