

AGENDA October 15, 2026, 5:30-7:00 pm – Palouse Citizens’ Climate Lobby
Community Congregational United Church of Christ, Pullman or via Zoom
(Zoom link and contact info for individuals mentioned below are at the end of this Agenda)

Values Statement: We are committed to working towards fair, effective, and enduring policies to address climate change, and to a process that is inclusive, non-partisan, and respectful of diverse points of view.

Introductions

Announcements

- CCL -Palouse members sent 150 post cards to low-propensity voters who are CCL members in WA
- **Palouse Basin Water Summit:** 3-7 p.m., Thursday, October 29, SEL Event Center, <https://palousebasinwatersummit.org>
- **VOTE!** Election Day is Tuesday, November 3; Climate signs for Election Day?
- **Carbon Pricing Education Series, Part 3:** 5-6 p.m., Thursday, November 5, <https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/item/24/21465>
- **CCL November National Monthly Meeting:** 10-11 a.m., Saturday, November 14, <https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/item/23/20021>
- **CCL Fall Virtual Conference Dec 4-5 and Lobby Week Dec 7-11:** <https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/item/23/21533>

Updates and Opportunities

- 1 **Friends of the Clearwater** – Kyran Kunkel, Executive Director
- 2 **City of Moscow Community Solar** – Mac
- 3 **Whitman County Solar Update** – Simon and Bill
- 4 **CCL October Monthly Call** – Mary
- 5 **U of I Arboretum and Botanical Garden Sustainable Practices Fund, Moscow SEC** – Leonard
- 6 **Legislative Update: Bipartisan American Affordability and Jobs Act (BAAJA)** – Leonard
Action link: cclusa.org/baaja
<https://community.citizensclimate.org/topics/permitting-reform-toolkit>
BAAJA Training: <https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/item/24/21842>
- 7 **Attend candidate forums, phonebank with Environmental Voter Project:** <https://www.environmentalvoter.org>
- 8 **Penstemon Path Tree Planting** – Leonard
- 9 **Communication Exercise** (near end of agenda) – Leonard

Ongoing Palouse CCL Initiatives

- **Lobbying Congress** - Ian (Senator Risch ID), Judy (Rep. Baumgartner, WA)
- **National CCL Initiatives: local team leaders:**
 - **Carbon Pricing and Carbon Border Adjustments**— Margaret Davis (lead)
 - **Building Electrification and Efficiency**—Mary DuPree and Mac Cantrell (leads)
 - **Healthy Forests**—Leonard Garrison (lead)
 - **Permitting Reform**
- **Pullman City** —Marilyn Von Seggern, Stephan Flint
- **Moscow City** – Mary DuPree

- **Tabling** – Simon Smith
- **Agriculture and rural issues**—Judy Meuth, Bill Voxman, Kathy Dawes
- **Publications** – Judy Meuth; Website – Joe Pallen; Facebook—Margaret Davis
 - Saving Green, LTEs
- **Presentations** – Simon Smith, Judy Meuth

Continuing Actions

- Watch the **CCL National Monthly Mtg** on the 2nd Saturday of the month <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/monthly-speakers/>
- **CCL's Live Informational Session:** Every Wed at 5 pm on Zoom. Learn more about CCL's work. <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/informational-session/>
- Log actions on CCL's Action Tracker: <https://community.citizensclimate.org/actions/home>
- Send photos and info about CCL and our activities to Margaret Davis

COMMUNICATION SKILLS EXERCISE: Helping BAAJA sound like a blast! - Leonard

With any new piece of legislation, it's important we understand how to talk about it in ways that will resonate with people. Here are two quick "elevator pitches" so you can practice highlighting the benefits of BAAJA to a left-leaning audience or to a right-leaning audience.

Instructions:

1. With a partner, read the first elevator pitch aloud.
2. Afterward, share the points you remember from the paragraph. What phrases stick in your mind?
3. Swap until everyone has had a chance to read the elevator pitch aloud.
4. If time allows, repeat with the second elevator pitch.

Elevator pitch 1 - Left-leaning audience:

I'm excited about BAAJA because it will help us build clean energy much faster. Renewables and other clean technologies are ready to go, but too many good projects still get stuck waiting years to connect to the grid or get permits. This bipartisan bill helps tackle those bottlenecks so we can build more clean energy, modernize our grid, and cut climate pollution faster. At the same time, it will lower energy costs nationwide, which is something I think we all can agree on.

Elevator pitch 2 - Right-leaning audience:

What I like about BAAJA is that it helps America get back to building things. Right now, it takes way too long to permit the energy projects, power lines, and infrastructure our country needs. This bipartisan bill cuts through some of those barriers so we can produce more energy here at home, strengthen our grid, create good American jobs, and keep up with growing energy demand. To me, it's a practical way to make America more energy secure and competitive. At the same time, it will lower energy costs nationwide, which is something I think we all can agree on.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 19, 5:30 pm, Fiske Room of the 1912 Center, Moscow

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Join Zoom Meeting

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