

Making Climate Change Policy Work in Difficult Economic Times:

A CONFERENCE FOCUSING ON THE JOB AND EQUITY IMPACTS OF CARBON PRICING POLICIES

May 5, 2009

8:30 AM—6 PM Conference

6:30 PM Reception

UC Berkeley International House

2299 Piedmont Avenue

Berkeley, CA



Carbon pricing policies like cap-and-trade programs are being proposed or implemented to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in California, the Western states of the US and Canada, and nationally. This conference will explore the design options within carbon pricing policies that shape impacts on employment and equity.

Workshop topics include:

In-depth workshop on carbon pricing policy options • Economic and equity impacts of carbon pricing policies • Common issues for labor and environmental justice groups • The politics of cap and trade in California and the West • How to prevent “leakage” • How to spend carbon revenues • Complementary policies

Confirmed speakers include:

Rafael Aguilera, Verde Group • Bob Balgenorth, State Building and Construction Trades Council • Vivian Buckingham, CERES • Chris Busch, Center for Resource Solutions • Barbara Byrd, Oregon AFL-CIO • Carla Din, Apollo Alliance • Phaedra Ellis-Lamkins, Green For All • Dean Florez, California State Senator • Dave Foster, Blue-Green Alliance • Kate Gordon, Apollo Alliance • Lisa Hoyos, AFL-CIO • Holmes Hummel, AAAS Congressional Science Fellow, 2007-2008 • Dan Kammen, UC Berkeley Energy and Resources Group • Ian Kim, Ella Baker Center for Human Rights • Jill Kubit, Cornell Global Labor Institute • Bill Magavern, Sierra Club • Victor Menotti, International Forum on Globalization • Rachel Morello-Frosch, UC Berkeley Department of Environmental Science, Policy and Management • Payal Parekh, International Rivers • Carli Paine, Transform • Manuel Pastor, USC Program on Environmental and Regional Equity • Art Pulaski, California Labor Federation • Tim Rainey, Workforce and Economic Development Program • Jeff Rickert, AFL-CIO Center for Green Jobs • Nia Robinson, Environmental Justice and Climate Change Initiative • Erin Rogers, Union of Concerned Scientists • David Roland-Holst, UC Berkeley Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics • Neil Tangri, Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives (GAIA) • Jane Williams, California Communities Against Toxics • Miya Yoshitani, Asian Pacific Environmental Network • Joel Yudken, High Road Strategies

Sponsors: UC Berkeley Labor Center, Apollo Alliance, California Labor Federation's Workforce and Economic Development Program, California State Building and Construction Trades Council, Don Vial Center on Employment in the Green Economy, Energy Foundation, Environmental Justice and Climate Change Initiative, Western Climate Advocates Network (WeCAN), and others.

Registration: Register at <http://laborcenter.berkeley.edu/greenjobs/climatechange.shtml> Registration fee is \$100 and includes the day-long conference and post-conference reception. Student registration fee is \$50. Community groups needing scholarships can contact Andrea Buffa at (510) 325-3653, andreabuffa@berkeley.edu

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