

Minutes - July 18, 2024, 5:30-7:00 pm
Citizens' Climate Lobby – Palouse
1912 Center Fiske Room, Moscow, or on Zoom
(Contact info for individuals mentioned below are at the end of this Agenda.)

Introductions

Kent Keller, Kasey Dettlaff, Tim Kohler, Marilyn Von Seggern, Steve Flint, Bill Engels, Colleen Winchester, Azdren Coma, Paul Spencer, Simon Smith, Margaret Davis, Nick Koenig, Lynn Weaver, Mary DuPree.

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

- The **PROVE IT Act** was introduced this week in the House! Contact your reps and urge them to co-sponsor it. [PROVE IT Act | Ask Congress to Cosponsor \(citizensclimatelobby.org\)](https://citizensclimatelobby.org)
- **Environmental survey for Pullman residents**
The Pullman Environmental Resilience Commission is asking residents to participate in its anonymous survey at https://wsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b1p5RmHsivC1c6y . “The goal of this survey is to collect information about Pullman residents' views on various environmental issues, such as improving public transportation. Your response will help us better understand what environmental issues are *most important to you.*”
- **NO on I-2117**
Volunteers are the heart of this campaign, and between our unprecedented coalition of over 250 organizations including Tribal Nations, environmental organizations, small businesses and large leading companies, labor unions, and community organizations from across the state, our volunteers are a powerful force driving us closer to our outreach goals. In order to defeat Initiative 2117, we need all-hands on-deck! Even if you can't make it to our Kick-Off event, you can still [sign up to volunteer with us here](#). Steve: still can get postcards. Postcards just say it will cost too much – no details. Will be mailed Oct 18, same day ballots are sent. Marilyn wrote an LTE in March. Another initiative on the ballot, I-2066, would repeal provisions meant to hasten Puget Sound Energy's transition away from natural gas.
- **Join Citizens' Climate Lobby Nuclear Energy Action Team for a webinar with Dr. Gerry Thomas**, a renowned molecular pathologist with an interest in radiation-associated cancer. She has spent the last two decades of her career helping to debunk the myths that surround the health effects of radiation, in particular those related to nuclear power. This talk will focus on what we know about health effects from exposure to low levels of radiation, including the health effects of disposal of nuclear waste. [Register here](#)

Election year activities

- Join the CCL Election Engagement team <https://community.citizensclimate.org/groups/home/2977>
- Environmental Voter Project <https://community.citizensclimate.org/resources/item/19/464> Phone banking every Wed, 4:00-5:00 pm Mary: This is a national organization that targets low propensity voters that are environmentalists. How do we get them to vote? They target specific regions. Mostly do phone banking. Also doing postcarding.

- Write an LTE or post on social media about extreme heat and smoke events in our area. Prompt readers to consider the climate plans of candidates in the upcoming elections. This is a helpful resource: <https://community.citizensclimate.org/resources/item/19/501>
 - Now would be good time because of the heat and smoke
- Washington primaries still in future – note campaign to replace McMorris Rodgers.
- We'll march in the Lentil Festival parade in Pullman on Aug 17.

CCL Palouse Presentation Team

Please let Judy or Mary know if you might be interested in making presentations. A good way to start would be by shadowing one of our more experienced presenters.

Ongoing Palouse CCL Initiatives and Actions

- **Lobbying Congress**-- Ian (Senator Risch, ID), Mac (Senator Crapo, ID), Judy (Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers, WA 05)
- **Carbon Pricing and Cash-back** -- Margaret Davis (lead)
- **Building Electrification and Efficiency** – Mac Cantrell and Mary DuPree (leads). Mary on Harvest Hills proposed wind project.
 - **POWER TALK** is a 70-page document which introduces and explains basic concepts and terms used in discussing electric power. It is for lay persons interested in the transition to carbon free electric power. It is user friendly, with a good table of contents, glossary and graphics. It is intended to be used as a resource. It is meant to help us improve our **electric power literacy** in order to practice energy democracy and knowledgeably participate in the discussions and decisions about the transition to carbon free sources of power. Produced by the national League of Women Voters CAP Team.
 - Direct link to POWER TALK: https://my.lwv.org/sites/default/files/power_talk_6-2024_final.pdf
- **Healthy Forests** — Trish Hartzell (lead)
- **Pullman City** – Azdren Coma, Marilyn Von Seggern
- **Moscow City** – Mary DuPree
- **Tabling** – Simon Smith
- **Outreach to rural communities** — Bill Voxman and Kathy Dawes
- **Publications** – Judy Meuth, Pete Haug (print); Website – Joe Pallen; Facebook—Margaret Davis
- **Social Media** – Gisell Zuniga (Note that Gisell is away for the summer).

Continuing Individual Actions

- Watch the monthly national call and guest speaker 3rd Saturday of the month on CCL 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.
- "Saving Green" had nice article from Leonard on lawn tools. Mary wrote one on paving the way to electrification. The next article will be on transportation and Judy will write one on domestic solar. Mary urged members to briefly respond to these articles in LTE's to get more eyes on them.

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Next meeting is August 15, 5:30-7 at the Community Congregational Church, Pullman