

Minutes – October 18, 2018 Palouse Citizens’ Climate Lobby
5:30-7:00pm, Umpqua Bank meeting room, 225 N. Grand Ave., Pullman

Present: Judy Meuth, Pete Haug, Mark Bordsen, Tom Besser, Al Poplawsky, Adrienne Marshall, Marilyn Von Seggern

Review of Minutes: No changes

Announcements

- Washington Initiative 1631 opportunities (letters, door knocking)
- IPCC report—global warming is worse than previously thought and stated; Nobel Prize in economics to William D. Nordhaus related to his research on integrating climate change into macroeconomic analysis.
- October 30 - Bob Inglis will present a keynote at Washington State University, hosted by The Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Policy & Public Service, entitled, “Bipartisan solutions to climate change?”
- Moscow City Council resolution—Sustainable Environmental Commission, with assistance from Mary and Mac, sent a revenue-neutral carbon fee and dividend policy resolution to the City Council with a recommendation to pass it. CCL-P next steps after passage are to focus on Latah and Whitman County governments as well as towns in the two counties. Also, new representatives will be a focus after the election.

Communications Exercise: Sharing information effectively, specifically to address Washington Initiative 1631

Reports

- Tabling at Moscow Farmers’ Market, Kenworthy film, Palouse Water Summit
- Pete’s editorial in the Gazette
- Talks to UI classes—Mac
- Lobbying in D.C.—Mac is attending the November national CCL meeting and has appointments set with Rep. Crapo. Judy is working with Ginny Lohr to organize the lobby meeting with Rep. McMorris Rodgers’ office. Personal stories and concerns are especially effective for lobbying members of Congress. Please pass on stories to Mac and Judy if you would like to.

National Call

Mark reported that Former Rep. David Jolly (R-FL), one of the first members of the House Climate Solutions Caucus, thinks the House of Representatives will go to Democrats in the upcoming mid-term election, and he predicts the Senate will remain a Republican majority. This may present opportunities for House climate leaders to forward action on climate legislation. Jolly advised that we address representatives by keeping it personal, professional, and parochial (keeping members of Congress accountable). Danny Richter has been tracking the tone of conversations about climate between CCL and House members and sees increasing

amounts of engagement among Representatives.

<https://citizensclimatelobby.org/monthly-speakers/>

Action Items

1. Call members of Congress on Friday, Nov. 9 - Support the CCLers on the Hill for the November 13th Lobby Day. So that CCL can (1) track the number of calls made and (2) give you a script and phone numbers, use the online action tool cclusa.org/call and be sure to click "DONE CALLING" to report the calls.
2. Write a letter to the editor linking climate and the campaigns. CCL how-to at [Write a Letter to the Editor](#)
3. Phone bank, write letters, doorknock for and *talk about* I-1631 for a carbon fee in Washington. Get started today using this [phone banking toolkit](#).
4. GET OUT THE VOTE

CCL-P Actions: Focus for the coming year

- Grow and diversify your membership to Youth, Ethnic Groups, and Conservatives – Marilyn talked about efforts to begin relationships with students on campus

Some other areas we selected to emphasize: letters to members of Congress, publishing in media, businesses, health organizations, weather reporters, presentations, educational forums

Next Meeting Nov. 15, 2018, 5:30-7pm, Moscow's 1912 Center (412 East 3rd St.), Senior Center.