

California Agricultural Land Equity Task Force

A wide-angle photograph of a rural agricultural landscape. In the foreground, there are fields of green and yellow crops, possibly corn and soybeans, separated by a dirt path. In the middle ground, a white house is visible on the left, surrounded by trees. The background features rolling green hills under a clear sky.

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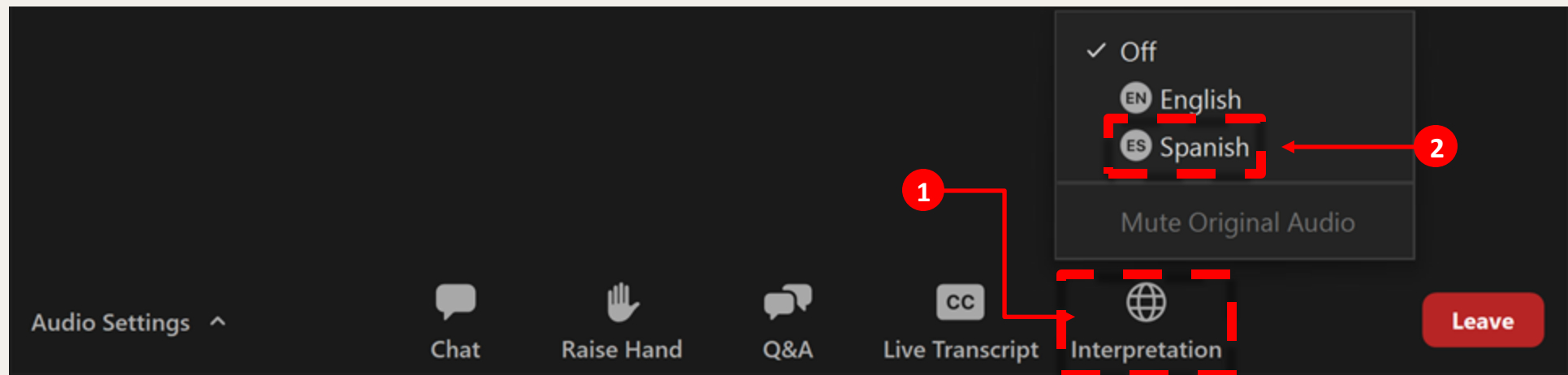
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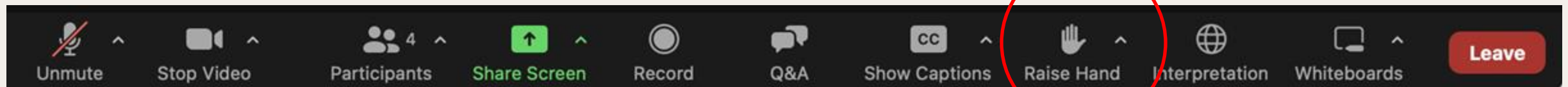
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Agenda Review

AUGUST 14th

- Approval of Meeting Summary from 05.09.2024
- Staff Report
- Equitable Land Access Across Diverse Communities: Challenges & Solutions
 - Site Visit Reports & Discussion
- General Public Comment

Agenda Review

AUGUST 15th

- Presentation followed by Discussion: Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and Land and Water Market Impacts on Equitable Land Access in the San Joaquin Valley
 - Trends in agricultural land ownership & consolidation
 - Land and water markets
 - SGMA impacts on small farms
- Subcommittee updates
- Work planning
- General Public Comment

Draft Meeting Summary from 05.09.2024

Strategic Growth Council Staff Report

Announcements

- Shared in Briefing Packet
- Related announcements from Task Force members

Updates and Next Steps

- Staffing update: Caleb Swanson joined SGC as Agricultural Land Equity Program Analyst
- Budget update shared in Briefing Packet
- Briefing Packet includes link to Reports & Guides list
- Work Plan Proposal included alongside Briefing Packet for discussion on Aug. 15
- New process for written communication directed to Task Force via landequity@sgc.ca.gov

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Site Visit Reports, Part I

Equitable Land Access Across Diverse
Communities: Challenges & Solutions

Site Visit Reports and Discussion

Site Visits:

1. **Dream Farm:** Lawrence Harlan and James Nakahara
2. **Jose Rojas Cruz's Farm:** Ruth Dahlquist-Willard and Darlene Franco
3. **Oliver Farms & Scott Family Farm:** Nelson Hawkins and Liya Schwartzman

15-Minute Break

Site Visit Reports, Part II

Equitable Land Access Across Diverse
Communities: Challenges & Solutions

Site Visit Reports and Discussion

Site Visits:

3. **Wukchumni Farms:** Emily Burgueno and Doria Robinson
4. **Yo'Ville Community Garden & Farm:** Qi Zhou and Dorian Payán

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Thank You!

