



## Approved Validation and Verification Bodies

The following are the approved Validation and Verification Bodies (VVBs) for carbon projects under the City Forest Credits Program:

- Ecofor, LLC (Dr. Gordon Smith)
  - Dr. Gordon Smith provides third-party verification for CFC tree preservation projects. He brings many years of experience in carbon accounting, greenhouse gas standards, verification, and implementation. Dr. Smith is a member of the editorial board of the journal Carbon Management; Greenhouse Gas Management Institute advisory committee; accredited expert with the Verified Carbon Standard in afforestation/deforestation, improved forest management, avoided deforestation (REDD), and agricultural land management; and AFOLU Technical Committee of the American Carbon Registry.
  
- Dr. Qingfu Xiao
  - Dr. Qingfu Xiao provides third-party verification for CFC tree planting projects. He has an extensive background in urban forestry ecosystem services assessments and analysis, measuring and modeling complex urban forestry hydrology, and GIS and remote sensing of environmental landscapes. Dr. Xiao is currently an Associate Project Scientist in the Department of Land, Air, and Water Resources at University of California, Davis.