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**The Climate Restoration Safety & Governance Board Announces Official Launch and
*International review body to ensure that climate restoration projects are safe and effective***

SHARM EL-SHEIKH, EGYPT, November 9, 2022 – Today, as world leaders, academics, business and NGO leaders, and environmental activists continue to gather for COP27, the largest annual meeting on climate action, The Climate Restoration Safety & Governance Board (CRSGB) announced its official launch. CRSGB is a non-profit, global review body formed to ensure that climate restoration projects outside or across national boundaries are safe, legal, effective, transparent, and ethical.

“While I support the protocols for reducing carbon emissions laid out in the Paris Accords, I believe that they are only a first step, and not remotely sufficient in themselves to secure a healthy future for our species,” said Peter Fiekowsky, Chairman of CRSGB’s Advisory Board. “Climate restoration’s goal is to restore the safe, healthy levels of greenhouse gasses last seen on Earth over a century ago, by 2050 is possible, and there are scalable, permanent, and financially viable solutions that can restore a safe and healthy climate (with CO₂ below 300ppm) when deployed at scale” he added.

CRSGB will provide review, approval, certification, and oversight for the growing number of projects capable of making a significant impact toward restoring global atmospheric CO₂ and methane to healthy pre-industrial levels.

“CRSGB will rely on input from top experts in climate restoration and associated fields, including scientists, engineers, indigenous groups, ethicists, and legal experts, and will work with project implementers to fine-tune climate restoration project proposals to ensure that all relevant stakeholders feel comfortable moving forward with these crucial projects,” said Ilan Mandel, CEO of the CRSGB.

CRSGB will ensure that climate restoration projects are safe, effective, legal, and ethical through a comprehensive certification process and continued monitoring. For certified projects, it will maintain monitoring throughout the project’s lifetime to ensure safety, efficacy, and legal compliance.



Rick Wayman, CEO of the Foundation for Climate Restoration said, "There is an urgent and growing need for a trusted review body comprised of a cross-section of technical and ethical experts to thoroughly review and seek input on implementation plans for climate restoration projects. The certification process will be an essential part of building confidence within today's communities to ensure the survival and flourishing of future generations."

During COP27, CRSGB held roundtable discussions with stakeholders - potential partners, funders, environmental organizations, youth and First Nation leadership - focusing on its application review process.

Additional information on CRSGB's mission, leadership, and growing advisory board can be found at www.crsgb.org.