

## MAKING CLIMATE-SMART AGRICULTURE WORK

*Integrating science, modeling and economics to help farmers, ranchers and foresters mitigate and adapt to the challenges of climate change*

*A virtual online conference*

### AGENDA

**Registration required:** <https://aqmip.org/making-climate-smart-agriculture-work/>

**Day 1 - Tuesday, May 24, 2022 - 11:00 AM to 3:30 PM EDT**

11:00 AM Eastern

#### Welcome

Dr. Terry Nipp, Director of Policy and Development  
Agricultural Model Intercomparison and Improvement Project (AgMIP)



*Keynote Address*  
**Developing Climate-Smart Agriculture**  
**Robert Bonnie**

USDA Undersecretary for Farm Production and Conservation

#### *Keynote Address*

**AgMIP: Climate Change, Agriculture and Global Food Systems**

**Dr. Cynthia Rosenzweig**

Senior Research Scientist, NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies  
and Columbia Climate School  
*Conference Committee Chair*



12:00 PM Eastern

#### Getting There

***How science, data, modeling & economics can help make Climate-Smart Agriculture Work***

- Dr. Bruno Basso, John A. Hannah Distinguished Professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Michigan State University
- Dr. John Antle, Professor, Applied Economics, Oregon State University
- Tim Ryder, Legislative Assistant to Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY)

1:00 PM Eastern



#### *Keynote Address*

**Climate and Soil Carbon Sequestration - *What are the key questions?***

**Dr. Rattan Lal**

2020 World Food Prize Laureate  
School of Environment and Natural Resources  
The Ohio State University

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### Climate-Smart Agriculture Soil Carbon and Greenhouse Gas Emissions

*What do we know and what do we need to know?*

What are farmers asking about climate-smart agriculture?

Dr. Mark Licht, Assistant professor & Extension cropping systems specialist, Iowa State University  
Associating agricultural practices and land management with climate benefits

Dr. Peter Woodbury, Sr. Research Associate, School of Integrative Plant Science Soil and Crop Sciences Section, Cornell University

Using models to bridge from observation and management data to national scale GHG emissions

Dr. Stephen Ogle, Professor, Dept. Ecosystem Science and Sustainability, Colorado State University

Dr. Steve Del Grosso, Research Soil Scientist, USDA ARS Soil Management and Sugarbeet Research

Modeling U.S. GHG mitigation potentials of agriculture and forestry

Sara Ohrel, Climate Change Division, EPA

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### Food and Agriculture Climate Alliance

**How farmers, ranchers, and forest owners can deliver and benefit from climate solutions**

Kelsey Billings, Sr. Director Industry Affairs & Sustainability, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives

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**Day 2 - Wednesday, May 25, 2022 - 11:00 AM to 3:30 PM Eastern**

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*Keynote Address*

**Investing in Models, Data and Decision Frameworks to Inform Climate Smart Agriculture Policy Design**

**Dr. Spiro Stefanou**

Administrator, USDA Economic Research Service

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**The Bottom Line: Assessing climate-smart agriculture profitability, adoption and sustainability**

*Moderator: Dr. John Antle, Oregon State University*

**Global and national perspectives**

Dr. Ron Sands, USDA Economic Research Service

**AgMIP methods linking national, regional and farm-scale models**

Dr. Roberto Valdivia, Dept of Applied Economics, Oregon State University

**Improving farm and regional models for analysis of climate-smart practices and policies**

Dr. Pierre Mérel, Dept of Agricultural and Resource Economics, UC Davis

**Behavioral modeling and adoption of climate-smart practices**

Dr. Kent Messer, Center for Behavioral and Experimental Agri-environmental Policy Research, University of Delaware

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### COMET

#### Modeling Climate-Smart Agriculture on the Farm



**Dr. Adam Chambers**

Air Quality and Atmospheric Change Team  
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

**Amy Swan**

Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory  
Colorado State University



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### Climate-Smart Conservation at Landscape and Watershed scales

#### Predicting Climate and Conservation Policy Impacts on US Agricultural Production and Pollution Using SWAT+

Dr. Jeff Arnold, Grassland Soil and Water Research Laboratory, USDA Agricultural Research Service  
Dr. Mike White, Grassland Soil and Water Research Laboratory, USDA Agricultural Research Service

#### CEAP and Its Role in Providing Conservation Benefit Estimates

Dr. Evelyn Steglich, Soil Science and Resource Assessment – Modeling Team, USDA Natural  
Resources Conservation Service

#### Science-Based Solutions for Policy Decision Making: *Dashboard Technology for Farm to National Modeling*

Dr. Raghavan Srinivasan, Spatial Sciences Laboratory and Blackland Research and Extension Center,  
Texas A&M University

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### Climate-Smart Regional Integrated Assessment and Multi-Model Ensembles

#### AgMIP: Model intercomparison and application protocols across 50+ activities

Dr. Alex Ruane, Climate Impacts Group, NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies

#### Integrated cropping systems and Climate-Smart Agriculture

Dr. Sotirios Archontoulis, Integrated Crop Management, Iowa State University Extension

#### Range, grasslands, and livestock

Dr. Greg Kiker, Ecological Modeling and Management, Agricultural and Biological Engineering,  
University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences

#### AgMIP: Multi-model ensembles

Dr. Bruno Basso, John A. Hannah Distinguished Professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences,  
Michigan State University

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**Day 3 - Thursday, May 26, 2022 - 11:00 AM to 3:30 PM Eastern**

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*Keynote Address*

### **The Role of Research, Education and Economics in Supporting Climate-Smart Agriculture**

**Dr. Shefali Mehta**

USDA Acting Chief Scientist and Deputy Undersecretary of Research, Education and Economics

11:30 AM Eastern

### **New Horizons**

*Incorporating new science and technologies with foundational models*

#### **Leveraging Satellite and Aerial Data for Climate-Smart Agriculture**

**Dr. Bradley Doorn**

Program Manager, NASA Water Resources and Agriculture



#### **Incorporating satellite and aerial data at farm-scales**

Dr. Bruno Basso, John A. Hannah Distinguished Professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Michigan State University

#### **ARS and NASA collaborations to respond to changes in climate and weather**

Dr. Fred Pierson, Northwest Watershed Research Center, USDA Agricultural Research Service

#### **Operationalizing precision sustainable agriculture through on-farm research and the Long-Term Agroecosystem Network**

Dr. Steven Mirsky, Sustainable Agricultural Systems Laboratory, USDA-ARS

#### **AgMIP: Next generation modeling and AI**

Dr. Jonas Jaegermeyr, Center for Climate Systems Research, Columbia University

#### **AgMIP: Building foundational models for climate-smart agriculture**

Dr. Alex Ruane, Climate Impacts Group, NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies

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### **Building New Partnerships for Climate-Smart Agriculture: *New approaches and opportunities***



**Dr. Bill Hohenstein**

Director of USDA's Office of Energy and Environmental Policy  
Office of the Chief Economist

#### **USDA NIFA Institute of Bioenergy, Climate, and Environment**

Dr. Kevin Kephart, Deputy Director

#### **USDA Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities**

Katina Hanson, Acting Senior Advisor for Climate-Smart Commodities, USDA Farm Production and Conservation Mission Area

#### **USDA ARS Climate Hubs and LTARs**

Dr. Dannele Peck, Director of the Northern Plains Climate Hub, USDA Agricultural Research Service

#### **USDA Economic Research Service**

Dr. Tom Worth, Division Director of the Resources and Rural Economics Division

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