

# Tacoma Citizens' Climate Lobby



*Creating political will for a livable planet*

*Core values: focus, optimism, relationships, integrity, personal power, being non-partisan*

## CCL NEWS

The June CCL conference in D.C., “Making Moves and Moving Congress,” will be held **June 8-11**. Registration ends **May 20**. More info [here](#).

### “NO on I-2117” CAMPAIGN

**Initiative 2117** is a serious attack on WA’s groundbreaking [Climate Commitment Act](#). CCL state leaders, along with other environmentalist groups, aim to defeat **I-2117** in the fall election with a multi-pronged campaign. See this [Set of slides from WCA](#), (Washington Conservation Action), coalition coordinator.

### COMPREHENSIVE PLAN INPUT

The process of updating **Pierce County’s 2024 Comprehensive Plan**, (mandated by the **WA Growth Management Act**) is in progress. On **April 29**, the **Community Development and Environment Committee (CDEC)** received substantial community input during a public hearing. [Link for more](#).

**SAVE THESE DATES for Summer Fun!**

**Wednesday, July 17, Summer Potluck Picnic 5:30pm (probable)**

**Sunday, August 18, Port of Tacoma Boat Tour (see p.2)**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Wednesday, May 15, 7 pm Chapter Meeting on Zoom**  
Topics: Election Work, “No On I-2117” Campaign  
Contact for [link](#)

**May 17, 20, & 30, [Bike Month activities, Downtown on the Go](#)**  
(See flyer p.2)

**Sunday, May 19, 3-5 pm, GET OUT THE CLIMATE VOTE**  
postcard-writing party, [Contact](#) to RSVP and address

**May 28, 4-7pm, [Climate Justice Summit Kickoff for Tacoma and Pierce County](#)**, Tacoma Community College

**Sunday, June 2, 3-5 pm, GET OUT THE CLIMATE VOTE**  
postcard-writing party, [Contact](#) to RSVP and for address

**Wednesday, June 5, noon CCL Study Group meeting**  
contact [Sue Lepore](#)

**Wednesday, June 5, 6 pm District 7 In-District Meeting**  
See flyer p.3

**Thursday, June 6, 6 -8 pm, Green Drinks, 7 Seas Brewery & Taproom, 2101 Jefferson Ave.**

**Saturday, June 29, 12-5, [Tacoma Ocean Fest](#), Foss Waterway Seaport**

Visit us on [Twitter \(@CCLTacoma\)](#) and [Instagram \(ccl\\_tacoma\)](#).

## PREVIOUS MEETING

In our **April** meeting, we honored **Earth Day** by sharing our memories of environmental activism. Many have been activists for decades, since the 70’s! There were good stories and laughs; check out the [minutes](#) for a game of matching “who said what?”

## MEMBER ACTIVITIES

**April 29—Bridget Mousaw’s** excellent op-ed was published in the [Tribune](#). She was here on a gap year before heading off to college. Congratulations, thanks, and best wishes! **Text on p.2**.

**May 5—Get Out the Climate Vote Group**. Thirteen of us wrote **100** postcards for the **Environmental Voter Project**, **420** cards for **Jani Hitchen** and **Ryan Mello**, with **200** cards taken home to write! Work on “**NO ON I-2117**” will begin soon—we need YOU!

**John Doherty’s** radio show “**Climate 360**” airs on three stations, **KTAH Radio Tacoma**, **KVSH Voice of Vashon**, and **KBCS Bellevue**. It reaches an audience of over 4 million! You can catch it in the mornings during breaks in the **Thom Hartmann** show. Kudos, John!

You can help [Ginny Lohr](#) post on our [Facebook](#) page by sending her photos (captioned, please).

[Past newsletters](#) are archived on the website.

Letter to the Editor by Bridget Mousaw, [Tacoma News Tribune](#), April 28, 2024

## CLIMATE COMMITMENT ACT

I have been a youth climate activist since I was 13, which was six years ago. As I tirelessly lobbied, protested, wrote letters and made phone calls I watched the environment deteriorate before everyone's eyes.

Some are able to turn away, but for youth, it is impossible. We are watching the futures we have dreamed of slip between corporations' and governments' enervating fingers.

So many young people have fought not only out of fear but because we know we deserve better. We know it should be the adults, especially those in power, who should be sprinting toward the climate goals we are currently crawling toward.

I urge the government in Washington to accelerate the state's political action and carry out policies such as the ambitious Climate Commitment Act, efficiently and effectively.

Bridget Mousaw, Longbranch

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**Save the Date!**

**Don't Miss the Boat! Sunday Aug 18**

Let's get a CCL Tacoma group to take the FREE [Port of Tacoma Boat Tour](#)

Once a year the [Port of Tacoma](#) gives [free tours](#) to the public on a particular date. To see photos and a video, click [here](#). They do sell out very quickly, so we need to get our group organized! It would be a nice social and informative outing.

Tickets become available on **July 8**. There are six different times ranging from 9 am to 4:30 pm. If you would like to take the tour with our group, email [John Doherty](#) before July 8 so he can coordinate it's time and registration.

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# BIKE MONTH 2024



**Bike to Work Day**



**Bike Bingo**



**Bike to the Broadway  
Farmer's Market**

Find more Bike Month  
events at [Bike253.com](http://Bike253.com)

# **Pierce County Council District 7 In-District Meeting**

## **Timber to Tidelands Pierce County's Environmental Action Watershed**

**Learn and speak up about our efforts to protect,  
preserve and restore a healthy environment.**

**Wednesday, June 5, at 6 p.m.  
Environmental Learning Center  
Point Defiance Park, 5715 Animal Road, Tacoma WA**

*Can't make it to the venue? Visit [pierce.countywa.gov/council](http://pierce.countywa.gov/council) to learn how to attend remotely*

*Park at the Zoo!*

