

AGENDA Jan 15, 2025, 5:30-7:00 pm - Citizens' Climate Lobby

Fiske Room, 1912 Center in Moscow 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

- Jan 12 - Feb. 26. For WA and ID residents: The US EPA, US Dept of Energy, and WA Dept of Ecology want your feedback on communications and public engagement related to cleanup of the Hanford Nuclear Site – Fill out this short survey available Jan 12 - Feb. 26, 2026. https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=F-LQEU4mCkCLOFfcwSFXLSXB1OjPz9GoYvZKi1ghmFUNjdXVUdFNkJOU1Q1TVWWOUFKRFo3MDK2QSQIQCN0PWcu&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery&route=shorturl
- Jan 22, 5 pm – CCL BRIDGE Live Session. From Intuition to Insight: How we all make meaning. Jan 22, 5pm Pacific, <https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/item/24/20075>
- Mar 30 – Apr 10. Spring recess for Congress. CCL Summer Conference and Lobby Day in DC: July 26-28, 2026

Action Alert – Preserve NCAR Funding - Congress is staring down their next deadline to fund the government for 2026. If they don't pass a bipartisan spending bill by Jan. 30, we're heading for a partial government shutdown. The administration would like to cut funding for the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR). Tell your members of Congress to retain this funding critical for climate science and solutions. cclusa.org/ncar

CCL Monthly Call – Mary

CCL BRIDGE Advocacy Program – Judy

Building Relationships in Dialogue, Growth, and Engagement — program designed to strengthen communication skills and deepen relationships with congressional offices <https://community.citizensclimate.org/BRIDGE/Unit-1>. Live session - From Intuition to Insight: How we all make meaning, Jan 22, 5pm Pacific, <https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/item/24/20075>

Energy Permitting Reform – This is the most important clean energy and climate policy opportunity in the 119th Congress. To learn more, check out trainings at <https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/item/24/20073>

Energy Efficiency and Electrification Fair, April 4, 2026 – Leonard, Mac, Mary, Margaret, Simon, Judy

LTEs – Speaking Up – Judy

- Focus on NCAR funding.
- New Year, healthy climate.
- Permitting Reform

Communication Exercise – (near end of agenda) - Judy

Ongoing Palouse CCL Initiatives and Actions

- **Lobbying Congress** - Ian (Senator Risch ID), Judy (Rep. Baumgartner, WA)
- **National CCL Initiatives: local team leaders:**
 - **Carbon Pricing:** 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
 - **Saving Green Columns**
 - Sustainability Commission has openings

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

Continuing Individual Actions

- Watch the monthly national call on the 2nd 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

COMMUNICATION SKILLS EXERCISE: How CCL Makes an Impact - Judy

The Prompt

Imagine someone asks you: “*What’s the deal with CCL — what are you working on right now?*” or “*How can regular people even make an impact on Congress anymore?*”

One response could be: “*The political moment feels pretty volatile right now. Between everything happening in government and the accelerating climate impacts, a lot can feel out of our control. But one thing isn’t — how we show up in conversations with the people who make decisions.*

That’s why CCL is training volunteers in three areas:

- *understanding how people form beliefs and what actually motivates them,*
- *building communication skills that create trust instead of conflict, and*
- *helping members of Congress move step-by-step toward climate leadership instead of expecting big leaps all at once.*

A lot of groups focus mainly on pressure. Our approach is different — we work to change the conditions that allow lawmakers to act, by making sure climate action feels important, feasible, and politically safe in their world. That’s what keeps doors open and lets real progress keep moving forward, no matter who’s in office.”

Take a couple of minutes to jot down how you might respond to the question in your own words. The example above highlights a helpful structure that 1) acknowledges the moment 2) names what’s in our control 3) explains CCL’s strategy and 4) connects to how they can make a difference. When ready, turn to a partner (or pair up in Zoom breakout rooms). One person asks: “**So what is CCL up to right now?**” The other gives their **20–30 second response**. Switch roles.

Next meeting Feb 19, 5:30-7, Community Congregational Church, Pullman

Contact Info: (*Contact information has been removed*)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85948476493?pwd=9oBlwOswUuteymndoJST9UonkX1Jj0.1>

Meeting ID: 859 4847 6493, Passcode: 939133

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kcPzsxgRxy>