

HOT OFF THE WIRE

Climate Updates to Keep You in the Loop!

Local News

Our unusually dry spring on the Peninsula leads way to an upcoming summer drought. Snowpack in the Olympic Basin measured 68% of the median on June 1st, and the Elwha River is expected to much lower than normal through September.

Regional News

Climate Commitment Act (CCA) funding will provide stability amidst federal funding uncertainties. The second pollution auction of the year generated over \$321 million. The CCA funds local climate resilience projects like e-bikes and heat pumps to aid in decarbonization. A map of CCA projects can be found here.

National Highlight

After inauguration, the Trump Administration scrubbed federal sites of climate research and information, including maps and reports that policymakers, community leaders, and scientists use. The Administration recently restored the data thanks to collaborative legal action.



Columbia River Agreement with Tribes, States, and Environmentalists Cancelled

The initiative's goal was to to restore Columbia Basin's Salmon runs and incentive clean tribal energy development. The agreement allotted \$200 Million over 20 years to re-introduce salmon in habitats blocked by dams in exchange for tribes, states, and environmentalists to put legal battles aside. Legal battles to protect the watershed will likely reopen. Read more here.

National Monuments under Threat for Mining

6 National Monuments in the West are being considered as possible sites for fossil fuel generation



Take Action

1. [Send a Letter](#) to Congress for to Protect Salmon with Washington Conservation Action
2. [Comment](#) period for the ITT Rayonier Mill Site cleanup is open until August 12.
3. Urge DNR not to clearcut "Doc Holliday" by [signing a letter](#) of solidarity with the S'Klallam People

Upcoming Events

1. Rayonier Cleanup Open House, Field Hall, July 8th at 5pm.

Newsletter Submissions

Submit news, events, action items, or images to be included to ocanewslettersubmissions@gmail.com

A draft of the Department of Interior's internal strategic plan was recently released, showing intentions under the Antiquities Act of 1906 to remove national monument designations. Conservationists and Indigenous advocates have argued that this is an ideological - not a resource management - issue. National Monuments on the list, like Grand Staircase Escalante in Utah, are vital cultural and ecological resources. Environmental and historical protections are proposed to be removed as well.

Check it Out!

Regional Resources - Free

[Puget Sound Info](#) – Collaborative platform for sharing and reporting Puget Sound Restoration Efforts.

[Northwest Climate Adaptation Science Center](#)

[Newsletter](#) – Latest Science, Tools, and Opportunities across the Northwest for Climate Resilience and Adaptation.

[Columbia Riverkeeper](#) – Clean water and salmon restoration research and education.

[Washington Climate Policy Dashboard](#) – See WA climate legislation and policy updates

[North Olympic Salmon Coalition Newsletter](#)

[North Olympic Land Trust Monthly Newsletter](#)

National Newsletters - Free

[The Grist Newsletters](#) – Periodic Non-profit climate newsletters.

[InsideClimateNews](#) – variety of nonpartisan climate newsletters