

Climate Change Task Force

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League's Actions

Power Talk presentation by

the LWVUS Climate Action Plan team, September 16, 10am PDT



Power Talk explains the concepts related to electric power generation, transmission, distribution, and regulation.

“It can help all of us more knowledgeably participate in the discussions and decisions about the transition to carbon-free sources of power.”

Link to Power Talk [LINK](#)

Link to meeting: [LINK](#)

League's Actions

LWV submitted a public comment to EPA's "Reconsideration of the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program." [LINK](#)

The League's Climate Interest Group wrote a draft, submitted to League headquarters where it was vetted and submitted.

Action Opportunity

Clean Power Alliance “Power Ready”

Power Ready is grant program for solar and storage for resilience.

[LINK](#)

Status

Note: All cities in Ventura County are now members of Clean Power Alliance as Fillmore voted to join on October 14!

Action Opportunity

LWV Climate Interest Group: Updates and Opportunities

Things are happening within LWV's Climate Interest Group (CIG) and now is the time to join and get involved. What started as a few dozen League members from across the country coming together to share resources, is now the first League recognized interest group and boasts over 1600+ members from forty-eight states. [To join, click on this link.](#)

The CIG's three goals are: (1) provide local and state Leagues with vetted, science-based, and curated information on key climate issues so local Leagues can immediately advocate and League voices are consistent and informed; (2) provide talking points on currently topical issues that have been prepared by the CIG in collaboration with LWVUS staff; and (3) host webinars and other events on key issues to inform and motivate League action.

To meet these goals the CIG has produced a wide array of educational materials, found on the [CIG website here](#). You can find information on key climate issues in the form of 'one pagers'; short videos; powerpoint presentations; and links to webinars produced by the CIG including a well-attended conversation with climate investor, Tom Steyer.

Action Opportunity

LWV Climate Interest Group: Updates and Opportunities (cont'd)

Members of the CIG have also written blogs for LWVUS' website about [food waste](#), [climate action plans](#), [oceans](#), and other climate related topics ([see all the blogs here](#)). CIG also has provided input to LWVUS to use in their written responses to proposed legislation.

Recently, members of the CIG drafted comments in response to the US Environmental Protection Agency's proposed rule to rescind its 2009 Endangerment Finding which provides the legal basis to regulate greenhouse gas emissions including carbon dioxide from motorized vehicles. National reviewed the comments and submitted them.

The CIG is now taking a close look at its structure and how it operates. It has identified a strong need for more assistance at all levels - from communicating and engaging with local leagues to aiding in developing Google forms and worksheets. There is a lot to be done! Take a moment to join and complete the survey ([link here](#)). Find out how you can make a difference on climate change. Help educate members with science-based, League approved information about climate change and its impacts and inspire action at all levels.

Events

The League was
be there!

Community ACTION FAIR CONEJO VALLEY



HEAR FROM THE ORGANIZATIONS DOING THE WORK, AND LEARN

HOW YOU CAN HELP



Saturday,
8 November,
2025
12pm -3 pm



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Pavillion
Thousand Oaks



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Invitation

**The LWV Orange County
will be hosting Sammy Roth
on Wednesday, January 7 at
1:30pm Information on how
to attend will be announced.**



Sammy Roth is a former climate columnist for the Los Angeles Times, where he wrote the weekly Boiling Point newsletter and hosted the Boiling Point podcast. He now writes the independent newsletter Climate-Colored Goggles. He previously reported for the Desert Sun and USA Today, where he covered renewable energy and public lands.

Books

Cheaper, Faster, Better – How We'll Win the Climate War

by Tom Steyer

(Also the LWVUS held a webinar with him found [HERE](#))

How Minds Change by David McRaney

Abundance by Ezra Klein and Derek Thompson

Video



<https://roryfieldingfilms.com/weareplasticpeople/>

Disinformation

Climate Communications by the LWVC: [LINK](#)

Spreadsheet of resources: [LINK](#)

Good ones for conversations:

"9 Ways to Respond to Political Misinformation" [LINK](#)

"The Secret to Talking about Climate Change" (Must view!) [LINK](#)

Webinar put on by the Sierra Club, [sc.org/Truth](https://www.sierraclub.org/sc.org/Truth)

[Link to the recording](#)

[Link to the slides](#)

[**Difficult Conversations Guide**](#)

HOW TO TALK WITH PEOPLE ABOUT CLIMATE DISRUPTION

1. *Make it personal*
2. *Find out what the person's priorities are and appeal to those priorities*
3. *Connect on values*
4. *Find common ground*
5. *Address the here and now*
6. *Focus on extreme weathers*
7. *Promote clean energy*
8. *Emphasize cost savings*
9. *Stress the urgency of action*
10. *Show where action is working*
11. *Highlight our choice of futures*

Research published in 2018 in *Science* suggests that large-scale social changes require the active engagement of about 25 percent of the population. Researchers at Yale and George Mason found that as of late 2021, one third of Americans were alarmed about the climate crisis and most of them were willing to act.

Climate Change

The League's Position

Statement of Position on Climate Change Policy, as announced by the national board, January 2019:

The League believes that climate change is a serious threat facing our nation and our planet.

The League believes that an interrelated approach to combating climate change — including through energy conservation, air pollution controls, building resilience, and promotion of renewable resources — is necessary to protect public health and defend the overall integrity of the global ecosystem. The League support climate goals and policies that are consistent with the best-available climate science and that will ensure a stable climate system for future generations. Individuals, communities, and governments must continue to address this issue, while considering the ramifications of their decision at all levels — local, state, regional, national, and global.

League History

In the later 2000s, LWVUS significantly increased its advocacy concerning global climate change. LWVUS believes that climate change is a serious problem that requires immediate domestic and international action. The League believes the US government should move ahead immediately, without waiting for other nations, on initiatives to reduce emissions of heat-trapping gases like carbon, methane, and other toxic air pollutants. Such actions will reduce the threat of global climate change, combat air pollution, increase energy security, and create new jobs.

In late 2006, the League joined other groups in issuing a statement of principles on the importance of reducing climate change. The League also created a Climate Change Task Force to provide information and assistance to the national board and staff on issues pertaining to climate change. The Task Force also works to develop materials for use by League members at the local, state, and national levels.

In 2008, the League called on Congress to enact legislation to significantly cut the greenhouse gas emissions that cause global climate change and supported increased energy efficiency and a shift to clean, renewable energy. The League called for a moratorium on the building of new coal-fired electric power plants and supported requirements for utilities to produce a significant percentage of electricity from renewable resources.

The League supported the *Climate Security Act of 2008*, as well as amendments to strengthen the bill. This legislation provided for a cap-and-trade system, which would have cut greenhouse gas emission from electric power, transportation, and manufacturing sources. The emissions cap would be reduced over time to meet pollution-reduction goals based on the best-available scientific information. These emissions reductions could be

Other

Next meeting December 18, 3pm