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Air Resources Board
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Re: Carbon Sequestration Modeling Methods Workshop Comments

Dear Ms. Sahota:

The Nature Conservancy appreciates the opportunity to comment on the December 14th public workshop on “Carbon Sequestration Modeling Methods and Initial Results for the Natural & Working Lands Sector in the 2030 Target Scoping Plan.” We commend the Air Resources Board and Resources Agency for undertaking this initiative and believe it’s critical for the state to include natural and working lands in its long-term climate mitigation goals. We agree with the effort to establish goals for natural and working lands that are quantitative, and also recognize that such an effort needs a significant amount of data, review, and public vetting.

The model being developed looks promising, and we look forward to productive interaction with the team working on it to enhance its capacity and inform the Scoping Plan. Thank you for your leadership on this critical effort, and we look forward to following up.

Best regards,

Michelle Passero