



November 1, 2017

Quivira Coalition
C/O Sara Wentzel-Fisher, Executive Director
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Santa Fe, NM 87505

Dear Sarah,

We at the Climate Change Leadership Institute (CCLI) and Santa Fe Green Chamber of Commerce (SFGCC) are proud to present the Quivira Coalition with the 2017 Innovation Award for your ingenuity in pioneering carbon ranching in New Mexico.

The Quiver Coalition has demonstrated excellence and innovation in a number of vital ways including: (1) building bridges with our rural communities, (2) advancing sustainable & productive agriculture practices, (3) forwarding state of the art soil based sequestration of carbon dioxide (to be adapted for our region) and (4) for planting the possibility for a pilot carbon trading program here, among many other terrific initiatives. Along with a plaque and letter, there is a seed grant with the award meant to support your well integrated agricultural, entrepreneurial and climate leadership solutions for New Mexico.

CCLI and SFGCC are excited to partner with you and so appreciative of the dynamic ways Quivira is working to improve the ecological health of our local food economy, uplift the quality of life of New Mexicans as a whole, and farmers and ranchers in particular, while also better protecting the climate that sustains us all. The vital importance of your intersecting endeavors extend well beyond words and into the vitality, well being and heartland of our future.

We thank you and commend you for your invaluable work.

Sincerely yours,

Robb Hirsch
Executive Director & Founder
Climate Change Leadership Institute

Glenn Schiffbauer
Executive Director
Santa Fe Green Chamber of Commerce