National Association of State Departments of Agriculture: *Together at The Table*

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ECOS STEP Meeting:

Partnering on Climate

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About NASDA: Our Mission

Grow and enhance American agriculture through policy, partnerships and public engagement.



NASDA 2021 Climate Policy Priorities

- Elevate the status of state departments of agriculture in federal climate conversations.
- Focus on the farmer. Advance socially disadvantaged community members.
- Give credit to early adopters of climate-smart agricultural practices.
- Recognize regional differences.







The Food and Agricultural Climate Alliance (FACA) consists of organizations representing farmers, ranchers, foresters, food companies, and environmental advocates that are working together to define and promote shared climate policy priorities.

The group has united around three simple principles:

- Support voluntary, market and incentive-based policies.
- Advance science-based outcomes.
- Invest in infrastructure to promote climate resilience and help rural economies better adapt to climate change.

Learn more at <u>www.agclimatealliance.com</u>

NASDA Partners With Other NGOS

- NASDA is a founding member of FACA
- Coalition has grown to almost 70 national NGOS.
- Produced over 40+ Climate policy recommendations
- Endorsed Growing Climate Solutions Act
- Submitted RFI Comment on Climate





2021 Challenges and Opportunities

- Agriculture is a solution to climate change. Let's work together in the states.
- New Administration
- Bipartisanship
- Funding federal and state
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion.





Questions?

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