

Tacoma Citizens' Climate Lobby



Creating political will for a livable planet

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

CCL NEWS

CCL members have [logged 3774](#) conversations for **Electrification Month** so far! and counting...

[New statistics](#) support CCL's endorsement of the [Energy Permitting Reform Act](#).

CLIMATE FORESTS CAMPAIGN

By Sept 20- [Send your comment](#) to the Forest Service on the [NW Forest Plan & National Old-Growth Amendment](#). "Forest Defense is Climate Defense!"

HOME IN TACOMA PHASE TWO

Comments due **Sept 23**. "It could go down as one of the most important environmental and climate actions of our generation." [Lowell Wyse, Tacoma Tree Foundation](#). [See his post](#) and how to participate.

No on I-2066

Help to defeat I-2066 as well as I-2117 in **November!** Talking points for that campaign, [p.2](#).

PREVIOUS MEETING

Our **August** meeting was busy with action team reports and a discussion about candidate interviews this fall. A group decision was made to join the [League of Women Voter's candidate forums](#) in **October** by preparing climate-related questions for them. [Minutes](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, Sept 15, 3-5 pm, GET OUT THE CLIMATE VOTE postcard-writing party, [Contact](#) to RSVP & for address

Wed., Sept 18, 12:30-2 pm, "How Trees Survive and Thrive," Tacoma Tree Foundation, Fern Hill Library.

Wednesday, Sept 18, 7 pm, Chapter Meeting on Zoom. Contact for [link](#)

Tuesday, Sept 24, Public Hearing on Home in Tacoma Phase Two, in person (City Council Chambers) & on Zoom.

Sunday Sept 29, 3-5 pm, GET OUT THE CLIMATE VOTE postcard-writing party, [Contact](#) to RSVP & for address

Thursday, Oct 2, 6-8pm, Green Drinks, 7 Seas Brewery and Taproom, 2101 Jefferson Ave.

Wednesday, Oct 9, 10 am, CCL Study Group meeting On Zoom, contact [Sue Lepore](#)

Saturday, Oct 12, 9-12, Green Tacoma Day, (city-wide day of service)

Sunday Oct 13, 3-5 pm, GET OUT THE CLIMATE VOTE postcard-writing party

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MEMBER ACTIVITIES

Aug 18—A group of members and friends enjoyed a free, fun and informative boat tour of the **Port of Tacoma**, which is offered to the public once every summer. One of the many points of interest was the **Port's** transition to **R99** fuel to reduce pollution. [Photo](#)

Aug 24—[Hilltop Street Fair](#) was a fun all-day event! Our tablers achieved lots of good outreach on **I-2117** and electrification there. Thanks to new member **Maura White** for her help! [Photo](#)

Aug. 25—Our **Get Out the Climate Vote** postcard-writing group has hit the **6000** mark! [See John Doherty's message about this key activity on p. 2](#). We'll keep on writing for **Jani Hitchen, Ryan Mello,** and ["NO ON I-2117,"](#) and we need **YOU!** Join us or you can [work from home](#). Future parties are on **9/15, 9/29,** and **10/13**. There will be a big **"We Got Out the Vote"** party on **Nov 3, 4-7!**

Nancy Atwood and **Jason Berkowitz** did a great job revamping our [Facebook](#) page! [Read about its progress & how you can participate on P. 2!](#)

John Doherty's "Climate 360" airs on **KTAH Radio Tacoma, KVSH Voice of Vashon, & KBCS Bellevue,** reaching an audience of over 4 million!

See [past newsletters](#) on website

An Introduction & Invitation to post on CCL-T's new Facebook Group by John Doherty

Our new **Facebook** page is off to a strong start with lots of participants.

Some of you may be bashful about posting on FB—maybe haven't had much experience. We encourage you to try your hand at it. Our new FB Group is designed to be interactive, with people expressing opinions & thoughts, posting articles or photos they'd like to share & inviting feedback from others. The more we post, the more attention we will get and the more we contribute to our mission to create the political will for a livable world.

People all over the Facebook world can see our posts, so posting what you find interesting or important is an effective way to get our climate message out there – and non-CCL folks are joining including **Radio Tacoma, Tacoma Green Drinks, Tacoma Bird Alliance, and Shannon Jean Reynolds, Mayor of Fircrest.**

Every activist in **CCL Tacoma** can do their part to increase our FB impact by taking a few minutes to join the Group, visiting regularly, and regularly posting items of interest.

Here is the link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1551428448797891> - Go for it!

Pledge to Vote No on I-2066—Talking points

I-2066 would increase energy bills. It would require utility companies to continue investing in outdated technology, and the costs would be passed onto families and businesses.

I-2066 attacks energy efficiency. It would roll back modern protections that make homes and businesses more energy efficient. It jeopardizes energy efficiency programs and would take away important customer rebates, raising costs for Washingtonians.

I-2066 is funded by powerful interest groups. It is part of a nationwide effort by fossil fuel corporations and well-funded interest groups that want to make as much money as possible while Washington families pay higher energy bills.

I-2066 would stop towns, cities and counties from making decisions that work best for their communities. It's an overreach designed to prevent local decision-making.

We Are Getting Out the Vote by John Doherty

What is our solution to climate change here at **CCL**? Democracy! And is there anything that says "Democracy" more clearly than ordinary citizens like us working to get out the vote?

Over the months since January our **CCL** and non-aligned postcarding volunteers have handwritten, hand-addressed and stamped over **6000 Get Out the Vote postcards**, all being sent to folks where they will do the most scientifically-validated good in moving forward our mission of creating a livable world into the future.

Hours contributed to writing and addressing cards so far valued at the minimum wage add up to a contribution over **\$6100**, and postage paid so far is **\$3400**, an expense supported by our card writing volunteers.

Folks just come as they are; you will find us a collegial, welcoming, and friendly group working to be part of creating a better future for all of us. You can **contact Nancy** to be added to her **GOTV newsletter** if you would like to join in. (If you'd like to do some cards from home on your schedule, we can arrange that too.)

There's a hint of Fall in the air – and a hint of a happy outcome for our Earth in the coming **November** election. We are in the home stretch.