

Palouse Citizens' Climate Lobby
AGENDA Sept. 16, 2021, 5:30-7:00 pm on Zoom

Introductions

Additions to the Agenda and Review of Minutes

Announcements

Benefit Concert for CCL Palouse Oct. 1, 1912 Center's Lecompte Auditorium
CCL speaker to Moscow League of Women Voters next Wed.?—Kathy
Climate change walkout—11-1 Sept. 24 East City Park Moscow
Engaging students webinar from CCL: 5 PM Sept. 23 [CCL Engaging Students](#)
Action on fossil fuel disinvestment--Bill

National CCL news - Reconciliation process—Mary

Communications Exercise—The Border Adjustment (exercise at end of this agenda)

CCL—Palouse Reports and Actions

- Nov. 15-19 Lobby Week. Judy
- CCL-P Leadership team: Pullman—Simon, Marilyn, Judy, Amelie, Kynan; Moscow—Kayla, Trish Mac, Mary. Major goals: increase student involvement at schools and universities; Tik Tok video to reach broader audience; support smaller CCL groups in the region; have CCL presentations ready to go; build Progressive support for EICDA; reach out more to local Conservatives, especially through Ag. Contacts, local Republican parties, and RepublicEN.
- Moscow and Pullman Chamber of Commerce/Ag meeting and plans – Judy, Eric
- Pullman and Moscow city climate actions update – Kynan, Mary
- Publications - Judy
- Grassroots – Tabling at Farmers' Market, new trifold
Other opportunities this fall--Simon
- Braver Angels event – Linda, Kathy
- Outreach: who should we present to this fall? Who would like to present?
- Outreach to Idaho Conservation League; Idaho Power—Mary
- Moscow HS Climate Justice League--Nicole

Double our Impacts!

- Double our Monthly Calling Campaign members and calls. Sign up for Monthly Calling Campaign: www.cclusa.org/mcc
- Submit LTE's or an op-ed now on "Why Carbon Pricing?" or other topics. See topic ideas at [LTE topic ideas document](#) and cclusa.org/lte-topics. See how-to's for letter writing at cclusa.org/lte

Continuing Individual Actions

- Log actions on CCL's Action Tracker: <https://community.citizensclimate.org/actions/home>
- Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act, H.R. 2307 -
Write President Biden to let him know of broad support for carbon pricing and the EICDA
(Postcards: President Biden, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20500;
Emails: <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/white-house/>)
- Join phone/text banks to persuade Democratic senators to keep carbon price/dividend in the Reconciliation Bill <https://community.citizensclimate.org/bulletin/2101/235> NOW!
- Send information for Facebook posts to Margaret Davis (maddvm101@gmail.com)

Next meeting Thursday, October 21 from 5:30 to 7, probably by Zoom

Practice talking about carbon border adjustments!

COMMUNICATION EXERCISE

Europe's carbon border adjustment will penalize U.S. manufacturers for the U.S.'s lack of a carbon price. Let's get ready to talk about carbon border adjustments at tabling and presentations, with community leaders and the media, with friends and family, and in November Lobby meetings.

Suggestions for how to practice

Instructions: Take turns reading the border adjustment talking points below out loud. Afterward, take turns prompting each other with the underlined part, asking, can you say this talking point in your own words?

Put everyone into breakout rooms, two people per room, for six minutes. When everyone comes back together, ask a few people to share what they learned.

Border adjustment talking points

Adjusting prices at the border. One of the pillars of effective carbon pricing is a carbon border adjustment on imports from nations that don't have an equivalent price on carbon.

Protecting U.S. businesses. A border adjustment would help U.S. businesses compete with industries in countries where there is no carbon pricing. It would also remove the incentive for U.S. businesses to relocate overseas to avoid a U.S. carbon fee.

The EU is beating the U.S. to the punch. The European Union, the world's second largest economy, is beating the U.S. to the punch by imposing a border adjustment of its own, due to go into effect in 2023.

Maintaining trade balance. With U.S. businesses facing the likelihood of tariffs on the carbon footprints of their goods, the tables are turned - the U.S. now has a strong incentive to enact a price on carbon to maintain trade balance with Europe.

Follow our lead. When the U.S. and EU both price carbon with a border adjustment, these two economic giants will pressure other nations to follow their lead.

Additional Resource

CCL Community's [Understanding Border Carbon Adjustments](#) training and its [list of 14 helpful readings](#).