

February 15, 2024, 5:30-7:00 pm
Citizens' Climate Lobby – Palouse
Community Congregational Church, Pullman or via Zoom
(Zoom link, and contact info for individuals mentioned below are at the end of this Agenda)

Introductions

Values Statement: We are committed to creating a consensus for and the steps needed to achieve fair, effective, and enduring climate change policies, and to a process that is inclusive, non-partisan, and respectful of diverse points of view.

Announcements

- CCL--P social gatherings: Every 2nd Thursday of the month, 5-7:30 pm, Trailside Taproom, 505 SE Riverview, Pullman
- CCL [March 19-20 Conservative Climate Leadership Conference & Lobby Day](#).
- Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (WA 05) will not run for re-election.
- For WA Members: [Please send a message to your legislators asking them to support the “Navigator” bill, HB 1391](#). The Navigator program will connect Washington residents with clean energy incentives, programs, financing, and qualified contractors for energy audits, upgrades and retrofits. It will make sure that public funds already allocated get put to good use. The outreach will benefit everyone, and prioritizes environmental justice with a minimum of 40% investments directed to low-income households and vulnerable populations in overburdened communities, aligned with the Climate Commitment Act and Justice 40 goals. (<https://climatesolutions.quorum.us/campaign/55979/>)
- Send news items, photos, local events to Margaret for posting on CCL social media

Reports

- ***Not the End of the World: How We Can Be the First Generation to Build a Sustainable Planet***, Hannah Ritchie – Review by Pete
- **“The Surprisingly Simple Way to Convince People to Go Green”**, Michael Coren, Washington Post, 12-5-23 – Judy
- ***Reclaiming Our Democracy: Transformational Advocacy***, CCL Guest Speaker Sam Daley-Harris – Judy

Communication Exercise – Farm Bill Talking Points (see exercise later in agenda)

Contacting our Members of Congress

Support conservation funding in the Farm Bill: cclusa.org/protect-forests

Planning for 2024

Venn diagram summary and Leadership Team output

- **Healthy Forests**
- **Electrification and Efficiency**
- **Pullman City climate action**
- **Outreach**
- **Media**
- **Lobbying**
- **Elections** <https://cclusa.org/election-engagement>
- **How are we doing?** What are we doing that works well (and what doesn't)?

Ongoing Palouse CCL Initiatives and Actions (Note coherence with list just above!)

- Carbon Pricing and Cash-back – Simon Smith and Margaret Davis (leads)
- Building Electrification and Efficiency – Mac Cantrell and Mary DuPree (leads)
- Healthy Forests — Trish Hartzell (lead)

- Presentations — Simon Smith
- Pullman City – Azdren Coma
- Moscow City – Mary DuPree
- Member of Congress liaisons – Mac Cantrell (Crapo), Judy Meuth (McMorris Rodgers)
- Tabling – Simon Smith
- Outreach to rural communities — Bill Voxman
- Publications – Judy Meuth, Pete Haug (print); Website – Joe Pallen
- Social Media, Facebook – Margaret Davis, Giselle Zuniga

Individual Actions

- Write your MoCs on the Farm Bill <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/get-loud-take-action/climate-smart-forestry/>
- Watch the monthly national call and guest speaker 3rd Saturday of the month on Community)
- 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 and Gisell Zuniga

COMMUNICATION SKILLS EXERCISE: Farm Bill talking points

Trees pull the equivalent of 12% of America’s carbon pollution out of the air each year and with climate-smart protection, expansion and management, our forests could pull up to 22% of pollution by 2030. The Inflation Reduction Act in 2022 allocated \$20B for climate-smart forestry in the Farm Bill. The Farm Bill is up for renegotiation and renewal this year, so we want Congress to protect this funding. So that you can help advocate for this, let’s practice saying CCL’s **Farm Bill talking points**:

1. The Farm Bill is our nation’s largest investment in agricultural producers. It contains significant federal policy for conserving our nation’s soil, land, and water resources.
2. Current Farm Bill conservation, forestry, and resilience programs are only meeting a fraction of the needs and demands from farmers, ranchers, and forest owners who are on the front lines of climate change.
3. Back in 2022, as part of the Inflation Reduction Act, Congress allocated \$20 billion to voluntary, incentive-based conservation and climate-smart forestry and farming programs.
4. Congress must protect and build upon that investment as they renegotiate the Farm Bill this year.
5. You can help by writing to urge Congress to protect the \$20B of climate-smart agroforestry funding in the Farm Bill. Use our [Take Action tool](https://cclusa.org/protect-forests) (cclusa.org/protect-forests) to write.

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Next meeting is March 21, 5:30-7 at 1912 Center, Moscow

CCL Meeting Zoom joining info

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Join Zoom Meeting

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