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Costs and Benefits of Climate and Energy Policy for Agriculture and Forestry

December 17, 2009, 9:00am - 3:15pm
University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service Auditorium
2301 S. University Ave, Little Rock, AR

Please join us for a forum on the Costs and Benefits of Climate and Energy Policy for Agriculture and Forestry. The likely passage of federal climate and energy legislation in the next few years could bring many changes to the agriculture and forestry sectors. Some argue that climate policy will negatively impact agriculture and forestry producers through increased fuel, fertilizer, and other costs. Others contend that the market opportunities created by renewable energy and climate policies, such as carbon offsets, increased use of biofuels, and higher commodity prices, represent a net positive for farmers and foresters.

The forum, sponsored by the Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions at Duke University, 25x'25, and the University of Arkansas Division Of Agriculture, is intended to address these various issues. This forum will:

- Provide a balanced review of the latest research and analysis on the potential economic effects of climate and energy policy on forestry and agriculture;
- Provide a venue for open, candid discussion among scientists, practitioners, and representatives from key agriculture and forestry stakeholder organizations on what impact climate and energy policy is expected to have; and
- Review examples of projects and other opportunities likely encouraged by climate and energy policy, including information and resources on how to take advantage of emerging markets.

A buffet lunch will also be served. **The event is free, but registration is required to reserve your space and buffet lunch ticket. You must RSVP by December 4, 2009.**

To RSVP please visit <http://www.nicholas.duke.edu/agseries>. For more information, please contact David Cooley at david.cooley@duke.edu or 919-684-1133. A complete agenda is being finalized and will be available soon.

We look forward to seeing you on Dec. 17 at the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service Auditorium!