



Van Alen Climate Council • Inaugural Meeting
An exploration of the Sacramento, California region from July 17-19, 2018

Designing for a Future of Food

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Guest of Gary Sorge (TBD)

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Lisa Hollywood, Stoss Landscape Urbanism

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Guest of Alison Sant (TBD)

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Gregory Otto, Walter P. Moore

Erik Verboon, Walter P. Moore

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Sahoko Yui, UC Davis

Other pending guests of Van Alen : Amy Franceschini (Future Farmers), Bill Menking (Architect's Newspaper)



UC DAVIS

Sacramento

OLD SUGAR MILL

Stockton

GALLO WINERY

Modesto

ALAMEDA CREEK

San Jose

Merced

BOWLES FARM

Gilroy

CASA DE FRUTA

PACHECO CANYON

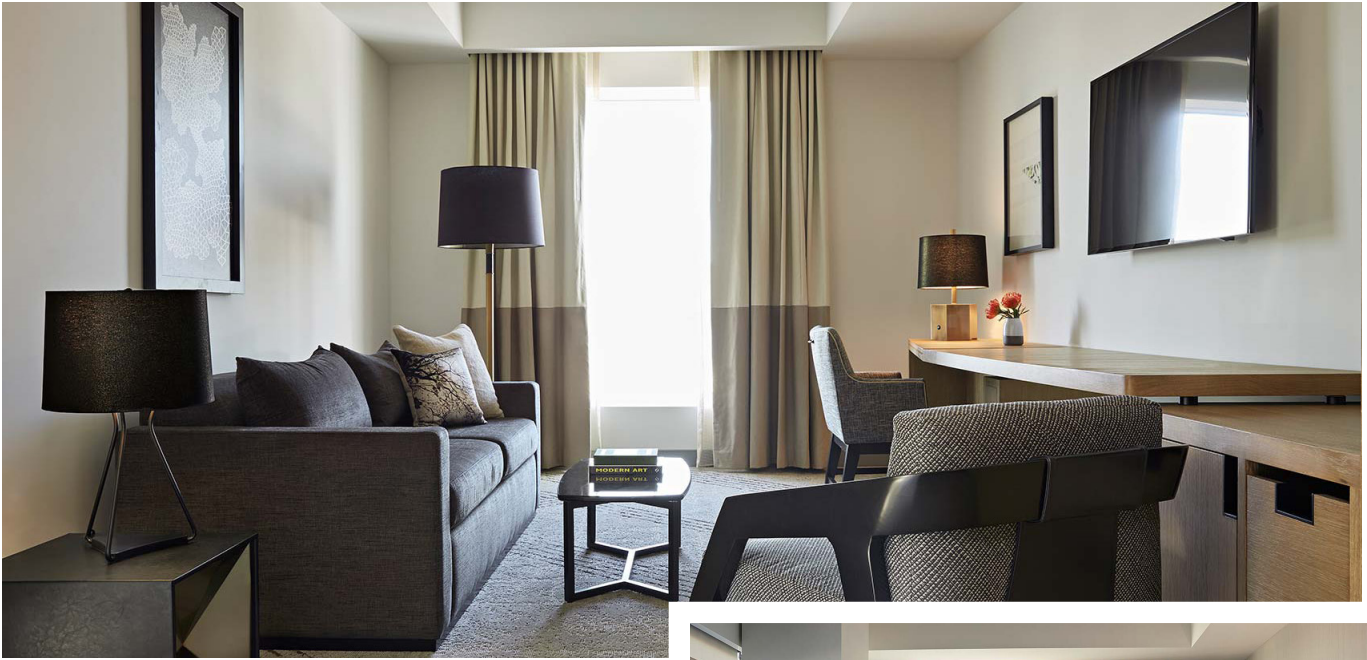
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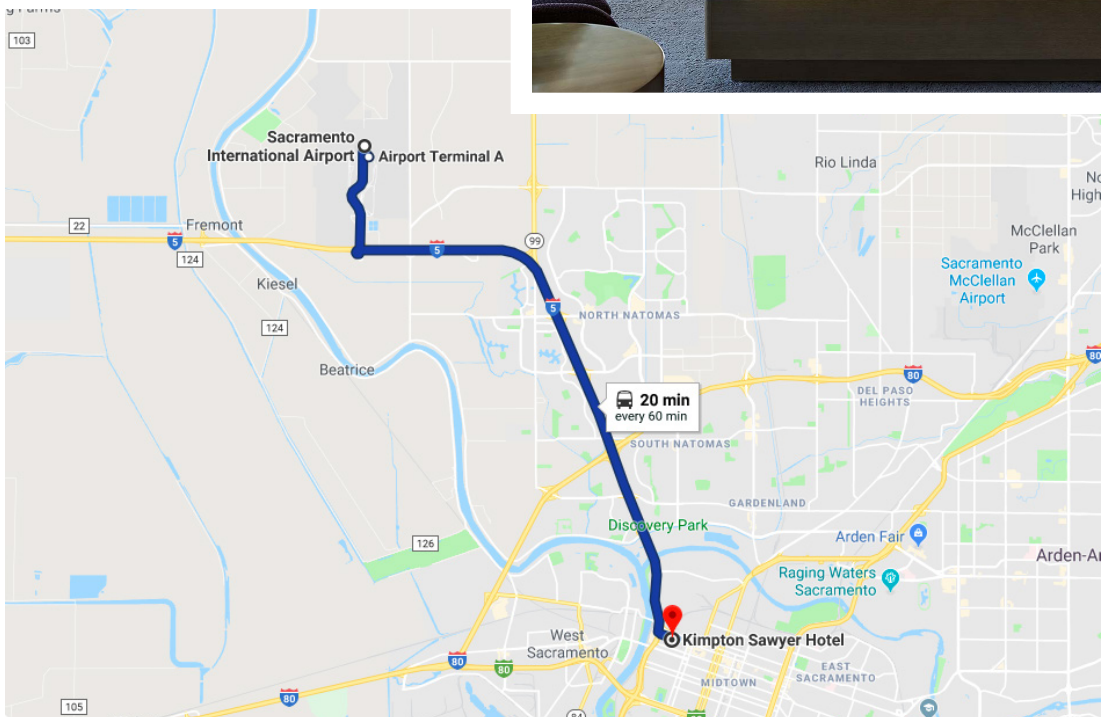


