



## SfL COP 28 Delegation

- AG Kawamura – Indian Wells, CA  
Produce/specialty crop grower and shipper; Former Secretary, *California Department of Food and Agriculture*; Founding Partner, *Orange County Produce, LLC.*; President, *Orange County Harvest*; Co-Chair, *Solutions from the Land*
- Brad Doyle – Weiner, AR  
Brad is a soybean, rice, wheat, and grass hay farmer as well as manager of Eagle Seed, LLC., a family-owned seed business in Northeast Arkansas. Crop breeding and research is also part of the business which includes row crops, pasture crops, cover crops, and wildlife seed. The irrigated family row crop farm has 150 acres of surface water in a tailwater recovery system that reduces their dependence on groundwater by capturing excess rainwater. This not only conserves water for rice and soybean production, but also provides habitat for migratory birds and local wildlife while trapping any sediment or nutrient runoff. He currently serves as the President of the American Soybean Association and serves on several USA Rice committees. In 2019 he was awarded the Walton Family Foundation Conservation Champion and grant recipient in 2020.
- Ernie Shea- Lutherville, MD  
President, Solutions from the Land; Founder and Principal of Natural Resource Solutions (NRS); former Chief Executive Officer of the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD); former Maryland Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Agricultural Development and Resource Conservation with responsibility for soil and water conservation, land preservation, domestic and international marketing and other service oriented programs designed to strengthen the state's agricultural industry.
- Javier Cano – Cordoba, Spain  
Co-owner of Eurosemillas Group, a Spanish-Latin American company dedicated to the development of plant varieties and other agricultural technologies in products such as strawberry, avocado, citrus, cotton, sunflower... Eurosemillas is a company with more than 50 years and a clear vision to bring value to agricultural development by providing technical solutions to farmers in Latin America, Angola, South Africa, the Mediterranean, China and India, with strategic alliances with other institutions such as the University of California since 1987.

Member of the Advisory Committee of the University of California Riverside, Member of the Advisory Board of San Telmo Business School, Trustee of the Tecnova Foundation (Industrial auxiliary of agriculture) President of Biozahara, and other companies dedicated to agricultural research and production.

- Meredith Ellis – Rosston, TX  
(G Bar C Ranch) is an award-winning Regenerative Rancher from the United States. She has collaborated with numerous research organizations, government entities, NGO's and universities. She is a strong advocate for regenerative ranching's potential to aid in species

conservation, water quality, and carbon sequestration. She helped spearhead a United States regenerative beef program that was recently awarded a \$30M Climate Smart Commodity Grant set to publicly launch in 2025.

- Ray Gaesser – Corning, IA  
Corn and soybean producer; Gaesser is past Chairman and President, American Soybean Association, an active leader in the North America Climate Smart Agriculture Alliance (NACSAA); serves as Co-Chair, Iowa Conservation Infrastructure Initiative; and is an active leader in numerous Iowa agriculture and economic development boards.
- Samantha Landsman – New York City, NY  
A former student of CALS Global Development at Cornell University, Freelance Consultant for FAO Project Manager Frederica Matteoli on Climate-Smart Agriculture based solutions, and Outreach Coordinator for Where There Be Dragons, a certified B-Corp experiential learning travel organization. Samantha spent 14 months traveling to South Africa, New Zealand, Australia, and Tuvalu to study the impacts of climate change and regenerative agriculture movements. Her expertise lay in regenerative agriculture, NDC and NAPs, CSA practices, and international policy.
- Shari Rogge-Fidler – Grayslake, IL  
Shari is a 5<sup>th</sup> generation farm owner and operator. Previously, Rogge Farms produced cattle and hogs, and for several years produced organic grains for their organic food company. Currently, the farm produces conventional corn and soybeans leveraging a variety of innovations and using cover crops. Shari is also President and CEO of Farm Foundation, a 90 year old “think tank/do tank” accelerating practical solutions for agriculture. She has served on the board of Farm Credit Mid-America and currently serves on a variety of boards, including the Soil Health Institute, and a sustainable water technology company, GroGuru Inc.
- Verity Ulibarri – Melrose, NM  
Verity is an owner/operator of a crop and livestock farm with her husband, Anthony Ulibarri, in Curry County New Mexico primarily producing grain sorghum, winter wheat, forages, and cattle. She is a fifth-generation farmer and continues to be active in farm management, production and farm related organizations. Verity has 15 years of agricultural lending experience in the Farm Credit System and a number of years of experience as a board member of the United Sorghum Checkoff Program, U.S. Grains Council and a long-term member of National Sorghum Producers.