

Tacoma Citizens' Climate Lobby



Creating political will for a livable planet

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

CCL NEWS

Registration has begun for the national [CCL June Conference](#) on **June 10-13**, in person (in D.C.) and on Zoom. Lobby meetings are being planned. It's a great opportunity to learn and network!

ENERGY INNOVATION AND CARBON DIVIDEND ACT

From CCL national: "Word on the street is that the [Energy Innovation Act](#) will be reintroduced into the House as soon as this month. This bill represents the (carbon fee & dividend) policy that CCL has advocated for over a decade. So we're getting an early start on supporting it. [Ask your House Representative today](#) to co-sponsor the Energy Innovation Act once it is reintroduced."

STATE LEGISLATURE

The session adjourned on **April 23**. We have been glad to see some **important climate bills** pass, with the help of advocates like us! [See a full recap](#) on p.2

PREVIOUS MEETING

Our **April** meeting focused on understanding carbon fee and dividend (just in time for the reintroduction of the Energy Innovation Act!) We also discussed a pamphlet, "[Let's talk climate](#)," especially useful for tabling. [Minutes here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, May 17, 7 pm
Monthly Chapter Meeting on Zoom. Program: Final wrap-up of the State legislative session with **Marty Gibbons, League of Women Voters.** [Zoom link](#)

Thursday, May 25, 7-9pm,
"State of the Urban Forest,"
[Tacoma Tree Foundation, UW Tacoma.](#)

Tuesday, May 30, 7pm on Zoom, "Smoothing the Road for the Transition," final program in the [Skagit County CCL Our Clean Energy Future series.](#)

Sunday, June 4, 10-5, Tabling booth at the [Tacoma Ocean Fest](#), Foss Waterway Seaport.

Wednesday, June 7, noon
CCL Study Group meeting discussing articles that we email ahead of time. Join us on Zoom! Contact [Sue Lepore](#)

Thursday, June 8, 6 -8 pm
Green Drinks (local networking group), location TBD

Saturday-Monday June 10-13,
[CCL National June Conference](#),
Washington, D.C.

SAVE THE DATE—
ANNUAL POTLUCK
PICNIC!!
SATURDAY JULY 19, 6:30 PM
LOCATION TBD

WE NEED YOUR OPINION!

on having **in-person** meetings a few months of the year. Send your feedback to [Sue Lepore](#)

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

Ginny Lohr will attend the June Conference in D.C. next month.

April 30—Chuck Jensen and Barbara Menne went to a panel discussion and Q & A on the **South Tacoma mega-warehouse appeal.** [Petition](#) and more information on [p.2](#)

April 22— The [South Sound Sustainability Expo](#) was a great success! The renovated booths, visual aids, and activities were attractive and engaging. A lot of people learned about CCL—in fact, **over a dozen new members** signed up as a result! Kudos to **Linda Cohan** and her tablers! [Photos](#)

Climate Talk and **Climate Minute** radio programs, with interviews and commentary by **John Doherty**, is on **KTAH & KVSH 101.9 FM**, and is archived on our [website](#) and at the **Tacoma Public Library.**

Ginny Lohr is doing a great job with [Facebook](#). You can help by sending her photos/captions.

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

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

Of Further Interest

Our Clean Energy Future, hosted by **CCL Skagit Chapter** and **Transition Fidalgo** and Friends, is a series of monthly talks “designed to help us navigate the ins and outs of transitioning our electric supply, electrifying your home, car, and community! Let's take advantage of a nation-wide movement and work together to achieve these goals!” (Betty Carteret)

No prior registration required, just click the Zoom links below.

"Transition to a Clean Energy Future" was on January 31.

"The Supply Side of the Clean Energy Transition" was on February 28.

"Electrify Everything in Our Homes" was on March 28.

"Electrify Everything We Drive or Ride In" was on April 25.

Tuesday, May 30, 2023, 7:00 pm, [via Zoom](#)

Panel Discussion - "Smoothing the Road for the Transition"

The clean energy future will require us to work together as communities with all levels of government to smooth the way for a rapid transition to an efficient green electric supply grid and all-electric homes and transportation. Part of the challenge is modernizing the rules and regulations that ensure safety and proper design are updated to this new movement. Many of the governmental regulations for power production and transmission were put in place many decades ago and do not reflect the needs of today. We will invite a panel of representatives from local, county and state organizations to join us to discuss this topic.

South Tacoma Mega-warehouse issue

Earthjustice, 350, and the **South Tacoma Neighborhood Council** have filed an appeal over a recently-approved mega-warehouse. The filing, a copy of which was made public by Earthjustice representatives, states that the appellants “challenge the City of Tacoma’s decision not to require an Environmental Impact Statement for applicant Bridge Industrial’s project to build one of the largest warehouse complexes in the world in a neighborhood that is already overburdened by air pollution and other environmental harms.”

Read more in the [May 11 article in the News Tribune](#)

[**SIGN THE PETITION**](#)

Free coffee and treats!

Friday, May 19, 7-9 am, "Bike to Work Day" with [Downtown on the Go](#), Cremello Cafe, 764 Broadway.