The ALETF reconvenes tomorrow 8/15 at 8:30 a.m.

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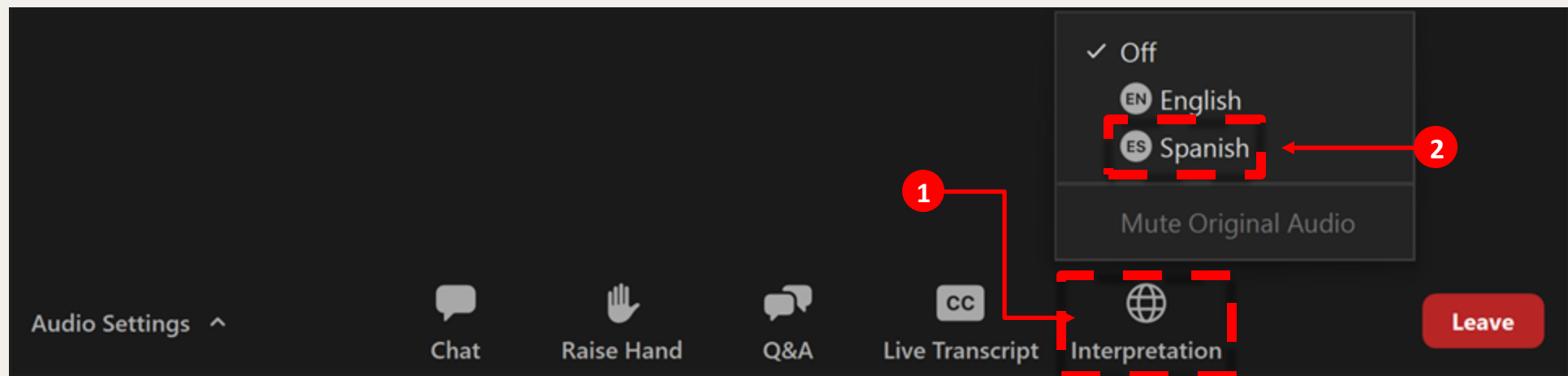
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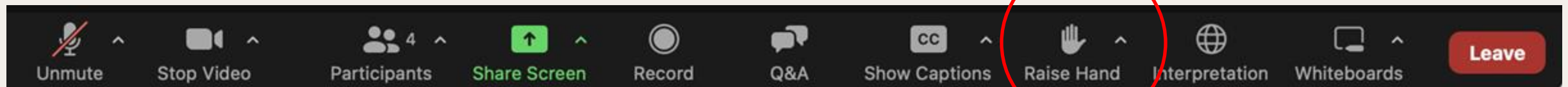
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- Presentation: Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and land and water market impacts on equitable land access in the San Joaquin Valley
 - Speakers: Janaki Anagha, Ngodoo Atume, Ruth Dahlquist-Willard
- Discussion: Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and land and water market impacts on equitable land access in the San Joaquin Valley
- Subcommittee updates
- Work planning
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Presentation:

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and Land and Water Market Impacts on Equitable Land Access in the San Joaquin Valley

Presenters

- **Janaki Anagha**, 11th Hour Project, Program Manager, Food & Agriculture
- **Ngodoo Atume**, SGMA Small Farms Technical Assistance Coordinator, University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources
- **Ruth Dahlquist-Willard**, Interim Director, University of California Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program

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Discussion:

