

**2022 ICCA Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, September 14, 2022**  
**Ft Wayne, Indiana and Virtual**

**Meeting called to order.**

**LATAM Meeting Update, Karl Wyant POWERPOINT**

Both English and Spanish, real time translator, Zoom has translator feature

Goal was to unite folks from Western Region (CA and AZ) and Mexico

24 countries were represented, 300 attendees

What are the next steps? Collaboration, build a professional ag network of CCAs, ag professionals, and growers all over LATAM, Promote CCA program abroad and domestically

**CCA México Program Update, Juan Hernandez POWERPOINT**

2-3 exams per year, 75% pass rate

In 2023, moving to IBT exams for Mexico exam

Continuing Education days for CCA program—many are online for more folks to attend

Part of the service of the CCA Mexico program is to provide advising to poor farmers free of charge

**Decode 6 and ASA Education Update, Chris Boomsma**

<https://decode6.org/>

Carbon and Ecosystem Services Platform

Official launch of website is November 2022

Content Contributors: organizations, companies, individuals

Science based, bite sized, easily digestible, all content will be free

Include articles, videos, podcasts, infographics

Content will be split by region

If anyone wants to contribute, contact Chris, Luther, or Marta

New material launches on Wednesdays and Fridays

Making it bi-lingual in the future, visually and hearing impaired is also included

**EPA Update, Joseph Ziobro POWERPOINT**

Nonpoint source program

Clean Water Act established in 1987

States, territories, tribes receive grant funding

CWA has increased funding that can be used for Ag conservation projects like cover crops,

Nutrient Pollution – remains one of the US widespread, costly, and complex problems

Reduction strategies released in 2022 memo: Deepens collaboration with Ag sector and USDA, Supports states, Utilize authority under CWA

Overlap between EPA's vision and recommendations between Tri-Societies climate report-  
Nutrient Reduction Strategies

Gulf Hypoxia Grant Program

Water Quality Management Program

Tackling Nutrient Pollution (slides)

Hypoxia Task Force

Equity and Environmental Justice

Natural Hazard Mitigation, Soil Health

EPA and the National Water Quality Initiative since 2012; 46 states and PR have been  
monitored

Next Gen Fertilizer Challenges, see info from slides for details

### **Strategic Planning, Luther Smith**

Nothing further from yesterday

### **2023 meeting, Isaac Wolford**

Still deciding, but could be in Mid-Atlantic Region

Will be discussed at the Mid-Atlantic Region board meeting in late October

Approximately same timeframe, Sept 11-13, 2023, like past several years for dates

**Meeting adjourned.**