

## Agenda – March 21, 2019 Palouse Citizens' Climate Lobby

5:30-7:00pm, 1912 Center, Moscow

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### Introductions

### Additions to the Agenda

### Review of Minutes

### Announcements

- CCL International Conference & Lobby Day, June 9-11, 2019 in D.C. [cclusa.org/conference](http://cclusa.org/conference) . [Diversity Scholarships](#) and [Conservative Scholarships](#) application deadline is March 31st.
- ID & E WA CCL Conference – April (19)-20, Moscow, ID <https://cclidandewa.eventbrite.com>
- Endorsement Campaign #2—return to “climate change” endorsers and ask to endorse the EICDA
- Film “Reinventing Power: America’s Renewable Energy Boom”. Kenworthy Theater, March 25, 7 PM.  
CCL-P table; speak
- [Letter to ID Governor Little](#)

**ID & E WA CCL Conference Planning – April (19)-20, Moscow, ID** Mac, Katie, Carlos, Linda, Judy, Mary, Marilyn, Bertie, Casey, Carlos, Kathy, and more!

Put flyers of Steve’s talk all around Moscow, WSU, Pullman (UI will be handled by Sustainability Ctr. there.)

Table for Steve’s talk and for conference.

Write LTE about conference and Steve Ghan’s talk

Organize the welcomers, introducers, question managers, moderators, etc. for all sessions.

Prepare program handout, nametags, and all other materials for handout, get them printed and sorted into folders, sort folders for registration pickup.

Prepare visual acknowledgement for all donors to be displayed at the conference and on the program handout. Write thank you notes to all donors and all presenters.

Handling finances for the conference.

**Communications Exercise:** Sharing Information About the Bill (attached, from last month)

### Reports

**City/County Actions:** Pullman Climate Action Committee (Judy), Palouse resolution (Linda)

**Media – Recent editorials and letters to the editor:** Diana, Pete

**Presentations** – Mac (Climate Conversations at UI), Mary (Moscow LWV), Judy (WSU International Center)

### **Lobbying**

ID – Brian, Mac

WA – Judy

### March National Actions

**Monthly donor drive:** <http://www.citizensclimate.org/give>

Actions for EICD: <http://www.cclusa.org/eicdawrite>, <http://www.cclusa.org/eicdacall>

Plan for Earth Day (Monday April 22)

Launch New Community in our chapter (volunteer for April?)

**National CCL Monthly Call** – Making the business case for acting on climate change (Anne Kelly) To watch/download/listen visit <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/monthly-speakers/>

**Next Meeting** April 18, 5:30-7:00 pm, Umpqua Bank Meeting Room, 225 N. Grand Ave., Pullman

# Sharing information about the bill

## COMMUNICATION SKILLS EXERCISE

We're excited that the bill was reintroduced, and we're eager to tell people about it! When coupled with good listening, these conversations can open minds and build relationships. Try slowing down to restate what you heard and appreciate the values underneath concerns you heard before responding with information.

### Practice exercise focused on the regulatory language in the bill

With a partner, imagine a scenario in which someone expresses concern regarding the provision on EPA regulations. Try out these steps to help you balance listening with providing information. After the partners have each had a turn, reconvene and ask a few partners to replay their conversation for the whole group.

Listening	Your response might be something like this...
Reflect back the question you heard and then connect.	"I'm glad you are thinking carefully about this section. It sounds like it matters to you to preserve the EPA's ability to regulate emissions."
Listen to their response, and come back with anything you agree with them about.	"I agree with you that we need to keep as many options on the table as possible to solve this problem."
Ask permission to share your point of view.	"Can I tell you what I understand about this provision that makes me more comfortable about it?"
If they agree.	Share your perspective, perhaps using some of the points below from our "Responding to Public Questions" about the bill document.
Make a few points and then follow up with an open question to find out how well they are receiving the information.	"Do you think that a narrow restriction like this to satisfy Republican concerns is worth passage of a strong carbon fee?"
Continue listening, reflecting and sharing small bits of information. Then stop. Give them some time to think about things. Sometimes it takes a few conversations for people to change their point of view.	

From our "Responding to Public Questions" document [cclusa.org/responding-questions](https://www.cclusa.org/responding-questions):

We appreciate that many people want to keep every option on the table. The limits in this bill are minimal and this policy will achieve much higher emissions reductions than any regulations proposed to date. In fact, it will cut U.S. emissions in 2030 nine times as much as the Clean Power Plan would have if it had gone

into effect. The bill only affects EPA regulations on greenhouse gases covered by the carbon price, and only as long as emissions targets are being met. If, after 10 years, targets are not being met, the policy mandates that the EPA implement additional regulations to meet those emission reduction targets. This gives clear direction to the EPA from Congress that would prevent the type of court challenges that have hampered policies based on the current authority of the Clean Air Act – some of which have yet to be enacted almost 10 years after that authority was confirmed by the Supreme Court. Congress (as well as state and local governments) can also always enact further legislation addressing climate change as it sees fit, or as the public demands.