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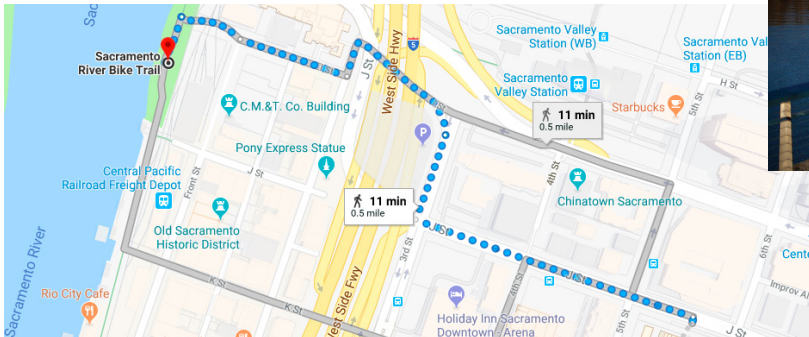


FIRST DAY OF THE PROGRAM

Tuesday, July 17

8:00 AM

Meet at hotel lobby, walk as a group to Sacramento river-front for welcome and introductions



8:45 AM

Board the bus for first site visit

9:00 AM

Visit: **General Produce Company**
1330 N B St, Sacramento, CA 95811

General Produce is a third generation, locally owned and operated fresh produce company. They distribute and export fresh fruits and vegetables – local, organic, sustainable, regional and globally sourced.



11:00 AM

Visit: **Morning Star Packing Co.**
Williams, California

Morning Star Packing Co. supplies 40% of the U.S. ingredient-tomato-paste and diced-tomato markets. Its site in Williams, CA, (shown here) is the largest tomato-processing facility in the state.

Meeting: Joe Alonzo, Talent & Organizational Development



12:30-1:00 PM

Transport to Matchbrook Wine Company



1:00 - 3:00 PM

Lunch and tour at **Matchbook Wine Company**
12300 County Rd 92B, Zamora, CA 95698

Generously hosted by content partner **UC Davis
Innovation Institute for Food and Health**

Matchbook Wine Company is a family-owned winery tucked away in Northern California's gently rolling Dunnigan Hills.

