

**Southern Region PLN ANR Committee
Quarterly ZOOM Meeting Minutes
November 2023**

Meeting recording can be viewed here -

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Attendees

Jason de Koff
Becky Barlow
Christopher Mullins
Uma Karki
Vic Ford
Mark McCann
Adam Kantovich
Justin Rhinehart
James Henderson
Whitney Elmore
Leonard Githinji
Dan Goerlich
Laura Perry Johnson

Jason de Koff call to order

Presentation

Dr. Rusty Rumley U of Arkansas National Ag Law Center – “Carbon Credits”

- NALC created in 1987 at University of Arkansas
- Credits are in voluntary incentive based markets
- No government involvement
- 3rd parties are needed to qualify
- Payments are based on amount of carbon sequestered
- Different soils can vary in carbon sequestered
- Farmers earn money by selling credits through 3rd party
- Mix of public and private companies as 3rd party facilitators like Corteva, Bayer, Nutrien
- Farmers need to know practices like no-till and the use of cover crops
- Lower payments in the US vs. Europe
- The agreements are multiyear
- Methodology is unknown for many of the facilitators
- discussion

1890 Update

- No report

1862 Update

Laura Perry Johnson

- National Extension Directors meeting in Tuscon
- Damona Doyle from OK is new ECOP chair
- Food loss and food waste added to PAT

PLC Updates

Uma Karki and James Henderson

- Oct. 18 meeting
- Debrief of meeting in Orlando
- Planned Nov. 16 meeting
- 2 members needed for PLN Conf. Infrastructure taskforce

FSA

James Henderson

- Searching for speaker to invite

Urban Agriculture Update

Mark Blevins

- No report

Climate Smart

Uma Karki

- Working on questionnaire

Discrimination Financial Assistance Program Update

Mark Blevins

- No report

Best Practices for Assessing Disaster Damage Update

Jason Warren

- working

Carbon Credits Update

Jason Warren

- protocols are available
- how to measure

- how to educate farmers