

Human fingerprints are all over our climate...

...and the North Olympic Peninsula is no exception.

Our Olympic Peninsula has a lot to lose as things heat up:

- Warmer, wetter winters will lead to more winter flooding and less snowpack.
- Warmer, drier summers will lead to more droughts, wildfires, and insect infestations.
- Our marine environment will be increasingly impacted by carbon-fueled acidification and changes in currents and upwelling.
- These conditions will impact homeowners, fish, wildlife, and major industries, including forest products, real estate, recreation/tourism, and fisheries.
- We could also see droves of people relocating here from places where the problems will be even worse.

The solutions to climate change, though challenging, are achievable. To fail to act decisively will mean the end of the lifestyle we now enjoy. Given the slow response of our governmental leaders, citizens and **communities must take on the challenge** to prevent disturbing consequences for future generations. Many groups have organized around the world **to take decisive action now**.

Olympic Climate Action is a group on the north Olympic Peninsula working to confront the threat of climate change and ensure a safe, prosperous, sustainable future for all.

OCA's objectives:

- Gather and share the best available science and traditional knowledge on probable local impacts of climate change and the best means to minimize (mitigate) and adapt to these impacts.
- Stimulate dialogue in the community about these issues.
- Advocate for mitigation and adaptation measures at every level.
- Serve as a hub for involvement by other local groups.

If you agree with these objectives, there are many ways you can participate. We meet monthly to discuss actions and strategies, and we have many active subcommittees working on various aspects of the climate crisis. **Visit our website at http://olyclimate.org and add your name to our mailing list!**

