Dear Elliot,

We're halfway through the Biden-Harris administration's first 100 days. The national Build Back Fossil Free coalition has been organizing a week of escalating actions to demand President Joe Biden be a real Climate President.

350 Eugene is excited to participate and we want you to join in!
When: Wednesday, March 31st at 3:45 - 5:00 pm

Where: Eugene Federal Building and US Courthouse, 211 E 7th Avenue (7th & Pearl)

What: Build Back Fossil Free banners, Stop the Money Pipeline screenprints, signs, dinosaurs and more! We'll have a brief program, followed by a loud & jaunty march to Chase Bank to deliver a letter demanding they defund the tars sands Line 3 project that is destroying Indigenous communities. There's lots of art to animate!

This is a Covid-safe event, with masks and social distancing. Here's our Facebook event.

Under the cover of darkness, our stealth Gobo Light Brigade will be projecting messages on buildings downtown, so be on the look-out!

Not only do we want you to join us downtown Wednesday, March 31st as part of nationwide events, we recognize this is the time to demand real climate action in our beloved home state of Oregon. (Read on to learn about and sign up to talk with legislators on March 24th. There are some really important climate bills we need to push over the finish line!)

From our city and county, to the state and national level, from Line 3 to DAPL tar sands to fracked gas, our fossil fuel and climate justice fights are interconnected and our collective grassroots actions get the goods! Thanks for raising your voice! LET'S GET LOUD.

Campaign Updates

Drawdown Eugene

The Lane County Climate Advisory Committee (CAC) will be holding their next meeting on Friday, March 26th from 12:30-2:30 PM. Please click here to register for public testimony or to watch the meeting.

The purpose of the Climate Action Advisory Committee is to advise the Lane County Board of Commissioners (Board) on policy decisions regarding climate change. The CAC may provide input to the Board on agenda items or may propose new policy directives.

Resilience & Regeneration

Dr. Martin Shaw: Pandemic & Mythic Meanings of this Cultural Moment

Dr. Martin Shaw, one of the great master storytellers of our time, discusses the mythology and meanings of our current cultural moment and the global coronavirus pandemic. Questions are explored, such as:

Racial Justice & Climate

Our hearts go out to the victims of the recent shooting rampage in Georgia and their families. Six of the eight victims were Asian women. This follows a year of rising anti-Asian violence enflamed by xenophobic rhetoric during the COVID-19 pandemic. A recent report by Stop AAPI Hate documents nearly 3800 anti-Asian incidents in the last year, with nearly 70% of those being reported by Asian women.

We stand in solidarity with all Asian American Pacific Islander members of our community, colleagues and families. Together we can:

Lift up the recent report from Stop AAPI Hate. This report shines a light on the increased
How do we sit with our discomfort and use this potent time for our own and the planet’s transformation? With humor and word-weaving, Dr. Martin Shaw illuminates why mythology, story, connection with nature and self are all more important now than ever before.

Oregon Climate Action Plan (OCAP)

Join OLCV’s virtual lobby day this Wednesday, March 24th!

Help advocate for the top environmental priorities facing lawmakers in Salem right now: the Oregon Clean Energy Opportunity (including the bill for 100% Clean Energy), eliminating the Oregon Forest Resources Institute (the timber industry’s propaganda machine), smart wildfire legislation, and ensuring necessary funding for our natural resource agencies. We will also be a voice to stop any bad environmental bills from passing!

Time: 9:30am to 5pm (meetings likely to end earlier)
Optional Celebration Happy Hour: 5pm-6pm
Place: Zoom (meeting info will be sent to RSVPs a few days prior)

To RSVP, email Tia at tia@olcv.org!

Good News!

Climate-smart Transit - LTD takes delivery of all 11 electric buses it had ordered in 2020! “The new buses replace fossil fuel buses in the fleet and will begin passenger service later this year,” said Matt Imlach, LTD’s Fleet Management Director.

LTD’s electric buses, and environmentally conscious measures it is taking, align with the Climate Action Policy and Fleet Procurement Goals passed by LTD’s Board of Directors in June 2020. LTD’s zero-emission electric buses help the District to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions from its fossil fuel-powered vehicles while continuing to fulfill its mission to provide clean, reliable, convenient, transportation options for the Eugene-Springfield, Oregon metro area, and surrounding communities.

LTD expects to order and receive 19 more electric buses by 2023 and continues to explore other fuels and technologies that support the District’s goals to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions. Tip of the hat to LTD’s Sustainability Team: Kelly Hoell and Commissioner Josh Skov, who spearheaded this effort. LTD is an active member of the City of Eugene’s Climate Collaborative. Learn more about LTD’s work to meet its climate goals here!