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- Community Outreach

Lunch Break

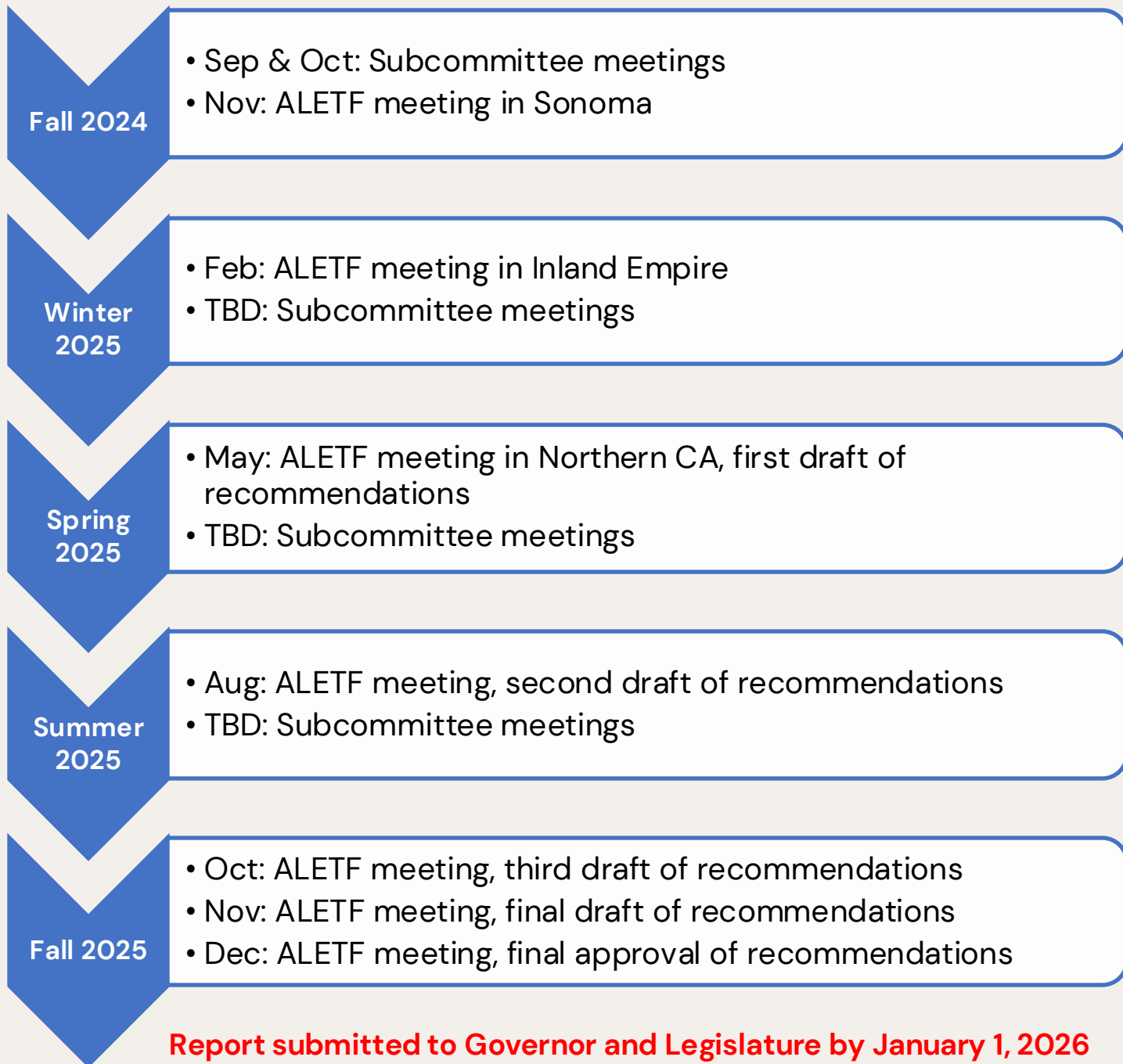
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Work Planning

Goals for this session

- Ensure the proposed plan captures top priorities and goals of all Task Force members are included in the work plan.
- Align on an effective and feasible path forward that leads to submission of recommendations by January 1, 2026.

Timeline



Proposed Work Plan

What changes, if any, are required to ensure that the work plan

- addresses your and your and your communities' priorities?
- reflects guiding principles and topics that should be in the final report?
- establishes a feasible and effective pathway to final recommendations?

November 14, 2024

Sonoma

Topics of Focus:

- Overview of forms of land tenure and associated challenges, including:
 - Trust, fee, and simple fee land
 - Leasing
- Models for equitable ag land access, including:
 - Easements and covenants
 - Cooperative land ownership
 - Land back
- Real estate and equitable alternatives to land markets

February 13, 2025

Inland Empire

Topics of Focus:

- Urban development's impacts on equitable and secure access to agricultural land
- Specific needs of urban and peri-urban agriculture
- Role of State and local governments in promoting ag land preservation and equitable access, including ag on public land

May 15, 2025

Northern CA

Topics of Focus:

- First draft of recommendations
- Collecting and incorporating community feedback

Subcommittees

Established subcommittees:

- Sustaining Natural & Cultural Resources
- Grants & Resources
- Community Outreach

What additional subcommittees (or working groups) are needed, if any?

Implementation

How would you like to contribute?

What topics and tasks are especially aligned with your priorities and expertise?

Looking Ahead: Fall 2024

Subcommittee meetings in September and October

All-day meeting on Thurs. November 14 in Sonoma

General Public Comment

Decisions, Action Items, Next Steps

- Summary of Actions Taken
- Review of Action Items and Follow Up Items
- Meeting Notes, Recording, and Materials posted to:

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