

Tacoma Citizens' Climate Lobby



Creating political will for a livable planet

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

CCL NEWS

ENERGY INNOVATION AND CARBON DIVIDEND ACT

[H.R. 2307](#) has 95 co-sponsors. (To get a current tally click [here](#)). The [Reconciliation Bill](#) passed the House, but without a carbon fee. We can keep up the pressure on the Senate for carbon fee & dividend by making [calls](#) or emails.

The war in [Ukraine](#) adds extra urgency to this transition. Join CCL's "[Fight mean, Go green](#)" campaign. "Get loud for clean energy!"

JUNE NATIONAL CCL CONFERENCE

JUNE 11-13, Washington, DC., in person. An exciting opportunity to network and learn! [Click](#) for more information and to register.

Happy Earth Day!

INVEST IN OUR PLANET

There's a fresh new word cloud decorating our [website home page](#). Thanks for your contributions! You can still attend Earth Day events and actions; make it an "Earth Month!" Check out ideas on [earthday.org](#)

Be a 5-minute Activist!

By participating in the **Monthly MOC Calling Campaign**. Sign up [here](#) to call your federal representatives once a month. You'll receive a text reminder on your assigned day, phone number and optional script provided. Easy yet effective, try it!

PREVIOUS MEETING

Our **March meeting** focused on a recap of WA short session legislation by **Chuck Jensen**, action team reports, and breakout rooms. One topic discussed was ideas for a **viable new policy focus for CCL** (in addition to carbon fee and dividend). We are preparing our thoughts for a **CCL national survey** on this soon. Minutes [here](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

"Solar 101" Workshop with [Sphere Solar Energy](#)
Tuesday, April 26, 7-8pm Zoom
offered by Earth Ministry/WAIPL
[register here](#)

Next chapter meeting on Zoom
Wed., Apr. 27, 7-8:30pm
Program: "Green Hydrogen,"
with [Chrissy Cooley](#), TPU Board
Vice Chair. Click "Chapter
Events" on [website home page](#)

Study group on Zoom
Wed. May 11 at noon,
discussing articles that
members share. Join us!
Contact [Sue Lepore](#)

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

LTE's—Congratulations to new member [Evelyn Yielding](#), whose letter to the editor was published in the **TNT** on April 17! Full text [p.2](#). **Climate Talk** radio program, with interviews and commentary by [John Doherty](#), is on **KTAH** and **KVSH 101.9 FM**, and is archived on our [website](#). [Ginny Lohr](#) is doing a great job with **Facebook**, but she would really like

some help! [Take a look](#). **April 21**—[John Doherty](#), [Barbara Menne](#), and [Chuck Jensen](#) organized a very informative Q & A session for the public with [Dr. James Conca](#), "What is in Washington state's energy future?"

[Adrian Lavergne](#) and [Sue Lepore](#) have initiated CCL Tacoma accounts on **Twitter** ([@CCLTacoma](#)) and **Instagram** ([ccl_tacoma](#))! Please take a look, like, retweet and comment!

Tabling:

April 17—[Barbara Menne](#) was kept very busy at our [En-Roads](#) booth at the [South Sound Sustainability Expo](#) on Saturday April 16th. It was a lively day with lots of interest and networking. A second booth was made possible by the **Forman's**. [Photos](#)
Friday, April 22, tablers will staff a booth at the [Hilltop Heritage School WATT UP](#) solar panel project ribbon-cutting celebration. ([Photos](#) soon.). [See p.2](#) for more on this project.

[Linda Cohan](#) and [John Doherty](#) often share articles in the [website's Forum](#). This valuable chapter communication tool can help prevent members getting buried under huge mounds of email!

We can join the **South End Neighborhood Council** in opposition to a proposal to build 3 huge warehouses directly above the **South Tacoma aquifer**. The land had been designated a green zone. [More information](#)

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

Letter to the Editor

A friend of mine attended school in Tokyo. Upon returning to the United States, she noted our streets were comparatively awash with litter. Japan is a communal society, and it's considered good citizenry – and polite – to pick up garbage. Rwanda, too, has a similar take: a monthly clean-up day. These societies have a sense of communal citizenry. They've invested in the environment surrounding them. Instilling this into our own Pacific Northwest culture shouldn't be terribly difficult: notice a piece of litter, pick it up and dispose of it. However, a single redirected cigarette butt doesn't feel as if it has made a dent. That's part of the issue.

The problem is overwhelming, but we must face it: litter contributes to air, ocean and land pollution. We need consistent, long-term social change. We don't have to necessarily interrupt our afternoons and weekends – we can incorporate this into our daily lives, like our walks, our business meetings and our lunches.

Evelyn Marie Yielding, Lakewood

The News Tribune April 17, 2022

Of Further Interest

Hilltop Heritage Middle School WATT UP Solar Project ribbon-cutting celebration is today at 3:30.

“It is the first solar installation on a **Tacoma Public School**, and we have been working for years to make it a reality. The project was approved because of the work of 3 eighth grade girls who presented on why schools are the perfect place for solar installations at the **Governor's STEM Alliance Meeting** in 2019. The 99.3kW installation is on the roof of the elective wing and is the 2nd largest installation in Tacoma to date.”

Kathleen Hall, 7th grade science teacher and Green Team Advisor

CCL National's Book Study Action Team will discuss **Katharine Hayhoe's** book **Saving Us** on Thursday, April 28, at 5:30 PST. [zoom link](#)

CCL Tacoma climate movie recommendation list

Have you seen any good **films on climate change**? (The list below is in no particular order at this time)

Would you like to explore and post a review? Make suggestions to add to the list? Contact [Sue Lepore](#).

“Why Lawns Must Die,” “Insect Apocalypse,” “The Story of Plastic,” “Dammed to Extinction,” “Newtok,” “Chasing Ice,” “Once You Know,” “Climate Crisis: What Can we Do?” “Necessity: Climate Justice & the Thin Green Line,” “Agritopia,” “2040,” “Planet of the Humans,” “Breaking Boundaries,” “Don't Look Up,” “Before the Flood,” “The Magnitude of All Things,” “I am Greta,” “Ice on Fire,” “Merchants of Doubt,” “Extinction: the Facts,” “Paris to Pittsburgh,” “This Changes Everything,” “Ice and the Sky,” “Anoté's Ark,” “The Age of Stupid,” “Who Killed the Electric Car?” “Seeds of Time,” “The Day After Tomorrow,” “An Inconvenient Truth,” “The Island President,” “Greedy Lying Bastards,” “Koyaanisqatsi,” “A Plastic Ocean,” “Cowspiracy,” “Tomorrow” (2015), “No Impact Man.”