

Climate Change Task Force

2/26/2026



Oxnard Battery Storage Facility Beedy St just west of E. Vineyard Ave

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Local News

“Flood of emails to air board were AI”, LA Times Feb 17, 2026

Tens of thousands of emails poured into Southern California’s top air pollution authority as its board weighed a June proposal to phase out gas-powered appliances. But in reality, many of the messages that may have swayed the powerful regulatory agency to scrap the plan were generated by a platform that is powered by artificial intelligence.

A Southern California-based public affairs consultant, Matt Klink, has taken credit for using CiviClick to wage the opposition campaign, including in a sponsored article on the website Campaigns & Elections.

The board rejected the proposal 7 to 5.

Local News (From Kent County, Michigan)

Kent County's First Phius Zero Home

Take the Virtual Tour + Watch the Interview



If you haven't seen it yet, start here:

 [Virtual Tour](#): Walk through the home room by room and see how high performance and great design come together seamlessly.

 [Fox17 Feature Interview](#): The story behind the home and why it matters for the future of housing in West Michigan.

PHIUS: Passive House Institute US .

Local News

Any other local news?

Upcoming Events

The Ask Sean Show March 30, 2026 5:30pm

YOU'RE INVITED

THE ASK SEAN SHOW

Sean Armstrong
Clean Energy Hall of Fame

ASK SEAN
How to Electrify Your Home
Featuring
60 A Ultra Power-Efficient Home
with minisplits, induction oven & more!

Monday, March 30th at 5:30 PM PT
RSVP at [ClimateRealityOC.Com](https://www.ClimateRealityOC.Com)

The Climate Reality Project
Orange County Chapter
South Central Coast Chapter

Redwood Energy

SAN DIEGO BUILDING
ELECTRIFICATION COALITION

Citizens' Climate Lobby
Electrification
Action Team

Register:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9xpt1QJYBw>



Upcoming Events

County of Ventura Sustainability Division outreach:

Mar 10 9:30 am - 11:00 am

2025 Energy Code in Practice: Single Family Additions and Alterations

Mar 20 4 pm – 6 pm (Santa Barbara, Shalhoob's Funk Zone Patio)

SBCA Builders & Brews Presents: Contractor Power Hour with Electrify My Home

Upcoming Events

Merito Foundation Earth Day 2026 April 18

Plaza Park, Ventura 11am – 4pm

Event Planning?

Ideas for events:

Tour of Harrison Waste facilities

Tour of Port Hueneme

Desalination Plant – Camarillo

Presentations

**The LWV Orange Coast
hosted Sammy Roth on
January 7.**



Recording Here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q-CzTQPDwk8>

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.

Video

The poster is for an event titled "State of Earth's Environment 2025 - Part 3" organized by the North County Climate Change Alliance (NCCCA). It features a portrait of Joe Houde, the President of NCCCA, on the left. The text on the right describes the event's focus on Planetary Boundaries and Climate Action Plans (CAPs). The event is scheduled for Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 5:30 PM PT. A QR code and a "Register Here" link are provided at the bottom right. The NCCCA logo is centered at the bottom.

NORTH COUNTY CLIMATE CHANGE ALLIANCE

Upcoming Events

State of Earth's Environment 2025 - Part 3

What do the Planetary Boundaries imply about desirable LOCAL ACTION? We'll explore using the PBs to inform Climate Action Plan (CAP) initiatives and desirable resilience actions. While CAPs are highly desirable roadmaps to action, we will demonstrate that EVERY CAP can be improved using the PB framework. We will conclude with a CALL TO ACTION needed in every community.

Joe Houde
President, NCCCA

Thursday, March 13, 2025, 5:30 PM PT

Register Here

NORTH COUNTY
NCCCA
CLIMATE CHANGE ALLIANCE

NCCCA "State of the Earth 2025 Part 3" Event with Joe Houde

Joe talks about actions local governments can take to fight climate change.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oE_lfI7-eH0

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

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 March 26, 2026