

# HOT OFF THE WIRE

## Climate News to Keep You in the Loop

### Local News

On November 12th, the State's Forest Practices Board voted to update a rule allowing for larger forest buffers along headwater streams. This is a huge win for stream protection and received over 800 public comments in support of stream protection. Keep commenting and signing for local conservation efforts!

### Regional News

Is Mt. Rainier shrinking? New research shows that global warming and snowpack reduction has shrunk Mt. Rainier's summit.

### National Highlight

The Conference of Parties (COP), which is the annual international climate conference between nations, was held in Belém this month. COP 30 was titled the "implementation" COP, meaning the agenda focused less on *what* needed to be done but *how* nations work together on climate. It was a deeply divisive COP, which caused concern among climate activists because fossil fuel roadmaps were pushed out and no commitments were made. Read more [here](#).

Read some more [here](#).



### Where Do Climate Commitment Act Dollars Go?

*Following funding from polluters to projects statewide.*

The Climate Commitment Act (CCA) was passed in 2021 and is funded by a carbon tax. There has been ongoing debate on how funds are allocated, and the state recently released detailed project lists of projects funded by the CCA. In 2024 and 2025, over 75 projects were funded in Jefferson and Clallam Counties. They can be viewed visually on this mapping dashboard from the Department of Ecology.



## Take Action

1. Check out this free platform from the Sierra Club to explore rooftop solar for your home.
2. Do you do a Trader Joe's haul before heading back to the Peninsula? If you're a customer, consider signing this petition against single use plastics.

## Upcoming Events

1. The Quilcene Repair Event is December 5th! More information [here](#).
2. Wintertide Festival of Lights is December 13th at the Port Angeles Fine Arts Center.
3. Support the North Olympic Salmon Coalition at a volunteer planting event this early December!

## Newsletter Submissions

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Statewide, over \$300 million are going directly to reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

You can read more [here](#) about statewide impacts.

## 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

## ***How to claim federal clean energy credits before they disappear:***

Check out [this article](#) from the New York Times outlining federal, state, and local incentives that are still available.