Upcoming Webinars

350.org’s Skilling Up for
Climate Action Series

Trainings are free and last 1.5 hours, followed by an optional 30 minute reflection on the training techniques used for local group trainers. Participate in any or all. Get all the details and register here.

Next training: Saturday, April 10th, 11am-12:30pm - Organizing & Movement Building

Tuesday, March 23rd, 6-7:30pm:
Adapting to a Future with Fire

Fire is a reality, now and into the future, so how do we live with it? We’ll take a look at ways communities can adapt to live with and prepare for fire through firewise landscapes and other measures, and explore the future of fire on the landscape in an era of climate change. Register here.

Thursday, April 1st, 3-5pm:
Activist Solidarity Tactics

With Indigenous resistance to the Line 3 pipeline that threatens Anishnaabe land (known as Minnesota) heating up, and the movement for Black Lives likely to ramp back up in the wake of continued police brutality, organizers on the ground should be prepared for potential arrests. Solidarity tactics keep individuals from being singled out, & can result in better jail & court outcomes while building movements’ power. Register here!

April 9th-10th: Environmental Justice Pathways Summit

The EJP summit will host renowned national and state speakers, and create space for interactive discussions and presentations with the goal of creating a collaborative network and policy guidelines dedicated to Environmental Justice in the state of Oregon. The EJPS will feature Environmental, Cultural and Human Rights Advocate Sheila Watt-Cloutier for the annual University of Oregon Climate Change and Indigenous Peoples lecture on April 9 at 12 pm and the Keynote Lecture on April 10 at 6 pm with Dr. Mustafa Santiago Ali, with the National Wildlife Federation.

Thursday, March 25th, 7-8:30pm:
"Natural" Gas: The Fossil Fuel You Came to Love

Hosted by Southern Oregon Climate Action Now (SOCAN), this is the first in a series of conversations on the economic, social equity, and practical implications of our natural gas connections - and our desire to sever them. Register here!

April 9th-11th: Global Just Recovery Gathering

Now is the time for the climate movement to reconnect! The Global Just Recovery Gathering is a three-day online event featuring interactive workshops, cultural sessions, and hands-on trainings. Build your skills, strengthen relationships, and hear from a powerful line-up of climate leaders, artists, and musicians in every corner of the
Schedule of events & register here

Take Action Now!

- **Join our March Postcard Blitz – Pipe Dreams!**
  - We are happy the Eugene City Council and Mayor have signaled that NW Natural Gas cannot dictate the terms of the franchise agreement and ignore the need for a binding, credible plan to reduce their emissions, in keeping with the Climate Action Plan 2.0. The for-profit, investor-owned gas utility needs to join the clean energy revolution!
  - March's postcards beautifully explain the promise of jobs and health in a clean energy economy, and send appreciation to our council and mayor for standing strong.
  - If you haven't received your four postcards for March, send an email to info@350eugene.org today with your ward number & we'll get you set up, complete with postage, addresses, and directions. Do it today!

- **Support OCN's priorities for a healthy Oregon**
  - The Oregon Conservation Network (OCN) is a coalition of 30+ environmental groups that works to pass pro-environment legislation. This year, they've chosen four priorities: clean energy, smart wildfire policy, disbanding OFRI, and budget.
  - Using this form, send an email to your state senator and state representative, and encourage them to support these priorities!

- **Join OLCV’s virtual lobby day!**
  - Help advocate for the priorities listed above by meeting with your legislators over Zoom!
  - Join us on Wednesday, March 24th, 9:30am-5pm - email Tia at tia@olcv.org to sign up

- **Support Fossil Free Eugene!**
  - Join us at testifying at the next City Council meeting to support a ban on new gas infrastructure in Eugene!

Find your place in the movement. Join a campaign and action team!

- **Artivism** - contact: artivist@350eugene.org
- **Climate Revolution by Bike** - contact: climaterevolutions@350eugene.org
- **Drawdown Eugene** - contact: drawdown@350eugene.org
- **Electric Transportation Action Group (E-TAG)** - contact: e-tag@350eugene.org
- **Forest Defense is Climate Defense** - contact: info@350eugene.org
- **Fossil Free Eugene** - contact: selena@350eugene.org
- **Fracked Gas Resistance** - contact: frackedgasresistance@350eugene.org
- **Oregon Climate Action Plan (OCAP)** - contact: ocap@350eugene.org
- **Resilience & Regeneration Work Group** - contact: resilience@350eugene.org

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