

Welcome to the April 2025 Meeting

Tucson Citizens
Climate Lobby



Water in Sabino Creek! March 18



Slides and links in this presentation can be found on our website home page later this weekend

<http://tucsonccl.com>

Special Announcements and News (*Click buttons for details*)

**Our next in-person Meeting is
Saturday, February 8, 2025
Coffee at 10 AM, meeting starts at 10:30 AM
Pima Community College, Downtown
Campus
1255 N Stone**

Check back around Feb 1 for more information

**To download slides from our January 11
meeting (including Phil Berry's) click here.**

**Click here to see more events on our
Calendar Page**





Land Acknowledgement

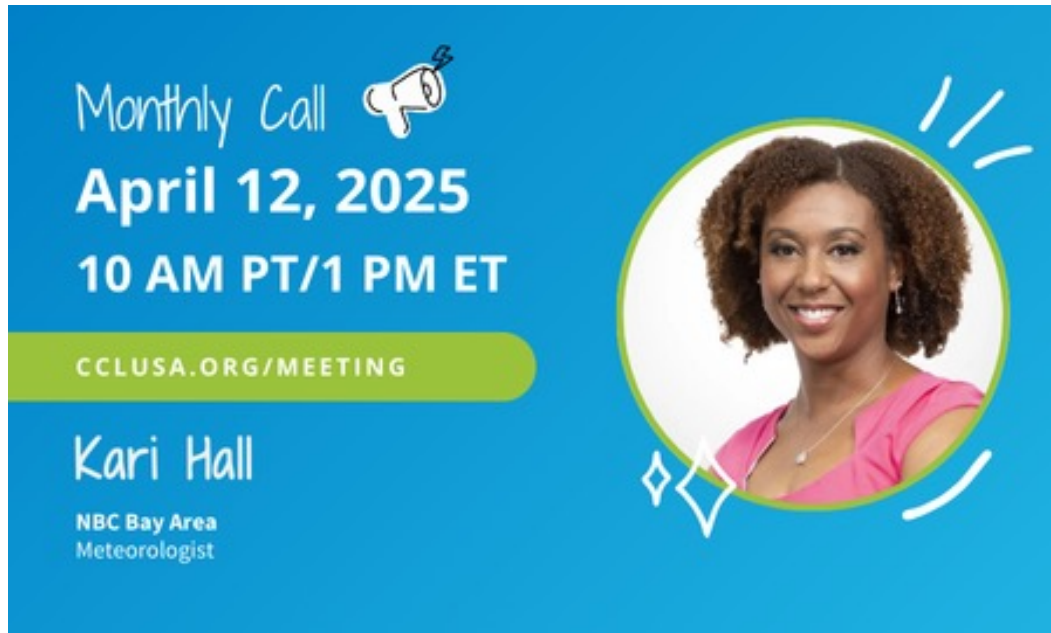
- ▶ Pima Community College acknowledges that all College facilities sit on the ancestral lands of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe and Tohono O'odham Nation.
- ▶ We take this opportunity to thank and honor the region's indigenous people, the original and ongoing caretakers of these lands.


Welcome to everyone who has joined since our February meeting - and anyone here today for the first time

Shashi Sanghi	Margaret Schied	Fred Calabrese
Donya Meggs	Karen Luce	Kris Corlette
Debi Alves	Brady Gilg	Jeanne Marie Mudd
Alexandra Belford	Siri Peregh	Alexandra Wright
Jim Sell	Rick Silcock	Ethan Rigel
Todd Laveen	Isabella Bernard	Linda Fugate
Doug Burch	Angelo Pama	Ynnah Calusin
Briana Lynn	Alexandra Reynoso	Tucson Climate Watch
Elizabeth Watson	Sierra Meeks	Maiya Block Ngaybe
Maass Taylor	Kathleen Collier	Tanish Doshi
Amanda Becker	Jack Passananti	Alexander Paige
Sean Taylor	Madhav Chopra	Emilia Kim
Gwendolyn Own	David Mountain	Peggy Gaines
Trea Houska	Bhargav Ghush	David Apgar
Adie Taylor		