**Bring bottles of wine back to UC Davis for local expert panel discussion*

3:00 - 3:30 PM

Transport to UC Davis

3:30-5:30 PM

Panel Discussion and Q&A with Local Experts

Innovation Institute for Food & Health Executive Board Room



Kyeema Zerbe
Deputy Director, IIFH



Bernadette Austin
President, Center for
Regional Change



Ned Spang
Assistant Professor,
Department of Food +
Science Technology



Amy Franceschini
Architect/Artist, Future
Farmers

5:30 - 6:00 PM

Transport to **Russell Ranch (Agricultural Sustainability Institute)** for tour
One Shields Drive, UC Davis [Confirming which guides we want]

Russell Ranch hosts both the Century Experiment on the main plots, as well as shorter-term experiments focused on investigating the sustainability and environmental impacts of agriculture. Microplots within each plot allow research on questions such as comparisons of drip and furrow irrigation, fertilization rates, and incorporation of composts and other agricultural waste products.



7:45 PM

Dinner on the terrace at Osteria Fasulo

2657 Portage Bay E #8, Davis, CA 95616



9:15 PM

Transport back to Kimpton Sawyer Hotel

SECOND DAY OF THE PROGRAM

Wednesday, July 18



8:00 AM

Bus departs the lobby of the Kimpton Sawyer Hotel

**Make sure to eat a good breakfast and pack reading materials/provisions for the bus ride. This day will have a lot of driving.*

2.5 hour drive to Central Valley

Quick stop: Old Sugar Mill

35265 Willow Ave, Clarksburg, CA 95612

The Old Sugar Mill is located along the Sacramento River in a former beet sugar refinery, and has grown into a common visiting area because of its history (former refinery), proximity to Sacramento, and it's a nice drive along the river.



11:00-12:30 PM

Site Visit: Bowles Farm

An 11,000-acre farm near Los Banos in California's San Joaquin Valley



12:30 - 2:00 PM

Transport to second site. Lunch served en route, with stops at two major farmer's markets:



Casa de Fruta located in Hollister (west of Merced near Driscoll farm stop). It's a roadside stop with farmers market (lots of nuts and dried produce), restaurants, and some other activities. It has an interesting story (started by immigrant family) and is a popular stop for those traveling North-South.



Pacheco Pass located in Hollister (near Casa de Fruta). It's a much smaller farmers market but is also a roadside stop. It's close to Gilroy, which is the garlic capital of the world. The last weekend of July Gilroy is hosting their annual Garlic Festival. At Pacheco Pass they have garlic ice cream which is really good!



2:00-4:00 PM

Site Visit: Driscoll's Farm

Driscoll's is a California-based seller of fresh strawberries and other berries. It is a fourth-generation family business that has been in the Reiter and Driscoll families since the late 1800s. It controls roughly a third of the six-billion-dollar U.S. berry market. Headquartered in Watsonville, California, Driscoll's develops proprietary breeds of berries and then licenses them exclusively through approved growers.



4:00-4:30 PM

Transport to Alameda Creek

Alameda Creek in the Fremont area off of the 680 is the site for our guide, Sahoko's, Resilient By Design team (Public Sediment). Their site looked into the western part of the Alameda Creek watershed. Here, we'll talk about some of the sea level rise issues (amongst other climate issues) that are affecting the bay area.

Ask Sahoko to invite her team to meet us there. Blair Randall at SF Water?



4:30-6:30 PM

**Transport back towards Sacramento
for dinner (location TBD) -- looking for
something at a Dude Ranch, or back at an
urban farm in Sacramento urban area**

THIRD DAY OF THE PROGRAM

Thursday, July 19

If you are leaving on a red eye flight this evening please bring your bags with you



9:00 AM

Bus departs Kimpton Sawyer Hotel for UC Davis campus

9:30-10:30 AM

Visit: West Village/Village Homes

Village Homes is a seventy-acre subdivision located in the west part of Davis, California. It was designed to encourage both the development of a sense of community and the conservation of energy and natural resources. The principal designer was Mike Corbett. Construction on the neighborhood began in the fall of 1975, and construction continued from south to north through the 1980s, involving many different architects and contractors. The completed development includes 225 homes and 20 apartment units.

10:30 AM-4:00 PM

Designing for a Future of Food: Workshop with Local Experts



4:00 PM

Closing toast at Manetti Shrem Museum

