

Palouse Citizens' Climate Lobby
AGENDA Nov. 19, 2020, 5:30-7:00pm Zoom Meeting

Introductions and Check-in

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Additions to the Agenda and Review of Minutes

THANK YOU EVERYONE!

Remembering Mark Bordsen

Announcements

CCL Palouse Website transfer is complete – see new page at <http://cclpalouse.org/> .Suggestions for content?

December CCL Conference—Dec. 5-6 : <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/december-2020-online-conference/>

December Call Congress Day-Dec. 3: spread the word on social media; ask one friend to join you; etc. to ask your MoC to support the EICDA. cclusa.org/call.

Go deeper at <https://community.citizensclimate.org/resources/item/19/376>

CCL-Palouse Reports and Actions

- Treasurer's report--Steve
- Radio Spots - Steve, Patrick
- Ag Outreach – Mac, Eric
- Pullman Climate Action Plan – Marilyn
- Moscow Climate Action Plan - Mary
- Grasstops Relationships – Mary, Kathy
- Chambers of Commerce—Mary
- Publications – Judy
- Action Tracker: <https://community.citizensclimate.org/actions/home>
- Virtual postcards - Pick a photo of yourself and something you love in the photo, write a ~50 word testimonial about why you support 763, send the photo and testimonial to Sylena at sylena.harper@wsu.edu Double your impact by helping a friend or family member send a photo and testimonial to Sylena, too.

Analysis of the Lame Duck and 2021 Congress re. climate legislation: Trish

WA and ID Breakout Rooms

Discuss December virtual lobby meetings with Members of Congress and plan Calls to Congress:

- Pledge to call your MOCs on Dec. 3 and decide on one other person you will ask to call alongside you.
- Put Call Congress Day and cclusa.org/call in your e-calendar and paste in the sample message below so it's ready for you to use to invite others right after your calls, on social media or by email.
- Invite your Facebook friends by sharing our Facebook Event cclusa.org/call-congress-fb.
- Sign up at cclusa.org/text to receive a text reminder with a link to our calling tool.
 - To get even more callers to call on Call Congress Day
- Enlist local ally organizations to activate their volunteers. 350.org, LWV, Audubon, Trout Unlimited, etc.
- See cclusa.org/callcongressday for graphics, more sample emails, and ideas for generating calls

Communications Exercise: Practice asking someone to call Congress to support the bill (see end of the Agenda)

What's Next? What climate action(s) will you take this month?

Support CCL's \$1 million year-end fundraiser: citizensclimate.org/give.

Next Meeting: Thursday, Dec. 17, 5:30-7:00 pm on Zoom

More Action Opportunities

If you have 5 minutes:

- Watch this clever, visually appealing CCL video explaining Carbon Fee & Dividend on our CCL Palouse website! <http://cdpalouse.org/landing-page/> Share the video with your friends and on social media. It's a quick way to explain the concept in a broad and simple manner and to start a conversation.
- Make a Real Difference in 5 minutes with Monthly Calling Campaign (MCC) <https://cdcalls.org/>

If you have 30 minutes:

- Listen to CCL's Radio: Episode 35: Plastic Pollution & Heavy Metal <https://community.citizensclimate.org/bulletin/2101/24>
- **Monthly Guest Speaker: Tia Nelson, Outrider Foundation.** Tia Nelson is now the Managing Director for the Outrider Foundation, which works to end the threat of nuclear war and reverse the course of global climate change, Tia joins this month's call in the aftermath of a momentous election. She'll share the lessons she learned from her father, Senator Gaylord Nelson, and offer perspective on the state of the climate movement based on her many years of working on that issue. <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/tia-nelson-citizens-climate-lobby-november-2020-monthly/id973194376?i=1000498609481>

If you have more than 1 hour:

- Learn how plastics are a fossil fuel product in the documentary *The Story of Plastic*, (1 hr, 23 min) available on DiscoveryGo streaming service, for rent on Amazon, on Apple TV, and on Xfinity.

COMMUNICATION EXERCISE

This month's exercise gives everyone a chance to practice asking a friend or relative to call Congress on our December 3rd Call Congress Day.

Step 1: To demonstrate a conversation starter, ask two people to read out loud the following dialogue:

Friend: I'm in awe of all that climate work you do. I can't seem to find time to pitch in.

CCLer: Volunteering for CCL keeps me focused on climate change solutions and solutions boost my optimism. We have a big action coming up in December. Would it be okay if I tell you how you can help?

Friend: Sure.

CCLer: We're trying to break last year's record for the number of calls made to Congress in one day. It's fun talking to the friendly interns in Congress, and it only takes a couple minutes.

Friend: You know, I just might do it. How do I call?

CCLer: Go to cclusa.org/call and our online calling tool will give you a script and phone numbers to call. Afterward, be sure to click the DONE CALLING button so that your calls are counted!

Step 2: Practice starting a conversation