Look for CCL's National Call Speakers


<https://www.youtube.com/@CitizensClimateLobby/featured/Monthly Meeting>



Monthly Call 
April 12, 2025
10 AM PT/1 PM ET

CCLUSA.ORG/MEETING

Kari Hall
NBC Bay Area
Meteorologist



Kari Hall is an Emmy Award-winning meteorologist for NBC Bay Area's morning newscast, Today in The Bay. Kari holds a degree in Geoscience with an emphasis in Broadcast Meteorology

Citizen's Climate Lobby - over 237,000 supporters and 515 chapters worldwide!

Dedicated to creating political will to solve the climate crisis by advocating for policies that will effectively reduce greenhouse gas emissions:

- Carbon price
- Electrification
- Permitting reform
- Healthy forests

by building bridges, both in Congress and in our communities.

<https://citizensclimatelobby.org/informational-session/>



The Summer Conference and Lobby Day July 20-22

While we have activities at the state and local level, we continue to place a primary focus on national policy

Registration opens TODAY

Venue is the Omni Shoreham Hotel

Please consider attending. Last time we checked, airline tickets were a bargain!



Training April 17, 5PM MST

Danny Richter

Navigating Climate Advocacy in a Changing Political Landscape

<https://citizensclimate.zoom.us/j/273716354>

Danny Richter outlines CCL's learning goals and priorities for the 119th Congress, focusing on defending the clean energy tax credits and supporting foreign pollution tariff measures.

With Republicans controlling Congress, CCL shifts from offense to defense, emphasizing strategic engagement with both parties. The approach highlights the economy and climate urgency, empowering volunteers and fostering bipartisan relationships.

Two Important CCL Values -

Nonpartisan. CCL is open to anyone serious about solving climate change. No matter where you live, what you wear, or who you voted for in the last election, you are welcome. We work with elected officials and community leaders from across the political spectrum because we believe that everyone is a potential ally.

Relationships. We take the most generous approach to other people as possible – appreciation, gratitude, and respect. We listen, we work to find common ground, and we endeavor to understand our own biases. We are honest and firm. While there is a place for protest, our approach is to build consensus, which we believe will bring enduring change. *That's why elected officials and their staff, no matter what their politics, say they are happy to see us – and mean it.*

Republican Member of Ways and Means Committee Reaches Out to CCL

CCL was contacted by a Republican member on the House Ways and Means Committee, asking for assistance in lobbying select Republican members of the committee, requesting CCL's help to keep the Clean Energy Tax Credits in the new budget bill!

The Republicans Pushing Trump to Save Biden's Clean Energy Tax Credits

Despite President Trump's rollback of climate policy, some Republicans and business leaders say clean energy can help his "energy dominance" agenda.

New York Times, March 17

National Policy News

Foreign Pollution Fee Act

Sponsors Sen. Cassidy (R-LA) and Graham (R-SC)

CCL Lobbied for this during the Conservative Climate Conference

No actions at this time for AZ members, but stay tuned

Action in the Senate on Budget - Beginning Lobby Effort in the Senate

Chapter-wide Lobbying Action

Jane Conlin

Thanks to our writers and callers -

- **Our chapter made 238 calls to Congress to protect NOAA.** (61% of state's total calls). 19,166 total calls were made! 880 jobs have been cut with 1029 more planned, for the future, totaling about 10% of total staff.
- **Calls to Protect the Clean Energy Tax Credits** - since the TOFB - 10. Could that be right? With help from national, we're going to test the Action Tracker in May and would like 8 or 10 volunteers to make a call on one specific day.

The TEP Franchise Agreement – What You Can Do - Jane

- ▶ Read and share our GTCC recommendations at www.tucsonccl.com
- ▶ Learn how municipalities are using franchise agreements to achieve goals of their climate action plans. [NREL examines how municipalities use franchise agreements to achieve energy goals.](#)
- ▶ Join the Franchise Group discussion that meets on Monday nights at 6pm - mostly CCL and Sustainable Tucson volunteers, while we advocate for a strong position for the city in the negotiations.



The TEP Franchise Agreement – What You Can Do - Jane

- ▶ Attend an upcoming lobby meeting with City Council members and staff.
- ▶ Attend a City Council meeting and speak at the “Call to the audience.”
- ▶ Write an op-ed, LTE’s and let your friends know about Tucson’s once-in-this golden age of opportunity - the chance to achieve our climate goals!



The TEP Franchise Agreement - What do we recommend? Garrett

Franchise Agreement Policy Proposals

- ▶ Terms of FA - 5 years, renewals in 5-yr increments based on reaching performance goals.
- ▶ Renewals by review committee w. city, utility, and community experts
- ▶ TEP investment of \$40M of shareholder money into a Climate Equity Fund
- ▶ Franchise fee from shareholder's equity, not revenue from ratepayers

Energy Cooperation Agreement Proposal + Fund to support TRT goals:

- ▶ Carbon Emission Reductions.
- ▶ Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness.
- ▶ Energy Efficiency - both TEP energy production, City of Tucson and Community-wide goals.

ACC Watch Action Team

Barbara Liguori



Book Club Action Team

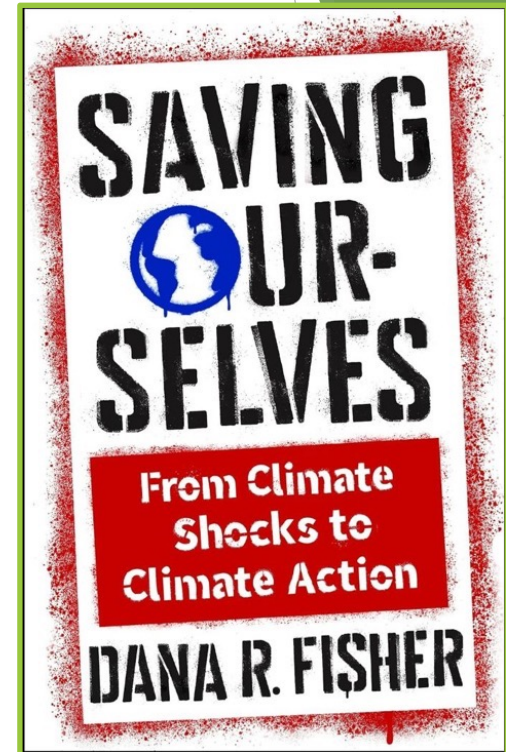
Garrett Weaver

Saving Ourselves

by Dana R Fisher

We will finish up this book and discuss options for new titles at the next meeting

7PM
Monday
April 14
On Zoom



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89975780575?pwd=ZrYpBhM7OgqhtOQ16f7oaZNIFvLx7b.1>

Social Media Action Team

Garrett Weaver



Grassroots Action Team

Ed Beshore

March 2025 Festival of Books
234+ Conversations

PCC Community Day - April 8th

UA Sustainability Summit
April 22nd, 10AM-2PM - Environment
and Natural Resources Bldg (ENR2)
Two Volunteers Needed - 10AM and 12PM



Print Media Action Team

Rick Rappaport



TV and Radio Action Team

Marian Fish



Grassroots Action Team

*Two Earth Day Volunteers Needed
for UA Sustainability Summit*

*10 AM - 2 PM
Environment and Natural Resources
Building (ENR2)*



Student DC Scholarship Winners

- ▶ First round selections have been made
- ▶ A second round is awaiting arrival of funding
- ▶ We will announce all of our winners at the May meeting!



Preserving the IRA

- Thank Rep. Ciscomani for his enthusiastic support of clean energy tax credits!
- Southern Arizona commitments from businesses interested in making clean energy investments total nearly \$1.8B and thousands of new jobs.
- With the desire to boost US manufacturing, the clean energy tax credits have already proven their worth.
- Its good for America and Arizona!
- Every IRA dollar spent results in three dollars of investment

